

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 2

Joys: Amanda (Amy), My “sheep” (Jean)

Concerns: Sharon (Chris)

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC

Sunday, September 9

8:00 – 9:00 AM – KAPM Quarterly Breakfast Meeting in BPC Fellowship Hall
 8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC 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 & Pavilion

Monday, September 10

7:00 PM – Gathering Time
 7:15 PM – Ministry Area Teams

Tuesday, September 11

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

Wednesday, September 12

10:00 AM – Mary’s Bible Study– Session Rm
 7:00 PM – Choir

Thursday, September 13

6:30 PM – Personnel Committee

Saturday, September 15

Private Event in BPC Fellowship Hall

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, September 16

8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC 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 & Pavilion

Monday, September 17

7:00 PM – Session Meeting

Wednesday, September 19

10:00 AM – Mary’s Bible Study– Session Rm
 6:00 PM – Wednesday Night Planning Potluck in BPC Fellowship Hall

Thursday, September 20

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 23

8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC 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!
 September 9, 2018



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

DAILY LECTIONARY						
Sunday, September 9	Monday, September 10	Tuesday, September 11	Wednesday, September 12	Thursday, September 13	Friday, September 14	Saturday, September 15
Morning: Psalms 103; 150 1 st Read: Job 25:1-6, Job 27:1-6 2 nd Read: Rev. 14:1-7, 13 Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20 Evening: Psalms 117; 139	Morning: Psalms 5; 145 1 st Read: Job 32:1-10, 32:19-33:1, 33:19-28 2 nd Read: Acts 13:44-52 Gospel: John 10:19-30 Evening: Psalms 82; 29	Morning: Psalms 42; 146 1 st Read: Job 29:1-20 2 nd Read: Acts 14:1-18 Gospel: John 10:31-42 Evening: Psalms 102; 133	Morning: Psalms 89:1-18; 147:1-11 1 st Read: Job 29:1, 30:1-2, 16-31 2 nd Read: Acts 14:19-28 Gospel: John 11:1-16 Evening: Psalms 1; 33	Morning: Ps. 97; 147:12-20 1 st Read: Job 29:1, 31:1-23 2 nd Read: Acts 15:1-11 Gospel: John 11:17-29 Evening: Psalms 16; 62	Morning: Psalms 51; 148 1 st Read: Job 29:1, 31:24-40 2 nd Read: Acts 15:12-21 Gospel: John 11:30-44 Evening: Psalms 142; 65	Morning: Psalms 104; 149 1 st Read: Job 38:1-17 2 nd Read: Acts 15:22-35 Gospel: John 11:45-54 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. 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 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

September 9, 2018 9:55 A.M.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE "Sheep May Safely Graze" J.S. Bach

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PASSING OF THE PEACE

TRINITY CHIMES

SONG OF PREPARATION

***HYMN 434** (v. 1) "Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples" KINGSFOLD

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Elder Dennis Graybeal

Elder: Have you heard God's call in your life?

People: We're not sure. Sometimes we think we know what God wants us to do; but at other times things are not very clear.

Elder: Place your trust in the Lord. God is with you always.

People: Lord, it is a scary thing to do — to just place our trust in you.

Elder: God is with you. You will be safe.

ALL: Thanks be to God who watches over us and guides us — let us worship God.

***HYMN 442** "The Church's One Foundation" AURELIA

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Lord, perhaps your voice coming from a burning bush is what we need to shake us from our complacency. We have a hard time comprehending your call to us because we feel so inadequate to respond in faithful service. So we look to others to do the work. We are happy to support their efforts with our funds and our limited interest. Now we need to take the next step into actual service to you. Forgive our slowness of action and heart. Quicken our spirits to accept the call you have for us. Give us courage and strength to do your will and help others in need. *(Please take a moment for silent confession.)*

***ASSURANCE 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

SPECIAL MUSIC

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Roger Hamilton

OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 4:1-4 (Bible, OT p. 51)
This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

NEW TESTAMENT READING 1 Peter 4:10-11 (Bible, NT p. 235)
This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

SERMON "What's in YOUR Hand?" Dennis Graybeal

***ASSURANCE OF FAITH** The Apostles' Creed (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.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE Jimmie Melton, CLP

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Leader: (Continues with Prayer of Thanksgiving)

People: 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

***HYMN 521** "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" FINEST WHEAT

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Leader: Christ is the bread of life:

People: When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.

Leader: Let us join our hearts and voices in singing "To God Be the Glory" as our Prayer after Communion.

***HYMN 485** "To God Be the Glory" TO GOD BE THE GLORY

GIVING GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory "Musette" Handel, arr. W.T. Best
*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 388** "O Jesus, I Have Promised" ANGEL'S STORY

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***POSTLUDE** "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Paul Manz

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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 Carrie Paxton	Judy Petrea Cheryl Kusper
USHERS: Larry and Nelda Riggs	CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
LECTOR	No Children's Worship
Roger Hamilton	