

Welcome to Brick Presbyterian Church



111 Drum Point Road
Brick NJ, 08723
732 477-0676

ORDER FOR WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD
13th Sunday after Pentecost / Holy Communion
September 7, 2025

* Please stand as you are able

Congregational responses are in **bold**

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

WORDS OF WELCOME

Tom Fortier

PRELUDE

"Just As I Am"

arr. by William

Bradbury

Keyboardist, Cindy Dwyer

CALL TO WORSHIP

Our help is in the name of the Lord who made Heaven and Earth. Amen.

We have come together today to hear God's great story of Love.

We have come together today to give voice to our desires for justice and for healing.

We have come together today to reflect upon God's great plans for our lives.

We have come together today to discover the new purposes God has for our lives, together and apart.

We have come to be with God and one another.

May God's grace and peace be with you.

And with you also. Amen.

* HYMN

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

2

CALL TO CONFESSION

Tom Fortier

The invitation to be forgiven by God is the key to hearing God's word clearly, and to live faithfully the lives of peace and love, for which we have been created.

We begin with a moment of silence for personal confession)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(unison)

Eternal God, forgive us for the ways in which we have blocked your vision for us in this community of faith.

Forgive us for the ways in which we have clung to the past, attempting to answer new questions with old solutions.

Forgive us for the ways in which we have worshipped the future, pretending that you have not been active and alive throughout our history.

Forgive us for the ways in which we have settled for “good enough”, when you have presented us with such great opportunities.

Allow us to sacrifice our time, our talent and our treasure so that your will might be done, in our lives as it is in heaven, now and forever. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor Jack

Our God who knows us and calls out to us when we falter or misstep, is the same God who embraces us, reminds us of our belovedness, and forgives us our sins. Hear the Good News: in Jesus Christ you are forgiven!.

Amen!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

As a forgiven people, as children of God's, let us recognize that we have been blessed and are therefore free to share that blessing as we offer God's peace to one another!

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you!

* RESPONSE TO GRACE *“Take, O Take Me As I Am”*

698

**Take, O take me as I am;
summon out what I shall be;**

set your seal upon my heart
and live in me.

THE WORD

* PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Tom Fortier

Eternal God, guide our thoughts now, so that as we listen to the words that are spoken, we might hear your Living Word speaking clearly, to our world and our lives. **Amen.**

1st SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 18:1-11

Pew Bible p. 666

ANTHEM

"The Potter's Hand"

arr. Lloyd Larson

BPC Choir | Keyboardist: Cindy Dwyer

2nd SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 14:25-33

Rev. Jack Cherry

The Words of Holy Scripture for the people of God; Pew Bible p. 908

Thanks be to God. Amen.

MESSAGE

"Reworking the Clay"

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* HYMN

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

65

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

(unison)

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.

MOMENT FOR GRATITUDE

*Let us take a moment to silently thank God for the blessings in our lives,
acknowledging all we have received through His grace.*

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

“Change My Heart, O God”

arr. Joel Raney

BPC Choir | Keyboardist: Cindy Dwyer

* DOXLOGY

“Doxology” (Duke Street)

arr. W. Myers

**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.**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(unison)

It is impossible, O God, for us to even begin to repay you for all that you have entrusted to us, for all the ways in which you have blessed us. Yet we try, with this time of worship and these gifts, and we hope that you are pleased with our efforts. Grant to us wisdom and faithfulness in all that we do in our lives as we serve you each day. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy and right it is, and our joyful duty to give thanks to you at all times and in all places, O Lord our Creator, almighty and everlasting God!"

You created heaven with all its hosts and the earth with all its plenty.

You have given us life and being and preserved us by your providence.

You have shown us the fullness of your love in sending into the world your Son, Jesus Christ, the eternal Word, made flesh for us and for our salvation.

For the precious gift of this mighty Savior who has reconciled us to you we praise and bless you, O God.

Most righteous God, we remember in this Supper the perfect sacrifice offered once on the cross by our Lord Jesus Christ for the sin of the whole world.

In the joy of his resurrection and in expectation of his coming again, we offer ourselves to you as holy and living sacrifices.

Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

Christ has died!

Christ is risen!

Christ will come again!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us, we pray, that the bread which we break and the cup which we bless may be to us the communion of the body and blood of Christ.

Grant that, being joined together in him, we may attain to the unity of the faith and grow up in all things into Christ our Lord.

And as this grain has been gathered from many fields into one loaf, and these grapes from many hills into one cup, grant, O Lord, that your whole Church may soon be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

Even so, come, Lord Jesus!

PARTAKING OF THE ELEMENTS

You are invited to come forward to receive the Communion elements from one of the stations at the front of the sanctuary.

The servers will hand the elements to you. Gluten-Free and Regular premade, sealed Communion elements are available from the stations and from the server in the aisle.

The Bread of Heaven; **Thanks be to God.**

The Cup of Salvation; **Amen.**

COMMUNION HYMN *"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"* # 526

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(unison)*

"Gracious God, may we who have received this sacrament live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth your gifts to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

RETURNING TO THE WORLD IN GOD'S NAME

* HYMN *"Come Sing, O Church, in Joy"* # 305

CONNECTING OUR FAITH TO THE ACTIONS OF OUR CHURCH

CHARGE & BLESSING

Now go to look, this week, for God! Look in the familiar places and people of your life and look in the unexpected places and people you encounter!

We go to be reformed, reinvigorated and reshaped for the new and old tasks on God's behalf!

And never forget that wherever you look for God, you will find God looking for you, bringing you the peace which goes beyond our ability to understand, providing us with guidance, strength and vision.

All: And the blessings of God - Father, Son, and Spirit - will be ours today and forever! Amen and Amen!

POSTLUDE

"Jesus, I Just Want to Thank You"

arr. by John B. Dukes

Keyboardist: Cindy Dwyer



Worship Notes

Brick Presbyterian Church CCLI#1853779/Streaming#20110146
cover word press

The Nursery, in classroom #1, is available for young children.

William Alino



Zayden Voegborlo



**Today's chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God
in Memory of Arthur & Muriel Best.
*You are always in our hearts! ~ Joan Horan***

Prayers of Healing

Gary Baker, Donovan & Family, Figueroa family,
Lori & Harold Fisher, JoAnne Habenicht, Kiernan Holster,
Rich Irwin, Bob Mahns, Greg Morrison, Rev. & Mrs. Seda,
Doug Tompkins, Michael Toth, Bob & Sue Towlen, Judy Willbergh

Our Homebound

Christine Meiselman – Hampton Ridge, Toms River

Boscov coupons are now available for sale. For \$5.00, you will be able to shop all day and save. The sale date is October 22, 2025.



Also, a sign-up sheet to sell coupons at the Boscov's store is at the fundraising table. Dates are: Tues. Sept 2, Sat. Sept 27, Mon. Oct 13, Sat. Oct 18, Wed. Oct 22 (Day of the Big Sale)

Please stop by and find out about this exciting way to save money and help support the church's fundraising efforts.



***TUESDAY, SEPT 30th 1-6pm at
Brick Presbyterian Church***

To schedule an appointment:

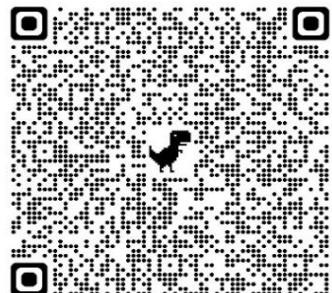
Visit: rcblood.org/appt

***Sponsor Code: Brick Presbyterian Church
or Call/Text: Tracey Podolsky at***

732-300-0886

To donate online to BPC,

Please scan the QR code:





BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY @ 9AM
FOR GRADES K-12
PICK UP A FLYER AND
SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER
OR
CALL 732-703-3145



LET'S GO TO THE PARTY!

Sign Up For Youth Group

Pick Up a Flyer on the Narthex Table

The 1st Youth Group Meeting of the new season will take place on Tuesday, September 16th from 6-8pm in the FLC and *dinner will be provided!*

This Week in Our Church

Monday, Sept 8	Bells Rehearsal	5:00PM
	Seated Strength & Stretch	5:30PM
	Finance Meeting	6:00PM
	Strength Club	6:00PM
	Cub Scouts	6:00PM
	Deacons Meeting	7:00PM
Tuesday, Sept 9	Girl Scouts	6:00PM
	Session Meeting	7:00PM
Wednesday, Sept 10	Food Pantry Open	10:00AM - 2:00PM
	Seated Strength & Stretch	5:30PM
	Strength Club	6:00PM
	Junior Praise Team Rehearsal	6:30PM
	Praise Team Rehearsal	7:00PM
	Boy Scouts	7:00PM
Thursday, Sept 11	Choir Rehearsal	7:00PM
	Pentecostal Church Bible Study	7:30PM - 9:00PM
Saturday, Sept 13	Strength Club	9:00AM
Sunday, Sept 14	Sunday School	9:00AM
	Worship	10:00AM
	Pentecostal Church Worship	12:00 – 3:00PM

Recovery Meetings @ BPC

AA Meetings in Fellowship Hall	Daily – 7:00AM
Friday – 12PM, 8PM and Saturday – 7PM	
NA Meeting in Fellowship Hall	Thursday - 6:30PM

**JOIN
BRICK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
FOR A
SHRIMP AND SCALLOP
DINNER!**

**Chicken Available for Land Lovers!*

Friday, September 19, 2025

5:00pm – 7:30pm

\$25/Per Person



**For Tickets Call:
Lynn 732-966-6240**

or

Linda 848-333-5119

**Takeout Orders
Available with Ticket**