

THE SESSION OF OUR CHURCH	USHERS
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**SERMON NOTES**

**THIS WEEK AT BPC**

The Cabarrus County LunchPlus Club for Seniors meets in the BPC Fellowship Hall, 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM, on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

**Sunday, March 1**

LENT I  
10¢-A-Meal Offering to be received  
8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC Fellowship Hall  
9:00 AM – Sunday School  
9:55 AM – Worship Service  
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM – Latin Mission Christ Savior Worship in Sanctuary

**Monday, March 2**

6:00 PM – Stewardship Committee

**Wednesday, March 4**

10:00 AM – Mary's Bible Study in the Session Room  
7:00 PM – Choir  
7:00 PM – LMCS Bible Study

**Friday, March 6**

World Day of Prayer

**Sunday, March 8**

LENT II  
Daylight Saving Time begins  
8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC Fellowship Hall  
9:00 AM – Sunday School  
9:55 AM – Worship Service  
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM – Latin Mission Christ Savior Worship in Sanctuary

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Monday, March 9**

7:15 PM – Mission/Evangelism Committee  
7:15 PM – Worship Committee

**Tuesday, March 10**

9:30 AM – 1:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall  
10:00 AM – Nurture Committee  
6:00 PM – Property Committee  
6:30 PM – Women's Bible Study Group in the Session Room  
7:00 PM – Christian Education Committee

**Wednesday, March 11**

10:00 AM – Mary's Bible Study in the Session Room  
6:00 – 7:15 PM – Fun & Fellowship Wednesday in BPC Fellowship Hall (Food – 6-6:30, Activity – 6:30-7:15)  
6:30 PM – Youth Choir  
7:00 PM – Choir  
7:00 PM – LMCS Bible Study

**Saturday, March 14**

9:00 AM – Men's Prayer Breakfast in the BPC Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, March 15**

LENT III  
8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC Fellowship Hall  
9:00 AM – Sunday School  
9:55 AM – Worship Service  
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM – Latin Mission Christ Savior Worship in Sanctuary  
2:00 – 6:00 PM – Girl Scouts Archery Club Meeting in BPC Basement and Field



**Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!  
March 1, 2020**

***“A family of faith in Jesus Christ,  
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. 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, March 1	Monday, March 2	Tuesday, March 3	Wednesday, March 4	Thursday, March 5	Friday, March 6	Saturday, March 7
Morning: Ps. 84; 150 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Daniel 9:3-10 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: Heb. 2:10-18 Gospel: John 12:44-50 Evening: Psalms 42; 32	Morning: Ps. 119:73-80; 145 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Gen. 37:1-11 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: 1 Cor. 1:1-19 Gospel: Mark 1:1-13 Evening: Psalms 121; 6	Morning: Ps. 34; 146 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Gen. 37:12-24 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: 1 Cor. 1:20-31 Gospel: Mark 1:14-28 Evening: Psalms 25; 91	Morning: Ps. 5; 147:1-11 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Gen. 37:25-36 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: 1 Cor. 2:1-13 Gospel: Mark 1:29-45 Evening: Psalms 27; 51	Morning: Psalms 27; 147:12-20 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Genesis 39:1-23 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: 1 Cor. 2:14-3:15 Gospel: Mark 2:1-12 Evening: Psalms 126; 102	Morning: Ps. 22; 148 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Gen. 40:1-23 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: 1 Cor. 3:16-23 Gospel: Mark 2:13-22 Evening: Ps. 105; 130	Morning: Psalms 43; 149 1 <sup>st</sup> Read: Genesis 41:1-13 2 <sup>nd</sup> Read: 1 Cor. 4:1-7 Gospel: Mark 2:23-3:6 Evening: Psalms 31; 143

# The Service for the Lord's Day

## First Sunday of Lent

March 1, 2020

9:55 A.M.

### THE GATHERING

**PRELUDE** "Prelude and Fugue in E Minor" J.S. Bach

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS/PASSING OF THE PEACE**

### **TRINITY CHIMES**

### **SONG OF PREPARATION**

**\*HYMN 356** "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" NETTLETON  
verses 1 & 2, from [The Presbyterian Hymnal](#)

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.

**People: You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.**

Leader: I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

**People: Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

**\*HYMN 345** "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" REST  
from [The Presbyterian Hymnal](#)

### **\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

### **\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

When confronted by temptations, we are easily overcome. They allure us with promises we find hard to resist. We harbor fantasies of how our lives might have been. Our dreams become pervasive, hiding the truth of your love. Gracious God, have mercy upon us; enable us discern deception when it appears. Enlighten us to your genuine renewal in Christ. *[Please take a moment for silent confession.]*

### **\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Hear these words from Hebrews: "It was fitting that God,[a] for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings . . . Because Christ himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested."

**People: Therein lies our assurance that Christ intercedes on our behalf.**

Leader: Live as those made righteous in him!

### **\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

"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** Cheryl Kusper

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7 ([Bible](#), OT p. 2)  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

**NEW TESTAMENT READING** Matthew 4:1-11([Bible](#), NT p. 3)  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON** "Surrounded" Rev. Meg Shaw Skidmore

**\*HYMN 81** "Lord, Who Throughout these Forty Days" ST. FLAVIAN  
from [The Presbyterian Hymnal](#)

**\*ASSURANCE OF FAITH** The Apostles' Creed

**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 and OUR 10¢-A-MEAL OFFERING**

Offertory "Choral Vorspiel" J.S. Bach

\*Doxology 440

**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 543** "Abide with Me" EVENTIDE  
from [The Presbyterian Hymnal](#)

### **\*BLESSING AND CHARGE**

**\*POSTLUDE** "Prelude on hymn 'Were You There'" Arr. by Leo Sowerby

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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.