

THE SENDING

***CLOSING HYMN #176** "Be Thou My Vision"

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***POSTLUDE**

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*An asterisk indicates that all who are able may stand.

TO OUR VISITORS

We welcome you to our worship. We hope that you will return to worship with us again! We have a nursery lovingly and carefully attended by church members.

MEMBERSHIP

We welcome into membership all who love Jesus Christ, accept him as Lord of all life, and seek to serve him as part of his body in the church. We invite you to speak to one of our elders, greeting you at the door as you leave the worship service.

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC

LOOKING AHEAD

The Cabarrus County LunchPlus Club for Seniors provides a Drive Thru Lunch Pickup at BPC Fellowship Hall, Monday – Friday, 11:30 AM – 12:45 PM.

Sunday, July 11

1,000 Can Challenge to benefit CCM through July 31st
9:00 AM – Sunday School in the BPC Fellowship Hall
10:00 AM – Worship Service

Monday, July 12

7:15 PM – Mission/Evangelism Committee
7:15 PM – Worship Committee

Tuesday, July 13

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM – Christian Education Committee

Sunday, July 18

1,000 Can Challenge to benefit CCM through July 31st
9:00 AM – Sunday School in the BPC Fellowship Hall
10:00 AM – Worship Service with Rev. Dr. Jan Edmiston, General Presbyter

Monday, July 19

7:00 PM – Session Meeting

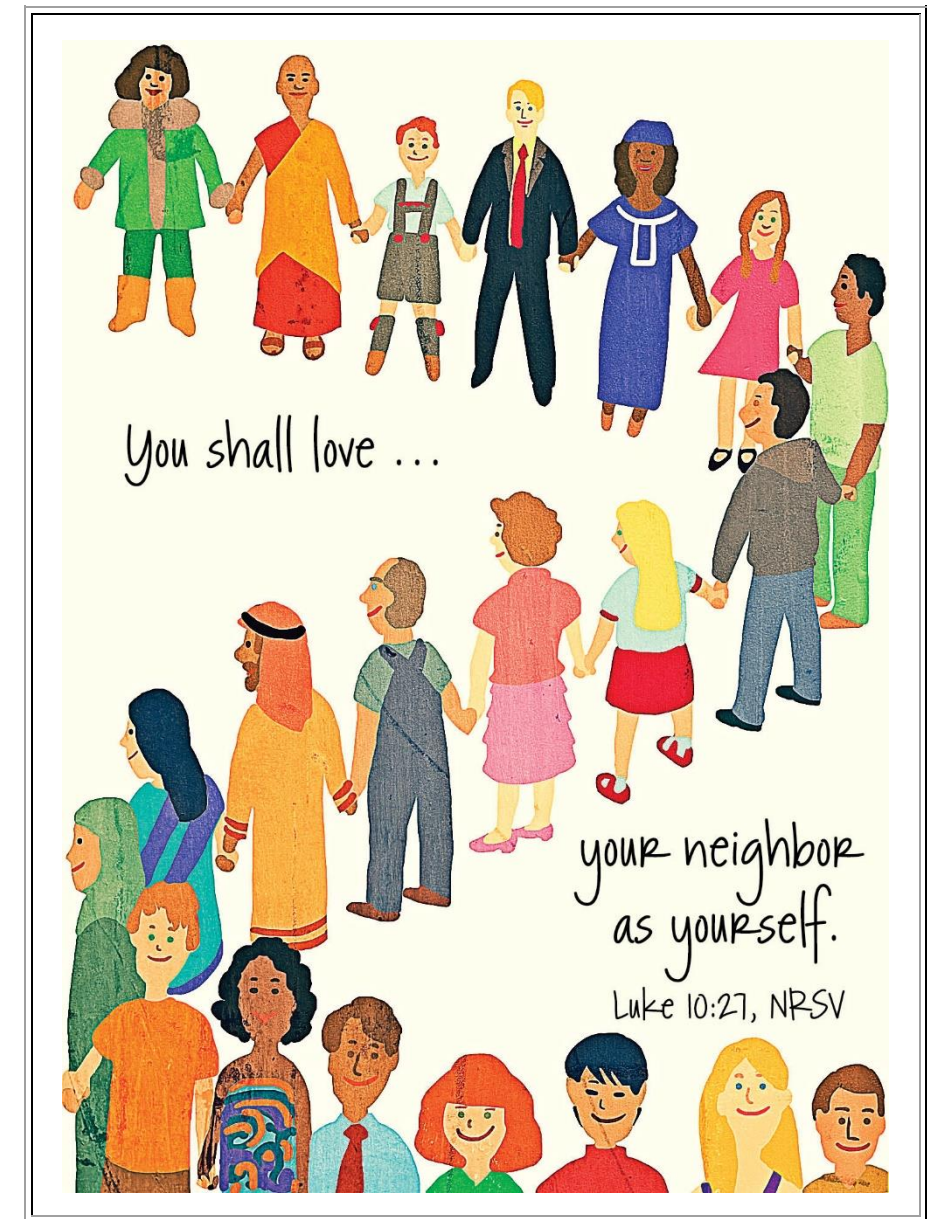
Wednesday, July 21

7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, July 25

1,000 Can Challenge to benefit CCM through July 31st
9:00 AM – Sunday School in the BPC Fellowship Hall
10:00 AM – Worship Service with Elder Ordination and Installation

THE SESSION OF OUR CHURCH	CLASS OF 2021
Sherry Shifflett, <i>Clerk</i> Dennis Graybeal, <i>Treasurer</i> Jenny Linebarrier, <i>Asst. Treasurer</i>	Chris Ferguson, <i>Mission/Evangelism</i> Brandi Lackey, <i>Christian Education</i> Linda VanPelt, <i>Fellowship</i>
CLASS OF 2020	CLASS OF 2022
Jean Brown, <i>Communications</i> Ed Kusper, <i>Stewardship</i> Madison Scarborough, <i>Personnel</i>	Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Christel Josey, <i>Property</i> Dougie Kirkman, <i>Property</i>



Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!
July 11, 2021

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

We are excited that you have joined us in worshipping God today. Whether you are just visiting, looking to stay or have worshipped here your whole life, it is great to worship the Lord together this day!



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DAILY LECTIONARY

Sunday, July 11	Monday, July 12	Tuesday, July 13	Wednesday, July 14	Thursday, July 15	Friday, July 16	Saturday, July 17
<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 103; 150 <i>1st Read:</i> 1 Samuel 17:50-18:4 <i>2nd Read:</i> Rom. 10:4-17 <i>Gospel:</i> Mt. 23:29-39 <i>Evening:</i> Ps. 117; 139	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 5; 145 <i>1st Read:</i> 1 Sam. 18:5-16 (17-27a) 27b-30 <i>2nd Read:</i> Acts 11:19-30 <i>Gospel:</i> Mark 1:29-45 <i>Evening:</i> Ps. 82; 29	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 42; 146 <i>1st Read:</i> 1 Samuel 19:1-18 (19-24) <i>2nd Read:</i> Acts 12:1-17 <i>Gospel:</i> Mark 2:1-12 <i>Evening:</i> Ps. 102; 133	<i>Morning:</i> Psalms 89:1-18; 147:1-11 <i>1st Read:</i> 1 Sam. 20:1-23 <i>2nd Read:</i> Acts 12:18-25 <i>Gospel:</i> Mark 2:13-22 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 1; 33	<i>Morning:</i> Psalms 97; 147:12-20 <i>1st Read:</i> 1 Sam. 20:24-42 <i>2nd Read:</i> Acts 13:1-12 <i>Gospel:</i> Mark 2:23-3:6 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 16; 62	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 51; 148 <i>1st Read:</i> 1 Sam. 21:1-15 <i>2nd Read:</i> Acts 13:13-25 <i>Gospel:</i> Mark 3:7-19a <i>Evening:</i> Ps. 142; 65	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 104; 149 <i>1st Read:</i> 1 Sam. 22:1-23 <i>2nd Read:</i> Acts 13:26-43 <i>Gospel:</i> Mark 3:19b-35 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 138; 98

The Service for the Lord's Day Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 11, 2021

10:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY CHIMES

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(from Psalm 100:3, 5)

Pastor: Know that the Lord is God.

People: It is God who has made us, and we belong to God.

Pastor: We are God's people, and the sheep of God's pasture.

People: For the Lord is good;

Pastor: God's steadfast love endures forever.

ALL: And God's faithfulness to all generations.

*OPENING HYMN #96 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(The Book of Common Worship, Presbyterian Church in Canada)

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. *(Please take a moment for silent confession.)*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: . . . Friends believe the good news of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE (sung)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

THE WORD

TIME WITH YOUNGER CHRISTIANS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Cheryl Kusper

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Amos 7:7-15 (Pew Bible, OT, p. 855)

⁷This is what he showed me: The Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; ⁹the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

¹⁰Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'"

¹²And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; ¹³but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

¹⁴Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 10:25-37 (Pew Bible, NT, p. 71)

²⁵Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

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²⁹But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

SERMON

"Visions of Hospitality"

Rev. Matt Samson

*HYMN #316 "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared, first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is Christ, the Child of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

GIVING GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

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