

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

March 21, 2021 11:00 a.m. https://www.ballantynepres.com/webcast

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;

To all who mourn and long for comfort;

To all who struggle and desire victory;

To all who sin and need a Savior;

To all who are strangers and want fellowship;

To all who hunger and thirst for righteousness;

And to whoever will come —

This church opens wide her doors

And offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INSTRUMENTAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 145:18; Isaiah 12:4

The Lord is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth. Therefore let us give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name, make known His deeds among the peoples, proclaim that His name is exalted.

After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. Heb. 1:3



Charles Wesley, 1746; alt.

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John Darwall, 1770

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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, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

from John Calvin's Geneva Liturgy of 1543

Leader: O Lord our God, we acknowledge before your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and in corruption, prone to do evil.

All: We are unable on our own to do good. Because of our sin, we endlessly violate your holy commandments.

Leader: But, Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and turn away from all our offenses. We condemn ourselves and all our evil ways.

All: Have compassion on us, most gracious God, for the sake of your son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Leader: Grant to us your grace, that we might do your will.

All: Accept us now through Jesus Christ. Remove our guilt and send to us your Holy Spirit.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON 1 John 2:1,2

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.



Charles Wesley, 1742 Alt. 1961, mod. LENOX 6.6.6.6.8.8.8. Louis Edson, 1782

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 52:1-23, ESV page 683

The Fall of Jerusalem Recounted

52 Zedekiah was twenty-one years old when he became king, and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Hamutal the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah. ² And he did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that Jehoiakim had done. ³ For because of the anger of the LORD it came to the point in Jerusalem and Judah that he cast them out from his presence.

And Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon. ⁴ And in the ninth year of his reign, in the tenth month, on the tenth day of the month, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came with all his army against Jerusalem, and laid siege to it. And they built siegeworks all around it. ⁵ So the city was besieged till the eleventh year of King Zedekiah. ⁶ On the ninth day of the fourth month the famine was so severe in the city that there was no food for the people of the land. ⁷ Then a breach was made in the city, and all the men of war fled and went out from the city by night by the way of a gate between the two walls, by the king's garden, and the Chaldeans were around the city. And they went in the direction of the Arabah. ⁸ But the army of the Chaldeans pursued the king and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho, and all his army was scattered from him. ⁹ Then they captured the king and brought him up to the king of Babylon at Riblah in the land of Hamath, and he passed sentence on him. ¹⁰ The king of Babylon slaughtered the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes, and also slaughtered all the officials of Judah at Riblah. ¹¹ He put out the eyes of Zedekiah, and bound him in chains, and the king of Babylon took him to Babylon, and put him in prison till the day of his death.

The Temple Burned

¹² In the fifth month, on the tenth day of the month—that was the nineteenth year of King Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon—Nebuzaradan the captain of the bodyguard, who served the king of Babylon, entered Jerusalem. ¹³ And he burned the house of the LORD, and the king's house and all the houses of Jerusalem; every great house he burned down. ¹⁴ And all the army of the Chaldeans, who were with the captain of the guard, broke down all the walls around Jerusalem. ¹⁵ And Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carried away captive some of the poorest of the people and the rest of the people who were left in the city and the deserters who had deserted to the king of Babylon, together with the rest of the artisans. ¹⁶ But Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard left some of the poorest of the land to be vinedressers and plowmen.

¹⁷ And the pillars of bronze that were in the house of the LORD, and the stands and the bronze sea that were in the house of the LORD, the Chaldeans broke in pieces, and carried all the bronze to Babylon. ¹⁸ And they took away the pots and the shovels and the snuffers and the basins and the dishes for incense and all the vessels of bronze used in the temple service; ¹⁹ also the small bowls and the fire pans and the basins and the pots and the lampstands and the dishes for incense and the bowls for drink offerings. What was of gold the captain of the guard took away as gold, and what was of silver, as silver. ²⁰ As for the two pillars, the one sea, the twelve bronze bulls that were under the sea, and the stands, which Solomon the king had made for the house of the LORD, the bronze of all these things was beyond weight. ²¹ As for the pillars, the height of the one pillar was eighteen cubits, its circumference was twelve cubits, and its thickness was four fingers, and it was hollow. ²² On it was a capital of bronze. The height of the one capital was five cubits. A network and pomegranates, all of bronze, were around the capital. And the second pillar had the same, with pomegranates. ²³ There were ninety-six pomegranates on the sides; all the pomegranates were a hundred upon the network all around.

THE CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE GLORIA PATRI

Trinity Hymnal No. 734

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

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THE PRAYER FOR CHURCH AND WORLD

* HYMN OF PREPARATION





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THE PREACHED WORD OF GOD

Mr. Josh Grimm

"Where's Your Hope in the New Normal?" Habakkuk 3:16-19, ESV page 787

¹⁶ I hear, and my body trembles; my lips quiver at the sound; rottenness enters into my bones; my legs tremble beneath me. Yet I will quietly wait for the day of trouble

to come upon people who invade us.

Habakkuk Rejoices in the LORD

¹⁷Though the fig tree should not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines,

the produce of the olive fail and the fields yield no food, the flock be cut off from the fold and there be no herd in the stalls, ¹⁸ yet I will rejoice in the LORD; I will take joy in the God of my salvation.

¹⁹GOD, the Lord, is my strength; he makes my feet like the deer's; he makes me tread on my high places.

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My Hope Is in the Lord

Christ in you, the hope of glory. Col. 1:27



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

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TITHES AND OFFERINGS

At this time, we do not plan to collect the offering by passing the plate. These are available in the back of the sanctuary. Online or mail-in giving are still encouraged, but you can drop a check in the plate if that is more convenient.

ONLINE: http://www.ballantynepres.com/giving/

MAIL: Please mail tithe checks (no cash) to the treasurer's address. She will immediately deposit to the church's account and forward the Wells Fargo e-mail confirmation to you:

Marilyn Spencer - BPC Treasurer, 3020 Shaker Drive, Charlotte, NC 28210

THIS SUNDAY AT BPC

- **11:00 a.m. Morning Worship** In Person and Live Streamed https://www.ballantynepres.com/webcast
- **6:00 p.m. Evening Worship** In Person and Live Streamed https://www.ballantynepres.com/webcast

THIS WEEK

Wednesday Night 6:30 p.m. PRAYER MEETING - In Person & via Zoom

Dr. Nance leads with a devotional and then we will pray together on a Zoom call hosted by Michael Moon. **The ZOOM meeting password is the same as the Prayer List password** https://zoom.us/j/97617806601

Wednesday Night 6:30 p.m. YOUTH GROUP - In Person & via Google Meet

Josh Duemler leads our Youth Group in person and over Google Meet. Our current series is called "What is Jesus doing?" and we are looking at the second half of Mark's gospel. As Jesus goes to Jerusalem to die and rise again, how are we as his disciples supposed to follow him? Please join us! Google Meet link: https://meet.google.com/udm-kagp-gfy

Thursday Night 7 p.m. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - In Person and via Zoom

Phoebe Pritchett will lead a weekly study on Colossians and then we will spend an extended time of prayer together. We will be meeting in person at the church, as well as having Zoom set up. Contact Phoebe Pritchett with any questions: Phoebe@ballantynepres.com or 770.823.2508. Zoom link: https://zoom.us/j/95704412821

Friday Morning 7 a.m. MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - In Person & via Zoom

Keith Kowadlo leads Men's Bible Study, which meets at church at 7 a.m., in person, while simultaneously broadcasting live via Zoom - https://zoom.us/j/93124082779

SAVE THE DATES

Mar. 25	Women's Bible Study resumes, 7 p.m.
Mar. 27	Youth Group Mini-Golf event, RSVP to Joshua by 3/22
Mar. 28	Palm Sunday
Apr. 2	Good Friday Worship, 6:30 p.m.
Apr. 4	Easter Sunday
Apr. 6	Young Adults meet at BPC, 7 p.m.
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Apr. 11 Congregational Meeting to vote Matt Spear as our new Treasurer

Apr. 16-18 High School Retreat - RSVP to Joshua by 3/29

^{*} Congregation Standing

SESSION

			
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*Missionary of the Month		

Treasurer

704-617-0304

CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

2/28/21 YTD	Actual	Budget	Variance
Income	\$58,366	\$56,771	\$1,595
Expenses:	\$64,140	\$56,771	\$7,369
Net Income/ (Deficit)	(\$5,774)	\$0	(\$5,774)

SHARING THE LOVE OF THE FATHER, THE GRACE OF HIS SON, AND THE FELLOWSHIP OF HIS SPIRIT IN BALLANTYNE AND BEYOND.