

PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

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

March 6

Joys: Sherry Childers

Concerns: Ervin Helms (Betty Christy)

ST. ANDREWS LIVING CENTER: Eloise White

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC

Sunday, March 13

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Daylight Saving Time begins
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 - Rm 201
11:20 AM – 1:30 PM – LMCS Worship in Sanctuary
1:00 – 4:00 PM – LMCS in BPC Fellowship Hall & Pavilion
5:00 PM – Youth Group at BPC

Monday, March 14

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

Tuesday, March 15

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, March 16

Deadline for ordering Easter Lilies
3:00 PM – Staff Meeting
5:45 PM – Supper
6:20 PM – G.I.F.T. Program
7:15 PM – Choir

Thursday, March 17

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

Saturday, March 19

2:00 – 7:00 PM – Private Event in BPC Fellowship Hall

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, March 20

PALM SUNDAY
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 - Rm 201
11:20 AM – 1:30 PM – LMCS Worship in Sanctuary
11:30 AM – Softball Chicken Dinner Fundraiser in BPC Fellowship Hall
1:00 – 4:00 PM – LMCS in BPC Fellowship Hall & Pavilion
5:00 PM – Youth Group at BPC

Monday, March 21

7:00 PM – Session Meeting

Tuesday, March 22

9:00 AM – Sunshine Group
7:00 PM – Prayer Shawl Ministry

Wednesday, March 23

No supper or G.I.F.T. Program today!
7:15 PM – Choir

Thursday, March 24

7:00 PM – Maundy Thursday Service in BPC Fellowship Hall

Friday, March 25

7:00 PM – Good Friday Service in BPC Sanctuary

Sunday, March 27

EASTER SUNDAY
One Great Hour of Sharing Offering
7:15 AM – Sunrise Service in the BPC Cemetery
8:00 AM – Easter Breakfast in the BPC Fellowship Hall
9:55 AM – Worship Service with Communion
10:00 – 11:00 AM – LMCS Bible Study - Rm 201
11:00 AM – Easter Egg Hunt and Reception
11:20 AM – 1:30 PM – LMCS Worship in Sanctuary
1:00 – 4:00 PM – LMCS in BPC Fellowship Hall & Pavilion
5:00 PM – Youth Group at BPC



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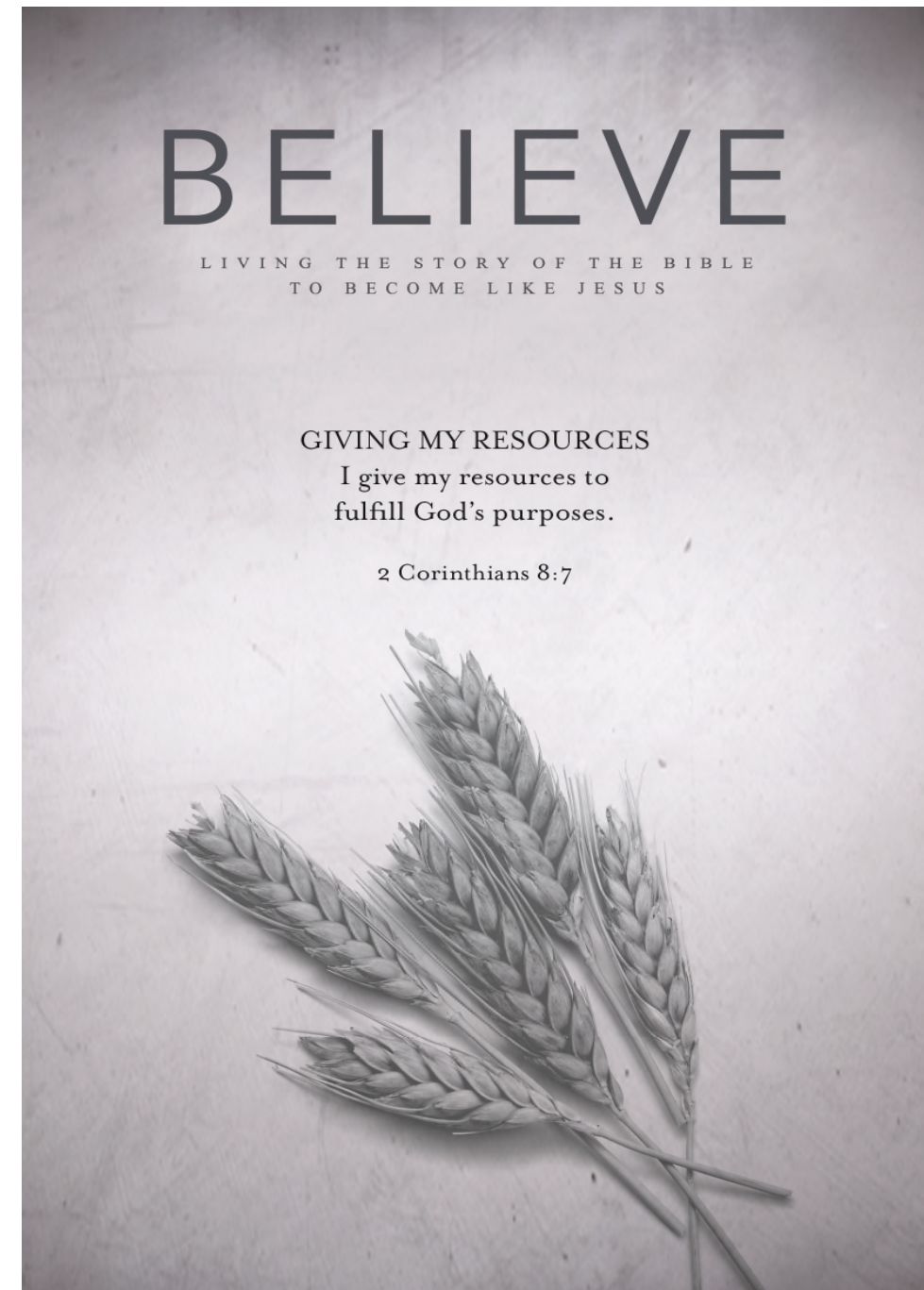
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Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!

March 13, 2016

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

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, March 13	Monday, March 14	Tuesday, March 15	Wednesday, March 16	Thursday, March 17	Friday, March 18	Saturday, March 19
Morning: Psalms 84; 150 1st Reading: Ex. 3:16-4:12 2nd Reading: Rom. 12:1-21 Gospel: John 8:46-59 Evening: Psalms 42; 32	Morning: Psalms 119:73-80; 145 1st Reading: Ex. 4:10-20 (21-26) 27-31 2nd Reading: 1 Cor. 14:1-19 Gospel: Mark 9:30-41 Evening: Psalms 121; 6	Morning: Psalms 34; 146 1st Reading: Exodus 5:1-6:1 2nd Reading: 1 Cor. 14:20-33a, 39-40 Gospel: Mark 9:42-50 Evening: Psalms 25; 91	Morning: Psalms 5; 147:1-11 1st Reading: Exodus 7:8-24 2nd Reading: 2 Cor. 2:14-3:6 Gospel: Mark 10:1-16 Evening: Psalms 27; 51	Morning: Psalms 27; 147:12-20 1st Reading: Exodus 7:25-8:19 2nd Reading: 2 Cor. 3:7-18 Gospel: Mark 10:17-31 Evening: Psalms 126; 102	Morning: Psalms 22; 148 1st Reading: Exodus 9:13-35 2nd Reading: 2 Cor. 4:1-12 Gospel: Mark 10:32-45 Evening: Psalms 105; 130	Morning: Psalms 43; 149 1st Reading: Ex. 10:21-11:8 2nd Reading: 2 Cor. 4:13-18 Gospel: Mark 10:46-52 Evening: Psalms 31; 143

**The Service for the Lord's Day
Fifth Sunday in Lent**

March 13, 2016

9:55 A.M.

THE GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS (RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP/PRAYER CARDS)

WELCOME & PASSING OF THE PEACE

TRINITY CHIMES

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

adapted from a prayer by Richard Baxter (1615-91)

Spirit of Life, breath upon the grace you have placed in us, take us by the hand and lift us from the things and thoughts of this earth, that we may see what glory you have prepared for those who love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

PRELUDE

"The Wonderful Cross" Isaac Watts & Chris Tomlin

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

based on prayer by Katherine Hawker

Leader: Treasure is . . . Gold and silver, Frankincense and myrrh.

Men: Treasure is . . . To have and to hold, because in Christ not even death will us part.

Women: Treasure is . . . our family of faith, offering precious memories.

Leader: Come . . .

People: bringing treasure, seeking treasure.

ALL: *treasured, treasuring.*

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

***HYMN 457** *"I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art"* TOULON
(verses 1, 3, & 5)

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** —based on Psalm 139

Leader: O Lord, all knowing, most wise God! Our Father . . .

People: O Lord, our Father, have mercy on us.

Leader: We have been wayward. We have fled . . .

People: O Lord, most wise God and Father, have mercy upon us! Grant to us purity of heart. Focus our erratic desires. Unite us in Christ!

All: *To Christ, our Savior, then, be all the praise, all the honor and glory, together with you, O Father and the Holy Spirit. One God, now and evermore. 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

(Afterwards ages 3 to 8 years old may exit for Children's Worship)

ANTHEM

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rob Cox

OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 35:4-10a, 20-21 (Bible, OT p. 82)

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

NEW TESTAMENT READING 2 Corinthians 8:7 (Bible, NT p. 183)

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SERMON *"Giving: A Reflection of the One We Worship"*

Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** from *The Heidelberg Catechism*, Q & A #1

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and death?

People: That I belong- body and soul, in life and death- not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of His own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that He protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, the Holy Spirit has also assured me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

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 *"Meditation"* John Carter

*Doxology 592 OLD HUNDREDETH

**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 391** *"Take My Life"* HENDON
(verses 1, 4, 5, & 6)

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***CHORAL CLOSING** *"Make Me a Servant"* Kelly Willard

***POSTLUDE** *"Recessional"* John Carter

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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. After the Time with Younger Christians, children ages 3 to 8 years old, are invited to exit through the doors at the back of the sanctuary to attend Children's Worship. Parents may meet their children after worship by waiting outside Room 112 in the basement.

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
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