

**GIVING GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS
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

THE SENDING

***HYMN #376** *"What Grace Is Mine"*
 ("Hymns of Grace" Hymnal)

***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.
(Except for August 2nd – 6th as noted below)

Sunday, August 1
 10¢-A-Meal Offering to be received
 9:00 AM – Sunday School in the BPC Fellowship Hall
 10:00 AM – Worship Service

Mon. August 2nd – Fri. August 6th
 LunchPlus Club closed

Wednesday, August 4
 7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, August 8
 9:00 AM – Sunday School in the BPC Fellowship Hall
 10:00 AM – Worship Service

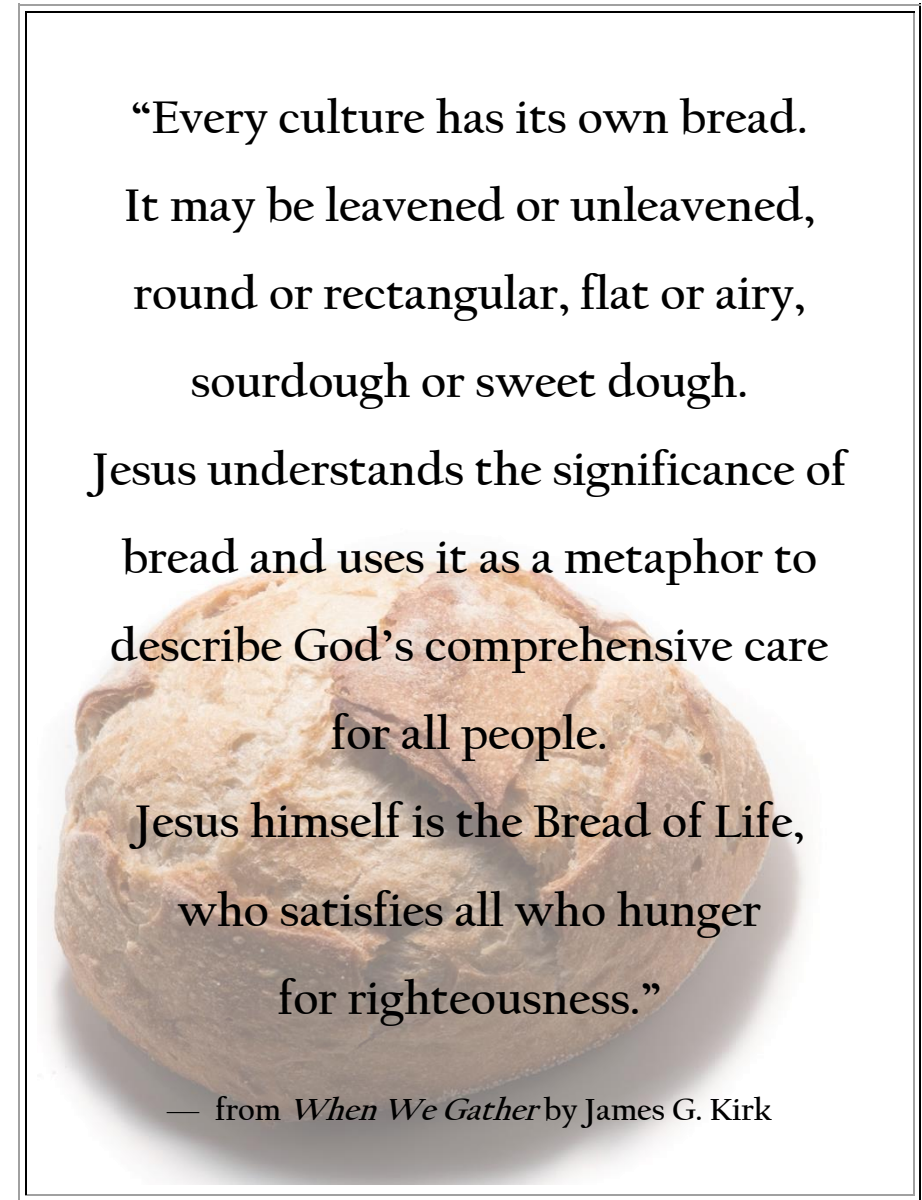
Monday, August 9
 7:15 PM – Mission/Evangelism Committee
 7:15 PM – Worship Committee

Tuesday, August 10
 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall
 7:00 PM – Christian Education Committee

Thursday, August 12
 6:30 PM – Personnel Committee

Sunday, August 15
 9:00 AM – Sunday School in the BPC Fellowship Hall
 10:00 AM – Worship Service with Communion

THE SESSION OF OUR CHURCH	CLASS OF 2022
Sherry Shifflett, <i>Clerk</i> Jenny Linebarrier, <i>Asst. Treasurer</i>	Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Christel Josey, <i>Property</i> Dougie Kirkman, <i>Property</i>
CLASS OF 2023	CLASS OF 2024
Richie Goodman Ed Kusper, <i>Stewardship</i> Carrie Paxton	Chris Ferguson, <i>Mission/Evangelism</i> Hannah Jackson, <i>Communications</i> Sherry Shifflett



Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!
August 1, 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, August 1	Monday, August 2	Tuesday, August 3	Wednesday, August 4	Thursday, August 5	Friday, August 6	Saturday, August 7
<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 108; 150 <i>1st Read:</i> 2 Samuel 6:12-23 <i>2nd Read:</i> Rom. 14:7-12 <i>Gospel:</i> John 1:43-51 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 66; 23	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 62; 145 <i>1st Read:</i> 2 Sam. 7:1-17 <i>2nd Read:</i> Acts 18:1-11 <i>Gospel:</i> Mark 8:11-21 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 73; 9	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 12; 146 <i>1st Read:</i> 2 Sam. 7:18-29 <i>2nd Read:</i> Acts 18:12-28 <i>Gospel:</i> Mark 8:22-33 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 36; 7	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 96; 147:1-11 <i>1st Read:</i> 2 Samuel 9:1-13 <i>2nd Read:</i> Acts 19:1-10 <i>Gospel:</i> Mark 8:34-9:1 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 132; 134	<i>Morning:</i> Psalms 116; 147:12-20 <i>1st Read:</i> 2 Sam. 11:1-27 <i>2nd Read:</i> Acts 19:11-20 <i>Gospel:</i> Mark 9:2-13 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 26; 130	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 84; 148 <i>1st Read:</i> 2 Sam. 12:1-14 <i>2nd Read:</i> Acts 19:21-41 <i>Gospel:</i> Mark 9:14-29 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 25; 40	<i>Morning:</i> Psalms 63; 149 <i>1st Read:</i> 2 Sam. 12:15-31 <i>2nd Read:</i> Acts 20:1-16 <i>Gospel:</i> Mark 9:30-41 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 125; 90

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

August 1, 2021

10:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY CHIMES

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The bread of heaven, the food of life, awaits us here.

People: We are hungry and long for God's abundance.

Leader: The promise of deep forgiveness surrounds us here.

People: We are lost and yearning to be found.

Leader: God waits to pour out the gifts of the Spirit,

People: that we might live the life of faith.

All: Let us worship God!

***HYMN #354** "The Church's One Foundation"
("Hymns of Grace" Hymnal)

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Eternal God, you desire truth in our very beings. We treat others unjustly, but do not admit our sin against you.

People: Put a new and right spirit within us.

Leader: We are outraged when someone else is unjust, but do not admit our own guilt.

People: Put a new and right spirit within us.

Leader: We demand punishment for others, but do not admit our own fear of punishment.

People: Put a new and right spirit within us.

Leader: O God, teach us again that you desire honesty of heart.

People: Forgive us; put a new and right spirit within us, and open our lips to declare your praise. Amen.

(Please take a moment for silent confession.)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, hear the Good News! Hope is held out in God's call to you.

People: One Christ, one faith, one baptism, one God, parent of us all.

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia! 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

Connie Goodman

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Sherry Shifflett

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15 (Pew Bible, OT, p. 62)

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.

⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" ¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The LORD spoke to Moses and said, ¹²"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"

¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 6:24-35 (Pew Bible, NT, p. 98)

²⁴So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?" ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

SERMON

"Spiritual Nutrition" Rev. Betsy Williamson

***HYMN #61** "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"
("Hymns of Grace" Hymnal)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. 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.