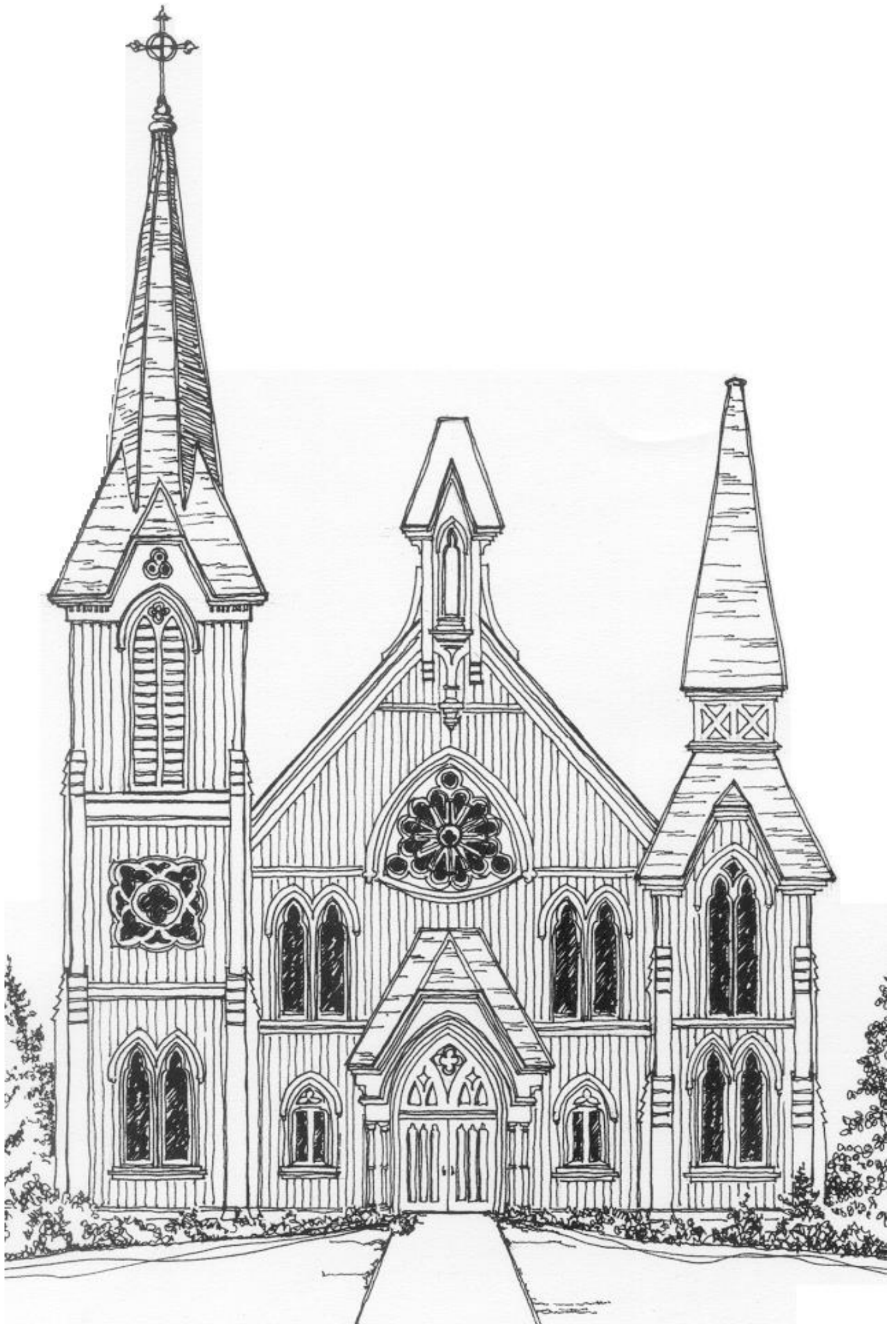


BEDFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Service for the Lord's Day

January 12, 2020

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE – *How Brightly Shines the Morningstar*

J. L. Krebs

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME

***CALL TO WORSHIP** - (*1 John 4:7-8*)

Leader: Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God;

People: everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

Leader: Whoever does not love does not know God,

People: for God is love.

***HYMN 486** – *When the Morning Stars Together*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, hear our prayer. Sometimes our lives are a mess, because of choices we have made or because of choices others have made. Sometimes our lives are great, and we're kind and generous. Sometimes our lives are great and we forget to be grateful and humble. We trust that in the jumble of all of this, you are present. We trust that you are with us, walking with us when we stray, nudging us back to the right path, slowing us down when we get ahead of you, and waiting for us when we lag behind. So we thank you, and ask for your forgiveness, and pray that you will stay with us throughout the journey. Amen.**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting!

**People: In Jesus Christ, God calls us by name, claims us in love,
and brings us hope!**

***ASCRPTION OF PRAISE - Hymn 404**

Precious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light:
Take my hand, precious Lord, Lead me home.

***PASSING OF PEACE**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

THE MOMENT WITH CHILDREN and CHILDREN'S OFFERING

The children have designated this year's children's offering for the **Heifer Project** and **Laundry Love**. If you want to contribute, we invite you to place your gifts in the baskets on the chancel steps as we greet one another this morning.

THE PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE READING – *Psalm 98*

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

People: His right hand and his holy arm have gained him victory.

Leader: The Lord has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.

People: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

People: Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.

Leader: With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.

People: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.

Leader: 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.

People: He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

MUSICAL OFFERING *Carols and Lullabies* by Conrad Susa
(*See insert*)

THE SENDING

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

***or “Our Creator”**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below.

Praise him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

- or -

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.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

***HYMN 264** – *When in Our Music God Is Glorified*

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE - *Fugue in g*

J. S. Bach

****Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.***

****Beth Merrill Neel**

TODAY'S WORSHIP

January 12, 2020

Mt Kisco Interfaith Food Pantry Volunteers Needed

BPC assists with distribution at the Food Pantry once a month. It is an easy and rewarding way to help with a real problem close to home. If you are interested in helping out on one of the dates below, please contact **Sharon Seidell** at sps1256s@gmail.com, or **914-522-2108**.

The schedule is:

Tuesday Feb 4th, 5pm -7 pm
Tuesday March 3rd, 5pm -7pm
Wednesday April 8th, 9am - 11am
Wednesday April 29th, 9am - 11am
Wednesday May 27th 9am - 11am
Wednesday June 24th, 9am - 11am



Bedford Fire Department Bond Vote Tuesday, January 14th between 6am and 9pm

This vote will be held at the Bedford Presbyterian Church, downstairs in the Youth Room (around back), *NOT* in Fellowship Hall.

Did you know?

Presbyterian churches are governed by the session, which is comprised of both the teaching elders (ministers) and the ruling elders. Like a ruler or yardstick ruling, elders are entrusted with the responsibility to measure, determine, and discern the faithfulness of the life of the congregation.

Second Sunday Soup

A great big thank you to

Alison Cape & Jim Fenimore along with Vickie & Bruce Dey

for sponsoring Second Sunday Soup today.

Sunday Flowers

The flowers in the sanctuary today are “in memory of Patrick Thompson who lives in and with me always. With all my love, Sarah Gordon.”

Mistletoe Mart Organizational Meeting

The organizational meeting for the 2020 Mistletoe Mart will be held on **Sunday, January 26th**, following our 10:00 am service. We will hopefully be in the Chapel Room. This is an opportunity to decide how to allocate the funds from the 2019 Mart and to brainstorm new ideas and organize the 2020 Mart. Your help and ideas are greatly appreciated. Please come and bring your ideas, concerns, expertise and support. If you are unable to attend the meeting, but would like to contribute your ideas and/or time, please email **Julia Newton** at julianewton@yahoo.com.

In-Touch Ministry

Did you know that there are some members of our church who are confined to their homes and are unable to attend services on Sunday? At Second Sunday Soup on January 12th we will have a table set up with some blank cards so that attending members can communicate their thoughts to those who cannot be with us. The names of some of our members who are unable to get out and socialize will be available along with cards for you to write your thoughts and news. The cards will then be mailed out over time. If you have any cards you would like to donate, please bring them in.

Contributions & Donations

We are so grateful for our support of our wonderful church. Please clearly mark you checks so that we can apply your contributions/donations to the correct account:
Flowers, Pledges, etc.

BPC Book Club

Please join us **Thursday, January 16th** at **12:30 pm** in the conference room at the church for our next book club meeting.

Engage in an interesting discussion of
The Beekeeper of Aleppo by **Christy Lefteri**

The book club will meet on the 3rd Thursday of every month, with a new book discussed each month. Bring your lunch and eat while we talk.

Please contact Maggie Uyeki at maggiueyeki@gmail.com for any questions or additional information.

Flowers for the Sanctuary

Flowers bring beauty to our Sunday morning service and can also be a memorable way to celebrate a special day or a special person in your life. Donating flowers couldn't be easier! Simply contribute \$50 to the church flower fund and create your own dedication line to run in the Sunday bulletin. Then, after worship, you or the person you're celebrating can take the flowers home! If you are interested, please contact **Michele Eames** at mdeames@optimum.net or **914-715-3223** with any questions. There will also be a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall following worship services.



*****After January 19th, we have no one signed up until May 10th*****



Laundry Love

*Laundry Love is always happy to recruit new volunteers and shifts are easy-breezy, just 1.5 hours per month. Choose from 5-6:30pm or 6:30-8pm; mix and match, or take both, if you'd like! Signing up in advance helps everyone anticipate coverage. Fill in the form in Fellowship Hall on Sundays or contact **Elizabeth Messinger** by phone **914-980-0059** or email LaundryLoveMtKiscoNY@gmail.com.*

Join in and wash on!

Events for the Week

Today, January 12

- 10:00 AM Worship (Sanctuary) Rev. Dr. J. Patrick Vaughn
11:00 AM Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall)
11:30 AM Session Meeting (Chapel)

Monday, January 13

- 7:00 PM Women to Women (Chapel)

Tuesday, January 14

- 6:00 AM -9:00 PM Bedford Fire Bond Vote (**Youth Room**)
9:30 AM Senior Group Exercise (Fellowship Hall)
10:30 AM Adult Bible Study (Conference Room)
7:15 PM AA Men & Women (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, January 15

- 9:30 AM Spirituality (Chapel Room)

Thursday, January 16

- 9:30 AM Senior Group Exercise (Fellowship Hall)
12:30 PM Book Club (Conference Room)
7:15 PM AA Men & Women (Fellowship Hall)
7:30 PM Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

Friday, January 17

- 6:45 PM AA Women (Chapel)
8:30 PM HSYG (Fellowship Hall)

Saturday, January 18

- 7:15 PM AA Men & Women (Fellowship Hall)

The Rev. Dr. J. Patrick Vaughn, Interim Pastor

The Rev. Heather Brown-Huston, Minister for Congregational Life

John Lettieri, Director of Music

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

The Rev. Leslie Mott, Coordinator for Spirituality and Practice

Sunday Worship Service 10:00 AM

Church School & Childcare 10:00 AM

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