

CHURCH AND KINGDOM



THE BUILD INITIATIVE

# What is the chief end of man?

The chief end of man is to glorify God and enjoy him forever.  
-Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 1

## What do we do when we go to church?

We come to church to experience God in a way we are not able to individually. When we gather to worship God at church, the body of Christ collectively experiences and gives worship to the God of the universe. We do this by hearing directly from God reading Scripture, speaking to Him by praying, worshiping Him by singing songs, receiving His love and grace through celebrating the Lord's Supper, and learning about Him by hearing the Word of God interpreted through the sermon. We may or may not feel anything different here, but we believe that whatever it is that we experience when we are at church is the closest thing we have to experiencing an encounter with the living God. We're glad you're joining us.

# *Everything's In Your Hands*

*In his hand are the depths of the  
earth, and the mountain peaks  
belong to him.*

*-Psalm 95: 4*

This is the heart of living,  
Give and it will be given  
Everything's in your hands,  
Everything's in your hands, Lord  
This is the law of loving,  
Give and I'll want for nothing  
Everything's in your hands,  
Everything's in your hands, Lord

I don't wanna hold on too tight  
Even to the good things in my life  
What I put in your hands I can never lose  
Cause everything Lord belongs to you

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This is the heart of living,  
Give and it will be given  
Everything's in your hands,  
Everything's in your hands, Lord  
Sing till my heart remembers  
Love is a long surrender  
Everything's in your hands,  
Everything's in your hands, Lord

I surrender all, surrender all  
All to you  
I surrender all, surrender all  
All to you

This is the heart of living,  
Give and it will be given  
Everything's in your hands,  
Everything's in your hands, Lord  
Trust, I put my whole self in it  
Love like there is no limit  
Everything's in your hands,

Everything's in your hands, Lord  
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Everything's in your hands, Lord

# Call To Worship

*Psalm 63: 1-4*

- 1 You, God, are my God,  
earnestly I seek you;  
I thirst for you,  
my whole being longs for you,  
in a dry and parched land  
where there is no water.
- 2 I have seen you in the sanctuary  
and beheld your power and your glory.
- 3 Because your love is better than life,  
my lips will glorify you.
- 4 I will praise you as long as I live,  
and in your name I will lift up my hands

## *Promises*

*They are new every morning; great  
is your faithfulness.*

*-Lamentations 3: 23*

God of Abraham  
You're the God of covenant  
And faithful promises  
Time and time again  
You have proven  
You'll do just what you say  
Though the storms may come  
And the winds may blow  
I'll remain steadfast  
And let my heart learn  
When you speak a word  
It will come to pass

### **Chorus:**

*Great is your faithfulness to me*

*Great is your faithfulness to me  
From the rising sun  
To the setting same  
I will praise your name  
Great is your faithfulness to me*

God from age to age  
Though the earth may pass away  
Your Word remains the same  
Your history can prove  
There's nothing you can't do  
You're faithful and true

Though the storms may come  
And the winds may blow  
I'll remain steadfast  
And let my heart learn  
When you speak a word  
It will come to pass

**Chorus**

I put my faith in Jesus  
My anchor to the ground  
My hope and firm foundation  
He'll never let me down

**Chorus**

# Welcome & Announcements

## Get Connected

The following are opportunities to connect with others in the church. If you are interested in more information, please email Beth Goss ([beth.goss@brookhavenpres.com](mailto:beth.goss@brookhavenpres.com)).

**Community Groups:** Monthly gatherings for dinner and relational connection.

**Cohorts:** Groups that meet bi-monthly for the sake of exploring or growing in areas of similar interests or life circumstances.

**Discipleship Groups:** Small groups in which people are growing in their knowledge of Jesus in the context of meaningful community.

**Leadership:** The mechanism in which we are encouraging our people to invest in others as Christ has invested in us. For more information on the various leadership teams, please go to the BPC website ([www.brookhavenpres.com/leadership](http://www.brookhavenpres.com/leadership)).



# Congregational Prayer

## *Lord's Prayer*

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our debts,  
as we also have forgiven our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from the evil one.  
For yours is the kingdom and the power  
and the glory, forever.

**Amen.**

Matthew 6: 9-13

*Children of all ages are welcome in the service at all times. Anyone going to class may do so now.*

## Sermon

### *2nd Corinthians 8: 1-15*

**1** We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, **2** for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. **3** For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord, **4** begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— **5** and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. **6** Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. **7** But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.

**8** I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. **9** For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. **10** And in this matter I give my judgment: this benefits you, who a year ago started not only to do this work but also to desire to do it. **11** So now finish doing it as well, so that your readiness in

desiring it may be matched by your completing it out of what you have. **12** For if the readiness is there, it is acceptable according to what a person has, not according to what he does not have. **13** For I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness **14** your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness. **15** As it is written, “Whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack.

## *2nd Corinthians 9: 6-15*

**6** The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. **7** Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. **8** And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. **9** As it is written, “He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.”

**10** He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. **11** You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. **12** For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God. **13** By their approval of this service, they will glorify God because of your submission that comes from your confession of the gospel of Christ, and the generosity of your contribution for them and for all others, **14** while they long for you and pray for you, because of the surpassing grace of God upon you. **15** Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!

# Lord's Supper

For Christians, the Lord's Supper is the most sacred thing we do all week. We believe as Presbyterians that though the bread and wine do not become the physical body and blood, nevertheless something mysterious and spiritual happens when we eat and drink by faith, so that we are spiritually nourished and our union with Christ and one another is signified and sealed. For that reason, anyone who is not a Christian and does not see this as sacramental may feel free to abstain, as we do not want to force you to do something with your body that is inconsistent with your heart. However, the Heidelberg Confession says that for those who are displeased with themselves because of their sins, and yet trust that these are forgiven them, the Supper may help remind them that their weakness and sin is covered by the suffering and death of Christ. If you think your child is ready to go through confirmation and receive communion, please contact Blythe.

For anyone that may find it easier to remain seated during communion, single-use communion cups are available on the table in the back of the sanctuary. Please feel free to ask any BPC member for assistance.

## *Apostles Creed*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 into hell. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven. He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will 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.**

## *A Liturgy for Communion*

Leader:  
Christ is risen!  
He is not here—He has gone before us. The  
stone is rolled, the tomb is empty, and the  
silence of death  
has been broken by the Word of Life.

**All:**  
**He is risen indeed.**  
**Alleluia.**

Leader:  
Let us come, then,  
not in haste, but in wonder.  
Let us come,  
bearing the weight of our waiting,  
For Christ has trampled down death with  
death,  
and to those in the grave  
He has granted life.

## *Confession*

Leader:  
Risen Lord, in the long shadows of our habits  
and haste, we have failed to live as an  
Easter people.

**All:**  
**Forgive us, O Christ.**  
**We have chosen comfort over calling,**  
**apathy over awe.**  
**We have forgotten that Your**  
**rising reorders everything.**

Leader:  
Speak again Your peace into the turmoil of  
our hearts.  
Call us by name, as You did to Mary. Draw us  
from the tombs we've made,  
and into the light of Your resurrection.

## *Assurance*

Leader:  
Hear this, people of God:  
The tomb is still empty.  
The stone still rolled.  
The victory still won.  
And the love of God is still  
strong enough to carry you.

**All:**

**We are forgiven.**

**We are alive in Christ.**

**We are not alone.**

**Amen.**

## *Prayer & Reflection*

We encourage you to use the time before and after you receive communion to be still with God. For each of us this may look different, but you can use this time to read back over the scripture, reflect on God's love and forgiveness for you, sing along with the song or pray through the following prompts:

- For God to give you deep rest in Him.
- For God to give you a hunger to know and be with Him.
- For God to show you how He wants you to respond to anything from the service today that convicted, encouraged, or compelled you to action.
- For anyone in your life who may be struggling.

## *Offering*

An offering box is located on the left of the stage as an opportunity to give back to God. You may also donate online through Church Center.

# Communion Song

## *Worthy Of It All*

*For from him and through him and  
to him are all things. To him be glory  
forever. Amen.*

*-Romans 11: 36*

All the saints and angels  
Bow before your throne.  
All the elders cast  
Their crowns before the lamb  
Of God and sing.

### **Chorus:**

*You're worthy of it all  
You're worthy of it all  
For from You are all things  
And to You are all things  
You deserve the glory*

All the saints and angels  
Bow before your throne.  
All the elders cast  
Their crowns before the lamb  
Of God and sing.

### **Chorus**

Day and night, night and day  
Let incense arise  
Day and night, night and day  
Let incense arise

### **Chorus**

## *Good Good Father*

I've heard a thousand stories  
Of what they think You're like  
But I've heard the tender whisper  
Of love in the dead of night  
You tell me that You're pleased  
And that I'm never alone

### **Chorus:**

*You're a good, good Father  
It's who You are,  
It's who You are,  
It's who You are  
And I'm loved by you  
It's who I am,  
It's who I am,  
It's who I am*

I've seen many searching  
For answers far and wide  
But I know we're all searching

For answers only you provide  
Because You know just what we need  
Before we say a word

### **Chorus**

You are perfect in all of Your ways  
You are perfect in all of Your ways  
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us  
Love so undeniable,  
I can hardly speak  
Peace so unexplainable,  
I can hardly think  
As You call me deeper still  
As You call me deeper still  
As You call me deeper still  
Into love, love, love

## **Benediction**

*Psalm*

*145: 8-9*

**8** The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love. **9** He is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

## **Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
**Amen.**

## **The Build Initiative is an opportunity for BPC to build our church and participate with God in Building His Kingdom.**

The goals of the **Build Initiative** are:

**Personal:** Because money is the primary idol in our culture, and because we spend so little time examining our hearts regarding money, a capital campaign is a great opportunity for us to revisit the intersection of our relationship with money and our relationship with God, with the purpose of greater discipleship and Christ-likeness.

**Building Improvements:** Our church Building is a gift from the Lord that also demands stewardship. This initiative will help us with the next step in the renovation process.

**External Ministries:** Our church's financial model has always sought to keep Building costs low, enabling it to be financially generous toward those in need. This initiative will reduce debt to expand our annual external ministries budget from approximately 11% to approximately 16%.

**Build Initiative Team:** Mallory Chow, Zach Bradley, Evan Lowell, Beth Goss

**Building Committee:** Mallory Chow, David and Kristen Ware, Jennifer Koontz, Arthur and Anne Kennedy, Will Harper, Sam McArthur, Ken Matlack

**Owners Rep:** VanderMeer Project Management

**Architect:** Kronberg Urbanists + Architects

### **Build Initiative Schedule:**

Sunday, April 19th - Launch Sunday

Sunday, May 10th - Commitment Sunday

Sunday, May 17th - Celebration Sunday

On your way out of service, stop by the tables in the Gathering Space to pick up your packet with the Build Initiative launch booklet, devotional, and commitment card!

[www.brookhavenpres.com/buildinitiative](http://www.brookhavenpres.com/buildinitiative)

# UPCOMING DATES:

## THIS WEEK:

**Sun 4/19:** Youth Group from 6:00-8:00pm (BPC - Backyard & Gym)

**Mon 4/20:** Prayer for Sally at 9:00am (BPC - Room 101)

**Wed 4/22:** Baptism Class at 7:30pm (Zoom)

## NEXT WEEK:

**Sun 4/26:** Prayer for Hope and Healing 9:00am (BPC - Room 101)

**Sun 4/26:** Youth Group from 6:00-8:00pm (BPC - Backyard & Gym)

**Sun 4/26:** Mid-Century Moderns Dinner at 7:00pm (Marlow's Tavern in Brookhaven)

**Mon 4/27:** Prayer for Sally at 9:00am (BPC - Room 101)

**Tues 4/28:** Session Meeting at 8:00pm (BPC)

## LOOKING AHEAD:

**Sun 5/3:** Parenting High Schoolers Panel at 8:45am (BPC - Room 204)

**Sun 5/3:** Youth Group from 6:00-8:00pm (BPC - Backyard & Gym)

**Mon 5/4-Mon 5/11:** Spring Ladies Dinners

**Sun 5/10:** Membership and Baptism Sunday

**Please go to the BPC website or app to find out more details about the events above.**