

THE SESSION OF OUR CHURCH	USHERS
Sherry Shifflett, <i>Clerk</i> Dennis Graybeal, <i>Treasurer</i>	HEAD USHER Heather Kirkman
CLASS OF 2019	USHERS: Larry & Nelda Riggs
Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Mark Gurley, <i>Property</i> Christel Josey, <i>Property</i>	LECTOR Cheryl Kusper
CLASS OF 2020	CHILDREN'S NURSERY (Worship only)
Jean Brown, <i>Communications</i> Ed Kusper, <i>Stewardship</i> Madison Scarborough, <i>Personnel</i>	Amanda Ritchie Rhonda Jones Nursery Backup (for 3+ babies) Sherri McKnight
CLASS OF 2021	CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
Chris Ferguson, <i>Mission/Evangelism</i> Brandi Lackey, <i>Christian Education</i> Linda VanPelt, <i>Fellowship</i>	Diane Mullinax Robin Barham

PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

September 1

Joy: Malaki (Janice)

Concerns: Jeffery (Janice), Margaret (Jenny)

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC

The Cabarrus County LunchPlus Club for Seniors meets in the BPC Fellowship Hall, 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM each Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Sunday, September 8
8:00 – 9:00 AM – KAPM Quarterly Breakfast Meeting in BPC Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM – Sunday School
9:55 AM – Worship Service with Blessing of the Backpacks
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM – Latin Mission Christ Savior Worship in Sanctuary

Monday, September 9
7:00 PM – Gathering Time
7:15 PM – Mission/Evangelism Committee
7:15 PM – Worship Committee

Tuesday, September 10
9:30 AM – 1:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall
10:00 AM – Nurture Committee
6:15 PM – Property Committee
7:00 PM – Christian Education Committee
7:00 PM – Communications Committee

Wednesday, September 11
10:00 AM – Mary's Bible Study in Session Room
6:30 PM – Youth Choir
7:00 PM – Choir
7:00 PM – LMCS Bible Study

Thursday, September 12
6:30 PM – Personnel Committee

Saturday, September 14
9:00 AM – Men's Prayer Breakfast in BPC Fellowship Hall

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, September 15
8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM – Sunday School
9:55 AM – Worship Service with Communion
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM – Latin Mission Christ Savior Worship in Sanctuary

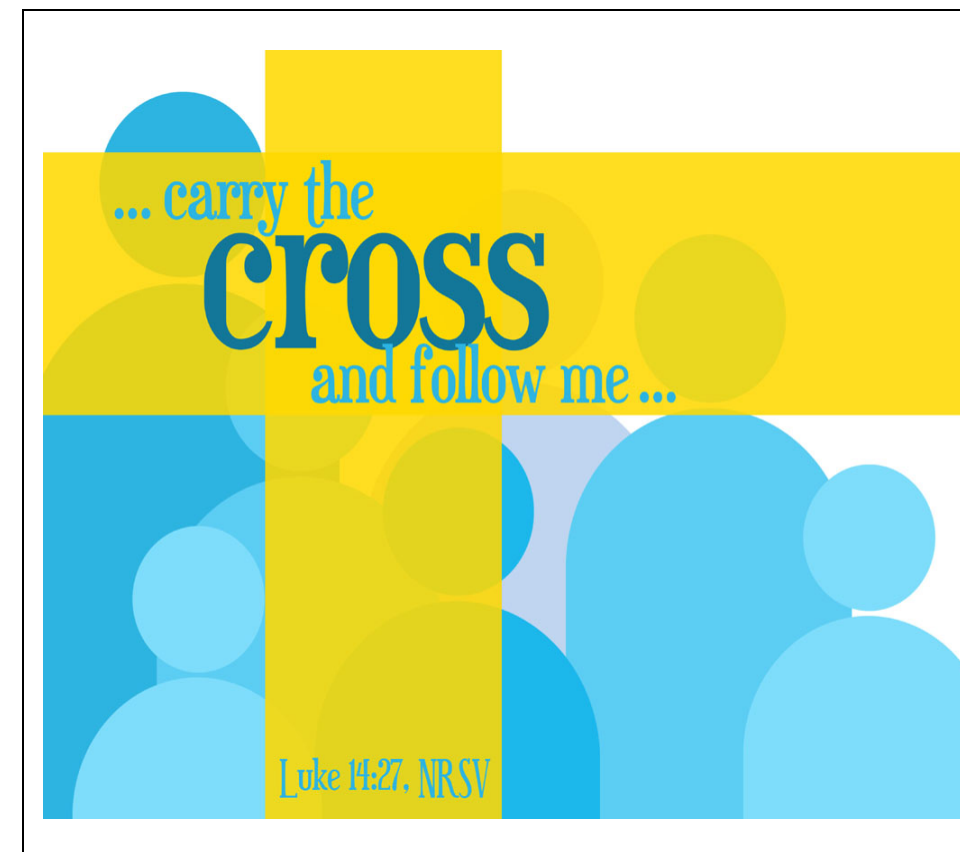
Monday, September 16
7:00 PM – Session Meeting

Tuesday, September 17
10:00 AM – Prayer Shawl Ministry

Wednesday, September 18
9:00 AM – 12:30 PM – NO LunchPlus Club in BPC Fellowship Hall today! Meet for Cabarrus Scam Jam at Living Waters Church, Kannapolis
10:00 AM – Mary's Bible Study in Session Room
11:30 AM – LUNCH OUT at Logan's Roadhouse
6:30 PM – Youth Choir
7:00 PM – Choir
7:00 PM – LMCS Bible Study

Thursday, September 19
11:00 AM – 1:00 PM – "Suds of Love" at Harris Laundromat
6:00 – 8:00 PM – "Suds of Love" at Harris Laundromat

Sunday, September 22
8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM – Sunday School
9:55 AM – Worship Service
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM – Latin Mission Christ Savior Worship in Sanctuary



Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!
September 8, 2019

*"A family of faith in Jesus Christ,
yesterday, today, and tomorrow."*



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DAILY LECTIONARY

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

September 8, 2019

9:55 A.M.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE "St. Anne Prelude in E Flat Major" J.S. Bach

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PASSING OF THE PEACE

TRINITY CHIMES

SONG OF PREPARATION

***HYMN 163** "Compassion Hymn" from Hymns of Grace
(verses 1 & 2)

***CALL TO WORSHIP** adapted from Psalm 139

Leader: Wonderful are your works, O God, that we know very well.

People: You have known our days even before they existed.

Leader: Your power and knowledge are too wonderful for us;

People: They are so high that we cannot attain them.

Leader: Let us praise your mighty ways forever.

ALL: Come, let us worship God together!

***HYMN 55** "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" from Hymns of Grace

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Have mercy on us, O God, and hear us as we confess our sins. We would be your disciples but we fear what that really means. We would carry your cross but it weighs too much. Forgive us when we put conditions on discipleship. Lift our sin from us, we pray, and free us by your grace to follow you. Amen. [Please take a moment for silent prayer and confession.]

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

One: Fully human and fully God, Jesus understands all that we have done. Through His grace, there is hope of eternal forgiveness. Turn now from your past and embrace God's promised assurance that in Christ there is redemption and release from all sin. In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

Many: Glory to God! Alleluia! Amen.

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

"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 & THE BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

ANTHEM "It is Well with my Soul" John Ness Beck

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Cheryl Kusper

OLD TESTAMENT READING Jeremiah 18:1-11 (Bible, OT p. 720)
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 14:25-33 (Bible, NT p. 78)
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SERMON "A High Price to Pay" William Watkins

***HYMN** (insert) "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" ADELAIDE

***ASSURANCE 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.

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

Offertory "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!" Arr. by Leo Sowerby

*Doxology 440

**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 375** "Take My Life and Let It Be" from Hymns of Grace

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***POSTLUDE** "St. Anne Fugue in E Flat Major" J.S. Bach

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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.