

THE SESSION OF OUR CHURCH	USHERS
Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner, <i>Moderator</i> Sherry Shifflett, <i>Clerk</i> Dennis Graybeal, <i>Treasurer</i>	<b>HEAD USHER</b> Christel Josey  <b>USHERS:</b> Amanda Ritchie Gary Barham
CLASS OF 2019	LECTOR
Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Mark Gurley, <i>Property</i> Christel Josey, <i>Property</i>	Heather Kirkman
CLASS OF 2020	CHILDREN'S NURSERY (Worship only)
Jean Brown, <i>Communications</i> Ed Kusper, <i>Stewardship</i> Madison Scarborough, <i>Personnel</i>	Marty Paxton Brandi Lackey Nursery Backup (for 3+ babies) Susan Smith
CLASS OF 2021	CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
Chris Ferguson, <i>Mission/Evangelism</i> Brandi Lackey, <i>Christian Education</i> Linda VanPelt, <i>Fellowship</i>	No Children's Worship

### PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

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

### 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 every Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

**Sunday, April 21**  
RESURRECTION SUNDAY  
One Great Hour of Sharing Offering  
6:40 AM – Sunrise Service on the front steps of the Church immediately followed by Breakfast in the BPC Fellowship Hall  
9:55 AM – Worship Service with Communion  
10:00 – 11:00 AM – LMCS Bible Study  
11:00 AM – Easter Egg Hunt  
11:20 AM – 1:30 PM – LMCS Worship in Sanctuary  
1:00 – 4:00 PM – LMCS in BPC Fellowship Hall & Pavilion

**Tuesday, April 23**  
9:30 AM – 1:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday, April 24**  
10:00 AM – Mary's Bible Study – Session Rm

### LOOKING AHEAD

**Sunday, April 28**  
8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC 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  
1:00 – 4:00 PM – LMCS in BPC Fellowship Hall & Pavilion

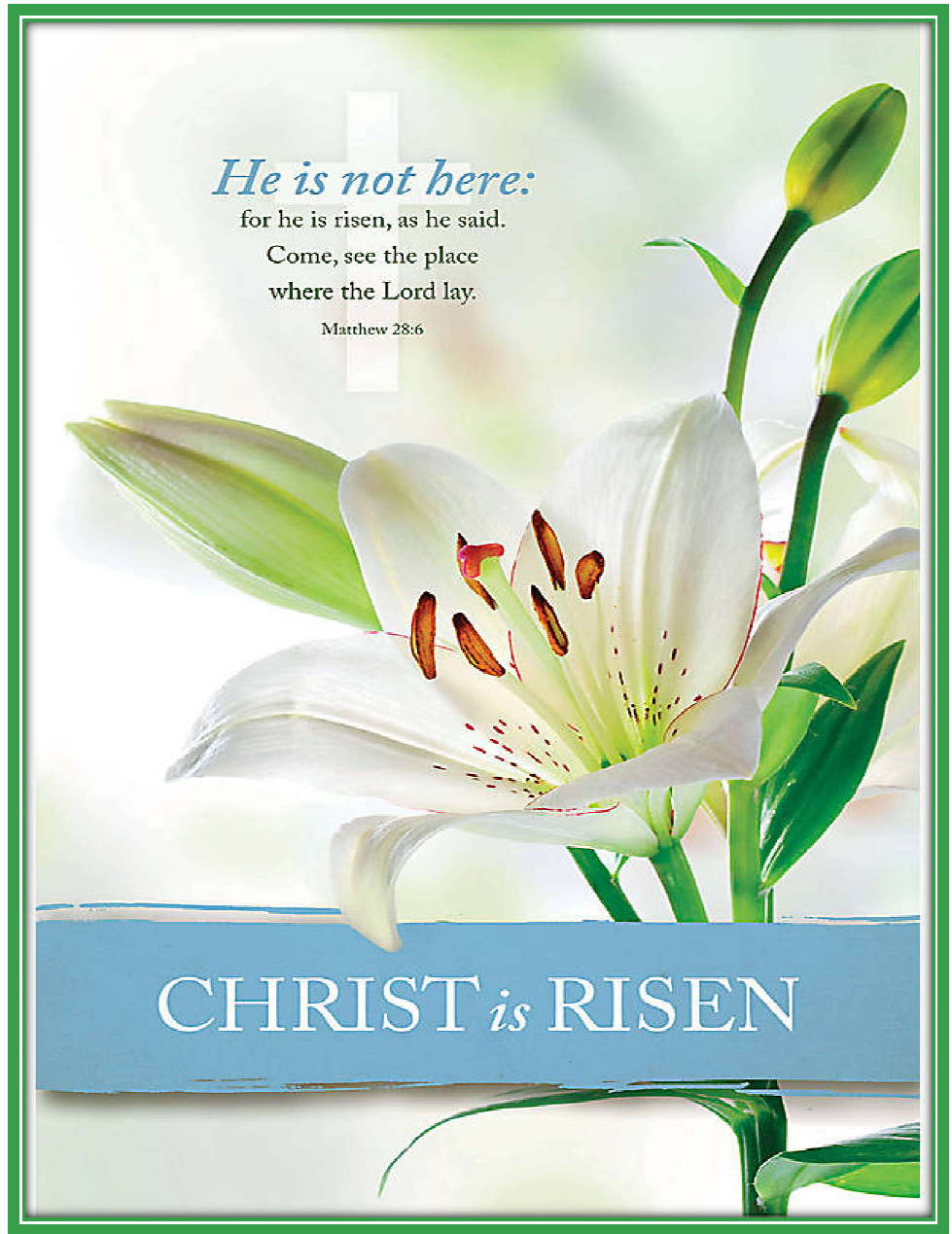
**Monday, April 29**  
7:00 PM – Session Meeting

**Wednesday, May 1**  
10:00 AM – Mary's Bible Study – Session Rm  
6:30 PM – Youth Choir  
7:00 PM – Choir

**Thursday, May 2**  
National Day of Prayer

**Saturday, May 4**  
Set up for Event in BPC Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, May 5**  
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 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 Pavilion  
3:00 – 5:00 PM – Baby Shower honoring Madison and Garrett Scarborough in BPC Fellowship Hall



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Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!  
April 21, 2019

*“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!*

DAILY LECTIONARY						
<b>Sunday, April 21</b> <i>Morning:</i> Psalms 93; 150 <i>1<sup>st</sup> Read:</i> Exodus 12:1-14 <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Read- AM:</i> John 1:1-8 <i>or 2<sup>nd</sup> Read- PM:</i> Isaiah 51:9-11 <i>Gospel- PM:</i> Lk. 24:13-35 <i>or Gospel- PM:</i> John 20:19-23 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 136; 117	<b>Monday, April 22</b> <i>Morning:</i> Psalms 97; 145 <i>1<sup>st</sup> Read:</i> Jonah 2:1-10 <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Read:</i> Acts 2:14, 22-32 <i>Gospel:</i> John 14:1-14 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 124; 115	<b>Tuesday, April 23</b> <i>Morning:</i> Psalms 98; 146 <i>1<sup>st</sup> Read:</i> Isaiah 30:18-26 <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Read:</i> Acts 2:36-41 (42-47) <i>Gospel:</i> John 14:15-31 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 66; 116	<b>Wednesday, April 24</b> <i>Morning:</i> Ps. 99; 147:1-11 <i>1<sup>st</sup> Read:</i> Micah 7:7-15 <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Read:</i> Acts 3:1-10 <i>Gospel:</i> John 15:1-11 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 9; 118	<b>Thursday, April 25</b> <i>Morning:</i> Ps. 47; 147:12-20 <i>1<sup>st</sup> Read:</i> Ezekiel 37:1-14 <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Read:</i> Acts 3:11-26 <i>Gospel:</i> John 15:12-27 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 68; 113	<b>Friday, April 26</b> <i>Morning:</i> Psalms 96; 148 <i>1<sup>st</sup> Read:</i> Dan. 12:1-4, 13 <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Read:</i> Acts 4:1-12 <i>Gospel:</i> John 16:1-15 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 49; 138	<b>Saturday, April 27</b> <i>Morning:</i> Psalms 92; 149 <i>1<sup>st</sup> Read:</i> Isaiah 25:1-9 <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Read:</i> Acts 4:13-21 (22-31) <i>Gospel:</i> John 16:16-33 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 23; 114

**The Celebration  
of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ  
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

April 21, 2019

9:55 A.M.

**THE GATHERING**

**PRELUDE**      *"The Trumpet Shall Sound" Messiah*      G.F. Handel

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**TRINITY CHIMES**

**SONG OF PREPARATION**

**\*HYMN**      *"Pilgrim's Hymn"*      Steven Paulus  
Heather Goodman, Richie Goodman, Ellen Campbell Gardner, Ernest Gardner

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Leader:*    He is risen!

**People:**    He is risen!

ALL:        He has Risen, Indeed!

**\*HYMN 312**      *"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"*

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION**

*Leader:*    Truly, we see in Jesus Christ that God shows no partiality, calling people from every nation. All we must do is believe and confess him as Lord and Savior.

**People:**    By God's grace, I believe and confess.

*Leader:*    God raised Jesus on this day and makes him present to his chosen disciples; In the eating and drinking at table, we too recognized him as the risen Lord.

**People:**    By God's grace, I have a place at his table and I know it!

*Leader:*    In response, Jesus commanded us, "Go, make disciples." Showing that Christ alone understands us, fairly judges us and forgives the living and the dead.

**People:**    By God's grace, judgment ends in forgiveness not condemnation.      *(continued →)*

*Leader:*    Jesus Christ is the Messiah that all the prophet's bore witness to, promising, "Come, ALL who are thirsty!"

ALL:        By God's Spirit, may we always believe in and confess Jesus as our Risen Lord. Show us, Lord, how to claim the place you have chosen for us at your table. Forgiven, not condemned, empower us to boldly proclaim the Father's glory. May we then enjoy His certain plan of life and salvation. AMEN. *(Please take a moment for silent thanksgiving and 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**      *"Arise, My Soul, Arise"*      Dan Forrest

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**      Heather Kirkman

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Isaiah 65:17-20, 23-25 ([Bible](#), OT p. 696)

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

**NEW TESTAMENT READING**      John 20:1-18 ([Bible](#), NT p. 114)

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**SERMON**      *"Never Again! Always Now!"*      Rev. Ellen Campbell Gardner

**THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

**THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING  
& 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.**

**THE WORDS OF THE INSTITUTION**

**COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Eternal Lord, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Resurrected Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. You have fed us with spiritual food in the sacrament of his body and blood. Send us into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**GIVING GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS,  
and OUR ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING**

Offertory Anthem      *"Christ the Lord is Risen Again"*      John Rutter  
\*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 315**      *"Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise"*

**\*BLESSING AND CHARGE**

**\*POSTLUDE**      *"Tu Es Petra"*      Mulet  
*(You art the Rock and the gates of hell shall not prevail against you)*

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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.