

PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

[If you have a prayer concern or joy to share during the week, please email Rev. Ellen at ellen@bethpagechurch.org]

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC

Thur, August 3 - Wed, August 9
Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner out of the office

Sunday, August 6
10¢-A-Meal Offering to be received
8:45 – 9:00 AM – Coffee Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM – Sunday School
9:55 AM – Worship Service
10:00 – 11:00 AM – LMCS Bible Study
11:20 AM – 1:30 PM – LMCS Worship in Sanctuary
1:00 – 4:00 PM – LMCS in BPC Fellowship Hall and Pavilion
6:00 PM – Young Adults Small Group at the Paxtons

Monday, August 7
2:00 PM – Nurture Committee

Tuesday, August 8
6:00 PM – Property Committee
6:30 PM – Personnel Committee
7:00 PM – Christian Education Committee

Wednesday, August 9
10:00 AM – Mary’s Bible Study - Session Rm

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, August 13
8:45 – 9:00 AM – Coffee Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM – Sunday School
9:55 AM – Worship Service with Communion
10:00 – 11:00 AM – LMCS Bible Study
11:20 AM – 1:30 PM – LMCS Worship in Sanctuary
1:00 – 4:00 PM – LMCS in BPC Fellowship Hall and Pavilion

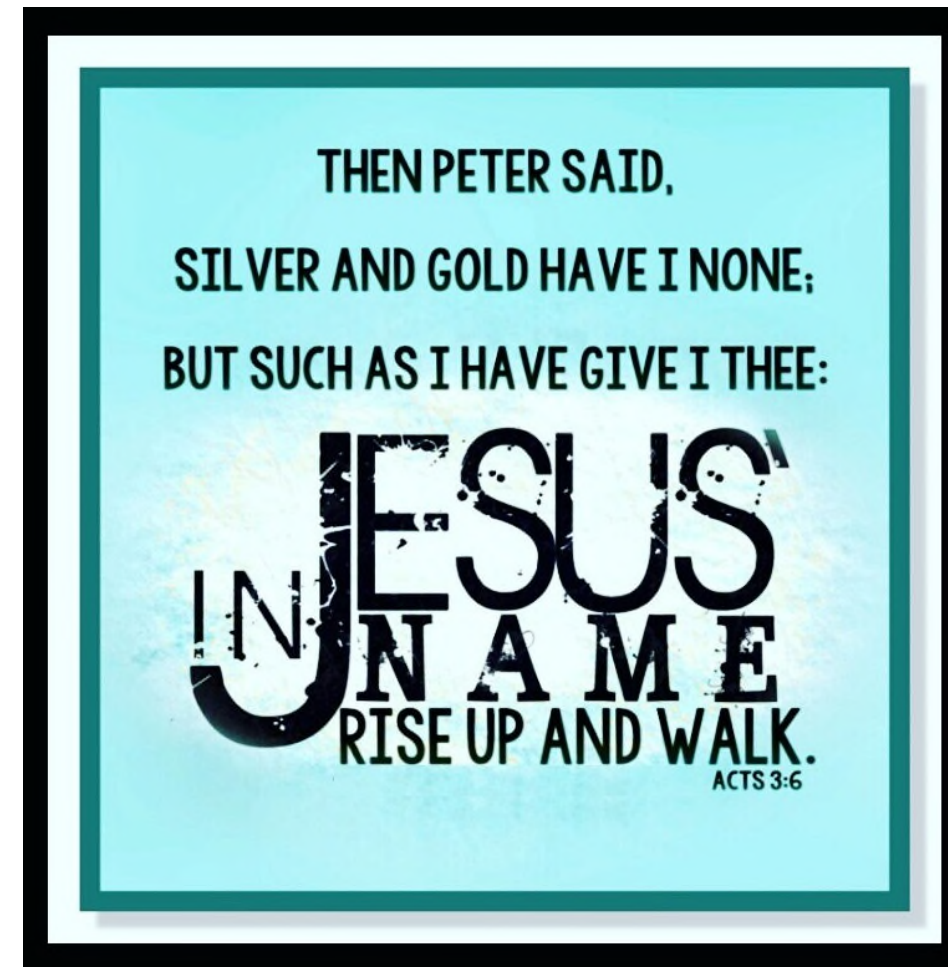
Monday, August 14
4:30 PM – Stewardship Committee
7:00 PM – Gathering Time
7:15 PM – Ministry Area Teams

Tuesday, August 15
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, August 16
10:00 AM – Mary’s Bible Study - Session Rm
6:30 PM – Choir

Saturday, August 19
9:00 AM – Charlotte Presbytery Meeting at BPC

Sunday, August 20
8:45 – 9:00 AM – Coffee Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM – Sunday School
9:55 AM – Worship Service
10:00 – 11:00 AM – LMCS Bible Study
11:20 AM – 1:30 PM – LMCS Worship in Sanctuary
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Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!

August 6, 2017

“A family of faith yesterday, today, and tomorrow.”



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We are excited that you have joined us in worshipping God today. If you are a visitor, please pick up a church information brochure, found in the pew holders. Please, let us get to know you a little better by filling out the information card, inside the brochure. You can drop it in the offering plate. 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!

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

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

August 6, 2017

9:55 A.M.

THE GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP/PRAYER CARDS)

Carrie Paxton

***WELCOME & PASSING OF THE PEACE**

TRINITY CHIMES

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Author of all life, you have given us breath to praise you, eyes to behold your healing, mercy and words to proclaim your abiding love. Awake or asleep we exist with the assurance that you will never forsake us, even in our deepest trials or pain. Breathe upon our worship this day with your promised Holy Spirit, that our minds may be owned to your WORD and our tongues may be loosed as we leave here, boldly declaring, "you alone are our Lord and God" Amen..

PRELUDE

"I Shall Say Farewell to Thee"

J.S. Bach

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Dougie Kirkman

Leader: *Oh God, be gracious to me and hear my prayers.*

Congregation: **Know that God has set us apart and hears us when we call.**

Leader: *O God, lift up the light of your countenance upon us.*

Congregation: **O God, be gracious to us and hear our prayers.**

ALL: Let us worship God!

***HYMN 398**

"There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

SWEET, SWEET, SPIRIT

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

Marty Paxton

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Eternal and merciful God, you have loved us with a love beyond our understanding, and you have set us on paths of righteousness for your Name's sake. Yet we have strayed from your way; we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, through what we have done and what we have left undone. As we remember the lavish gift of your grace symbolized in baptism, O God, we praise you and give you thanks that you forgive us yet again. Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ, who lives and reigns with you, and in whose strong Name we pray. Amen. *(Please, take a moment for silent confession.)*

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE HYMN 579**

"Glory 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 YOUNGER CHRISTIANS

Heather Kirkman

ANTHEM

"Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me"

Arr. by K. Lee Scott

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Madison Scarborough

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 3:1-11 ([Bible](#), NT p. 120)

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

"God Moments"

Dennis Graybeal

***HYMN 390**

"O Savior, in This Quiet Place"

AMAZING GRACE

***ASSURANCE OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

Sherry Childers

([Hymnal](#), p. 14)

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.

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

and OUR 10¢-A-MEAL OFFERING

Offertory

"My Heart Abounds with Pleasure"

Johannes Brahms

*Doxology 592

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 392**

"Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord"

NATIONAL HYMN

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***POSTLUDE**

"Fugue in D Major"

Dietrich Buxtehude

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

TO OUR VISITORS

We welcome you to our worship, and we ask that you sign our Ritual of Friendship as it is passed along the pew. 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.

PASTORAL COUNSELING

Presbyterian Psychological Services is an integrated, interdisciplinary center for psychiatry, psychology, pastoral counseling, career counseling, and community education. We are committed to empowering all individuals, couples, and families in our community to heal and grow in an atmosphere of safety and clinical expertise. Contact info: 704-554-9900 or www.presbypsych.org.

THE SESSION OF OUR CHURCH	USHERS
Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner, <i>Moderator</i> Roger Hamilton, <i>Clerk of Session</i> Dennis Graybeal, <i>Treasurer</i>	HEAD USHER Cheryl Kusper
CLASS OF 2018	USHERS Dougie Kirkman Sandy Gaskey
Sherry Childers, <i>Personnel</i> Dougie Kirkman, <i>Mission/Evangelism</i> Brandi Lackey, <i>Christian Education</i>	LECTOR Madison Scarborough
CLASS OF 2019	CHILDREN'S NURSERY (Worship only) Rhonda Jones Leigh Ann Allen
Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Mark Gurley, <i>Property</i> Christel Josey, <i>Nurture</i>	CHILDREN'S WORSHIP Christel Josey Marsha Johnson
CLASS OF 2020	
Jean Brown, <i>Communications</i> Ed Kusper, <i>Stewardship</i> Madison Scarborough, <i>Fellowship</i>	