

# BEVERLY PRESS

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



## FROM THE (Interim) PASTOR...

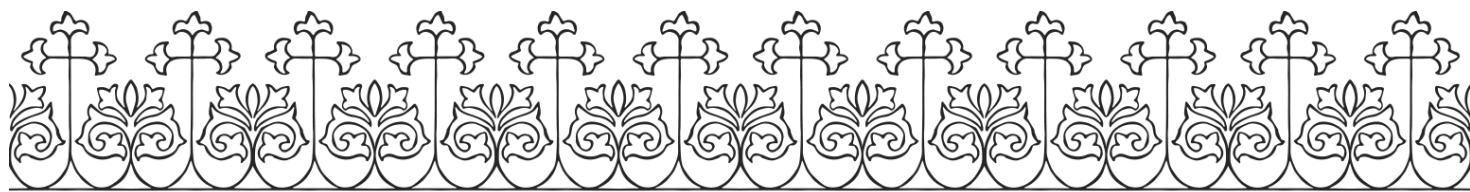
Some of my fondest memories as a pastor involve men who were part of “the greatest generation.” There was John, who served on the admiral’s staff in the Pacific theater. Don flew small aircraft along the east coast patrolling for German U-boats, i.e. underwater boats/submarines. George was a foot soldier who worked the western front. They typified many of that “greatest generation.”

It was on June 6, 1944, that 132,000 of that greatest generation launched an all-out amphibious assault on the beaches of Normandy, France. The invasion was supported by 4100 aircraft who dropped bombs along with 23,400 paratroopers. Known as D-Day, it was a struggle, to say the least. Still a beachhead was established, and the Germans now had a third front to fight in addition to the eastern front with Russia and the southern front with Italy. D-Day is generally identified as the turning point in World War II. From then on it was only a matter of time before Hitler’s Third Reich would collapse and Europe would be liberated on V-Day, May 8, 1945.

It is not uncommon for me to hear the lament that since Christ has won the victory for us in his death and resurrection, things should be going easier for the Church. Why doesn’t God end the battles once and for all, especially if Christ has won the victory? While I can’t say that I don’t share at times those sentiments, still I am reminded that even though V-Day sealed the fate and result of World War II, still there were battles to contest. The fighting was far from over on D-Day. The War would draw on for another year—and that’s apart from the War with the Japanese in the Pacific. In his death and resurrection Christ Jesus gained for us the assurance of ultimate victory over the powers of darkness and evil. The allied forces of God and good are going to prevail and win. But it’s not easy. Fact is, it’s downright challenging, even to the point of becoming discouraging and dispiriting.

But we should never give in to despair. God and the armies of God will om-deed prevail. That is the assurance which we are afforded particularly on Easter, but on many other days and occasions as well. I invite you to renew with me during this season your commitment to let Christ ride upon you even as that donkey provided a lift for God in Christ during that first Holy Week.

Yours in Christ,  
(Interim) Pastor Keith



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121 East Warren Street  
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## MAY 2019

**FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT—FRIDAY, MAY 3 @ 6:00 PM**

**COMMUNION —SUNDAY, MAY 5 @ 10:00 AM**

Followed by fellowship hour and Food Pantry Lite Fare

**PRAYER MEETING—MONDAY, MAY 6 & 20 @ 6:30 PM**

**FOOD PANTRY—MONDAY, MAY 20, NOON TO 2:00 PM**

**PW AFTERNOON CIRCLE—TUESDAY, MAY 28 AT NOON**

### 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 led 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, MAY 3** 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, **Mary Poppins Returns** was shown and enjoyed by an audience of almost 3 dozen viewers. Refreshments are available for a nominal fee and the proceeds go to support Youth Group activities.



**HONORING OUR GRADUATES by Sherry Oulton**

We will be honoring our graduates during the worship service and Fellowship Hour on Sunday, June 2. If a member of your family is graduating from middle school (8th grade), high school, college, or post-graduate school, leave a note or call the church office with the following information:



- Name
- School graduating from
- Degree (if applicable)
- School attending in fall (if applicable) or future plans

We are also requesting that your graduate attend the worship service and Fellowship Hour that day. Information on graduates will also be put in the June newsletter.

**Deadline for submitting graduation information is Sunday, May 19.**

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S AFTERNOON CIRCLE by Pat Kelly**

The Afternoon Circle met in Fellowship Hall on March 26, 2019. After a lunch and great conversation, Susan Carter served dessert. The lesson for the month was taken from John Chapters 14, 15, and 16. We took turns reading verses as directed by Susan Carter, our lesson leader. The Holy Spirit is in each of us all the time and acts as a counselor, teacher, mentor, etc. He lives in each of us and teaches us the truth. We should be diligent and avoid distraction. Susan shared several stories of situations where the Holy Spirit was with her. Thanks, Susan for a great lesson. We all had a great time.



The next Afternoon Circle will be held on **Tuesday, May 28 at noon** at the home of Edna Rainey, 7 Spring Lane, Edgewater Park.

**ALL I HAVE NEEDED THY HAND HATH PROVIDED;  
GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS, LORD UNTO ME!**  
By Thomas Chisholm

**BEVERLY PRESS**

Thank you to the contributors of this issue of the "Beverly Press"; Pastor Keith, Sherry O., Sue C., Joe R., Pat K. and Dawn E. 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:**    5/12   6/16   7/14   8/11   9/15   10/13   11/10   12/15

**THURSDAY, MAY 2  
NATIONAL DAY OF  
PRAYER**

**TAKE TIME TO PRAY!**

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

BPC finances  
 Pastor Nominating Committee  
 Sanctuary ceiling repairs  
 Dorrie Hoffman  
 Barbara Judd  
 Jane Schulze  
 Tammy Lowden  
 The world, Our nation,  
 Our state, & local community



**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 – Debbie Bertino
- 1 – Dorrie Hoffmann
- 6 – Chalkie Lackraj
- 7 – Paul Schellhardt
- 7 – Frank Abriola
- 11 – Kaycee Torres
- 12 – Lori Belliveau
- 14 – Kelly Oulton
- 16 – Donna Colangelo
- 18 – Amelia Sadowski
- 21 – Bobby Marter
- 23 – Al Olson
- 23 – Kevin Olson
- 26 – Betty Kreischer
- 27 – Jim Dodimead
- 29 – Lois Traenkner

**MAY ANNIVERSARIES**

- 3 – Tom & Joanne DiLeo (7 years)
- 22 – Jim & Nancy Dodimead (26 years)
- 23 – Adam & Ashley Sheets (10 years)
- 26 – Al & Dawn Olson (40 years)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Elder Host: <b>Jim Dodimead</b> Head Usher: <b>Bob Sarnoski</b> Alternate: <b>Shirley Lackraj</b>						
<b>5</b> 8:30 am Breakfast 8:45 am Sunday School 10 am Worship - Communion 11 am Fellowship Hour 1 pm LICRC (F. Hall)	<b>6</b> 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting (Cafe)	<b>7</b> 5:30-7 pm Food Pantry packing bags (F. Hall) 7 pm P.N.C. Meeting (Conf. Room)	<b>8</b> 5:30 pm LICRC (Cafe) 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>9</b> 7 pm Praise Service 7:30 pm Boy Scout #24 (F. Hall)	<b>10</b> 6:30 pm Family Movie Night (F. Hall)	<b>4</b>
<b>12</b> <b>Mother's Day</b> 8:30 am Breakfast 8:45 am Sunday School 10 am Worship 1 pm LICRC (F. Hall)	<b>13</b> 7 pm Session Meeting (Conf. Room)	<b>14</b> 5:30-7 pm Food Pantry packing bags (F. Hall) 7 pm P.N.C. Meeting (Conf. Room)	<b>15</b> 5 pm LICRC (Cafe) 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>16</b> 7 pm Praise Service 7:30 pm Boy Scout #24 (F. Hall)	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Armed Services Day
<b>19</b> 8:30 am Breakfast 8:45 am Sunday School 10 am Worship 11 am C. E. Meeting (Conf. Room) 1 pm LICRC (F. Hall)	<b>20</b> 12 noon Food Pantry (F. Hall till 2) 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting (Cafe)	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 5:30 pm LICRC (Cafe) 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>23</b> 7 pm Praise Service 7:30 pm Boy Scout #24 (F. Hall)	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 
<b>26</b> 8:30 am Breakfast 9 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 1 pm LICRC (F. Hall) 7 pm P.N.C. Meeting (Conf. Room)	<b>27</b> <b>Memorial Day</b> Church Office closed 1 pm Bev/EP Parade	<b>28</b> 12 noon P. W. Afternoon Circle (F. Hall)	<b>29</b> 5:30 pm LICRC (Cafe) 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm B.S. #24 Leaders Meet.	<b>30</b> Ascension Day 7 pm Praise Service 7:30 pm Boy Scout #24 (F. Hall)	<b>31</b> 12 mid-4 am LICRC (F. Hall)	

**PULPIT FLOWER DEDICATIONS**

**May 5** By Lauren Buckley Helen Karn & Ruth Barwell  
 Gwen Reed William H. Fischer

**May 12**  
 Peggy & Betty Lou Marter Thelma & Emma Marter  
 Jim & Steven Spencer Jean Shedaker & Kathy Spencer  
 Mrs. Dodimead Bill & Sade Carriie

**May 19**  
 Two (2) openings

**May 26**  
 Betty & Charles Krescher Catherine Clark  
 Tom, Sherry & Kelly Oulton Ernest Oulton & Ed Kelly  
 Jim & Steven Spencer Jacques Shedaker & Kathy Spencer

Available dates May 19, September 22 & 29, October 20 and November 17. Contact Karen Reed, 609-314-6673 or kreed@trcsolutions.com to make a dedication.



**SPRING SPECTACULAR**  
 Beverly Methodist Church  
**VENDOR & CRAFT SHOW**  
 May 4, 2019  
 9AM - 1PM

Lots of great gifts for the whole Family!  
 133 Warren Street, Beverly, NJ 018010  
 For more information call 609-222-0601  
 or email roby21383@gmail.com  
 Proceeds Benefit the  
 Ministries of Beverly Methodist.

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE:**

The Lord God has washed us, and not just our feet. God is doing a new thing, both with us and within us. The old has past, and behold the new is springing forth within us. In Christ, God has cleansed us of all our sin and unrighteousness.



**PERENNIAL PLANT SALE**

**SATURDAY**  
 May, 4 2019

11 to 3 PM  
 Beverly Library lawn  
 COOPER STREET IN BEVERLY

REASONABLY PRICED  
 PERENNIAL PLANTS FOR YOUR GARDEN  
 Please no early birds

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**FOR EVERYTHING—IN EVERYTHING—HE IS EVERYTHING** by Sue Carter

In Acts 17:28—the Bible tells us, “For in him we live and move and have our being.” It can be staggering to think about how our very next breath comes from Him. We don’t keep our hearts beating, He does. David was so moved to write in Psalm 139:14, “I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made.” Nehemiah 9:6 says, “You give life to everything.”

And in Acts 17:26—we see “He determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live. “The God of design has us living exactly where we should be because He wants us to come to know Him.”

God tells us His name is, “I Am that I Am”, meaning, according to the Unger’s Bible dictionary, “I will be what I will be” or “I will be all that is necessary for every occasion.” What reassurance and why Psalm 23:1 says, “The LORD is my shepherd.”

And there’s more good news we find in Psalm 145:8—“The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.”

In Psalm 145:9—“The LORD is good to all; He has compassion on all He has made.”

In Psalm 145:13—“The LORD is faithful to all His promises and loving toward all He has made.”

In Psalm 145:14—“The LORD upholds all those who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down.”

Isaiah 63:9 shows the compassion of God as it says, “In all their distress He too was distressed,” ... He is not unfeeling. Psalm 107:6 states, “Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, and He delivered them from their distress.” In verses 13 and 19—“and He saved them from their distress.” And in verse 28—“He brought them out of their distress.”

No one can be for you what He can be. No one can do for you what He can do. He knows what you need and He wants to give it to you. He knows when you are in need as we see in Psalm 107:9—“for He satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.” He is always ready to rescue us from our enemies, from our fears and even from ourselves.

He died for us. He knows every little thing about you and loves you with an undying love.

**TO GOD BE THE GLORY**




**Perfect Peace**  
 Bible Reading Plan  
 and Journal Challenge

Seek God daily and start by being in His Word.

1. Psalm 29:1-11	17. Romans 14:1-11
2. Romans 5:1-11	18. Romans 14:12-23
3. Psalm 37:10-19	19. 2 Thess. 3:10-18
4. Proverbs 16:1-7	20. Isaiah 54:1-10
5. Psalm 4:1-8	21. Romans 15:1-13
6. Job 5:17-27	22. Philippians 4:1-7
7. Psalm 120:1-7	23. Isaiah 55:1-13
8. Ecclesiastes 3:8-22	24. Matthew 5:1-12
9. Psalm 85:1-13	25. 2 Cor. 13:7-14
10. Proverbs 3:13-22	26. Psalm 119:161-168
11. Isaiah 9:1-7	27. James 3:10-18
12. John 14:23-31	28. Romans 8:1-6
13. Isaiah 26:1-13	29. Proverbs 16:1-7
14. Proverbs 12:15-23	30. John 16:21-33
15. 2 Thess. 1:1-12	31. Colossians 3:12-17
16. Psalm 39:1-13	

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LOCAL HISTORIANS	FOOD & MORE!

Join us for a fun-filled, old-fashioned afternoon at Historic Smithville Park.

**Sunday, May 19, 2019**  
 Noon - 4 PM

803 Smithville Road, Eastampton, NJ  
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 \$5.00 fee for Tours of the Mansion

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**EASTER PLAY AND POT LUCK DINNER: A REVIEW by Joe Reed**

This year’s Sunday School Easter performance was presented following a delicious Pot Luck dinner on April 7<sup>th</sup>. The event was well attended and everyone left satisfied and well entertained. This original play (written by Sue Hill with the church’s Sunday school children in mind) focused on the rehearsals for the Easter play and the Easter story from the point of view of the student performers. As they ready their lines and got guidance on how the play was to be performed our ‘actors’ learned more about the Easter story and its impact on their lives. The play was filled with humor and information providing a fun and stimulating fresh air approach to the 2000 year old story. A big thumbs up and hats off to Sue and our youth with a special thanks to Benjamin Dodimead for stepping in last minute as a substitute performer when a cast member unexpectedly fell ill.

**AN EASTER TO BELIEVE IN by Dawn Edmonds, Deacon (Moderator)**

The children’s Easter play and pot luck dinner on April 7th was an enjoyable event. The Deacons want to commend the kids for the great job they did. We enjoyed every minute of it. We would like to thank Sue Hill for all of her hard work getting everything together. We also want to thank everybody for bringing such delicious food for the pot luck dinner. We really appreciate all the help and support we get from you. Thanks again!

**APRIL MOVIE NIGHTS by Joe Reed**

The April 5th movie was “Mary Poppins Returns”; a delightful sequel to the original. The Banks family, again in crisis, finds their way back from disaster with the help of Mary Poppins. This was not a remake of the original. It has all new music and new characters but is familiar enough to be a comfortable rendition for both the young and ‘more experienced’ audience. The event was well attended with 33 patrons. The youth group provided concessions. If you were unable to attend we highly recommend this movie as a summer rental.

On April 19<sup>th</sup> there was a special showing of “The Passion of the Christ” to commemorate Good Friday. Pastor Keith opened with some information about Christianity’s perspective on “Good Friday” and how the phrase came to be. He also shared with us a framed example of an actual Roman Crucifixion Spike to provide context on how cruel, terrifying and intimidating the practice was. The movie is a solemn depiction of Christ’s hours leading to and including his scourging and crucifixion. Mel Gibson portrayed the events in Latin, Greek, and ancient Hebrew with English subtitles to bring the audience closer to their Savior. He lays out the events as realistically as audiences of today can take but even with all of its brutality the movie can only approximate the Christ’s crucifixion and the anguish he endured. This movie is not for the faint of heart but still should be seen by all modern Christians so we can get a more real sense of Christ’s sacrifices for our sins.

**THE CAST**

**Directed by Sue Hill**

**BENJAMIN DODIMEAD**  
(stand in for Seth Arter)  
Narrator #1

**CAIDAN BUCKLEY**  
Narrator #2

**KIM SARNOSKY**  
Friend #1  
Assistant to Director

**JAMES LOWDEN**  
Friend #2  
Angel Gabriel

**PAYTON BUCKLEY**  
Jesus

**SAVANNAH WEAVER**  
Mary

**BREANNA WEAVER**  
Joseph  
Mary Magdalen  
Friend #4  
Sign Holder’s Partner  
Wedding Banquet Hostess

**ETHAN ARTER**  
Brother  
Friend #3

**BRANDON GREENBURG**  
Young Jesus  
Sign Holder



**PASTOR KEITH**



**WAVING PALM BRANCHES**



**EASTER SUNDAY**

**39 DOLLARS by Joe Reed**

How much is thirty-nine dollars? Three average diner meals, three 2-D or two 3-D movie tickets, one month’s internet bill, one tank of gas, or 78 postage stamps. Depending on how we spend it, thirty-nine dollars is not a lot of money; yet it seems like a lot when we are asked to give it away. As members of the Presbyterian Church our individual portion (our annual dues to the Church) of the organization’s budget is .....you guessed it.... \$39.00. This is called “The Apportionment” and each Presbyterian Church is billed apportionment for its members. Many years ago the churches, ours among them, simply paid the annual apportionment out of general funds. In other words a small amount of your tithing each week was sent to Presbytery covering your part of the apportionment. In more recent years Beverly Presbyterian adopted a different approach. We ask each registered member to pay his apportionment separately from tithing and we only send those monies received that way to our parent organization. Our congregation often does not fulfill its full obligation and yet Presbytery continues to fulfill its obligation to us. As Christians we should find ourselves remiss. In essence we have made a promise to contribute to the Presbytery, Synod and Assembly and yet we sometimes fail to live up to that promise while expecting their full support in return.

Truthfully, there are times that we disagree with our parent church or its leaders; yet we remain a member church working through the organization to make changes and correct the issues we have with it. We are willing to take advantage of programs provided to us by our parent church often offered us free and at expense to Presbytery. An example: local congregations can use detail statistical logistics from their area to develop and grow. We used these custom reports to compile the Mission Study and may use this service again in the future. To have a company generate such a report can cost between \$600.00 and \$1200.00. We used 12 such reports for the mission study process at no cost to our congregation because West Jersey Presbytery has paid a group rate annual contract for all of its churches to use as often as they wish. The umbrella of our larger organization provides us the benefits of group rates on our pastor’s health care plan, pension and more. Through them we receive guidance and support we could not afford as a separate church. The 75 cents per week (under 11 cents per day) they ask of each member is repaid to us many fold throughout the year especially if we remain involved and take advantage of the services that our parent church provides. Each month our congregation sends the pastor and a church member to the presbytery meeting so we too may participate in the more global church process. Through these meetings we have a say in how the organization provides stewardship over the funds we send.

By now you should have received your apportionment letter in the mail from the BPC Session requesting your voluntary contribution of \$39.00 per household member of record. I wish to implore you to prayerfully consider making this payment above your normal tithing as soon as possible, and if you are able, add a small amount more to cover the costs of those church members unable to contribute. The letter you received in the mail details how the funds are distributed and how to make your contribution. Your apportionment is fully tax deductible just like tithing and will appear on your 2019 financial statement at year’s end for your tax records.

