

BEDFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"Blue and Green Music" by Georgia O'Keeffe

Sunday, March 28, 2021

Palm Sunday

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

When Jesus rode into Jerusalem,
The people waved palms,
And celebrated his arrival.

When Jesus took up his cross,
His friends betrayed and denied him
as he was tortured.

We are grateful
that in our celebrations
and in our sufferings,

God walks beside us,
Never leaving us,
And never forsaking us.

Hymn

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Gospel Lesson

Mark 11:1-11

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’”

They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

“Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Anthem *Ride On, King Jesus!* African-American Spiritual
arr. William Cutter
Kathy Perry, Soprano Soloist

Sermon “*What Does it Mean to be Saved*” Rev. Carol Howard Merritt

Prayers of the People

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.

(Many people say the Lord's Prayer with "trespasses" or "sins" instead of "debts." Please feel free to pray in any form that makes you feel the most comfortable.)

Hymn 102

Were You There?

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

Announcements

Beginning today, we will once again be including announcements along with the Order of Worship on our website and in our printed bulletins. All church announcements included in our weekly E-NEWS include 'live' links that bring you directly to websites and documents that are referenced in our announcements.

To sign up for our E-NEWS, please go to the BPC website at bedfordpreschurch.org and select either '**Contact**' at the top or **E-NEWS** just below it.

Easter Events

March 28th

10 am • Palm Sunday Service

11 am • Egg Dyeing

April 3rd

7 pm • On-line Easter Vigil, Led by Youth

April 4th

9 am Easter Service

10 am • Egg Hunt

11 am • Easter Service

Easter Services - Sunday, April 4th

9:00 am - 9:45 am

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11:00 am - 11:45 am

We would love to have you join us at our Easter Sunday services. We will be holding both a **9:00 am** service and an **11:00 am** service. The 11:00 am service is already filled up.

Both services will be held outdoors this year in front of the church. If you would like to sign up for the **9:00 am** service, please contact Elyssa Michaels at: youthgroup@bedfordpreschurch.org

Please include the total number of people in your group. This will help us keep track of attendance for both seating and contact tracing purposes. If you have already signed up for the 11:00 am service and want to switch to the 9:00 am service, you can also contact Elyssa Michaels for this as well.

We will also be having an Easter Egg Hunt at 10:00 am.

#StopAsianHate
Tuesdays
at 7 pm

4/6 • GRACE JI-SUN KIM
PASTOR & THEOLOGIAN

4/13 • MIHEE KIM-KORT
PASTOR & AUTHOR

4/20 • CINDY WANG BRANDT
AUTHOR & PODCASTER

Sign up link will be available next week.

Let's Cook Together



Join us as Chef Mark, an award-winning chef who has been teaching at the Culinary Institute for over 25 years, instructs us in cooking dinner! He'll plan a menu and tell us what ingredients we should each have on hand. We will cook and eat together. BPC members can come together virtually for fun and learn some skills and learn about healthy eating and food prep as well as environmental sustainability that can extend to folks beyond our doors. The cost is \$25 per household.

By making a payment using the link below you will automatically be registered for the "Let's Cook Together" event. You can also submit a check to the BPC office.

Visit: onrealm.org/bedfordpreschurch/give/Cook

BPC Parenting Blog



BPC Parents is a parenting blog written by a team of professionals from our community. We are here to give insight, care and thoughtfulness to fellow parents as we do the challenging, yet rewarding work of raising children.

This month's article is written by **Adrian Kalikow** titled ***A Year Later...*** Visit: bpcparents.tumblr.com/

The Reverend Carol Howard Merritt, Pastor

John Lettieri, Director of Music

Elyssa Michaels, Director of High School & Middle School Youth Groups

Jessica DeAlto, Office Manager

Sunday Worship Service

In person and virtual

10:00 AM

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