



**111 Drum Point Road  
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# ORDER FOR WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

Third Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2026

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\* Please stand as you are able

Congregational responses are in **bold**

## GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

WORDS OF WELCOME

Debbie Johnson

OPENING PRAYER

God of the Resurrection, we come together as Easter people. We are those whom you have blessed with a resurrection faith. While we rejoice in Jesus rising from the dead, we also look forward to You growing our faith. Fill our hearts with gladness and our minds with understanding, so that we too might come to firmly believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God; and that through believing, we may have life in his name. In his name we pray. **Amen.**

PRELUDE

*"Take Hold"*

by Mike Slater

CALL TO WORSHIP:

*(Based on Psalm 1 - John 1)*

Debbie Johnson

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard concerning the word of life.

**This life was revealed to us by the Resurrected Jesus, and we testify to it**

We declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father has been revealed to us in Jesus Christ.

**We are declaring these things so that our joy may be complete.**

Truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ, so let us worship God together.

**God is light and in God there is no darkness at all.**

\* HYMN

*"Come Thou Fount"*

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CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Pastor Jim

CALL TO CONFESSION:

Debbie Johnson

Our separation from God causes us to lose much in our lives. Thankfully, our God is willing to come to us so that we might have the peace and grace we need in order to be faithful. The presence of the resurrected Lord is still in our midst. So, let us now approach God's throne of grace and offer our prayer of confession.

*(we begin with a moment of silence for personal confession)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

*(unison)*

**Almighty God, far too often we find ourselves in a place where we are separated from you. We admit that this is our own doing. Our lack of trust cuts us off from you. We become disconnected from you when we turn our backs on your promises. Too often we wander off in dark places and allow ourselves to step away from your light. Forgive our doubts and our lack of conviction. Come to us in our own self-imposed exile and then transform us so that we might once again have faith. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor Jim

Almighty God freely pardons all who repent and turn to Him. Our God brings us peace by forgiving our sins and cleansing us from unrighteousness. As we grow in faith, we are enabled to know the peace and joy our God give. So, hear the good news and believe. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. **Amen.**

PASSING OF GOD'S PEACE

May the Peace of Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**O to grace how great a debtor  
daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let that grace now, like a fetter,  
bind my wandering heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
prone to leave the God I love;  
here's my heart; O take and seal it;  
seal it for thy courts above.**

**THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Debbie Johnson

Let us pray. Lord, your Word breaks into our world with astonishing and amazing, good news. When we hear it, we are inspired and enabled to see things in a new light. Help us to hear your word for us today. Help us also to believe. Strengthen our faith so that we might know your truth and live your way. In the remarkable name of Jesus, we pray. **Amen.**

1<sup>st</sup> SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 34:1-10

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ANTHEM

*"Fountains"*

BPC Praise Team

by Bobby Strand, Joe Volk, Jonathan David Helser, Josh Baldwin & Tony Brown

2<sup>nd</sup> SCRIPTURE READING:

Luke 24:36-49

Rev. Jim Pruner

The Words of Holy Scripture for the people of God;

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**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

SERMON:

*"Resurrection Man"*

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

\* HYMN

*"Living Waters"*  
by Ed Cash, Kristyn Getty

CCLI Song #7063743

Verse 1:

**Are you thirsty, Are you empty?  
Come and drink these living waters  
Tired and broken, Peace unspoken;  
Rest beside these living waters.**

Verse 2:

**Christ is calling, Find refreshing  
At the cross of living waters  
Lay your life down, all the old gone;  
Rise up in these living waters.**

Chorus:

*There's a river that flows with mercy and love  
Bringing joy to the city of our God  
There our hope is secure; do not fear anymore.  
Praise the Lord of living waters.*

Verse 3:

**Spirit moving, Mercy washing,  
Healing in these living waters.  
Lead your children to the shoreline.  
Life is in these living waters! (to Chorus)**

Verse 4:

**Are you thirsty, Are you empty?  
Come and drink these living waters.  
Love forgiveness, Vast and boundless;  
Christ He is our living waters. (to Chorus)**

Ending:

**There our hope is secure, do not fear anymore  
Praise the Lord of living waters!**

\*THE APOSTLE'S CREED

(unison)

**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  
Ghost, 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father  
Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and 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

*"All Who Are Thirsty"*  
*by Brenton Brown, Glenn Robertson*

BPC Praise Team

\* DOXOLOGY

*"We Are an Offering"*  
by Dwight Liles      CCLI Song #16220

Chorus 1:            **We lift our voices; We lift our hands.  
                          We lift our lives up to You  
                          We are an offering  
Lord use our voices; Lord use our hands.  
                          Lord use our lives they are Yours  
                          We are an offering.**

Bridge:              **All that we have, All that we are,  
                          All that we hope to be we give to You,  
                          We give to You.**

Chorus 2            **We lift our voices; We lift our hands.  
                          We lift our lives up to You.  
                          We are an offering; We are an offering.**

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*(unison)*

**Lord, in your great mercy and bounty we have received blessing upon blessing from you. You inspire us with faith. You provide for our needs. You move us towards greater levels of discipleship, and your constant care is ever with us. Out of the thankfulness we have, we offer our gifts to you. Please accept them and bless them and use them for your work in this world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

**RETURNING TO THE WORLD IN GOD'S NAME**

CONNECTING OUR FAITH TO THE ACTIONS OF OUR CHURCH

\* CLOSING SONG

*"Revelation Song"*

by Jennie Lee Riddle  
CCLI Song #4447960

*Leader:                         Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain  
  Holy, holy is He.  
  Sing a new song to Him Who sits on  
  Heaven's mercy seat.*

***Chorus***

**Everyone:                 Holy, holy, holy Is the Lord God Almighty.  
  Who was and is and is to come.  
  With all creation I sing "Praise to the King of kings".  
  You are my ev'rything; And I will adore You.**

*Leader:                         Clothed in rainbows of living color.  
  Flashes of lightning rolls of thunder  
  Blessing and honor strength and glory  
  And power be to You the only wise King (to Chorus)*

\* BENEDICTION

Pastor Jim

In the power of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ go into the world with a renewed hope. Be witnesses to all that God is doing in the world and receive all of God's promises. And by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you now and forever. **Amen.**



POSTLUDE

*“ Revelation Song”*

*reprise*

*Leader:*

*Filled with wonder awestruck wonder  
At the mention of Your name.  
Jesus Your name is power breath and living water  
Such a maro'lous mystery yeah.*

*Everyone:*

**Holy, holy, holy Is the Lord God Almighty.  
Who was and is and is to come.  
With all creation I sing “Praise to the King of kings”.  
You are my ev'rything; And I will adore You.  
(2x's)**



**Worship Notes**

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

Brick Presbyterian Church CCLI#1853779/Streaming#20110146

**Acolyte: Chelsea Britton**



TODAY AFTER WORSHIP - at the coffee hour, dress samples and directions for making the dresses will be shared. Please join in for the demonstrations and sharing.



We are so excited to announce that Brick Presbyterian Church (Food Pantry has been selected again as a nonprofit partner in the Stop & Shop *Bloomin' 4 Good Program*.

Our Food Pantry will receive \$1 for every specially marked \$11.99 Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet sold during the month of April 2026 at: *Stop & Shop - 55 Brick Boulevard, Brick NJ*



**FOOD PANTRY**

**Thank You!**

Your support has helped us continue our mission of assisting people in need.

*Currently, we are requesting donations of the following:*

Applesauce

Carrots

Chicken Broth

Chili

Coffee (instant/regular)

Jell-O

Luncheon Meat (Spam)

Mashed Potatoes

Ramen Noodles

Spaghetti-Os

Chef Boyardee Beef Ravioli

Cat / Dog Food

# **BLESSING OF THE EARTH AND ANIMALS**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2026**

**10AM - 2PM**

**Celebrate Earth and all the life that our community has to offer.**

**Bring your pets or come for the opportunity to adopt a new one.**

**Meet local vendors and learn about caring for animals, yourself and nature.**





# More Than Capable

Classes for all abilities

Classes at our Ocean County Location:

Brick Presbyterian Church

111 Drum Point Rd, Brick, NJ 08723

## April 2026 Classes

Wednesday, 4/8/2026: 6pm to 7:30pm:  
**Creative Expressions: Guided Painting Class**



Wednesday, 4/15/2026: 6:15pm to 7:15pm:  
**Games Galore: Social Skills and Games**

Wednesday, 4/22 6pm to 7:30pm  
**Creative Expressions: Crafting**



Wednesday, 4/29 6pm to 7:30pm  
**Pop-UP-Podcast: fun word plays,  
sensory scent challenges and  
more.....**

Contact us at: [mtcnonprofit@gmail.com](mailto:mtcnonprofit@gmail.com) or  
**732-655-4258, [www.morethancapable.net](http://www.morethancapable.net)**

More Than Capable (MTC) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicating to providing engaging workshops, classes and inclusive experiences that inspire growth, strengthen life and social skills and create opportunities for meaningful connection among adults (18+) with developmental differences and all abilities.

### *Care and Nurture List*

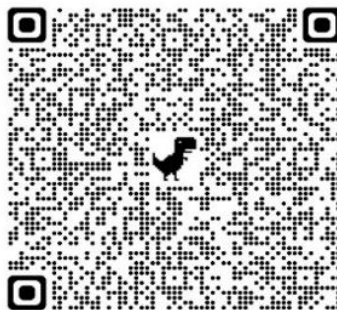
**Our deacons are dedicated to caring for our church family.** We'd love to know of any church members who might be homebound, sick, or simply in need of a visit. If you know of someone who would benefit from being added to our care and nurture list, please let any of the deacons know. We are committed to reaching out and providing support and connection to those who need it most.

### *Prayers of Healing*

**Lori Evans - Shorrock  
Michael Toth - Shorrock**

**Carol Boucher, Anne Chambers, Donovan & family,  
Glenn Dyke, Elba Figueroa, Ray Freeswick, Sr.,  
JoAnne Habenicht, Bonnie Lutton, Lynn & Frank Mizer,  
Kris Murphy, Brooklyn Orlofsky,  
Kevin Nagy's Uncle George, Rev. & Mrs. Seda, Kristen Thatcher,  
Doug Tompkins, Bob & Sue Towlen, Patrick Weaver, Judy Willbergh**

**To donate online to BPC,  
Please scan the QR code:**



## This Week in Our Church

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| <b>Monday, April 20</b>    | <b>Bells Rehearsal</b>                         | <b>5:00PM</b>           |
|                            | <b>Seated Strength &amp; Stretch</b>           | <b>5:30PM</b>           |
|                            | <b>Strength Club</b>                           | <b>6:00PM</b>           |
|                            | <b>Cub Scouts</b>                              | <b>6:00PM</b>           |
| <b>Tuesday, April 21</b>   | <b>Youth Group</b>                             | <b>6:00 - 8:00PM</b>    |
|                            | <b>Girl Scouts</b>                             | <b>6:00PM</b>           |
| <b>Wednesday, April 22</b> | <b>Food Pantry</b>                             | <b>10:00AM - 2:00PM</b> |
|                            | <b>Seated Strength &amp; Stretch</b>           | <b>5:30PM</b>           |
|                            | <b>Strength Club</b>                           | <b>6:00PM</b>           |
|                            | <b>More Than Capable</b>                       | <b>6:00PM</b>           |
|                            | <b>Junior Praise Team Rehearsal</b>            | <b>6:30PM</b>           |
|                            | <b>Praise Team Rehearsal</b>                   | <b>7:00PM</b>           |
|                            | <b>Boy Scouts</b>                              | <b>7:00PM</b>           |
| <b>Saturday, April 25</b>  | <b><i>Blessing of the Pets &amp; Earth</i></b> | <b>10:00AM - 2:00PM</b> |
| <b>Sunday, April 26</b>    | <b>Sunday School</b>                           | <b>9:00AM</b>           |
|                            | <b>Sunday Worship</b>                          | <b>10:00AM</b>          |
|                            | <b>Pentecostal Church Worship</b>              | <b>12:00 – 3:00PM</b>   |

### RECOVERY MEETINGS:

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| <b>AA Meetings in Fellowship Hall</b>                        | <b>Daily – 7:00AM</b>    |
| <b>Friday – 12PM, 8PM and Saturday – 7PM</b>                 |                          |
| <b>Light of Life Recovery Bible Group - Tuesday - Room 4</b> | <b>7:00PM</b>            |
| <b>NA Meeting in Fellowship Hall</b>                         | <b>Thursday - 6:30PM</b> |

A decorative graphic featuring two large red roses on the left and right sides, with two red butterflies flying between them. The background is a light pink gradient with a white semi-circle at the top.

# BPC PLANT SALE

H A P P Y M O T H E R ' S D A Y

May 9<sup>th</sup>

10AM – 1PM

*The remainder of the plants not sold on Saturday  
will be sold on Sunday after service.*

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Rev. Jack Cherry, *Moderator of the Session*; Michael Kraynick, *Clerk Pro-tem*  
Sabrina Nagy, *Moderator of Deacons*; Joan Horan, *Vice Moderator*  
Tracey Podolsky, *Secretary*

**Session**

***Class of 2027***

*Brian Aldrich, Michael Auriemma, Missy Brino, Mark Ellis*

***Class of 2028***

*Sandra Alho, Diane Lehnnes, Lynda Pullis, Christy Tompkins*

***Class of 2029***

*Bob Auriemma, Jr., Katie Candeloro, Chuck Cumella, Maddie Latshaw*

**Board of Deacons**

***Class of 2027***

*Kevin Nagy, Sabrina Nagy, Tracey Podolsky, Wendy Schweis*

***Class of 2028***

*Elorm Banini, Lance Erikson, Elaine Salto, Sofia Thalheimer*

***Class of 2029***

*Sue Britton, Penny Chandler, Susan Gargano, Joan Horan*

**Staff**

Rev. Jack Cherry, *Pastor*

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Lauren Dyke, *Christian Education Lead*

Karen Ellis, *Financial Secretary*

Mike Kraynick, *Treasurer*

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Edmond Murphy, *Director of Vocal Music*

Christy Tompkins, *Praise Team Leader*

Rev. Doug Chase, *Pastor Emeritus*