

PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

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

September 3

Joys: KAPM (Ed), Janice (Rev. Ellen), Stewardship committee (Rev. Ellen), New video and sound system, Sterling (Jean/Marica)
Concerns: Flooding victims (Jenny), Rose (Janice), Brenda (Jimmie), Arlin (Jimmie), Lisa (Betty)

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC

Sunday, September 10
 School Supplies Collection ends!
 8:00 – 9:00 AM – KAPM Breakfast Meeting in BPC Fellowship Hall
 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
 5:30 PM – Financial Peace University in BPC Fellowship Hall

Monday, September 11
 7:00 PM – Gathering Time
 7:15 PM – Ministry Area Teams

Tuesday, September 12
 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall
 6:00 PM – Property Committee
 6:30 PM – Personnel Committee
 7:00 PM – Christian Education Committee

Wednesday, September 13
 10:00 AM – Mary’s Bible Study - Session Rm
 6:30 PM – Choir

Saturday, September 16
 1:00 PM – Set up for Bridal Shower in BPC Fellowship Hall on Sunday

Sunday, September 17
 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

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, September 17
 11:20 AM – 1:30 PM – LMCS Worship in Sanctuary
 1:00 – 4:00 PM – LMCS in BPC Pavilion
 2:00 – 4:00 PM – Bridal Shower for Amber Barton in BPC Fellowship Hall
 5:30 PM – Financial Peace University in BPC Fellowship Hall

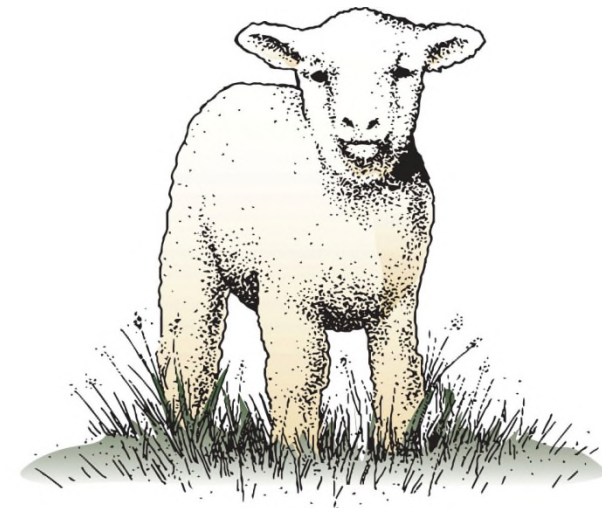
Monday, September 18
 7:00 PM – Session Meeting

Tuesday, September 19
 5:30 – 8:30 PM – Girl Scouts in BPC Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, September 20
 10:00 AM – Mary’s Bible Study - Session Rm
 6:30 PM – Choir

Thursday, September 21
 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM – “Suds of Love” at Harris Laundromat
 6:00 – 9:00 PM – “Suds of Love” at Harris Laundromat

Sunday, September 24
 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 – Private Event in BPC Fellowship Hall
 1:00 – 4:00 PM – LMCS in BPC Pavilion
 5:30 PM – Financial Peace University in BPC Fellowship Hall



“Behold,
THE LAMB OF GOD,
 who takes away
THE SIN OF THE WORLD!”
JOHN 1:29, ESV

Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!

September 10, 2017

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



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DAILY LECTIONARY

Sunday, September 10	Monday, September 11	Tuesday, September 12	Wednesday, September 13	Thursday, September 14	Friday, September 15	Saturday, September 16
Morning: Psalms 103; 150 1 st Reading: 1 Kings 12:21-33 2 nd Reading: Acts 4:18-31 Gospel: John 10:31-42 Evening: Psalms 117; 139	Morning: Psalms 5; 145 1 st Reading: 1 Kings 13:1-10 2 nd Reading: Phil. 1:1-11 Gospel: Mark 15:40-47 Evening: Psalms 82; 29	Morning: Psalms 42; 146 1 st Reading: 1 Kings 16:23-34 2 nd Reading: Phil. 1:12-30 Gospel: Mark 16:1-8 (9-20) Evening: Psalms 102; 133	Morning: Psalms 89:1-18; 147:1-11 1 st Reading: 1 Kings 17:1-24 2 nd Reading: Phil. 2:1-11 Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12 Evening: Psalms 1; 33	Morning: Ps. 97; 147:12-20 1 st Reading: 1 Kings 18:1-19 2 nd Reading: Phil. 2:12-30 Gospel: Matthew 2:13-23 Evening: Psalms 16; 62	Morning: Psalms 51; 148 1 st Reading: 1 Kings 18:20-40 2 nd Reading: Phil. 3:1-16 Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12 Evening: Psalms 142; 65	Morning: Psalms 104; 149 1 st Reading: 1 Kings 18:41-19:8 2 nd Reading: Phil. 3:17-4:7 Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17 Evening: Psalms 138; 98

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!

The Service for the Lord's Day
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

September 10, 2017

9:55 A.M.

THE GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP/PRAYER CARDS)

*WELCOME & PASSING OF THE PEACE

TRINITY CHIMES

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Prepare our hearts, we pray, to worship and adore you this day.
Amen.

PRELUDE

"Rosace"

Henry Mulet

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: I was glad when they said to me,

Congregation: "Let us go into the house of the Lord!"

ALL: Let us worship God!

*HYMN 40

"Joy to the World!"

ANTIOCH

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, you have created us good, very good, given us the law of Moses, the fulfillment of that Law in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and your Holy Spirit; enabling us to be born anew to an eternal life as your children. Yet, O God, we confess that we often succumb to the strong attraction of sin and its ways of death. Such weakness confounds us! We confess that while your presence should be our first and only sight, it is not. Lord, give us the vision and courage, like John the Baptist, to choose to wait for your presence and then to follow you where ever you lead . . . taking as many others as will see and go along with us on this journey of faith. Lord, please remove the cataract of sin; that we might truly see you again. Amen. (Please, take a moment to confess the blindness of sin in your life, today.)

*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

ANTHEM

"And the Father Will Dance" Music and arr. Mark Hayes
(based on scriptures from Zephaniah 3:14, 17 and Psalm 34:2,4)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Roger Hamilton

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 1:10-14, 29-39a (Bible, OT p. 91)
This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Did You Recognize That? The Lamb of God!"

Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner

*ASSURANCE OF FAITH

from The Heidelberg Catechism, Q & A #60

Leader: How are you righteous before God?

People: Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. In spite of the fact that my conscience accuses me that I have intensely sinned against all the commandments of God, and have not kept any one of them, and that I am still ever prone to all that is evil, nevertheless, God without any works of my own, out of pure grace, grants me the benefits of the perfect "squaring of things" by Christ, "accrediting to me" his righteousness and holiness as if I had never committed a single sin or had ever been sinful, having fulfilled myself all the obedience which Christ has carried out for me, if only I accept such favor with a trusting heart.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
& 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 WORDS OF THE INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Serving of the Bread

"Behold the Lamb" (verse 2)
*HYMN 521 "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" (verses 1-2) FINEST WHEAT

Serving of the Cup

"Behold the Lamb" (verse 3)
*HYMN 521 "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" (verses 3-4) FINEST WHEAT

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

"Behold the Lamb" (verse 3)

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise
To respond,- and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering
We proclaim Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King."

GIVING GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" J.S. Bach, arr. by Virgil Fox

*Doxology 592 OLD HUNDREDTH

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 341

"Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!"

ASSURANCE

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE

"Now Thank We All Our God"

J.S. Bach, arr. by Virgil Fox

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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.

USHERS	CHILDREN'S NURSERY (Worship only)
HEAD USHER Christel Josey	Joshua Sholly Linda VanPelt
USHERS Larry and Nelda Riggs	
LECTOR	CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
Roger Hamilton	No Children's Worship