

THE SESSION OF OUR CHURCH	USHERS
Sherry Shifflett, <i>Clerk</i> Dennis Graybeal, <i>Treasurer</i>	HEAD USHER Heather Kirkman
CLASS OF 2019	USHERS: Larry & Nelda Riggs
Connie Goodman, <i>Worship</i> Mark Gurley, <i>Property</i> Christel Josey, <i>Property</i>	LECTOR Jean Brown
CLASS OF 2020	CHILDREN'S NURSERY (Worship only)
Jean Brown, <i>Communications</i> Ed Kusper, <i>Stewardship</i> Madison Scarborough, <i>Personnel</i>	Sherry Shifflett Al Smith Nursery Backup (for 3+ babies) Judy Petrea
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

September 8

Joys: Darrell in Sunday School (Ed), 70 people for KAPM breakfast
Concerns: Todd (Mallory), Margaret (Sherri), Zack (Linda), For all those who feel abandoned, and distraught following the horrific storms, the recent mass shootings, and the uncertainties of the future. I pray that we will remain sensitive, empathetic, and responsive to their plights. They are our neighbors just as the man the Good Samaritan tended was his neighbor (Sterling)

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 each Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Sunday, September 15

8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM – Sunday School
9:55 AM – Worship Service with Communion and Elder Installation
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM – Latin Mission Christ Savior Worship in Sanctuary

Monday, September 16

7:00 PM – Session Meeting

Tuesday, September 17

10:00 AM – Prayer Shawl Ministry

Wednesday, September 18

9:00 AM – 12:30 PM – NO LunchPlus Club in BPC Fellowship Hall today! Meet for Cabarrus Scam Jam at Living Waters Church, Kannapolis
10:00 AM – Mary's Bible Study in Session Room
11:30 AM – LUNCH OUT at Logan's Roadhouse

6:30 PM – Youth Choir

7:00 PM – Choir

7:00 PM – LMCS Bible Study

Thursday, September 19

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM – “Suds of Love” at Harris Laundromat
6:00 – 8:00 PM – “Suds of Love” at Harris Laundromat

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, September 22

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

Tuesday, September 24

9:30 AM – 1:00 PM – Quilting 101 in BPC Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, September 25

10:00 AM – Mary's Bible Study in Session Room
6:30 PM – Youth Choir
7:00 PM – Choir
7:00 PM – LMCS Bible Study

Friday, September 27

5:30 – 8:00 PM – LMCS Youth Meeting in BPC Field, Pavilion & Fellowship Hall

Sunday, September 29

8:45 AM – Coffee Fellowship in BPC Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM – Sunday School
9:55 AM – Fifth Sunday Worship Service in BPC Fellowship Hall
11:15 AM – Lunch in BPC Fellowship Hall
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM – Latin Mission Christ Savior Worship in Sanctuary



Welcome to Bethpage Presbyterian Church!
September 15, 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!



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DAILY LECTIONARY

Sunday, September 15	Monday, September 16	Tuesday, September 17	Wednesday, September 18	Thursday, September 19	Friday, September 20	Saturday, September 21
<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 19; 150 <i>1st Read:</i> 1 Kings 19:8-21 <i>2nd Read:</i> Acts 5:34-42 <i>Gospel:</i> John 11:45-57 <i>Evening:</i> Ps. 81; 113	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 135; 145 <i>1st Read:</i> 1 Kings 21:1-16 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 Cor. 1:1-19 <i>Gospel:</i> Mt. 4:1-11 <i>Evening:</i> Ps. 97; 112	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 123; 146 <i>1st Read:</i> 1 Kings 21:17-29 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 Cor. 1:20-31 <i>Gospel:</i> Mt. 4:12-17 <i>Evening:</i> Ps. 30; 86	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 15; 147:1-11 <i>1st Read:</i> 1 Kings 22:1-28 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 Cor. 2:1-13 <i>Gospel:</i> Matthew 4:18-25 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 48; 4	<i>Morning:</i> Psalms 36; 147:12-20 <i>1st Read:</i> 1 Kings 22:29-45 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 Cor. 2:14-3:15 <i>Gospel:</i> Matthew 5:1-10 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 80; 27	<i>Morning:</i> Ps. 130; 148 <i>1st Read:</i> 2 Kings 1:2-17 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 Cor. 3:16-23 <i>Gospel:</i> Mt. 5:11-16 <i>Evening:</i> Ps. 32; 139	<i>Morning:</i> Psalms 56; 149 <i>1st Read:</i> 2 Kings 2:1-18 <i>2nd Read:</i> 1 Cor. 4:1-7 <i>Gospel:</i> Matthew 5:17-20 <i>Evening:</i> Psalms 118; 111

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 15, 2019

9:55 A.M.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE "Praeludium II Andante con moto"
Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PASSING OF THE PEACE

TRINITY CHIMES

SONG OF PREPARATION

***HYMN 163** "Compassion Hymn" from Hymns of Grace
(verses 1 & 2)

***CALL TO WORSHIP** from Psalm 145

Leader: O Lord, you are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.

People: O Lord, you are near to those who call upon you, to all who call upon you faithfully.

Leader: You fulfill the desire of those who fear you, you hear their cry and help them.

People: My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord; let all flesh bless your holy name forever and ever.

***HYMN 316** "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"
from Hymns of Grace

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen. [Please take a moment for silent prayer and confession.]

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*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

THE SERVICE OF INSTALLATION OF ELDERS

CONGREGATIONAL CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

Elder: Do we, the members of Bethpage Presbyterian Church, accept Connie Goodman, Christel Josey, and Dougie Kirkman as ruling Elders, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation, to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

ALL: We do.

Elder: Do we agree to pray for them, to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church?

ALL: We do.

PRAYER OF INSTALLATION

Minister: Gracious and eternal God, with joy we give you all thanks and praise . . .

ALL: God of grace, pour out your Holy Spirit on Connie, Christel, and Dougie, whom you called through baptism as your own and marked as your own. Grant them the same mind that was in Christ Jesus. Give them a spirit of truthfulness that they may show the compassion of Christ in the actions of daily living and rightly govern your people. Give them the gifts of your Holy Spirit to build up the church, to strengthen the common life of your people, and to lead with compassion and vision. In the walk of faith and for the work of ministry, give to your servants gladness and strength, discipline and hope, humility, humor, courage, and an abiding sense of your presence.

ANTHEM "Brother James's Air" Arr. by Gordon Jacob

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Jean Brown

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 18:9-14 (Bible, OT p. 81)
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 51:1-12 (Bible, NT p. 520)
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Mercy and Grace" Rev. George Slaton

***HYMN 80** "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"
from Hymns of Grace

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

GIVING GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory Prelude "O God, Thou Faithful God" Johannes Brahms

*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 155** "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"
from Hymns of Grace

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

***POSTLUDE** "Sleepers, Wake, a Voice is Calling" J.S. Bach

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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.