

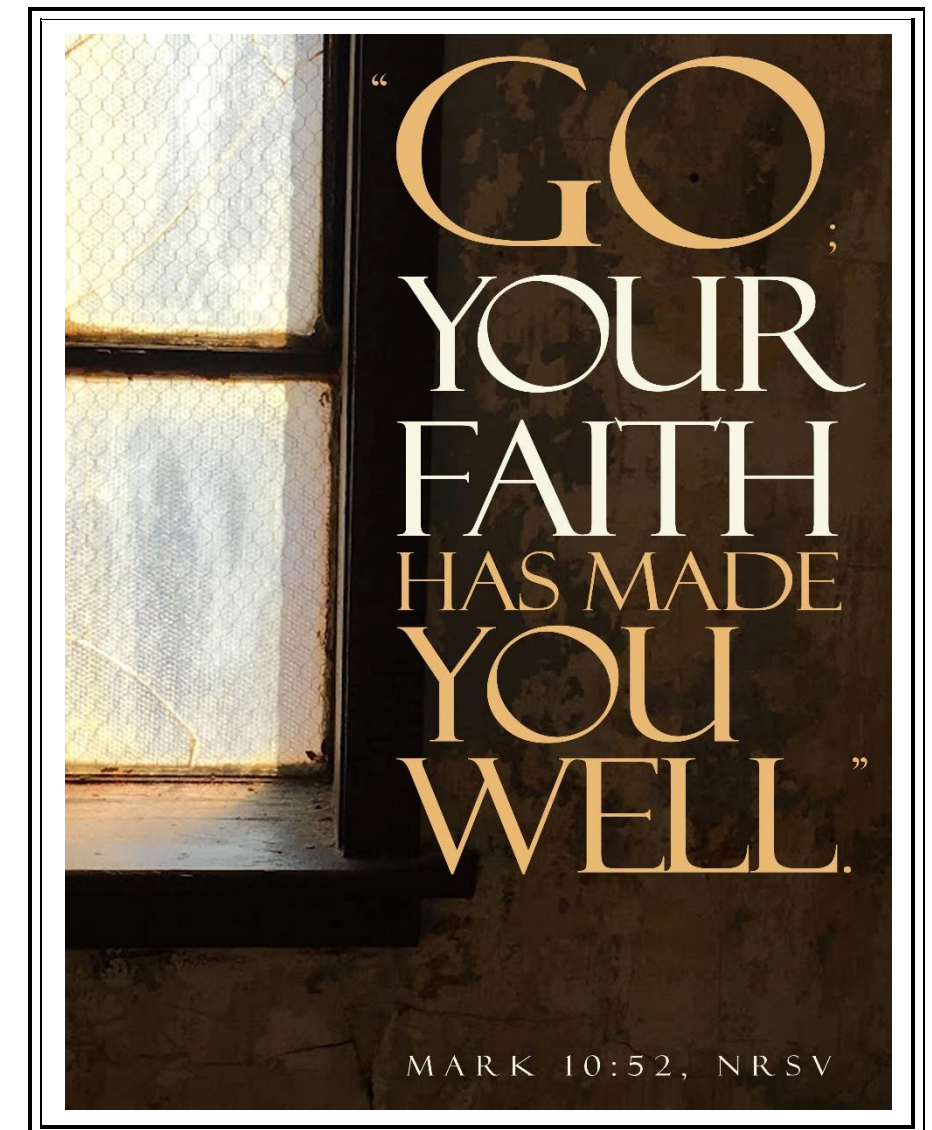
Five Types of Prayers

1. *Prayer of Praise*
2. *Prayer of Confession*
3. *Prayer of Thanksgiving*
4. *Prayer for Ourselves*
5. *Prayer for Others*

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC	LOOKING AHEAD
<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><u>Sunday, September 18</u> 9:00 AM – Children’s Sunday School – Room 202 9:00 AM – Sunday School – Room 200 10:00 AM – Worship Service</p> <p><u>Monday, September 19</u> 7:00 PM – Session Meeting</p> <p><u>Wednesday, September 21</u> 11:30 AM – LUNCH OUT at Logan’s Roadhouse 5:30 PM – GIFT Program 7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal</p> <p><u>Thursday, September 22</u> 10:00 AM – Bible Study 6:30 PM – Community Choir in BPC Fellowship Hall</p>	<p><u>Sunday, September 25</u> 9:00 AM – Children’s Sunday School – Room 202 9:00 AM – Sunday School – Room 200 10:00 AM – Worship Service Outdoors followed by Lunch and BPC’s Birthday Celebration</p> <p><u>Tuesday, September 27</u> 6:30 PM – Kannapolis Area Presbyterian Men Meeting at Second PC</p> <p><u>Wednesday, September 28</u> 5:30 PM – GIFT Program 7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal</p> <p><u>Thursday, September 29</u> 10:00 AM – Bible Study 6:30 PM – Community Choir in BPC Fellowship Hall</p> <p><u>Sunday, October 2</u> WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY 10¢-A-Meal Offering to be received 9:00 AM – Children’s Sunday School – Room 202 9:00 AM – Sunday School – Room 200 10:00 AM – Worship Service with Communion</p>

THE SESSION OF OUR CHURCH	CLASS OF 2022
<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 Kusper, <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!
 September 18, 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 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 18, 2022

10:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE "His Eye is on the Sparrow" Arr. Mark Hayes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

God's steadfast love extends beyond the farthest star, yet that love is also present among us.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

God's saving acts were experienced by our ancestors, and God continues to act in our own day.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all God's benefits.

God's concern is for all creation, for all worlds, yet that care draws us close in these moments.

The whole creation is filled with eager longing; bless the Lord, all who live in hope.

HYMN #29 "Creation Sings"
(verses 1 & 3, [Hymns of Grace](#))

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most loving God, we can scarcely comprehend the scope of your forgiveness, we can hardly believe your amazing care for us. We confess that often we close ourselves off from your saving presence; and in our pride, we withhold forgiveness from other people. O Lord, forgive us our self-centeredness. We are sorry for neglecting those who are hurting, those who need your comfort. We have been more ready to care for those we love than getting to know the stranger in our midst. Forgive our myopic perspective. Open our minds that we might see others with your eyes. How often we fail to live as your children! Hear us as we confess our sins silently . . . (Please take a moment for silent confession.)

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

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The Creator of heaven and earth is our helper and will deliver us from the ways of sin. We are not destined to live in bondage to our worst selves but are freed to grow in faith and trust. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. 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 "Here I Am Lord"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Pat Kluttz

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 5 ([Psalms Now](#))

NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 10:46-52 (Pew Bible, p. 47)

SERMON "Bartimaeus" Rev. Valerie Hicks

***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.

GIVING GOD OUR OFFERING

Offertory "It Is Well with My Soul"
Reid VanPelt

Response Hymn #2036 "Give Thanks"
([Sing the Faith Hymnal](#))

Prayer of Dedication

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 #398 "There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit"
([The Presbyterian Hymnal](#))

BLESSING AND CHARGE

POSTLUDE "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" Martin Luther

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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.