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# Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

October 5, 2014 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary World Communion Sunday

## Welcome to BMPC

Lord, Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

**VISITING TODAY?** After worship, visit the Welcome Center to the left of the main exit to learn more about us or ask questions, then join us for refreshments in the Ministries Center Court or in the Education Building Lobby (ground floor).

**MAKE THIS YOUR CHURCH HOME!** New members will be warmly welcomed to our community of faith next Sun., Oct. 12. For more information or to register, stop at the Welcome Center after the service or contact DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

## **TODAY'S SCHEDULE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH** (see signs in building entrances for room assignments):

- Children age 2 to PreK: 10:00 a.m. classes, Ed. Bldg.
- **Grades K-3:** 10:15 a.m., classes in the Ed. Bldg. (10:00-10:15 a.m. families worship together in the Sanctuary)
- Grades 4-12: Worship Together Sunday, Sanctuary

Children's bulletins with crayons may be found near the entrance doors. Nursery care with electronic pagers is available in our Education Building.

## **Worship Notes**

**THE FLOWERS** in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dorothy G. and Francis L. Henderson. The flowers in the Chapel Garden are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Grafton D. Chase.

**THE CARILLON** will be played today by Dianne Heard.

**INSTALLATION SERVICE FOR THE REV. RACHEL PEDERSEN.** A Service of Installation for our new Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry, the Rev. Rachel Pedersen, will take place during worship today. A reception will follow in Congregational Hall.

**TODAY'S GUEST PREACHER FOR 10:00 a.m.** is the Rev. Christiane M. Lang Hearlson, an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church (USA) and a PhD candidate in Practical Theology/Christian Education at Princeton Theological Seminary. Christy was Associate Pastor of Christian Education and Discipleship at The Brick Presbyterian Church of New York City from 2005-2010. Her doctoral dissertation deals with biblical literacy and adolescents. She resides in Boston, MA, with her husband, the Rev. Dr. Adam Hearlson, and their young son.

**THE CLOTH** on the communion table was presented to Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church by the Near East School of Theology (N.E.S.T) in Lebanon when their president visited.

## GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

\* PRELUDE

All Things Bright and Beautiful Jubilate Ringers

arr. Thompson

Fairest Lord Jesus Tintinnabulators arr. Edwards

\* WELCOME

Agnes W. Norfleet

#### \*† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: All who thirst and strive for justice seek your liberation here.

All: Christ is ever present with us, uniting us as his own.

One: This is Bread that God provides us, nourishing our unity.

All: Joyfully we come together at the holy feast of God.

from The Nicaraguan Folk Mass

† **HYMN** 466

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION AND**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Julia Hill

Stay with us, Lord, though we fail to recognize your image in each person. Call to us, Lord, though we are comfortable where we are and slow to respond. Speak to us, Lord, though we have heard you and failed to listen. Help us again, for we need your sight, your strength, your grace and your forgiveness.

(A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.)

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*† GLORIA PATRI (in unison)

(Hymnal 579)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen. (Children are invited to come forward for the *Children's Moment*.)

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Kellen Smith

<sup>†</sup> Please stand, if able. \* Ushers may seat latecomers.

### **SENDING HYMN** Go now, Children, with our Blessing

(During the Sending Hymn, kindergarten through 3rd grade children depart for their Sunday School classes.)



**ANTHEM** 

Bolo Jay, Mikar Jay Choir School Worship song from India Arr. Geoff Weaver

Sing my soul, sing to God, sing to God, hallelujah! Your love is boundless, wide as the ocean; fill my heart with your love, may I love you more. You shed your precious blood to give redemption; now that I am free from guilt, may I love you more. Let me daily sing of your love.

LESSON

Isaiah 40:9-14 (p. 667 in pew Bible)

Christiane M. Lang Hearlson

**SERMON** 

Christiane M. Lang Hearlson

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

(Please fill in the Fellowship Register at the end of your pew; pass it down your row & back again.)

**OFFERING** Kellen A. Smith

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** Draw us in the Spirit's Tether Choir School with Harmony Choir

Draw us in the Spirit's tether; for when humbly, in thy name, Two or three are met together, Thou art in the midst of them: Alleluya! Alleluya! Touch we now thy garment's hem. As the brethren used to gather In the name of Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the Father ,Break the bread and bless the cup, Alleluya! Alleluya! So knit thou our friendship up. All our meals and all our living Make as sacraments of thee, that by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be. Alleluya! Alleluya! We will serve thee faithfully, we will serve thee faithfully.

### † **DOXOLOGY** (in unison)

(Hymnal 592)

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.

#### † PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## **INSTALLATION**

#### PREFACE TO INSTALLATION

Michael Henry

One: As in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the

same function,

All: so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually

we are members one of another.

One: We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us:

All: prophecy, in proportion to faith;

One: ministry, in ministering;
All: the teacher, in teaching;
One: the exhorter, in exhortation;
All: the giver, in generosity;
One: the leader, in diligence;

All: the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

One: Let us not lag in zeal, but be ardent in spirit, serving the Lord.

### CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

Michael Henry

Galina Whipple, Aidan Vartanian, Luke Vaughan, Kayla Gotanda and Kathryn Chang

### QUESTIONS TO THE PRESBYTERY

Sandra Danner

### **QUESTIONS TO THE CONGREGATION**

Peggy Gregg

One: Do we, the members of Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, accept the Rev. Rachel Pedersen as our associate pastor chosen by God through the voice of this congregation, to guide us in the way of Jesus Christ?

All: We do.

One: Do we agree to encourage her, respect her decisions, and to follow as she guides us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is head of the Church?

All: We do.

One: Do we promise to pay her fairly, and provide for her welfare as she works among us; to stand by her in trouble and share her joys? Will we listen to the word she preaches, welcome her pastoral care, and honor her authority, as she seeks to honor and obey Jesus Christ, our Lord?

All: We do and we will.

## PRAYER FOR THE INSTALLED AND LAYING ON OF HANDS

Richard Wohlschlaeger

### DECLARATION OF INSTALLATION AND THE RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP

Michael Henry

CHARGE TO THE PASTOR
AND CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION

Susan McGhee Peggy Gregg

## SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### **INVITATION**

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

### **SANCTUS** (Hymnal 568)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

#### 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

As the bread and cup are distributed, you may partake individually in personal prayer. Gluten- and casein-free bread is available in the small container located on each plate.

#### MUSIC AT COMMUNION

### Beneath the Forms of Outward Rite Sanctuary Choir

Leo Sowerby

Beneath the forms of outward rite Thy supper, Lord, is spread in every quiet upper room where fainting souls are fed. The bread is always consecrate which friends divide with friends; and every act of Christian love repeats the feast again. The blessed cup is only passed, true memory of thee, when life anew pours out its wine with rich sufficiency. O Master, through these symbols shared, Thine own dear self impart, that in our daily life may flame the passion of thy heart.

"Lift Thine Eyes" from *Elijah* Felix Mendelssohn Suzanne DuPlantis, Stephanie Heavens, and Elizabeth Weigle Lift thine eyes to the mountains, whence cometh help. Thy help cometh from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth. He hath said, thy foot shall not be moved, thy keeper will never slumber.

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

† **HYMN** 439

In Christ There Is No East or West

ST. PETER

† BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE

Rachel Pedersen

**POSTLUDE** 

"Final" from Symphonie I

Louis Vierne

#### **GUEST WORSHIP LEADERS**

Elder Julia Hill, Yeadon Presbyterian Church, Yeadon, PA

The Rev. Christiane M. Lang Hearlson, mentor, New York City Presbytery
Elder Michael Henry, Vice Moderator of the Presbytery of Philadelphia
Galina Whipple, Aidan Vartanian, Luke Vaughan, Kayla Gotanda and Kathryn Chang,
representing the children of Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church
Elder Sandra Danner, Thomas M. Thomas Presbyterian Church, Chester, PA
Elder Peggy Gregg, member of the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee of BMPC
The Reverend Susan McGhee, Executive Presbyter, Ohio Valley Presbytery

The Rev. Dr. Richard Wohlschlaeger, Member-at-Large, Philadelphia Presbytery

## Honoring the Rev. Dr. R. Charles Grant

**CHARLES' LAST DAY WITH US** will be Sun., Oct. 12, as he has accepted a call to be the Interim Pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Charlottesville, VA. We will celebrate his ministry among us at a reception following 10:00 a.m. worship on Sun., Oct. 12. Contributions to a "Love Offering" for Charles (checks made payable to BMPC) and notes of gratitude for a memory book may be sent to BMPC, Attn: Amy Bauer, through Mon., Oct. 6.

## **Announcements**

THE PRESBYTERIAN PEACEMAKING OFFERING is being received today. This offering supports the efforts of our congregation and the wider PC(USA) as we strive to transform cultures of violence into communities of peace. BMPC retains 25% of the offering for our peacemaking efforts, 25% supports peacemaking projects in the Philadelphia Presbytery and 50% is allocated to the denomination's national and international peacemaking ministries. Envelopes are available in the pews.

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS.** Today, 4:00 p.m., Front Lawn. Gather for fellowship, singing, scripture, prayers, and individual blessings of companion animals. All friendly creatures great and small are welcome, along with their human companions. "St. Francis of Assisi" (the Rev. Dr. R. Charles Grant) will discuss our special relationship with God's creatures of the animal kingdom and the blessings we receive from them. An offering of food and supplies for local animal shelters will be received, and refreshments will be served.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS.** Wednesdays, 5:30-7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall (food served until 6:45 p.m.) Cost: \$8 for adults; \$5 for children/students. Common interest table reserved this week for those who were born in or have lived in the South. To view upcoming fresh-ingredient menus by Chef Ruth, see the "Announcements" box on the homepage of *www.bmpc.org* or call the church office at 610-525-2821.

**SINGING FOR LIFE**. BMPC's choir for older adults (55+), which meets on Friday mornings from 9:30-10:45 a.m., focuses on stretching, breathing, and vocalizing. All members of the community are welcome; \$60 participation fee per semester (scholarships available). Register: StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

**BOY CHOIR CONCERT.** Wed., Oct. 15, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary. BMPC welcomes the treble choristers of the Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys, considered by major critics to be the outstanding choral ensemble of the Anglican musical tradition in the United States today. Their program includes works by J.S. Bach, Gabriel Fauré, John Rutter, George Frideric Handel, and Benjamin Britten ("Missa Brevis"). Tickets: \$10 for adults; \$5 for students. To purchase, visit www.bmpc.org or contact StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

RADNOR STREET PARKING LOT CLOSED. Through early November, the Radnor Street parking lot (next to the Main Line Adult Day Center) is closed due to Ministries Center roof repair work. Additional handicapped spaces are available in the parking lot behind the Sanctuary. Contact: PeteDiRocco@bmpc.org, ext. 8844.

**SUNDAY PARKING REMINDER.** Those who are able-bodied are encouraged to park behind Harcum College (access on Pennswood Road). A Montgomery Avenue crossing guard is available for safety.

**CARILLON PLAYERS WANTED.** We're expanding our team of carillonneurs who play our 49-bell carillon. Some medium-to-advanced keyboard skills and the physical strength to climb the tower stairs to reach the carillon-playing console required; lessons provided free of charge. Carillonneurs typically play one Sunday each month. Contact: JeffreyBrillhart@bmpc.org, ext. 8834.

## Children, Youth, and their Families

**DOING GOOD TOGETHER.** Fri., Oct. 17, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. How can we help fight hunger? We will pray, serve, learn, and give together. An optional soup dinner (\$5 donation) will be served at 5:30 p.m., followed by activities at 6:00 p.m. aimed to reach our hungry neighbors near and far. Please plan on bringing loose change for a special project. Contact: MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

**HIGH SCHOOL HAYRIDE AND BONFIRE.** Sun., Oct. 19, 5:00-7:00 p.m., Sugartown Strawberries Farm, Malvern. Youth in grades 9-12 are invited for a night of fellowship, campfire songs, and s'mores. Cost: \$10. Register by Oct. 17: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL MINIATURE GOLF.** Sun., Oct. 26, 4:00-6:00 p.m., Freddy's Family Fun Center, Lansdale. Youth in grades 6-8 are invited for an afternoon of fellowship, mini golf and pizza. Cost: \$10. Register by Oct. 24: AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

**Y-GROUP ANNUAL HAYRIDE AND BONFIRE**. Sun., Oct. 26, 5:30 p.m., Linvilla Orchards, 137 W. Knowlton Rd., Media. Fall fun for the whole family; enjoy a hayride followed by a campfire with marshmallow roasting and cider. Contact: LaineyMcMahon@hotmail.com.

HALLOWEEN OPEN HOUSE. Fri., Oct. 31, 2:00-4:00 p.m., Ministries Center. As we approach All Saints' Day, children are invited to trick-or-treat through our church offices in celebration. Costumes are optional; hot cider will be served. Contact: MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

WEEKDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR 2015-2016 NOW OPEN. BMPC members have priority in placement through Oct. 31. Programs are available for children ages 2 1/2 to 5. Contact: Kim Black, weekdayschool@bmpc.org, 610-520-8840.

**ART@9**. Sundays, 8:45-9:50 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Room 201. Class provides nurture, fellowship and craft/creative time for children age 3 to grade 5 whose parents are attending BMPC classes. Contact: MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

## Adult Gatherings and Spiritual Enrichment

#### BIBLE STUDIES AND BOOK DISCUSSIONS:

- **Men's Study Group.** 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, 9:30 a.m., Converse House. Led by the Rev. Dr. R. Charles Grant, this group is studying Islam. Men of all ages invited. Contact: CharlesGrant@bmpc.org, ext. 8820.
- Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study. Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m., Gloucester Room. The Rev. Rachel Pedersen leads our study of Paul's Letter to the Philippians. Bring your Bible; supplementary materials provided. Contact: MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.
- **Couples Bible Study.** Sundays, 8:45 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Room 206. Open to couples of all ages; topic TBD. Contact: Barbara Heaton, bhheaton@comcast.net.
- **Urban Suburban Book Group**. Tues., Oct. 21, 12:00 noon, Converse House Parlor. Discuss *The Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline. Bring a bag lunch and beverage. Contact: Sherry.Archer19@yahoo.com.
- **Dimensions in Literature.** Tues., Oct. 21, 1:30 p.m., Fullerton Room, led by Erlis Wickersham. Discuss *Dear Life: Short Stories*, Alice Munro's collection of compelling short stories detailing lives of ordinary people. Readers of all ages welcome. Contact: Eric Johnson, johnsone@cpenow.com.

**THE STORY OF THE JEWS.** Sundays, 8:45 a.m., Conference Room, led by the Rev. Dr. Paul MacMurray. After viewing 20 minutes of the PBS series presented by British Historian Simon Schama, discuss the program. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

BREAD AS PEACE (AND ITS ABSENCE AS VIOLENCE) IN THE BODY OF CHRIST. Sundays through Oct. 12, 8:45 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor, led by Jon Pahl. Today: Bread for the City as Tikkun Olam. Oct. 12: From Famine to Feast of Justice. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

**BETWEEN SOLITUDE AND SERVICE.** Sundays through Oct. 12, 11:30 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. BMPC members Paul Burgmayer and Patricia Danzon lead a study on the Christian practices of service and contemplation. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

**WALK THE LABYRINTH IN PRAYER.** Tues., Oct. 7, 1:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Last walk of the evening begins at 7:15 p.m. Contact: JoyceKrajian@bmpc.org, 610-525-0766.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE PRESBYTERIAN? Wed., Oct. 8, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Gloucester Room. Learn about our Reformed tradition in the context of the world's religions and discuss beliefs that are basic to our Christian faith. All welcome, especially inquiring minds/those interested in membership. Contact: DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

**HOLY LEISURE: A Women's Gathering.** Fri., Oct. 10, 6:00 p.m., home of Barbara Cobb. Discuss "Table Manners at the Lord's Table," led by the Rev. Nicole Duran, and welcome the Rev. Rachel Pedersen. RSVP with what you plan to bring: Janet White, JanetW298@verizon.net.

MINDFUL EATING: BREAKING BREAD FOR BODY AND SOUL. Sat., Oct. 11, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, Congregational Hall. Learn about eating mindfully, with a focus on nutrition and the impact of stress, sleep and exercise on developing healthy eating habits as part of The Middleton Center's "Wellness Series." Light breakfast and tastings with recipes included. Register: JoyceKrajian@bmpc.org, 610-525-0766.

**SEARCHING FOR STILL WATERS: AN EXPLORATION OF LOSS AND GRIEF.** Sat., Oct. 11, 10:00-11:30 a.m., Converse House Parlor. Ongoing support group for those coping with the loss of a loved one, whether recent or many years ago. All welcome. Contact: JoyceKrajian@bmpc.org, 610-525-0766.

**Y-GROUP MONTHLY MEETING** (for mothers of children newborn to age 18 and other women with children in their care). Wed., Oct. 15, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Paper Source, 103 Coulter Ave., Ardmore. Create a one-of-a-kind Halloween decoration and sip and shop with other Y-Group participants. Craft fee: \$20. RSVP: Tricia.Mackay@gmail.com.

**ARE YOUR AFFAIRS IN ORDER?** Sundays, Oct. 19, 26 and Nov. 2, 11:15 a.m., Gloucester Room. A three-part series; attend one or all three. Oct. 19: Understanding Palliative Care, led by Dr. Janet Haas. Oct. 26: Powers of Attorney and Advance Directive, led by Bill McKee. Nov. 2: Planning Your Memorial Service, led by the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

**CARING AND CRAFTS.** Mon., Oct. 20, 9:15 a.m., Gloucester Room. Knitters gather to make scarves, prayer shawls, mittens, and hats for residents at "theVillage" (formerly Presbyterian Children's Village). Contact: Maryalice Stoltzfus, 610-527-3909.

**MEALS IN THE NEW TESTAMENT.** Sundays, Oct. 26-Nov. 16, 8:45 OR 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Choose the time that's best for you. Dr. Hal Taussig of Union Theological Seminary discusses meals in the New Testament, going beyond our usual knowledge of "the land of milk and honey." Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

CAN ARABS AND JEWS LIVE TOGETHER IN ISRAEL? Sun., Oct. 26, 11:15 a.m., Gym. Led by our mission partner Rabbi Ron Kronish, Director of the Interreligious Coordinating Council in Israel and a noted educator, author, lecturer and speaker. Cosponsored by Mainline Reform Temple, Temple Beth Elohim, Congregation Beth Am Israel, Adath Israel, Beth David Reform Temple, and Temple Beth Hillel-Beth El. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

**WEEKDAY CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP.** Wednesdays, 8:00 a.m., Chapel. Led by Patricia Danzon and David Heaton. Before turning to the day's work, listen to God by using traditional prayer, *Lectio Divina*, and Centering Prayer. Contact: PatriciaDanzon@gmail.com.

**FITNESS AND FELLOWSHIP.** All are invited to DanceFit (aerobics and strength training) and Tai Chi classes held weekly and to our Walking Group, which meets on Wednesdays. More information: search "Fellowship and Fitness" on *www.bmpc.org*. Contact: AnnFossum@bmpc.org, ext. 8832.

**SATURDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP.** Saturdays, 7:00 a.m., Converse House. Men of all ages invited for fellowship and lively discussions. Contact: LeeComer@hotmail.com.

## Care and Concern

**PRAYER MINISTRY.** Our Thursday Morning Prayer Group meets at 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel to pray for BMPC members and friends; an email-supported prayer chain now expands this ministry. Submit prayer requests on the cards found in the pew racks or visit <a href="https://www.bmpc.org/prayer">www.bmpc.org/prayer</a>. Contact: Jeanne LeBuhn, wlebuhn200@comcast.net, 610-688-6984.

**NEED A RIDE?** We can help you with some of your transportation needs. For rides to medical appointments call the church office, 610-525-2821. Volunteer drivers welcome.

**HELP WITH OUR CARE-GIVING MINISTRY.** We have multiple opportunities to serve that include providing rides for older adults, providing meals to those recuperating, making prayer shawls for those in need of prayer and support, and visiting the homebound. To help, contact LorieBenovic@bmpc.org, ext. 8833.

**HOSPITAL INFORMATION.** Due to current privacy laws, it is more difficult for our pastors to know when BMPC members have been admitted to a hospital. Call the church office at 610-525-2821 if you or any one you know are hospitalized, and let us know if and when you volunteer at any local hospital.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY.** This ministry provides hand-crafted shawls to members in need of comfort and solace. Knitters begin each shawl with prayers and blessings for the recipient and continue these throughout the creation of the shawl, trusting that the shawl will remind the recipients of our embracing, inclusive, unconditionally-loving God. To help, contact AnnFossum@bmpc.org, ext. 8832.

**SUPPORTING OUR TROOPS.** Please pray for all who remain in harm's way. If you have a loved one serving in the Armed Forces, contact Janney Ryan, janney517@aol.com.

## Local and Worldwide Outreach

#### **HELP FIGHT HUNGER:**

- **Provide Snacks for our Tutoring Program Children.** Hunger is an issue with our Tutoring Program Children on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. You can help by providing snacks from a supplied menu for one week a year. This involves making sandwiches, providing fruit, and one additional snack. More information: SueGibbons@bmpc.org, ext. 8831.
- World Food Day Collection. Sun., Oct. 12, 10:00 a.m. Sanctuary. Members of our Hunger Committee will collect canned and nonperishable food items to be delivered to area food cupboards and homeless shelters. Especially needed: protein sources such as canned tuna fish, beans, stew, meats, baby food and baby formula. World Food Day is celebrated on Oct. 16. Contact: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.
- **Join our Hunger Committee**. Thurs., Oct. 16, 7:00 p.m., Conference Room. This group believes every person has a right to adequate food, obtained with dignity. Contact: Dave Hastings, dhast99@yahoo.com, 610-325-3456.
- **Hunger Committee Liaison Brunch.** Sun., Oct. 26, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Hear Philadelphia hunger leaders speak on food challenges facing area emergency food cupboards and shelters. RSVP by Oct. 17: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.
- **Hunger Envelopes.** Contributions to the white hunger envelopes in the pews provide food for emergency food cupboards, homeless shelters, and hunger relief organizations. Please give generously for those who are hungry.

**SAVE THE DATE: CONGREGATION-WIDE SERVICE DAY.** Sat., Oct. 18, 8:30 a.m. Habitat for Humanity again will collect used furniture and household goods to be sold at Re-Store. Start sorting now! Other tasks available for all ages and abilities include: cleaning and sorting at Arch Street Preschool, helping out at West Kensington Ministry, and gardening with Urban Tree Connection. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

**SEW CURTAINS.** "TheVillage" (formerly Presbyterian Children's Village) is looking for help sewing curtains to brighten up the residential cottages. It is straight sewing, no pleats; all materials provided. Contact: Betty Wu, efwu@village1877.org, 610-449-8059.

## This Week's Calendar Highlights

To see a full listing of ALL upcoming activities and meetings, visit our website: www.bmpc.org

### Sunday, October 5, 2014—Installation Service for the Rev. Rachel Pedersen

8:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion in the Chapel
	The Rev. Lorraine Stevens, Seminary Intern, will preach.

10:00 a.m. Worship with Sanctuary Choir and Communion in the Sanctuary
The Rev. Christiane M. Lang Hearlson, Guest Preacher, will preach.

Infant and Toddler Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Room 102, 7:45-11:15 a.m.

8:45 a.m. Bread as Peace in the Body of Christ, Witherspoon Parlor

Couples Bible Study, Ed. Bldg., Room 206 *The Story of the Jews*, Conference Room

Art@9, Ed. Bldg., Room 201

10:00 a.m. Sunday School for Ages 2-4, Ed. Bldg.

Grades K-3 begin worship in the Sanctuary

Worship Together Sunday (Grades 4-12 remain in worship)

10:15 a.m. Sunday School for Grades K-3, Ed. Bldg.11:00 a.m. Reception for the Rev. Rachel Pedersen

11:15 a.m. Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center

11:30 a.m. Between Solitude and Service, Witherspoon Parlor

4:00 p.m. Blessing of the Animals, Front Lawn

### Monday, October 6, 2014

4:00 p.m. Environmental Justice Committee Meeting, Conference Room

### Tuesday, October 7, 2014

9:00 a.m.	Pathways to Clergy Renewal, featuring the Rev. Dr. M. Craig Barnes,
	Congregational Hall
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1:00 p.m. Labyrinth Walk, Gym (through 8:00 p.m.)

1:30 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room, Witherspoon Parlor

6:30 p.m. BMPC Tutoring Program, Ed. Bldg.

7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting, Witherspoon Parlor

## Wednesday, October 8, 2014

8:00 a.m.	Weekday	Contemplative	Prayer	Group, Chapel

8:30 a.m. Weekday School Kick-off Brunch, Congregational Hall

Men's Study Group, Converse House 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room Carol Choir, Ed. Bldg., Room 202 4:00 p.m. Jubilate Ringers, Fine Arts Center Beginners Choir, St. Andrew Boy Choir, St. Cecilia Girl Choir, Fine Arts Center 5:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner (served until 6:45 p.m.), Congregational Hall 5:30 p.m. StudentServe Meeting (grades 9-12), Loft 6:00 p.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center 6:30 p.m. BMPC Tutoring Program, Ed. Bldg. Financial Peace University, Witherspoon Parlor 7:00 p.m. What Does It Mean to Be Presbyterian?, Gloucester Room

### Thursday, October 9, 2014

9:00 a.m.	Thursday Morning Prayer Group, Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center
9:00 p.m.	Harmony Choir, Fine Arts Center

### Friday, October 10, 2014

9:30 a.m.	Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
11:00 a.m.	Matter of Balance, Gloucester Room
6:00 p.m.	Holy Leisure: A Women's Gathering, Off Campus

Adult Education Council, Converse House

## Saturday, October 11, 2014

7:00 a.m.	Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House
9:00 a.m.	Mindful Eating, Congregational Hall
10:00 a.m.	Searching for Still Waters (Bereavement Group), Middleton Center

### Sunday, October 12, 2014

8:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion in the Chapel
10:00 a.m.	Worship with Sanctuary Choir in the Sanctuary
	The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
11:00 a.m.	Farewell Reception for the Rev. Dr. R. Charles Grant, Congregational Hall

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