

TO 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 and childcare for infants through kindergarten. Feel free to keep your child in worship through the Time With the Children if that works for your family. Jaymie Barrier our children's caregiver will take your cell phone number and will text you if your child needs you during worship.

INTERESTED IN SINGING??

It is a great time to join the choir. If you have ever wanted to try singing with the choir to see if it is for you, now is the time. On Wednesday, August 31st we will be listening to the Christmas Musical as well as receiving rehearsal CDs, books and rehearsal schedules to help you learn the musical. We will practice one song from the musical each week at rehearsal, as well as rehearse our weekly anthem and service music. So again, you are invited to join us on Wednesday nights for choir rehearsal at 7:00. Hope to see you there.

SERMON NOTES

| THIS WEEK AT BPC | LOOKING AHEAD |
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| <p>The Cabarrus County LunchPlus Club for Seniors provides Indoor Dining and Meal Pickup in the BPC Fellowship Hall, Monday – Friday. Doors open 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Lunch serving times 11:30 AM – 12:15 PM.</p> | |
| <p>Sunday, August 14 9:00 AM – Children’s Sunday School – Room 202 9:00 AM – Sunday School – Room 200 10:00 AM – Worship Service</p> <p>Monday, August 15 3:30 – 7:30 PM – Red Cross Blood Drive in BPC Fellowship Hall 7:00 PM – Session Meeting</p> <p>Wednesday, August 17 11:30 AM – LUNCH OUT at Logan’s Roadhouse 7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>Saturday, August 20 9:30 AM – Presbytery Meeting at Trinity PC, Charlotte 6:00 PM – Community Choir Outing at Ed & Cheryl Kuser’s</p> | <p>Sunday, August 21 9:00 AM – Children’s Sunday School – Room 202 9:00 AM – Sunday School – Room 200 10:00 AM – Worship Service</p> <p>Tuesday, August 23 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall</p> <p>Wednesday, August 24 7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>Sunday, August 28 9:00 AM – Children’s Sunday School – Room 202 9:00 AM – Sunday School – Room 200 10:00 AM – Worship Service</p> |

| THE SESSION OF OUR CHURCH | CLASS OF 2022 |
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| <p>Valerie Hicks, <i>Moderator</i> Melissa Wright, <i>Clerk</i></p> | <p>Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Christel Josey, <i>Property</i> Dougie Kirkman, <i>Christian Education</i></p> |
| CLASS OF 2023 | CLASS OF 2024 |
| <p>Richie Goodman, <i>Stewardship</i> Ed Kuser, <i>Congregational Care</i> Melissa Wright, <i>Clerk</i></p> | <p>Chris Ferguson, <i>Mission/Evangelism</i> Hannah Jackson, <i>Communications</i> Sherry Shifflett, <i>Personnel</i></p> |



Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!
August 14, 2022

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

August 14, 2022

10:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE "Praise Him! Praise Him!"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in this time and place as God's people.

With all our hearts, let us give thanks to the Lord.

We gather in this time and place as the church of Jesus Christ.

With all our minds, let us seek Christ's will for this new day.

We gather in this time and place as those who rely upon the power of the Holy Spirit.

With all our voices, let us sing praises to God.

HYMN #155 "Rejoice, the Lord Is King"
([The Presbyterian Hymnal](#))

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Life giving God, we are filled with fear and doubt. We worry that we do not have enough. We are overwhelmed by the world's problems. We see danger everywhere. We are blind to your work. Give us trusting hearts. Show us life's possibilities. Heal the world's brokenness. Use us as agents of change. Remove our doubt and fear, and teach us to live in you. Forgive us and hear our silent prayers . . . (Please take a moment for silent confession.)

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

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. People of faith, hear the good news: By God's grace we are forgiven.

**We will live as a forgiven people from this day forward.
Alleluia! Amen.**

RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"Glory Be to the Father" GLORIA PATRI

**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, Amen.**

THE WORD

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

ANTHEM "Open the Eyes of My Heart"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 146

NEW TESTAMENT READINGS Amanda Beam
Matthew 6:25-34 and Philippians 4:4-7

SERMON "Worry Not" Rev. Valerie Hicks

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in the one God, creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations, the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love. We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, our teacher, example and Redeemer, the Savior of the world. We believe in the Holy Spirit, God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength. We believe in the forgiveness of sins, in the life of love and prayer, and in grace equal to every need. We believe in the Word of God contained in the Old and New Testaments as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice. We believe in the church, those who are united in the living Lord for the purpose of worship and service. We believe in the reign of God as the divine will realized in human society, and in the family of God, where we are all brothers and sisters. We believe in the final triumph of righteousness and in the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN #67 "Still, My Soul, Be Still"
([Hymns of Grace Hymnal](#))

GIVING GOD OUR OFFERING

Offertory "Holy Spirit"
Marcia Graybeal and Jean Brown

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

Thank you, God, for the opportunity to share in your creative and restorative work among people. Because you have blessed us, we have much to give. These offerings express our gratitude and our aspiration to be more fully your own loyal community. In Christ's name, Amen.

SHARING OF 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.

THE SENDING

HYMN #2022 "Great Is the Lord"
([Sing the Faith Hymnal](#))

BLESSING AND CHARGE

POSTLUDE "My Father's World"

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