



# BEDFORD

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"Le Roi David à la harpe" by Marc Chagall

**June 2, 2024**  
**2nd Sunday after Pentecost**

**Prelude**                      *Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness*                      J. S. Bach

**Ringing of the Bells**

**Introit**                                      *Holy, Holy, Holy*                                      Russian Liturgy

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Opening Sentences from Psalm 138**

Leader: We give thanks to the Lord with our whole hearts;

**People: Let us sing our praises before God!**

Leader: When we called out to the Lord, God answered us:

**People: Let us give thanks for God's faithfulness.**

Leader: God loves us amidst trouble and when we need strength;

**People: Let us worship God whose steadfast love endures forever.**

**\*Opening Hymn 478**                      *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

**Confession and Pardon**

**Lord, forgive us when we see your miracles all around us and still doubt your power, presence and love. Forgive us when we treat this world and each other with careless indifference or with malice. You, who have created the most wondrous things from the smallest of particles, can create in our hearts confidence and hope. From our lives you can fashion the most delightful miracles that can serve you through acts of mercy and kindness. Free us, Lord, to receive your blessings and , having received them, to find the numerous ways in**

**which we can serve you. Heal our wounded hearts. Hear our cries.  
Come to us and bring us home.**

Hear now our silent prayers of confession...

Amen. Do not doubt God's power and might! It is God who has created all that is! It is God who has called to your hearts and spirits. God is with you.

**Praise be to God.**

Believe the promise of the Gospel:

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Sung Response**

**I've got joy like a fountain,  
I've got joy like a fountain,  
I've got joy like a fountain in-a my soul.**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

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

**People: And also with you.**

*You may stand and greet one another.*

**Time with the Children**

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

**Scripture Reading***1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20*

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord.

**Anthem***Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether*

H. Friedell

**Sermon**

"Transitions and Transformation" Rev. Courtney Steininger

**Offering and Youth Collection****Offertory Anthem***Ave Verum Corpus*  
(Hail, True Body of Christ)

C.Saint-Saëns

## **\*Doxology**

**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.**

## **\*Prayer of Dedication**

## **Communion**

### **Invitation to the Lord's Table**

#### **Great Thanksgiving**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise...**

### **Breaking the Bread and \*Communion**

### **Prayer after Communion and the 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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

## **\*Hymn 418**

*God, Bless Your Church with Strength!*



## \*Charge and Blessing

**Benediction Response**    *The Peace of the Earth*

John Bell

**\*Postlude**            *The Heavens Declare the Glory of God*

B. Marcello

\*Please stand, if you are able.

## Announcements

*Please fill out the pew pads and pass them to your neighbor.*



**LET'S TACO - 'BOUT IT!**

Join us for a Pot Luck  
Summer Kick off Party!

When: Friday, June 14th  
Where: Tegtmeier Home (address to follow)  
Time: 6:30 pm

RSVP and sign up for food via the website  
or the enews.



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### BPC Volunteers Needed for Tuesday, June 18th 5 - 7 pm

Please help area families in need select food items at a weekly Pantry distribution. No heavy lifting. Adults and Youth 16+ are welcome and please feel free to bring a friend. Youth 14-15 yrs. old can participate if accompanied by an adult.

If you have any questions please contact Cecilia Rosenblum at [rosenblumclr12@gmail.com](mailto:rosenblumclr12@gmail.com) or Sharon Seidell at [sps1256s@gmail.com](mailto:sps1256s@gmail.com).

**Check the Enews to Sign Up or email Cecilia.**



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### JUNE FOOD DRIVE TO SUPPORT THE PANTRY

BPC is hosting a food drive to help Mt. Kisco Interfaith Food Pantry support families in our community struggling with food insecurity. We are collecting the items listed below. Please drop off items at the donation box in the church vestibule.

NON-PERISHABLES:  
-PASTA SAUCE  
-PEANUT BUTTER  
-CANNED PINEAPPLE  
-CAN & DRY BEANS  
-CANNED CORN

\*FRESH PRODUCE:  
AVOCADOS (GREEN)

Please contact Cecilia Rosenblum at [rosenblumclr12@gmail.com](mailto:rosenblumclr12@gmail.com) or Sharon Seidell at [sps1256s@gmail.com](mailto:sps1256s@gmail.com) if you have any questions. Thanks for your help.

\*Please bring produce to church on Sunday only.

## 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 "About us - Connect with Us - Sign up for E-NEWS" just below it. To have information entered into the Bulletin and/or the E-NEWS, please email Jessica at **Office@bedfordpreschurch.org** and Elyssa at **Elyssa@bedfordpreschurch.org** by the end of Tuesdays for entry into that week's media.

### Upcoming Events at a Glance

#### Sunday, June 2nd

10 am	Worship, Communion and Youth Collection
11 am	Coffee Hour and Survey Review

#### Monday, June 3rd

9 am	Yoga
6:30 pm	ESP Dinner & Showers

#### Tuesday, June 4th

1 pm	Quilting
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#### Thursday, June 6th

10 am	Bible Study. Please contact Alan McDougall at alanmcd@verizon.net
4 pm	Nativity Farm Work Session

#### Sunday, June 9th

10 am	Worship
11 am	Coffee Hour

# Our Leadership

## Session

**Clerk of Session Michelle Gosh, President Brian Hiller-Dupont** (Worship),  
Anne Bentzen (Vision), Linda Burpee (Mission),  
Jessica Cunningham (Personnel),  
Amy Drabek (Nominating Committee & Nativity Farm),  
Danielle Gamar (Christian Education),  
Maria Andrea Laverde (Nativity Farm),  
Sarah Ryan (Property & Maintenance),  
& Bart Tyler (Finance)  
Moderator Reverend Carol Howard

## Deacons

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Michele Eames, Pat Ferguson, Andres Mejía,  
Diane Palmento, and Lisa Sayre

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The Reverend Carol Howard, Pastor  
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