

# Bellport United Methodist Church

185, S. Country Road, NY 11713, 631-286-0525

† September 25, 2022, 16th Sunday After Pentecost Worship, Year C †

Bellport UMC family welcomes visitors from all backgrounds and asks that you sign our guest register in the entry room as you arrive or leave. You are invited to join us for our fellowship hour following the service. For childcare, large print hymnals, or directions to our handicapped access (elevator) please see one of our ushers. Our current newsletter and church brochure (with upcoming events) are available in the entry room and the Fellowship room to take home. We hope you have a meaningful worship service and will visit again. Members, please check the attendance binder at the entrance! Thank You! 😊



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TODAY'S SERMON: Pastor, Lydia, LITURGIST (Lay Reader): Bruce Groh  
CHILDREN & YOUTH: Lori Labalsamo, Bill Morse; CHILD CARE: Christine Jiang  
COFFEE HOUR: Scott & Patty Munson  
MUSIC: Lynn Hoag and the Choir, PIANIST: Dan Fogel  
USHERS: Bruce Groh, Mike Bilecki, Laura Terwilliger, Bill Morse, & Youth.  
TECHNOLOGY: Barbara Pannhurst, Jay Han, & Samuel Han  
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# WE GATHER AND PRAISE

**Gathering: Prelude & Centering Prayer**

Pianist

**Introit**

Pianist

**Greeting**

Pastor/Lay Speaker

**\*Call to Worship** (*based on Psalm 91*)

Liturgist (Leader)

Leader: Let us who live with faith in God proclaim,

**People: "Lord, You are my refuge and my fortress,  
my God I will trust forever."**

Leader: Let us who trust in the Lord know that holy love surrounds us.

**People: God's protection will follow us throughout our days.**

Leader: When we call out to the Lord,

**People: we know that we are heard.**

Leader: God is with us in every trial and temptation,

**All: Therefore, we will rejoice in the salvation of the Almighty!  
Amen!**

**\*Praise**

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” ( V. 1 ~4) #139 Pianist

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!

All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near,  
join me in glad adoration.

2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigning.

bears thee on eagle's wings, e'er in his keeping maintaining!

God's care enfolds all, whose true good he upholds.

Hast thou not known his sustaining,

3. Praise to the Lord, who will prosper thy work and defend thee;

surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.

Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
who with his love doth befriend thee.

4. Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy life and restore for thee.

Fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before thee.

Then to thy need God as a mother doth speed, spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.

## **Opening Prayer**

Liturgist

**God of grace, You have given us minds to know You, hearts to love You, and voices to sing Your praise. Fill us with Your Spirit so that we may celebrate Your glory and truly worship You. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **Invitation to Confession**

Leader: With the confidence of God's children, let us make our confession before God and one another.

## **Prayer of Confession**

**Sometimes God, we take ourselves so seriously. Our opinions, our emotions, our needs, our entitlements, that we fail to notice our effect on others. We do not make connections between our limitless wants and the resources left for others. We do this without knowing it. Bring our awareness to justice for all, to the common good, and to Your universality of blessings. Remind us You love all.**

## **Silent Prayer**

## **Words of Grace**

Leader: The God of salvation, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth, offers forgiveness to each of us through the Redeemer sent in human form. We are grateful that over and over we are given the chance to begin again and that nothing we have done can separate us from God's love.

**People: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## **Ministry of Music**

"On Eagle's Wings"

arr. by Mark Hayes

## **PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

## **Time With Children & The Lord's Prayer**

Sunday School & Pianist

## **Welcoming Guests**

Pastor/Lay Speaker

## **Joys and Concerns**

Liturgist

## **Prayer of the People**

**This is my prayer, O Lord, in peace** let us pray. Here may follow prayers of thanksgiving and prayers for the world, for the church, for family and friends, for the community, and for ourselves.

**Lord in your Mercy; Hear our prayers.**

**Prayer For Illumination**

Liturgist

**\*Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of Your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and Your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what You say to us today. Amen.**

**Scripture Reading: Gospel of Luke 16:13-31**

13 “No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.” 14 The Pharisees, who loved money, heard all this and were sneering at Jesus. 15 He said to them, “You are the ones who justify yourselves in the eyes of others, but God knows your hearts. What people value highly is detestable in God’s sight.<sup>19</sup> “There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day.<sup>20</sup> And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores,<sup>21</sup> who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores.<sup>22</sup> The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.<sup>23</sup> In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side.<sup>24</sup> He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’<sup>25</sup> But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony.<sup>26</sup> Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’<sup>27</sup> He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—<sup>28</sup>for I have five brothers—that he may warn them so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’<sup>29</sup> Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’<sup>30</sup> He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’<sup>31</sup> He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

Liturgist: This is the Word of God for the people of God

**People: Thanks Be to God**

**Sermon** “Blessed are the Poor; Blessed Assurance” Rev. Lydia Han

**Hymn of Prayer** 369. Blessed Assurance (V. 1 -3) Pianist

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!

Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;

this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;

angels descending bring from above, echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

(Refrain)

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest,

watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

(Refrain)

### **Response to Prayer and Response to the Word**

**All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe 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, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again 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 Peace:** Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love. Leader

**Offering:** As forgiven and reconciled people, Let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

**When you are away, please send your offerings by**

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**Peace Hymn**

**“Let There Be Peace on Earth” #431**

**Pianist**

**Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me;  
let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.**

**With God our creator, children all are we.**

**Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.**

**Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.**

**With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:  
to take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.**

**Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.**

**The Doxology**

**“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

**#95**

**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.**

**Prayer of Dedication**

**All: God of justice and mercy, we come to worship You this day as ones who, on the great balance scale of Your creation, are more like the rich man in the Gospel story than we are Lazarus. The parable Jesus tells reminds us that the chasm between rich and poor is hard to cross in the life to come, but not so for us this day, as we strive to see God’s kingdom at work in our world. As we offer gifts today, may we do so striving to be those blessed to be a blessing. In Christ’s holy name, we pray. Amen.**

**(Luke 16:19-31)**

## **SENDING FORTH**

**Hymn of Song**

**“ Jesu, Jesu” (V.1- 5)**

**#432**

**[Refrain:]**

**Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,**

show us how to serve, the neighbors we have from you.

1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,  
Master who acts as a slave to them.

[Refrain]

2 Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white,  
neighbors are near and far away.

[Refrain]

3 These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love;  
all these are neighbors to us and you.

[Refrain]

4 Loving puts us on our knees, serving as though we are slaves,  
this is the way we should live with you.

[Refrain]

5 Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet,  
this is the way we should live with you.

[Refrain]

### **Dismissal and Blessing\***

**Go forth in peace. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.**

**Choral Response (If Time Allows) “Go Now in Peace” Pianist**

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can  
see.

God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

## **Postlude**

### **Join Us for Coffee Hour Fellowship**

**THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US AND SUPPORTING US!**

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

Good Stewardship: Attendance for Sunday, September 18, 2022: 33 adults, 2 children, 33 Facebook, 3 Zoom, YouTube: Total: 71

Good Stewardship of Offering for Sunday, September 18, 2022: \$1,368..

- **September Worship Theme: Hispanic Heritage Month**

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- **Wednesdays at 7 PM. and 8:30 PM: YOUTH MINISTRY: Confirmation class**
- **September 25, Sunday, 12 PM. Cooperate Church Council Meeting (Sayville, Bayport, Patchogue, Bellport)**
- **September 30 - October 2nd, 2022, Friday~ Sunday: YOUTH RETREAT: IGNITE is the place to revitalize our youth groups. Youth are invited to share their faith, deepen their connection to God, and nurture their spiritual journey; from grades 6th - 12th on. Register your youth and youth leaders for a "Limitless" experience with God: <https://www.ignitenj.org/>**

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- **October 2, Sunday, BUMC Mission & Outreach meeting at 11 AM.**
- **October 3rd, Monday, Bishop's Day Apart**
- **October 4th, (1st) Tuesday, Finance Meeting**
- **October 12, ( 2nd) Wednesday, Trustee Meeting**
- **October 14 & 29, 2022, 9 AM.-1 PM. 2022 RESET REBOOT - Thriving as the Post-Pandemic Church The two-session training, taking place virtually,**

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- **October 18, (3rd) Tuesday, Church Council**
- **October 22, 10 AM. Saturday, Bayport UMC Thrift Store Clean Up**
- **October 24, 7 PM. SPPR Meeting**

- **October 24th 9: 30 am to 8 PM. LIE Revival, Ministry in the Holy Spirit, Flushing UMC**
- **October 30, (All Saints) Sunday,**
- **November 20th, (Thanksgiving) Sunday**
- **November 20th, Sunday 5 PM, Charge Conference, ST. James UMC, 532 Moriches Road, St. James, NY 11780**
- **November 27, First Sunday of Advent**
- **December 3, Saturday, Christmas Fair**
- **December 21, Wednesday, Blue Christmas**
- **December 24, Christmas Eve**
- **December 25, (Christmas) Sunday.**
- **January 1, 2023, (New Year) Sunday.**
- **January 8, 2023, Epiphany Sunday, Lord's Baptism**

## **SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS**

We invite all to hold those in their prayers throughout the week.

Joys and Thanksgiving for Answered Prayers: Thank you for your prayers: Birth of Isaac (Morse's family), Birth of Robert (Bilecki's family), Receiving UMC NYAC, Parish Development Grant for Church Kitchen (\$34,500), Christine's new job

### **Prayers of the People (Joys, Concerns & Current Events)**

(You may offer a prayer, ending with "This is my prayer, O Lord." The church family will respond, saying. "Lord, Hear Our Prayer")

Sympathy & Condolence: To the family of Blake and Elain Lawlor

Prayers and strength for ~ Revival of the Church through the Holy Spirit, ~Susan & Randall Doud, Jimmy and Carolyn, Lew and Lee Snead~ Carl Moodt ~Bruce Caim and the Family ~Mark & Lois Barton~ Donna & Carl Catandella ~ Yosik Chu, James Lee~ Dr. Joseph Allan Harder ~ Caryl MacDougall ~ Blake Lawlor ~ Gianna & Kaylee Martinez~ Lillian Muttitt & her sister~ Kristin Quatrале~ Ann Stonebridge~ Anna McClure & family ~Marie Keller ~ Janet Vander Zalm and family ~ Dorothy Vogel & family~ Trudi Wiesen, Sunday School ( teachers, Children, Youth & Teachers), Church staff, Preschool (children and staff), Pastor Lydia and her family, Teddy Chu(Han, day care)

Prayers for COOP Churches (Cooperate Parish): United Methodist Churches of Bellport, Bayport, Patchogue, and Sayville

