



"Bars and Stripes" by Amelia Bennett

# NOVEMBER 6, 2022 ORDINARY SUNDAY

Prelude Romance J. Rheinberger

Introit G. Thalben-Ball

Thou Will Keep Him in Perfect Peace

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

# \*Call to Worship from Psalm 98

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; break forth into joy and song. Sing praises to God with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody. With trumpets and the sound of the horn, make a joyful noise.

People: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it. Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy.

Leader: Let us join with all creation, giving thanks to God!

\*Hymn 268 God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

#### Confession

#### Call to Confession

Loving God, you created us to be in relationship with one another, but we often fail to treat each other with dignity. We hold onto old resentments. We cling to worn-out hostilities. We do not tell the truth. Forgive us and teach us how to love. Through your Spirit, we pray.

(Silent Confession)

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

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

People: And also with you.

# **Sung Response**

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.

Joyful Noise Children's Choir Thankful Shawna Belt Edwards

#### Time with the Children

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

**Epistle Lesson** 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17

But we must always give thanks to God for you, siblings, beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose, he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Anthem O Taste and See R. Vaughan Williams

Gospel Lesson Luke 20:27-38

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven

died childless. Finally, the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.'

Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.'

**Sermon** Rev. Carol Howard Merritt

# Offering and Children's Offering

Anthem Shaker Tune arr. B. Chilcott

The Gift To Be Simple

# \*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

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.

### Communion

# Invitation to the Table Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**Leader: We lift up our hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord. Leader: Let us give thanks to God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise...

Breaking of the Bread \*Communion Prayer after Communion and 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.

\*Hymn 451 Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

\*Charge and Blessing

**Benediction Response** Threefold Amen in C J. McGregor

\*Postlude Sonata de 1°Tono Jose Lidon

\*Please rise, if able.

# **Announcements**

This weeks' flowers are dedicated in honor of Jessica & Sean Cunningham's 24th wedding anniversary, November 6, 2022.

# Sunday, November 6th

6 pm - Nancy Gernert & Rev. Dorothy Mueller are coming to talk about the Woman 2 Woman Prison Ministry Program. There will be a potluck dinner and the Mannes Musicians will perform.





# "Garden Trellis" Quilt Raffle

The 2022, Garden Trellis Quilt, is queen sized and handquilted by the Bedford Quilters. It will be raffled at our annual Mistletoe Mart on Dec. 3rd. All proceeds go towards programs and mission projects at BPC. Tickets are \$5 each or a booklet of 5 for \$20. Not on our mailing list and want to receive a booklet? Call the office 914-234-3672 to order your tickets and be entered in the quilt raffle. You need not be present to win!!



## FARMERS ALMANAC

NOV 6- NOV 12, 2022

#### Probable State of the Weather (with Moon Cycle)

#### Bedford Village, NY

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Partly Cloudy 72°	Partly Cloudy 72°	Mostly Sunny 64°	Partly Cloudy 59°	Showers 61°	Showers 63°	Showers 53°

#### ON THE FARM

We will finish harvesting all of the kale in the next couple of weeks. We will also finish planting garlic this week. We have been gathering the leaves for leaf mulch in the garden, which will be spread this week.

#### THIS WEEK'S TO DO LIST

We are almost done harvesting kale for the season. If you would like to deliver kale to the Mount Kisco Interfaith Food Pantry, please let Courtney know!

#### OTHER NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Courtney is looking for volunteers to rake leaves for compost in the learning garden. Please let her know if you would like to help!



#### WHAT WE ARE READING

"Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises. Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody. With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD. Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it. Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the LORD, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity."

Psalm 98: 4-9

WORD OF THE WEEK land stewardship



# **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 Elyssa **(Elyssa@bedfordpreschurch.org)** and Jessica at**(Office@bedfordpreschurch.org)** by the end of the day Tuesdays for entry into that week's media.



The Bedford Bellringers have been playing together for over 60 years at BPC. The Bellringers play 3-4 times a year and rehearse on Tuesday evenings, for a few weeks prior to performances. If you are interested in playing with the bells or have any questions, please contact Heidi Michaels at hmichaels425@gmail.com.

# 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.

Go to our website to donate.



# Coffee Hour Sign Up

Sunday Coffee Hours have been a wonderful time for congregation members to reconnect with those they haven't seen recently and a nice opportunity to meet new visitors in a casual environment. The church provides the main equipment needed so volunteers only supply the food items. Instructions are provided.

#### Go to our website to sign up.

Contact Marcy Carlson, Sarah Alley or Michele Eames with questions.

# **Upcoming Events at a Glance**

## Sunday, November 6th

10:00 am Communion, children's offering &

Joyful Noise helps lead worship.

6:00 pm Woman 2 Woman Prison Ministry discussion,

Mannes Musicians & Potluck Dinner.

Monday, November 7th

9:00 am Yoga at 9 am.

Tuesday, November 8th

12:30 pm Lunch with Friends.

7:00 pm Quilters.

7:15 pm Bells Practice.

Thursday, November 10th

10:00 am Bible Study. Please contact Alan McDougall

at alanmcd@verizon.net.

Sunday, November 13th

10:00 am Worship.

11:00 am Second Sunday Soup.



## **Our Leadership**

#### Session

Clerk of Session Brian Hiller-Dupont, President Michelle Gosh, Linda Burpee, Jessica Cunningham, Danielle Gamar, Maria Andrea Laverde, Suzanne Millette, Sarah Ryan & Bart Tyler Moderator Reverend Carol Howard Merritt

#### Deacons

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

#### Staff

The Reverend Carol Howard Merritt, Pastor
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