

PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

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

November 6

Joys: Evelyn Margaret Campbell (Rev. Ellen), Becky Eckels (Betty Christy), Brothers & Sisters of Christ Savior (Roger Hamilton)

Concerns: Jerry Allen (Amy Ritchie), Floyd Allen (Amy Ritchie), Sara Rodgers (Janice Morgan), Sarah & Calvin Rodgers (Christel),

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC

Sunday, November 13

8:45 – 9:00 AM – Coffee Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
 9:00 AM – Sunday School
 9:15 AM – Communion Talks with Pastor Ellen
 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, November 14

4:30 PM – Stewardship Committee
 7:00 PM – Gathering Time
 7:15 PM – Ministry Area Teams

Tuesday, November 15

6:00 PM – Property Committee

Wednesday, November 16

5:45 PM – Supper
 6:20 PM – G.I.F.T. Program
 7:15 PM – Choir

Thursday, November 17

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

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, November 20

Christ the King Sunday
 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 & Pavilion
 2:00 PM – Hanging of the Greens at BPC

Monday, November 21

7:00 PM – Session Meeting

Tuesday, November 22

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall
 9:00 AM – Sunshine Group
 7:00 PM – Prayer Shawl Ministry

Wednesday, November 23

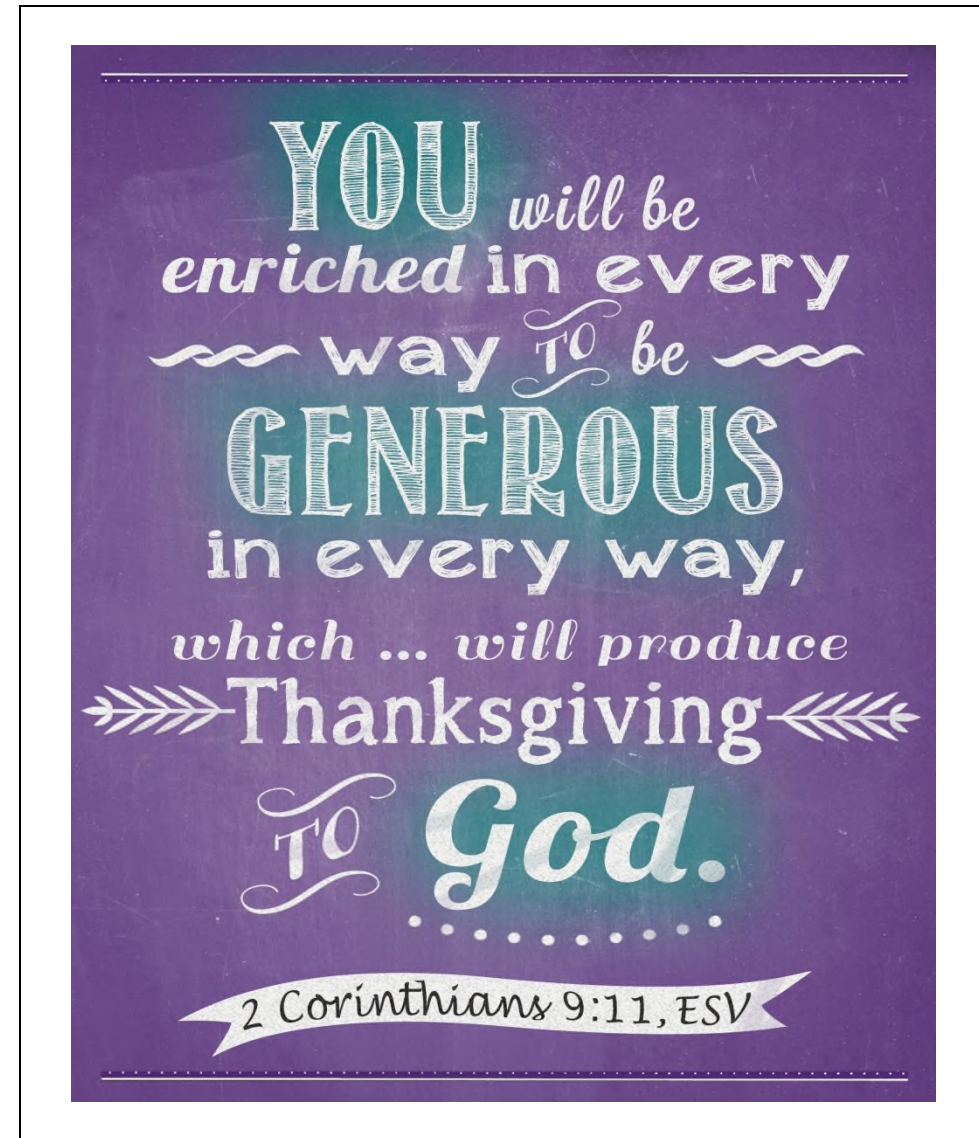
No Wednesday evening supper or G.I.F.T. Program today!
 7:15 PM – Choir

Thursday, November 24

Happy Thanksgiving! – Church office closed (Thursday & Friday)

Sunday, November 27

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 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
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Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!

November 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!



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DAILY LECTIONARY

Sunday, November 13	Monday, November 14	Tuesday, November 15	Wednesday, November 16	Thursday, November 17	Friday, November 18	Saturday, November 19
Morning: Psalms 67; 150 1 st Reading: Hab. 1:1-4 (5-11) 12-2:1 2 nd Reading: Phil. 3:13-4:1 Gospel: Mt. 23:13-24 Evening: Psalms 46; 93	Morning: Psalms 57; 145 1 st Reading: Habakkuk 2:1-4, 9-20 2 nd Reading: James 2:14-26 Gospel: Luke 16:19-31 Evening: Psalms 85; 47	Morning: Psalms 54; 146 1 st Reading: Hab. 3:1-10 (11-15) 16-18 2 nd Reading: James 3:1-12 Gospel: Luke 17:1-10 Evening: Psalms 28; 99	Morning: Ps. 65; 147:1-11 1 st Reading: Malachi 1:1, 6-14 2 nd Reading: James 3:13-4:12 Gospel: Luke 17:11-19 Evening: Psalms 125; 91	Morning: Ps. 143; 147:12-20 1 st Reading: Malachi 2:1-16 2 nd Reading: James 4:13-5:6 Gospel: Luke 17:20-37 Evening: Psalms 81; 116	Morning: Psalms 88; 148 1 st Reading: Mal. 3:1-12 2 nd Reading: James 5:7-12 Gospel: Luke 18:1-8 Evening: Psalms 6; 20	Morning: Psalms 122; 149 1 st Reading: Malachi 3:13-4:6 2 nd Reading: James 5:13-20 Gospel: Luke 18:9-14 Evening: Psalms 100; 63

The Service for the Lord's Day
Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

November 13, 2016

9:55 A.M.

THE GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP/PRAYER CARDS)

***WELCOME & PASSING OF THE PEACE**

TRINITY CHIMES

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

O God, pour out your Spirit of grace and love. Deliver us from cold hearts and wandering thoughts, that with steady minds and burning zeal we may worship you in spirit and truth. **Amen.**

PRELUDE

Carol Burnett

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 9:1-2

Leader: We will give thanks to you, O LORD,

People: with our whole heart; we will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

ALL: We will be glad and exult in you as we worship this day; we will sing praises to your name, O Most High!

***HYMN 464** *"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"*

HYMN TO JOY

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (in unison)

Father, you tell us in your Word that whatever does not proceed from faith is sin. We confess that we have frequently relaxed our faith. We have allowed ourselves, at home, work and even in your House, to become cynical, and our cynicism has boiled over with slander, criticism, prayerlessness, and pessimism. How easily we've allowed ourselves to crumple under the stresses of our lives. Forgive us for our smallness of faith. In your mercy, test us that you may be glorified by our obedience; that sharing the Gospel generously, others may know the surpassing grace of God. **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

ANTHEM

"Day by Day"

Martin How

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Richie Goodman

NEW TESTAMENT READING

2 Corinthians 9:10-15 ([Bible](#), NT p. 184)

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

SERMON

"Generosity in Action"

Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner

***HYMN 377** *"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"* PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

***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.

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 AND OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory

"America the Beautiful"

Katharine Lee Bates

**O beautiful for heroes proved
In liberating strife.**

**Who more than self their country loved
And mercy more than life!
America! America!
May God thy gold refine
Till all success be nobleness
And every gain divine!**

*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 434** *"Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples"*

KINGSFOLD

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***POSTLUDE**

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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.

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
Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner, <i>Moderator</i> Roger Hamilton, <i>Clerk of Session</i> Dennis Graybeal, <i>Treasurer</i>	HEAD USHER Linda VanPelt
CLASS OF 2017	USHERS Curt & Kim Gibson Marty & Carrie Paxton
Steve Gaskey, <i>Fellowship</i> Kim Gibson, <i>Stewardship</i> Carrie Paxton, <i>Christian Education</i>	LECTOR
CLASS OF 2018	Richie Goodman
Sherry Childers, <i>Personnel</i> Dougie Kirkman, <i>Mission/Evangelism</i> Eric McKnight, <i>Communications</i>	CHILDREN'S NURSERY (Worship only)
CLASS OF 2019	Rhonda Jones
Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Mark Gurley, <i>Property</i> Christel Josey, <i>Nurture</i>	CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
	Diane Mullinax & Marsha Johnson