

The Presbyterian Church
at Bound Brook

April 12, 2026

10:00 a.m.

2nd Sunday of Easter



WELCOME

PRELUDE *from "Twelve Voluntaries"*

Thomas Adams (1785-1858)

TOLLING OF THE STEEPLE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Great is the mystery of the faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?

**The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks
be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Christ is risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia.

*HYMN #234

"Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"

ST. KEVIN

*OPENING ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

The Lord is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Let us confess our sin before God and one another, trusting in God's gracious promise of forgiveness in Jesus Christ.

Eternal God, your Word teaches us that whether we live or whether we die, we are yours. Forgive us for forgetting your gracious promise of life. We live in fear, thinking death has the final say. We follow our own ways rather than your life-giving path in Jesus Christ. Help us put our trust in you, our God who has the power of life over death. We believe, Lord; help our unbelief. In the name of Jesus Christ, risen from the dead never to die again, we pray. Amen

***KYRIE**

SINGAPURA

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

***ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

The scriptures teach: “If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.”

We confess that Jesus is Lord and we believe and celebrate the good news that God raised him from the dead.

Trust in this promise: In Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

***CELEBRATION OF GRACE**

CELTIC ALLELUIA

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Je - sus we praise you as Lord; All of the earth gives you glo - ry for your

ma - jes - ty fills the hea - ven, fills the earth.

*Children may make their way to the front
of the sanctuary for Children's Time.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children are dismissed to Sunday School.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Response after reading:

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God!

PSALTER: Psalm 16

EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Response after reading:

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL READING: John 20: 19-31

Response after reading:

The Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

God So Loved the World

John D. Horman (2008)

God so loved the world that to us a son was giv'n.

And whosoever believes in him shall live forevermore. (John 3:16)

SERMON

Doubt, Faith, Quarks and Raccoons

Rev. Lou Ruprecht

HYMN #810

"When in the Night I Meditate"

ST. FLAVIAN

JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION & 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.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM A Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester L. J. White (1947)

O holy Jesus, most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,
May I know thee more clearly, love thee more dearly
And follow thee more nearly. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise
God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

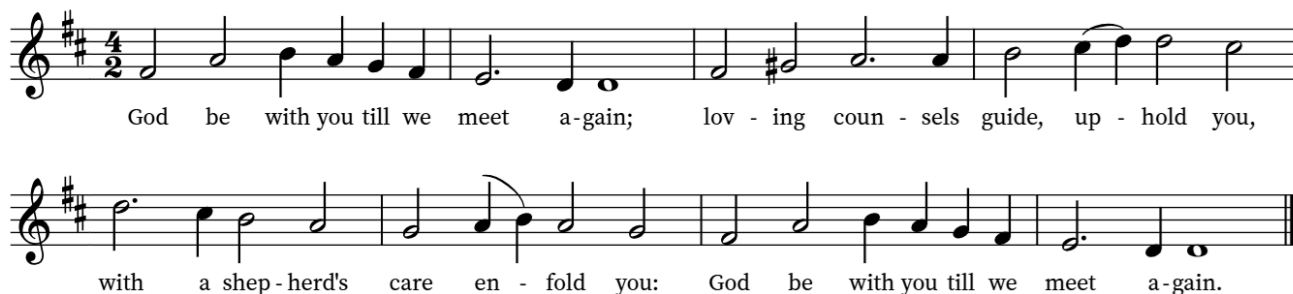
*DEDICATION OF OUR GIFTS

*HYMN #255 "O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing" O FILII ET FILIAE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

RANDOLPH



God be with you till we meet a-gain; lov - ing coun - sels guide, up - hold you,
with a shep - herd's care en - fold you: God be with you till we meet a-gain.

POSTLUDE Sonatina in C Major, Opus 20 No. 1 Friedrich Kuhlau (1786-1832)

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Reader: Lee Metz

Anthems: Bound Brook Choir School Teen Choir

Preaching: The Rev. Lou Ruprecht

Postlude: George Hellerman

Director of Faith Formation: Rev. Lissette González Sosa

Director of Music: Benjamin T. Berman

Technician: Bill Heller

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Please consider what you have to give in time, talent and treasure to God's work in the world through the church.



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BBPC COMMUNITY IS

**BBPC community is involved in mission, inclusive,
a place that flies its “freak flags” proudly—
because “normal” is simply a setting on your dryer.**

**It is not bound to the past, but willing to be brave,
willing to say yes without knowing the outcome.
It is complex and diverse— educationally, economically, racially,
multigenerational— a people becoming.**

**BBPC community is right here, waiting for you,
reaching out even to our virtual members,
a place where when you’re here, you’re family.
It brings laughter and joy, makes your heart sing,
offers a warm hug when you need it— even when you don’t think you do.**

**It is open and welcoming, a vibrant, thriving community,
a loving, supporting environment,
a caring church where the doors are always open.**

**It worships and works together—
young and old, music-loving,
welcoming all to the communion table.**

**It is a place where you can share your thoughts without judgment,
where giving happens without keeping score,
where care is practiced and shared.**

**BBPC community is a beacon of light in the darkness,
and a people standing at a critical moment
facing the future together.
It is a place where it is possible to grow,
to become, to belong.**

BBPC community is caring, sharing, and still being formed.

'Crowd Poem' written by the Lenten Devotional Groups

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ASCENSION EVENSONG



Music of Stanford, Bach, and Neil Harmon

MAY 14, 2026

7:00 PM

409 MOUNTAIN AVE
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Join us for an evening of prayer, community
worship, and hymns of praise led by the Teen and
Adult choirs

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EXPANSION AHEAD

Making room for kids and babies!

We're creating a dedicated space for our children and remodeling a room in *The Cave (downstairs)*.

Faith Formation needs 2 quotes from trusted, licensed contractors. Know someone great? Maybe it's you.

Send contact info to: Office@bbpc.org

Thank you for helping us grow!

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