THE WORDS OF THE INSTITUTION AND COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, eternal God, for uniting us with Christ and with all the faithful in every place. May we be nourished to serve you with courage and with joy in our daily living. Remind us that we belong to you and make us open to your Spirit's leading. Send us out to show your love to all we meet. Oh Lord, keep us faithful, keep us honest, keep us grateful, keep us humble, this we pray in the name of Jesus our Lord, Amen.

HYMN #339 *"Be Thou My Vision"*
(The Presbyterian Hymnal)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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Our Visitors

We welcome you to worship today. If you are visiting with us please feel free to speak to the pastor or one of our greeters if you have questions or want more information about Bethpage.

Bethpage is a church committed to children and families and their needs. We have a nursery for infants through three-year-olds and Kids of the Kingdom for four-year-olds through first grade. There are activity sheets and children's Bibles for older children. Feel free to keep your child with you in worship through the Time With Children if that works for your family. Our nursery caregiver is Stephanie Pritchard. Stephanie will text you if your child needs you during worship.

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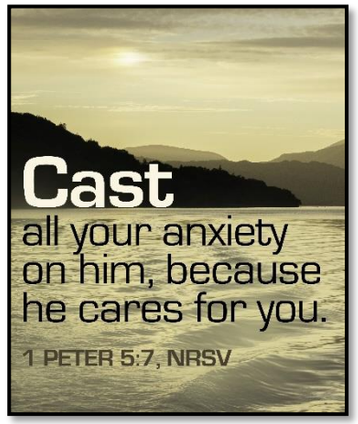
Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!

"A family of faith in Jesus Christ, yesterday, today, and tomorrow."

June 7, 2026
10:00 AM



GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND GREETING

OPENING MUSIC #2274 *"Come, All You People"*
(Sing the Faith Hymnal)

CALL TO WORSHIP

And God created the heavens and the earth.

And gave them to us to use and enjoy.

And God breathed life into each of us, and set us upon the earth.

And God sent Jesus Christ to save us from the pull of death.

Everything that fills our souls with gladness and our lives with light is a gift from the loving creator.

We have been entrusted with unfathomable riches. For all this, our God is to be praised.

HYMN #481 *"Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show"*
(The Presbyterian Hymnal)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, We come seeking you and your forgiveness. You know our motivations, our cares, our anxiety, and our missed opportunities. O Lord, forgive us. We are sorry for our blindness to the needs of others. Open our hearts and expand our understanding so that we may see others as you see them. Help us to love and to forgive. Help us to recognize that in Jesus' death and resurrection is the forgiveness of all our sins and an invitation to begin again. O Lord, hear our silent confessions . . .

RESPONSE #2152 *"Change My Heart, O God"*
(Sing the Faith Hymnal)

GOD'S GRACE AND PROMISE

RESPONSE *"Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines on Me"*

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

TIME WITH CHILDREN

ANTHEM

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 27 (Psalms Now)

HYMN #210 *"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"*
(verse 5 only, The Presbyterian Hymnal)

NEW TESTAMENT READINGS Matthew 6:34 (The Message)
1 Peter 5:7 (GNT)
Philippians 4:6-7 (CEB)

SERMON *"Anxious Times"* Valerie Hicks

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

GIVING GOD OUR OFFERING and OUR 10¢-A-MEAL OFFERING

Offertory

Doxology *(sung)*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

O God, We offer ourselves with our gifts, recognizing that all we have is yours. Use them and us to fulfill your purposes. May our offerings do far more than we can imagine. In the spirit of Christ, we pray. Amen.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

HYMN #513 *"Let Us Break Bread Together"*
(The Presbyterian Hymnal)

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Minister continues . . .

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.