

GO IN GOD'S NAME

HYMN #177

"In Christ Alone"
(Hymns of Grace)

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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Announcements

We welcome **Carol Cone** as our guest organist today. Carol is Jenny Carroll's mother and is the interim organist at First Baptist Church, Kannapolis, NC.

The children receiving Bibles today are **Guy Kirkman and Ellie McCullough**.

We welcome **Bethpage's Daisy Troop 2388** to worship this morning. These kindergarten and first grade girls are the youngest Girl Scouts and their troop is led by Rose Grebler, Debi Wright, Linda Gebler, and Melissa Knotts. We're glad you are here!

HOLY WEEK



Palm Sunday ~ March 24

Worship Service at 10:00 AM
with the Procession of the Palms in the Church Sanctuary

Covered Dish Lunch
Bring a dish to share and stay for food and fellowship immediately after Worship.

Community Easter Egg Hunt at 3:30 PM
Annual Egg Hunt for the children of the community

Good Friday ~ March 29

Service at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary

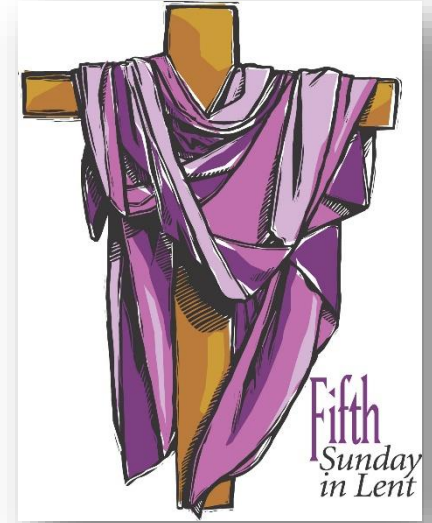
Easter Sunday ~ March 31

Easter Sunrise Service at 7:00 AM
on the front steps of the church

Easter Breakfast following the Sunrise Service
in the Fellowship Hall

The Celebration of the Resurrection with Communion
at 10:00 AM in the Church Sanctuary

**Welcome to
Bethpage
Presbyterian Church!**



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

**March 17, 2024
10:00 AM**

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

People of God, look about creation and see the faces of those we know and love—neighbors and friends, brothers and sisters—a communion of kindred hearts.

People of God, look about and see the faces of those we hardly know—strangers, sojourners, forgotten friends, the ones who need an outstretched hand.

People of God, look about and see all the images of God assembled here today. In me, in you, in each of us everywhere, God's Spirit shines for all to see!

People of God, come, let us worship together.

HYMN #420

"God of Grace and God of Glory"
(verses 1, 2, 3 & 5, The Presbyterian Hymnal)

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO THIRD GRADERS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, our God, we confess that we have not always lived for You. You have invited us into new life, yet we have closed our eyes and ears and hearts against that invitation. You have shown us the way to love, yet we have chosen too often the path of apathy. You have called us to the ministry of reconciliation, yet often we find ourselves tempted to turn away from others. You have challenged us to generosity, but many times we would rather keep to ourselves. Enter our lives, God, once again. Release us from the bonds of self-centeredness. Create in us a renewed openness to Your love, that we may share Your love with others. Hear our silent prayers (Please take a moment for silent confession.)

RESPONSE HYMN #316 *“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”*
(verses 1 & 3, The Presbyterian Hymnal)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

God is more willing to forgive our sins than we are to admit them. We are not destined to live in bondage to our worst selves, but are freed to grow in faith and trust. Friends, believe the good news, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia and Amen!

RESPONSE OF PRAISE *“Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines on Me”*

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

SPECIAL MUSIC

Daisy Girl Scout Troop 2388

TIME WITH CHILDREN

ANTHEM

“The Lord’s Prayer”
Jenny Carroll & Carol Cone

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalms 18:16-19 (Pew Bible, p. 497)

NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

James 1:13-14 (The Message)
Colossians 3:12-14 (The Message)

SERMON

“The Lord’s Prayer - Part 3”

Valerie Hicks

THE PEOPLE RESPOND

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God, who made the sun and the sky, the stars and the sea, who calls us to live responsibly. We believe in Jesus Christ, who became human, who healed the sick, who talked to children, who made friends with sinners. He burned brightly and offended many. His journey was one of life and death and resurrection. His light continues to shine in darkness. We believe in the Holy spirit, who inspires the scriptures and whose breath we breathe. We believe that God calls us to be a community committed to one another offering a welcome to everyone, old and young, rich and poor, strong and weak. We believe that God calls us to be peacemakers, workers for justice, brothers and sisters, a light for our world. Amen.

GIVING GOD OUR OFFERING

Offertory *“The Day He Wore My Crown”*

Doxology (*sung*)

**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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

J.B. Phillips Translation

Our Heavenly Father, may your name be honored. May your kingdom come, and your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day the bread we need. Forgive us what we owe to you, as we have also forgiven those who owe anything to us. Keep us clear of temptation, and save us from evil. Amen.