

PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

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

October 23

Joys: Students at Fred L. Wilson School (Christel Josey), “Suds of Love” (Christel Josey), Helen Helms Family (Connie Goodman)

SERMON NOTES

THIS WEEK AT BPC

Sunday, October 30
 Reformation Sunday
 8:45 – 9:00 AM – Coffee Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
 9:00 AM – Covered Dish Breakfast in BPC Fellowship Hall
 9:55 AM – Worship Service in BPC Fellowship Hall
 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

Tuesday, November 1
 All Saints’ Day
 6:30 PM – Women’s Bible Study Group 2 & 3 meet together in the Session Room

Wednesday, November 2
 5:45 PM – Supper
 6:20 PM – G.I.F.T. Program
 7:15 PM – Choir

Saturday, November 5
 9:00 AM – Curb Appeal Day at BPC
 11:00 AM – KAPM Spaghetti Meal at Second PC, Kannapolis
 12:00 PM – Private Event in BPC Fellowship Hall

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, November 6
Consecration Sunday
 Daylight Saving Time ends
 10¢-A-Meal Offering to be received
 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 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
 6:00 PM – Young Adults Small Group at the Paxton’s

Monday, November 7
 11:00 AM – Nurture Committee

Tuesday, November 8
 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall
 6:30 PM – Personnel Committee
 7:00 PM – Christian Education Committee

Wednesday, November 9
 5:45 PM – Supper
 6:20 PM – G.I.F.T. Program
 7:15 PM – Choir

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



Generosity

Responding to God's Radical Grace in Community!
Week 6 – Part 1
Generosity and Wealth

Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!

October 30, 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, October 30	Monday, October 31	Tuesday, November 1	Wednesday, November 2	Thursday, November 3	Friday, November 4	Saturday, November 5
Morning: Psalms 103; 150 1 st Reading: Zeph. 1:1-6 2 nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:27-13:13 Gospel: Mt. 18:21-35 Evening: Psalms 117; 139	Morning: Psalms 5; 145 1 st Reading: Zeph. 1:7-13 2 nd Reading: Rev. 14:1-13 Gospel: Luke 12:49-59 Evening: Psalms 82; 29	Morning: Psalms 42; 146 1 st Reading: Zeph. 1:14-18 2 nd Reading: Revelation 14:14-15:8 Gospel: Luke 13:1-9 Evening: Psalms 102; 133	Morning: Psalms 89:1-18; 147:1-11 1 st Reading: Zephaniah 2:1-15 2 nd Reading: Rev. 16:1-11 Gospel: Luke 13:10-17 Evening: Psalms 1; 33	Morning: Ps. 97; 147:12-20 1 st Reading: Zephaniah 3:1-7 2 nd Reading: Rev. 16:12-21 Gospel: Luke 13:18-30 Evening: Psalms 16; 62	Morning: Psalms 51; 148 1 st Reading: Zeph. 3:8-13 2 nd Reading: Rev. 17:1-18 Gospel: Luke 13:31-35 Evening: Psalms 142; 65	Morning: Psalms 104; 149 1 st Reading: Zeph. 3:14-20 2 nd Reading: Rev. 18:1-14 Gospel: Luke 14:1-11 Evening: Psalms 138; 98

The Service for the Lord's Day
Reformation Sunday

October 30, 2016

9:55 A.M.

THE GATHERING

**ANNOUNCEMENTS
(RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP/PRAYER CARDS)**

***WELCOME & PASSING OF THE PEACE**

TRINITY CHIMES

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Lord, you are our truest treasure. Open our minds in this next hour of worship that we may see our truest wealth; your love, your grace, and the many blessings you have given to us. Amen.

PRELUDE "Highland Cathedral" Roever and Korb

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We are standing in our Father's presence as we worship together this day. Our Savior is taking us in hand, God's Spirit is wisely and tenderly leading and blessing us.

Men: Holy Trinity, You are all we want in heaven!

Women: Holy Trinity, You are all I want on earth!

ALL: Dear Father, Son and Holy Spirit, yesterday, today and tomorrow, you are our dearest treasure and strength! Let us worship God!

***HYMN 348** (red hymnal) "Faith Of Our Father" ST. CATHERINE

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** adaptation from Sarah E. Weaver

God of Amazing Grace, you have asked us to give of ourselves, wholly and completely, just as you gave of yourself in Jesus Christ. We have heard your call over the centuries and have responded with great affirmation and joy.

Yet there are times when we fall short, times when we forget, times when we focus on the wrong things, times when we invest our treasures and resources, in earthly possessions instead of investing in your bride, the Church.

Help us to have no other God's before you. Help us to give with the same singular spirit of generosity you poured out on us through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. May these endless blessings and riches be for us the truest treasure. 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

SPECIAL MUSIC Kevin Hamilton

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Cheryl Kusper

OLD TESTAMENT READING Job 31:24-28 (Bible, OT p. 478)
Proverbs 11:28 (Bible, OT p. 594)

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

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 18:18-30 (Bible, NT p. 81)
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Treasure That Does Not Fade!" Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner

***HYMN** (insert) "My Worth is Not In What I Own"
Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty and Graham Kendrick; arr. Ruth Coleman

***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 & OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory "Consolation" Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy
*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 414** "As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought" AMAZING GRACE

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***POSTLUDE** "Amazing Grace" (bagpipe) John Newton

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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
Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner, <i>Moderator</i> Roger Hamilton, <i>Clerk of Session</i> Dennis Graybeal, <i>Treasurer</i>	HEAD USHER Diane Mullinax
CLASS OF 2017	USHERS Dougie & Heather Kirkman Wayne & Christel Josey
Steve Gaskey, <i>Fellowship</i> Kim Gibson, <i>Stewardship</i> Carrie Paxton, <i>Christian Education</i>	LECTOR Cheryl Kusper
CLASS OF 2018	CHILDREN'S NURSERY (Worship only) Al Smith & Brandi Coley
Sherry Childers, <i>Personnel</i> Dougie Kirkman, <i>Mission/Evangelism</i> Eric McKnight, <i>Communications</i>	CHILDREN'S WORSHIP No Children's Worship
CLASS OF 2019	
Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Mark Gurley, <i>Property</i> Christel Josey, <i>Nurture</i>	