

# BEVERLY PRESS

Beverly Presbyterian Church 121 Warren Street, Edgewater Park, NJ 08010

## FROM THE (Interim) PASTOR...

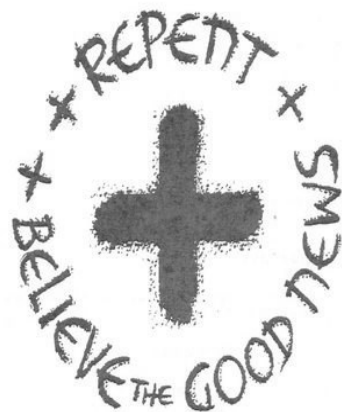
Back in high school I recall being required to wear burlap underwear as part of the initiation ritual to become a member of the varsity club. Believe me, it was not one of my better memories of high school! Burlap is course and rough, and it itches, unlike the soft and supple underwear we typically wear.

Interestingly wearing sackcloth, which is akin to burlap, has long been a symbol of penitence, i.e. voluntary self-punishment for something you have done wrong. Penitence is a means of expressing genuine contrition for wrongdoing. During the Old Testament era persons coupled the wearing of sackcloth with sprinkling ashes on their heads to express their sorrow for their sins and faults. Even Jesus referenced the practice in a not unflattering manner.

Christians continued the practice of using ashes as an external sign of repentance throughout the first millennium. But then the discipline of public penance was dropped. The 40-day (actually 46 if you count the Sundays) season of Lent which preceded Easter was seen as a general penitential season marked by sprinkling ashes on the heads of all—and the wearing of sackcloth was dropped. And that’s the way it continued until the Reformation era. It was then that the practice simply lost favor among Protestants, especially those at the Reformed end of the Protestant continuum. Reformed Protestants were disinclined to employ practices which might be viewed as promoting any sort of works righteousness and detracting from the significance of Christ. And therein lies a very real danger.

Still with Vatican II, which opened in 1962, and the emergence of the ecumenical movement, the use of ashes has become more commonplace among Protestants and has been openly encouraged in many circles, including churches of the Reformed-Presbyterian tradition. Hence, we will once again be holding a brief service of worship on Ash Wednesday, March 6, beginning at 7:00 in the sanctuary. Ashes from palm branches from previous Palm Sunday celebrations will be used to mark those who will begin the season of Lent as a time of penance, prayer, and fasting in preparation for the celebration of Easter Sunday. I invite you and encourage you to participate in this ancient, yet still meaningful act as a symbol of this special season. And if you are unable to attend, remember that the entire Lenten season is intended as a time for penance, a time to cleanse ourselves of sin, and a time to prepare to meet and greet our risen Savior and Lord Jesus Christ on Easter. Not only God knows that this world, and we as participants in it, could use a little more contrition and self-denial in order to enhance our lives as disciples of Christ Jesus.

In His name,  
Pastor Keith Schmitt



Beverly Presbyterian Church  
121 East Warren Street  
Edgewater Park, NJ 08010



**FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT—FRIDAY, MARCH 1 @ 6:00 PM**

**COMMUNION —SUNDAY, MARCH 3 @ 10:00 AM**

Followed by fellowship hour and Food Pantry Lite Fare

**PRAYER MEETING—MONDAY, MARCH 4 & 18 @ 6:30 PM**

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE—WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6 @ 7:00 PM**

**FOOD PANTRY—MONDAY, MARCH 18, NOON TO 2:00 PM**

The Pantry is open for bag distribution. Food for the body and His word for the soul is provided for those in need.

### SUNDAYS

8:30 AM Continental Breakfast in the Cafe

8:45 AM Sunday School from pre-K to adult

10:00 AM Traditional Worship Service

**WEDNESDAYS** at 7:15 PM Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAYS** at 7:00 PM Praise & Worship Service lead by Joann and Tom Dileo

### BEVERLY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Interim Pastor—The Rev. Dr. Keith Schmitt

Praise Leader—Joanne Dileo

Choir Director—Gwen Reed

Sunday School Director—Sue Hill

Office hours are Monday thru Friday, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

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**FREE FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT** in the Fellowship Hall, **FRIDAY, MARCH 1** doors open at **6:00 PM** . The feature presentation is projected onto a 9x16 screen with surround sound. Call the office for the movie title. It's usually a newly released movie on DVD that is appropriate for most ages. Last month, *Christopher Robin Returns* was shown and enjoyed by an audience of 2 dozen viewers in spite of the weather. Refreshments are available for a nominal fee and the proceeds go to support Youth Group activities.

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE** - March 6 at 7:00 pm.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**  
**(for period of January 1 – January 31, 2019)**

Revenue needed to make budget:	\$ 15,646
*Actual revenue received for period:	\$ 10,015
Revenue under budget:	- \$ 5,631
Total Expenditures:	\$ 17,619
*Actual revenue received for period:	\$ 10,015
Revenue under expenditures:	- \$ 7,604

**\*This number reflects all incoming revenue INCLUDING the Balance the Budget donations. It DOES NOT INCLUDE donations to the Food Pantry, 2 Cents a Meal Collection, or Missions.**

**IMPORTANT DATES**

- 1—World Day of Prayer
- 3—Transfiguration of Our Lord
- 6—Ash Wednesday
- 10— First Sunday in Lent
- 10— Daylight-Savings Time begins
- 17—Second Sunday in Lent
- 20—First Day of Spring
- 24—Third Sunday in Lent
- 31—Fourth Sunday in Lent



**MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 – Allison Colangelo
- 6 – Aubrey Marcus
- 8 – Charlie Kreischer
- 10 – Ethan Arter
- 10 – Mike Cosden
- 11 – Pat Dougherty
- 12 – Gabrielle Sadowski
- 13 – Jane Schulze
- 16 – Ashley Sheets
- 17 – Gwen Reed
- 19 – Tara Cosden
- 20 – Donna Rivera
- 20 – Adam Sheets
- 23 – George Stevenson
- 25 – Nancy Marter
- 27 – Scott Reed
- 29 – Barbara Judd

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Thank you to the contributors of this issue of the “Beverly Press”; Pastor Keith, Sherry O, Gary F., Sue C., & Gwen R. I look forward to contributions from all aspects of BPC for the next issue. Articles such as upcoming event details, reflections on past events, pictures and ideas are due the 2nd Sunday each month (some exceptions). You can email your submission to [beverlypressnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:beverlypressnewsletter@gmail.com) or drop off in person at the church office.

Deadline each month: 3/17 4/14 5/12 6/16 7/14 8/11 9/15 10/13 11/10 12/15

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S CIRCLE**

We would like to invite you to join us for the Afternoon Circle in Fellowship Hall held on the **4th Tuesday of every month at 12:00**. We each bring our own lunch and really enjoy a time of good fellowship. Dessert is provided for you but you will find the sweetest delight is what we learn from the heart of God. He loves to bless us and never fails to show up. You will need to bring your bible or one can be provided for you.

Hope to see you there.

Sue Carter



**TAKE TIME TO PRAY!**

When you do please include the **PRAYER CONCERNS** listed, below.

- BPC finances
- Pastor Nominating Committee
- Sanctuary ceiling repairs
- Tom Oulton
- The Barber Family
- Jane Schulze
- Tammy Lowden
- Laura Kellaway
- Joy Vanaman McWilliams
- The world
- Our nation,
- Our state, & local community
- The BPC congregation



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**JOIN US FOR WORSHIP**  
Sunday at 10:00AM & Thursday at 7:00PM  
**GIVE ONLINE**



**GOD'S HEART FOR YOU**

is to have joy and laughter- in the book of Job 8:21 we find, "He will yet fill your mouth with laughter and your lips with shouts of joy." So, if you're suffering now, just wait and hold onto that promise.

Ecclesiastes 3 tells us there is a time for everything and in verse 4—it says, "there is a time to laugh."

The surest route to joy is found in the Presence of the Lord. Psalm 16:11 ... "you will fill me with joy in your presence." Note: FILL – God is not skimpy. God is a God of Abundance as we see in Psalm 23:5- ... "my cup overflows."

The One who designed us knows us and tells us in Proverbs 17:22, "A cheerful heart is good medicine." It's good for your heart! So, in other words, somber does not necessarily mean spiritual. One of the marks of a true believer is joy.

*Allow the Lord to fill you with His joy because  
God's heart beats true—God's heart beats for you.*



Contributed by Sue Carter

**GARY FULLER**

God has blessed Gary Fuller, Organist, with many great talents. The Beverly Presbyterian Church is blessed that he is using his talent to command the organ during our worship services. On Sunday, February 10, we were moved when he accompanied our voices for the Hymn of Praise, "**Holy, Holy, Holy!**". Gary included this very interesting write up in the bulletin which is worth re-printing for those who weren't able to join us during the service.

**"Holy, Holy, Holy!"**

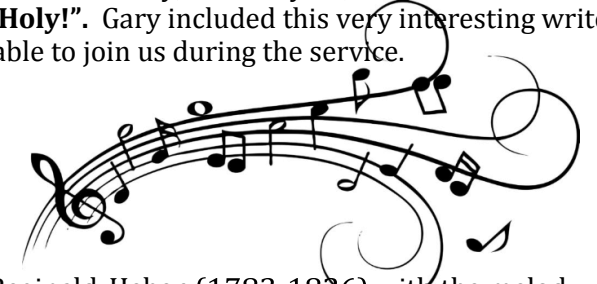
by Reginald Heber and John Bacchus Dykes

**#1 from the BPC favorites List- Page 193 in our Hymnal**

Holy, Holy, Holy was written for Trinity Sunday circa 1787 by Reginald Heber (1783-1826) with the melody written in 1861 by John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876). This hymn text and its tune are bursting with references to the holiness of the triune god.

The mechanics of the hymn in text and tune are unique in hymnody. The end of each stanza rhymes with "Holy" and "Trinity". The tune name is Nicea in honor of the Council of Nicea where the doctrine of the Holy Trinity was first formalized in 325AD. The first six notes of the hymn tune form a triad which is a set of three notes stacked vertically in thirds. Each note is an interval of three notes apart from the other. I can think of no other hymn that textually and musically represents its subject matter more than this one.

The hymn is also timeless as its proclamation spans millennia. The text is derived from Isaiah 6:3 (8th Century BCE), Revelation 4:8 (81-96 AD), and the council of Nicaea (325 AD). Even after all these thousands of years the proclamation of One God in Three Persons remains strong. In fact, Holy, Holy, is considered one of the top 25 favorite hymns in the 21st century.





## BPC LEADERS

Listed below are the individuals who will lead the Beverly Presbyterian church through 2019 and the board they will serve on.

### ELDERS:

Deb Bertino  
Lauren Buckley  
Jim Dodimead  
Gail Eutsey  
Bob Hill  
Gwen Reed  
Joe Reed  
Scott Reed  
Vacancy...

### DEACONS:

Jeanne Buffarini  
Dawn Edmonds  
Chalkie Lackraj  
Shirley Lackraj  
Betty Lou Marter  
Mary Nikolet  
Bob Sarnoski  
Tracy Sarnoski

### PASTOR NOMINATING

#### COMMITTEE:

Don Arter  
Lauren Buckley  
Chick Dennis  
Jim Dodimead  
Pat Dougherty  
Kelly Oulton  
Gwen Reed  
Joe Reed  
Karen Reed  
Scott Reed  
Norma Stanton



In Loving Memory of

**Rev. James R. Barber**

August 13, 1935

February 9, 2019

I'd like the memory of me  
to be a happy one,  
I'd like to leave an afterglow  
of smiles when life is done.  
I'd like to leave an echo  
whispering softly down the ways,  
of happy times and laughing  
times and bright and sunny days.  
I'd like the tears of those  
who grieve, to dry before the sun.  
Of happy memories that I leave  
when life is done.



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*God bless you  
and utterly satisfy  
your heart...  
with Himself.*

by Amy Carmichael—  
Missionary to India for 55 Years

**L** Turn away  
**E**  
**N** from sin  
**T**

# Puzzle!

Find and circle these words associated  
with the Lenten journey to the cross.

colt	denial	kiss	repent
confess	donkey	lots	silver
cross	forsaken	palms	sins
crown	Gethsemane	penance	suffer
crucifixion	Golgotha	Pilate	thorns
death	hosanna	prayer	vigil

E N A M E S H T E G R L W Y  
C L E U X B M T H B U C W B  
N R I K Y P A T E T I Y X Y  
A V J G A L B R E Y A R P B  
N G N L I S N L A I N E D X  
E W M P R V R D H B N R D F  
P S O G O L G O T H A B S C  
D L N R O C O N F E S S I K  
O T H T C P E K W U O U N D  
M N S H N P W E D R H F S K  
U N F O E T K Y C S G F O E  
H E C R E V L I S W Q E C M  
H V H N C X S O C C J R L O  
F Q E S U D S H C A A Y M C  
C R U C I F I X I O N S R V

**During Lent, Lord, help us grow in faith, hope and love—  
"and the greatest of these is love"**

(1 Corinthians 13:13, NRSV)

***This space could have been yours.***

Please, submit articles, pictures, reflections, etc. to Karen Reed at  
[BeverlyPressNewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:BeverlyPressNewsletter@gmail.com) or drop off in the Church office.



## COMBINED COMMUNITY CHOIR

Rehearsals are starting on  
**Sunday, February 24 at 1:00 PM** at  
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church for the  
Combined Community Choir. All are  
welcome to participate and you don't  
have to audition. Often narrators are  
needed as well as singers. The United  
Methodist Church is conducting the  
choir for the Palm Sunday Service,  
April 14 at 7:00 pm.



# March 2019

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div> <div> Elder Host: Pat Dougherty  Head Usher: Tracy Sarnoski  Alternate: Mary Nikolet </div> </div>						
<b>3</b> 8:30 am Breakfast 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship – Communion 11 am Fellowship Hour (F. Hall) 1 pm LICRC (F. H.) 7:00 pm PNC Mtg	<b>4</b> 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting (Café)	<b>5</b> 5:30-7 pm Food Pantry packing bags (F. Hall)	<b>6 Ash Wednesday</b> 5-6 pm LICRC (Café) 7:00 pm Worship Service 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm Boy Scout #24 (Leaders' Meet)	<b>7</b> 6:30 pm Boy Scout #24 Patrol Leaders Meet. (F. Hall) 7 pm Praise Service 7:30 pm Boy Scout #24 (F. Hall)	<b>1</b> World Day of Prayer 6:30 pm Family Movie Night (F. Hall)	<b>2</b>
<b>10</b> 8:30 am Breakfast 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship 1 pm LICRC (F. Hall)	<b>11</b> 7 pm Session Meeting (Conf. Room)	<b>12</b> 5:30-7 pm Food Pantry packing bags (F. Hall) 7:00 pm PNC Mtg	<b>13</b> 5-6 pm LICRC (Café) 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>14</b> 7 pm Praise Service 7:30 pm Boy Scout #24 (F. Hall)	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> 8:30 am Breakfast 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship 1 pm LICRC (F. H.) 7:00 pm PNC Mtg	<b>18</b> 12 noon Food Pantry (F. Hall) 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting (Café)	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 5-6 pm LICRC (Café) 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>21</b> 7 pm Praise Service 7:30 pm Boy Scout #24 (F. Hall)	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> 8:30 am Breakfast 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship 11 am CE Meeting (CR) 1 pm LICRC (F. H.)	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 12 noon P. W. Afternoon Circle (F. Hall) 7:00 pm PNC Mtg	<b>27</b> 5-6 pm LICRC (Café) 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>28</b> 6 pm Missions Meeting (Café) 7 pm Praise Service 7:30 pm Boy Scout #24 (F. Hall)	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b> 8:30 am Breakfast 8:45 am Sunday School 10 am Worship 1 pm LICRC (F. Hall) 7:00 pm PNC Mtg	