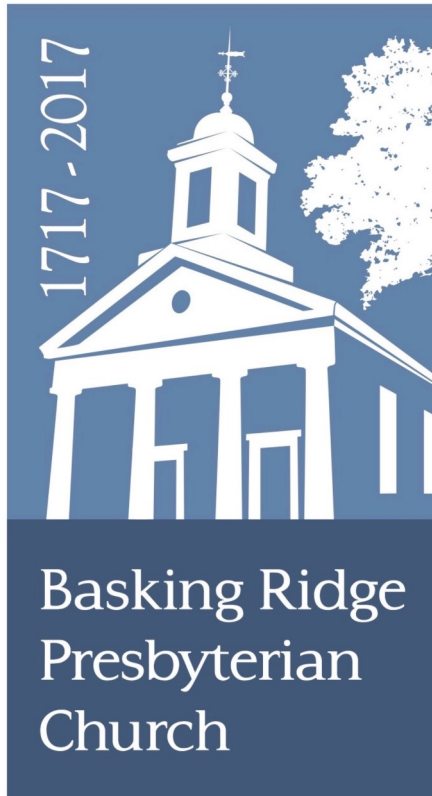


The Presbyterian Church

BASKING RIDGE, NEW JERSEY FOUNDED CIRCA 1717

January 12 and 13, 2019

Baptism of the Lord Weekend



“Do not be dismayed by the brokenness of the world.
All things break. And all things can be mended.
Not with time, as they say, but with intention.
So go. Love intentionally, extravagantly, unconditionally.
The broken world waits in darkness for the light that is you.”
~*L.R. Knost*

Welcome

We warmly welcome you to worship at The Presbyterian Church in Basking Ridge. We pray that you will be encouraged in your journey of faith and drawn closer to God by your experience with us.

Nursery Care

Our warm and loving Nursery is staffed for our 10:15 a.m. worship service with two child care providers caring for children, infants through age 2. Parents may leave their children while they attend worship in the Sanctuary. The worship service will be live streamed into the Nursery for parents who wish to stay with their children and watch the service. During the 9 a.m. worship service, the Nursery is available as a parents' room. Please speak with our Director of Ministry to Children and their Families, Stacy Currie, if you have any questions or to find out more about our ministry to children.

Sunday School

At the 10:15 a.m. worship service after the *Message for Children*, children ages 3 through grade 5 may go to Sunday School, and Middle School Students may go to Bibles & Bagels in the Church House Library. On the first Sunday of the month, children in grades 3–middle school remain in worship for the full hour.

Online Sermons

Recorded audio sermons from most Sundays are available on the church website at www.brpc.org. To access, click on the [Sermons](#) link under [Worship and Music](#) on the main menu.

Amplification Headsets

So that all may enjoy the worship service, sound amplification headsets are available from the ushers for those who need assistance with hearing.

Who Does God Call Us to Be?

We are a vibrant, warm and welcoming community of faith. Those who worship here come from a diverse range of backgrounds and would describe themselves in a rich variety of ways.

We acknowledge our doubt, our struggles, and that we are all quite human and imperfect and that we are each at a unique place on our faith journey.

We find our unity, our common identity, in Jesus Christ and together we seek to joyfully worship God and energetically minister to the needs of the world on God's behalf.

We gather in anticipation of being transformed by the power, purpose and presence of God among us, and go forth equipped to love God and neighbor more deeply and more wholeheartedly.

We believe that faithful leadership of a church requires being open to new possibilities, taking risks and learning from mistakes as we try again.

Honoring the past, we are convinced that God calls us to a new future.

~The Opening Paragraph of *Vision 2017 of the Presbyterian Church in Basking Ridge*

Order of Worship

Saturday Evening

5:00 p.m. - Westminster Hall

JANUARY 12, 2019

OAK TABLE SERVICE

(Please prepare prayerfully for worship and be sure all cell phones are turned off.)

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

*GATHERING SONGS

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
Holy, Holy, Holy*

HYMN 263

OPENING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE

Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22

p. 60

MESSAGE

Rev. Helen Beglin

OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC

For All You've Done

by Reuben Morgan

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

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.

*CLOSING SONG

O Christ, Surround Me

HYMN 543

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Order of Worship

9:00 a.m. ~ Chapel; 10:15 a.m. ~ Sanctuary

JANUARY 13, 2019

BAPTISM OF THE LORD SUNDAY

(As the prelude begins, please prepare prayerfully for worship
and be sure all cell phones are turned off.)

PRELUDE (10:15)

Celebration Fanfare
Knox Bell Choir

by Ron Mallory

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: From the north and south we come;

People: from the east and west God calls us.

Leader: Over the mighty waters, the Lord speaks:

People: I have called you by name; you are mine.

Leader: Come, let us worship God.

*HYMN

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

HYMN 263

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

We are precious in your sight,

yet we often forget that we are your beloved.

We confess that our love is fickle and inconsistent.

We follow selfish goals

**and deny that our way of life harms others and
hurts your world.**

We are sorry and we want to change.

Create in us a clean heart,

strengthen our resolve,

reconcile us one to another,

and bless us with your peace. Amen.

SILENT REFLECTION AND CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

We Are Forgiven

HYMN 447

We are forgiven, We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

We are forgiven, We are forgiven,

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

*THE PEACE

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: and also with you.

Leader: I invite you to turn and greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

SPECIAL MUSIC (10:15)

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Institute of Music for Children

MESSAGE FOR CHILDREN (10:15)

Stacy Currie

by Helen Kemp

O Come, with Body and Mind

O, Come, with body and mind.

O, Come, with spirit and voice.

Bring the whole person, bring the whole person,

Come, let's sing and rejoice.

(Children ages 3—grade 5 are invited to attend Sunday School.

Middle School Students are invited to attend Bibles & Bagels.)

*HYMN (10:15)

Wild and Lone the Prophet's Voice

HYMN 163

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22 (p. 60)

(10:15) Ken Warman

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Saved to Serve

Rev. Dennis W. Jones

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

(10:15) Dr. Maureen Paterson

OFFERTORY (10:15)

Sing a New Song

arr. Hal H. Hopson

Sanctuary Choir

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow

HYMN 606

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

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

*CLOSING HYMN

How Firm a Foundation

HYMN 463

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE (10:15)

Postlude on 'Azmon

arr. Richard A. Williamson

Church Family

The Flowers on the Piers this morning are given to the glory of God:

~ *By Jann and Hal Slapin, in loving memory of their mothers, Dorothy and Ruth.*

The flowers that grace our sanctuary each week are gifts from members of the congregation. Flowers may be given in memory or in honor of someone or to celebrate an occasion and cost \$42 per pier. **There are two pier openings on February 3 and 10.** If you would like to donate an arrangement, please contact Debbie Schaub at 908-507-3844; *NEW e-mail address, dschaub23@gmail.com.*

flowers



Our Greeters for the 10:15 am service are Mike and Maggie Skow and Emily Keller.

Welcome to our Special Guests in Worship!

We welcome to worship today participants from The Institute of Music for Children. This organization was founded as a mission of Third-Westminster Presbyterian Church in Elizabeth in 1995 and grew so large that it was incorporated as a 501(c) in 2003. Each year the Institute serves 1,000 New Jersey youth with affordable, high-quality arts training in a creative and nurturing environment. The Mission funds of BRPC help to fund these vital arts programs in underserved urban communities.

Adult Spiritual Development

Women's Bible Study—Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Parlor

Join us for a new study on the book of Romans led by Dr. Maureen Paterson. New members are always welcome. Come when you can for prayer, discussion and learning together.

Stephen Ministry Forum - January 27th, 3:00 p.m. in the Parlor

"Self-care practices to restore the mind, body and soul."

Please join us for an informative and interactive discussion with Linda Metcalfe to explore mindfulness practices helpful in self care. All are welcome!

Early Bird Study

The Early Bird study has resumed its lessons on the Commandments of Christ. We meet weekly in the church library at 7:45 on Sunday mornings for coffee and fellowship, followed by a study from 8-8:45. Newcomers and visitors are always welcome!

(Please Note: The Early Bird study will not be meeting on Sunday, January 20.)

Youth and Young Adult Ministries

Middle School Wednesday Fellowships:

January 16: 5:30-7:30 p.m.—We will head to Ridge Oak Senior Center for pizza and to lead Bingo for the residents. (Note early start time.) Snow date is January 23 at same times.

January 23- we will meet from 6-7:30 p.m. for dinner, activities and games (unless this is our snow date for Ridge Oak.)

Senior High Fellowship—Sunday, January 13 in the Youth Center

6-7:30 p.m.—Fellowship with Dinner & Games; 7:30-8 p.m.—Optional time to hang out with Friends

Combined Middle School and Senior High Open Mic Night in Westminster Hall

Sunday, January 27-6-7:30 p.m. Dinner and Open Mic! Come to help set up from 5-6 p.m.

Let Cathi know if you want to participate. You can tell a clean joke, juggle, do acrobatics or more! 7:30-8 p.m.—Optional Time to hang out with Friends.

Calling All Senior High Youth!

We have a unique opportunity for you – the **2019 Youth Triennium!** Triennium is a life - changing, faith-deepening experience led by the National Presbyterian church every 3 years for current 9th – 12th graders. The event takes place at Purdue University, Indiana. You would travel by bus, departing from Camp Johnsonburg on **July 15th and returning on July 20th.**

Please note that this event coincides with our Maine Workcamp dates (July 13 – 21) so you would select this event, rather than our trip for this summer.

For more info, contact Cathi Reckenbeil by Jan. 20, as initial applications are due by Jan. 28 to our Elizabeth Presbytery. Your subsidized cost is \$400; financial aid is possible.

CALL FOR ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Basking Ridge, New Jersey, Part I (Statistical and Financial), will be held in the Sanctuary on Sunday, January 27, 2019, immediately following the 10:15 a.m. service, for the purpose of receiving the Statistical and Financial reports for 2018; for consideration of the Local and General Mission Budgets for 2019; for acting on the Pastors' Compensation for 2019; and for such other business as may properly come before the Congregation.

January 9, 2018 ~Tina Bramel, Clerk of Session

Opportunities to Give and Serve

Homeless Solutions

Are you looking for a new way to help out a neighbor in need? Are you searching for a way to get your family and young children involved in caring for others? Homeless Solutions provides a hands on opportunity to help feed adults, children and families. 4 times a year, faithful members of our congregation volunteer their time to shop and cook dinner for the Homeless Solutions Shelter in Morris Plains. Our assigned 2019 dates are: **Saturday March 2; Saturday June 29, Saturday September 7, and Saturday November 30.** Once again, we are in need of volunteers to (1) Grocery shop and (2) Cook and serve the meals. For grocery shopping, the list is provided and you are reimbursed for the purchases. Shopping is done Saturday morning and delivered to the shelter. For cooking, you arrive at 3:30 p.m. to begin cooking, and the recipes are provided. Dinner is served at 6 p.m. and clean up is done by shelter residents. We will walk you through every step with detailed shopping lists and cooking instructions. Check out their website at www.homelessolutions.org. Please contact Joelle Strona at mjstrona@verizon.net or 908-626-1636 if you would like to volunteer for just a few hours to make a big difference in the lives of others.

God's Co-Op Pantry

Please bring in donations of the item listed below for God's Co-Op Pantry to help those in need in our surrounding community. Donations may be brought to the church house. Thanks for your generous support!

January—24 oz. Vegetable Oil



Sermon Notes

Artwork of Little Presbyterians



It's About BRPC's Future!

The Nominating Committee needs your help to identify the best candidates for important leadership positions at BRPC. A sense of God's call to serve, coupled with a willingness to serve, is much more important than any particular set of skills or talents.

Please prayerfully consider those who play significant roles in the life and ministries of BRPC today, who bring experience from another church, who may have new and imaginative ideas for the future, and who will dedicate their energy to moving God's work forward.

Since you know yourself much better than does anyone else, please feel free to submit your own name if you believe that you are called to serve.

All active members of the congregation are eligible for nomination at the May 2019 congregational meeting in the following positions:

Elders – constitute the Session, the ruling body of the church, and have full responsibility for policies, personnel and programs of the church. Elders also operate as chairs of the various Councils and Committees.

Deacons – carry out a ministry to care, communication and hospitality to the members.

Trustees – responsible for the corporate and financial operations, including the overall care and maintenance of the church properties.

Financial Review Committee – verifies the statistical and financial records of the church.

Nominating Committee – selects the candidates for election to the boards.

To make a suggestion, please complete the form below and return it to the Church Office, or give it to any member of the current Nominating Committee.

2019 Nominating Committee: Rev. Dennis Jones (ex-officio), Ellen Johnson (Trustee), Dotty Dameo (Deacon), Sue Brewer, Peggy Eicher, Jim Felter, Herb Kimmich, Jean Wadsworth, and Don Grossmann (Elder, Chair).

CHURCH OFFICER CANDIDATE FOR NOMINATION

Candidate Name:

Office:

I believe this member would be a good candidate because:

Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY—JANUARY 13

Early Bird Study, 7:45 am	Library
Confirmation Mentor Sessions, 8:45 am	Youth Center
Worship, 9:00 am.....	Chapel
Fellowship Time, 9:45 am	Westminster Hall
Worship, 10:15 am.....	Sanctuary
Sunday School, 10:15 am	Westminster Hall
Bibles & Bagels, 10:15 am	Library
Fellowship Time, 11:15 am	Westminster Hall
Senior High Fellowship, 6:00 pm	Youth Ctr.

MONDAY—JANUARY 14

Pantry Committee, 1:00 pm	Parlor
Mission Council, 7:00 pm.....	Youth Center
Worship and Music Coun., 7:00 pm	Geneva Room
Fellowship Council, 7:30 pm.....	Library
Trustees, 7:30 pm.....	Parlor

TUESDAY—JANUARY 15

Oak Tree Quilters, 9:00 am.....	Geneva Room
Children's Mid-Week Ministry, 4:15 pm	West. Hall
Alpha Bell Choir, 6:15 pm.....	Knox Room
Knox Bell Choir, 7:30 pm.....	Knox Room
Scout Troop # 351, 7:30 pm	Youth Center

WEDNESDAY—JANUARY 16

Women's Bible Study, 9:30 am	Parlor
Middle School Fellowship, 5:30 pm	Ridge Oak
Stephen Ministry, 7:30 pm.....	Parlor

THURSDAY—JANUARY 17

Sanctuary Choir, 7:00 pm	Knox Room
Women's Choir, 8:15 pm.....	Knox Room

FRIDAY—JANUARY 18

SATURDAY—JANUARY 19

Oak Table Service, 5:00 pm	Westminster Hall
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