

October 29, 2023 Woman 2 Woman Anniversary Celebration

Prelude Sicilienne Maria Theresa von

Paradis

Ringing of the Bells

Introit Alleluia, Alleluia South African

Welcome and Announcements

*Opening Sentences

Leader: Jesus commanded us to love:

People: We love our God and love our neighbor.

Leader: We love with all our hearts.

People: We love with all our souls.

Leader: We love with all our minds.

People: We love with all our strength.

Leader: Blessed are those who delight in the law of God.

*Opening Hymn 429 Lord, You Give the Great Commission Vs. 1, 2, 5

Confession and Pardon

Generous God, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Since the creation of the world, you have nurtured us with your love. Yet we acknowledge that we do not always share your love with others. We are selective about who we choose as neighbors, ignoring that those who are different from us or who don't seem safe are already a part of who we are. Loving God, teach us to love you more fully. For in loving you, our lives will show love to all others, even as your love encompasses all your creation.

Hear now our silent prayers of confession...

Jesus said: You are forgiven, approved by God, and entrusted with the love that reconciles you. Blessed is everyone who walks in the way of the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Sung Response Ubi Caritas Taize

Ubi Caritas et amor Ubi Caritas Deus ibi est

*Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

You may stand and greet one another.

Gospel Lesson Matt. 22:34-39, Luke 10:28-29

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'

And Jesus said to him, "Do this, and you will live."

But wanting to vindicate himself, the lawyer asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

Sung Response Ubi Caritas Taize

Time with the Children

The children are welcome to stay for the service or they may leave for Sunday Spirit.

Anthem Oculi Omnium Charles Wood

(The eyes of all look towards thee, O Lord)

Sermon Rev. Dorothy Muller

Danielle Gamar Maria Laverde

Join us in singing Ubi Caritas after each individual shares.

Open Time for Sharing

Continue to join in singing Ubi Caritas as a refrain.

Offering

Offertory Anthem

Cantate Domino

Hans Leo Hassler

(O Sing a new song unto the Lord)

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host: Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

Joys and Concerns

Prayer of the People and 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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Hymn 391

Take My Life

*Charge and Blessing

*Benediction Response Father give thy benediction

J. Stainer

*Postlude

Fanfare

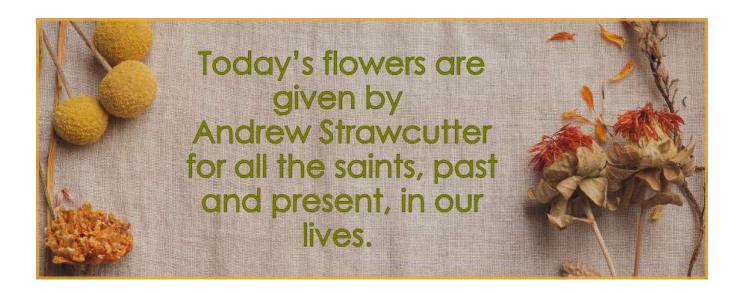
William Mathias

^{*}Please stand, if you are able.

Announcements

Please fill out the pew pads and pass them to your neighbor.

Thank you to Andrew Strawcutter and Deborah Charlup for hosting coffee hour today.





All Saints' Day

Sunday, November 5

Bring in photos of your deceased loved ones to place in the front of the sanctuary.

Child Care Available

In addition to Sunday Spirit for elementary school kids, childcare is provided during worship for kids not yet in kindergarten.

Please contact Courtney for more information.



PIE BAKING



Wednesday, November 1st 12pm BPC Kitchen





A special thank you to Marcy Carlson, Pat Ferguson, Marilyn Hermansen, Cynthia Jaffee, & Frieda Kautsky for their help in getting the 2024 pledge letters in the mail.

We greatly appreciate their time and assistance.

Bedford Bellringers

If anyone is interested in joining the bell choir or learning more about the bells, please contact Heidi Michaels at

Hmichaels425@gmail.com or (914) 263-8659.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED











WE ARE LOOKING FOR 2 VOLUNTEERS TO MAKE SOUP FOR EACH
OF THE FOLLOWING SUNDAYS:

11/12, 12/10, 1/14, 2/11 AND 3/10.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED HELPING WITH ANY OF THOSE WEEKENDS
PLEASE EMAIL ELYSSA.

Confirmation Class



If you have a high schooler who is interested in participating in this year's confirmation class, please contact Courtney.



Hunger and Homelessness Sunday

Sunday, November 12

Join us as we learn more about, and get involved with, the Emergency Shelter Partnership and Midnight Run.









Dominican Republic Trip

February 17-24, 2024

If you are interested in joining the trip or learning more please contact Courtney All are welcome!



FLOWER DONATIONS

Every week the sanctuary is decorated with beautiful flower arrangements donated and dedicated by congregants.

If you would like to sign up to sponsor a week of flowers, please do so no later than one week prior. Please be sure to include your dedication when you sign up. Checks can be sent to the church office or you can make your \$50.00 secure online donation on our website.







START DATE: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3RD

Thank you for sharing with your neighbors in need this holiday season! The Community Center collects food and monetary donations so that hundreds of our neighbors in need can enjoy special Thanksgiving meals. Families begin receiving these items on November 1st.

MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

- Frozen Turkeys
- Frozen Turkey Breasts
- Frozen Roaster Chickens
- Flour (1 or 2 lb. bags)
- Sugar (1 or 2 lb. bags)

- Vegetable/Olive Oil
- . Coffee (instant or ground)
- *Tea Bags (small boxes)
- Hot Chocolate
- Cookies



PLEASE BRING DONTIONS BEGINNING OCTOBER 3rd HOURS: TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY 10 AM - 4 PM, THURSDAY 12 PM - 6 PM, SATURDAY 10 AM - 1 PM

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EMERGENCY SHELTER PARTNERSHIP

JANUARY 1 - 7, 2024 AND FEBRUARY 26 - MARCH 3, 2024





We want to let the congregation know about the two weeks that we are signed up to host the Emergency Shelter Partnership this year. We will send out our sign up shortly.

We will be looking for volunteers for dinner, desserts, snacks, and drinks or sign up to be a back up volunteers.

Find a friend or someone you would like to get to know in the congregation, to host dinner one night together!

Email Byssa with any questions. Byssa@bedfordpreschurch.org.



BPC invites you to see, feel, believe, do.

SEE our beautiful building.

BPC stands peacefully in the heart of Bedford Village. Our building has been a community center since the 1860's. The inside and outside of the sanctuary spark awe and calmness. It allows space for moments of reflection and action.



FEEL our inviting community.

First-time visitors often say they same thing, "I just felt so welcomed and at home." From Sunday morning services, to special events like the fall picnic, to regular gatherings like lunch with friends, we simply enjoy being together. All are invited and embraced.



BELIEVE in faith for today

Our shared faith values tie us together. At the same time, we are open to different beliefs and respectful of various practices of faith. There is no "right place" to sit. There is no "shushing" of kids (we love joyful noise!). We are a community where all can worship and fully be themselves.



DO make a difference where you are inspired

BPC has a long history of caring for the community. We put our faith in action to make a positive impact. There are many ways to be inspired and get involved in the Mt. Kisco Interfaith Food Pantry, the Woman 2 Woman Prison Ministry, Nativity Farm's Garden, the Emergency Shelter Partnership, and many more.

Bulletin & Weekly E-NEWS Announcements

To sign up for our weekly E-NEWS that has live links to all of our announcements, please go to the BPC website at **bedfordpreschurch.org** and select either 'Contact' at the top or E-NEWS just below it. To have information entered into the Bulletin and/or the E-NEWS, please email Jessica at Office@bedfordpreschurch.org and

Elyssa at **Elyssa@bedfordpreschurch.org** by the end of the day Tuesdays for entry into that week's media.

Upcoming Events at a Glance

Sunday, October 29th

10 am Worship & Woman 2 Woman 10 year

Anniversary Celebration

11 am Congregational Meeting

11:15 am Coffee Hour & Woman 2 Woman

Reception

Monday, October 30th

9 am Yoga

Tuesday, October 31st

1 pm Quilting

7:15 pm Bells Rehearse

Wednesday, November 1st

12 pm Pie Making with the Interfaith Food Pantry

Thursday, November 2nd

10 am Bible Study. Please contact Alan McDougall

at alanmcd@verizon.net.

7 pm Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, November 5th

10 am All Saints' Worship, Communion &

Youth Collection

11 am Coffee Hour

Our Leadership

Session

Clerk of Session, Michelle Gosh, President Brian Hiller-Dupont,

Linda Burpee (Mission),
Jessica Cunningham (Personnel and Stewardship),
Danielle Gamar (Christian Education),
Maria Andrea Laverde (Nativity Farm),
Sarah Ryan (Property & Maintenance),
& Bart Tyler (Members & Friends and Stewardship)
Moderator Reverend Carol Howard

Deacons

Chair Kim Lapple, Sarah Alley, Marcy Carlson, Kathy DiBiasi, Michele Eames, Pat Ferguson, & Diane Palmento

Staff

The Reverend Carol Howard, Pastor

The Reverend Courtney Steininger, Minister of Christian Education

John Lettieri, Director of Music

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