



FROM GRATITUDE TO GENEROSITY

STEWARDSHIP 2015

*Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church*

October 26, 2014
8:00 a.m., Chapel
Stewardship Dedication Sunday

Welcome to BMPC

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

VISITING TODAY? Please introduce yourself to a pastor after the service.

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-5:** 10:15 a.m., classes in the Ed. Bldg. (10:00-10:15 a.m. families worship together in the Sanctuary)
- **Grades 6-12:** 10:00 a.m., Youth Gathering in Gym; 10:30 a.m., Grade Groups in the Ministries Center

Children's bulletins with crayons may be found near the main doors. Nursery care with electronic pagers is available in our Ed. Bldg.

As we gather for worship, please silence your cell phone and prepare your heart and mind for the worship of God.

Worship Notes

THE FLOWERS in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Frances O. and Edwin M. Ross. *There is an opening for Sanctuary flowers on Sun., Nov. 16. Interested donors may contact Ruth Miller Cox at 610-446-1595.*

THE CARILLON will be played today by Brian Middleton.

ASSISTING with the service today is Deacon Craig Johnson.

FROM GRATITUDE TO GENEROSITY is our theme for Stewardship 2015. Like the gospel story of the loaves and fishes, our individual gifts are blessed by God and multiplied. Please prayerfully consider increasing your pledge this year. Stop by the Ministries Center to see our Gratitude Wall and fill out a card to list the things for which you are grateful to God.



"I am the resurrection and the life."

Betty Bohlen — October 16, 2014

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Kellen A. Smith

(Please fill in the Fellowship Register at the end of your pew.)

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Lord God, when we are weak,

All: be our strength.

One: When we are weary,

All: renew our spirits.

One: When we are broken,

All: gently mend us.

One: When we are afraid,

All: comfort us.

One: When we are sinful,

All: redeem us.

One: For you alone are our God.

All: We worship you with all that we are.

† HYMN 457

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

TOULON

CALL TO CONFESSION AND

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

You have promised, O Lord, to forget your anger and remember our sins no more. We confess that we have not always walked in your paths or trusted your promises. We look for security in the wrong places, and fail to lean on your mighty, outstretched arm. We are distracted by worries, and we do not see the favor of your grace surrounding us. We desire the things that will not last and neglect the abundant gifts of your Spirit. Wake us up to your goodness and mercy; hear us; forgive us; restore us.

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† Please stand, if able.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *(please remain seated)*

In the Lord I'll be ev-er thank-ful; in the Lord I will re-joice! Look to God; do not be a-
fraid. Lift up your voic-es; the Lord is near. Lift up your voic-es; the Lord is near.

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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Craig Johnson

FIRST LESSON

Philippians 4:4-7 (*p. 198 in pew Bible*)

Craig Johnson

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 6:5-13 (*p. 5 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Prayer

Agnes W. Norfleet

In a Sermon Series on Worship

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

† HYMN 248

You Are Before Me, Lord

SURSUM CORDA

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Kellen A. Smith

You are invited to come forward, using the center aisle, to partake of the Lord's Supper by intinction (dipping a piece of bread in the cup); return to your seat using the side aisle. Gluten- and casein-free elements are on the center table.

You are invited to bring your morning offering to the baskets when you come forward.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION AND 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(in 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 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.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Agnes W. Norfleet

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Jean Reynolds

† HYMN 415

Come, Labor On

ORA LABORA

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

POSTLUDE

† Please stand, if able.

Highlights

CAN ARABS AND JEWS LIVE TOGETHER IN ISRAEL? Today, 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. Co-sponsored by Mainline Reform Temple Beth Elohim, Congregation Beth Am Israel, Adath Israel, Beth David Reform Temple, and Temple Beth Hillel-Beth El.

SENIOR ADULTS BRUNCH. Sun., Nov. 9, 11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. As part of our “Living Legacy Series,” the Rev. Dr. Paul Watermulder reflects on his years as a youth at BMPC and his parents’ impact on his life, BMPC and the Presbyterian Church. To purchase brunch tickets (\$10), contact AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

BMPC COMMUNITY FORUM: THOMAS WRIGHT. Mon., Nov. 10, 7:30 p.m., Chapel. Brookings Institution fellow and former senior researcher for the Princeton Project on National Security, Thomas Wright, discusses “America’s Challenge: Geopolitical Cooperation or Competition?” As the U.S. responds to the revisionist foreign policies of Russia and China, which dynamic— competition or cooperation—will prevail? Free and open to the public; no reservations needed. Contact: Anna May Charrington, grandebay1@gmail.com.

Announcements

REQUIEM IN WORSHIP. Sun., Nov. 2, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary. BMPC’s own Choir School and Orchestra will lead the worship service with a performance of John Rutter’s *Requiem*. Contact: StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

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. 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.

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. We expect our Radnor Street lot to reopen in early November.

PRAYER MINISTRY. Our Thursday Morning Prayer Group meets at 9:00 a.m. (note new time) 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 www.bmpc.org/prayer. Contact: Jeanne LeBuhn, wlebuhn200@comcast.net, 610-688-6984.

WATERCOLOR EXHIBIT. Nature paintings by Radnor artist Ardyth Sobyak will hang in the Ministries Center through Nov. 30 and are available for purchase. A reception to meet the artist will be held after the concert by French organist Thierry Escaich on Nov. 23. Contact: StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

Children, Youth, and their Families

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINIATURE GOLF. Today, 2:00-4:00 p.m., Tee's Golf Center, Conshohocken. Youth in grades 6-8 are invited for an afternoon of fellowship, mini golf and pizza. Cost: \$10. Register online (www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations) or by contacting KellenSmith@bmpc.org, ext. 8822.

Y-GROUP ANNUAL HAYRIDE AND BONFIRE. Today, 5:30 p.m., Linvilla Orchards, 137 W. Knowlton Rd., Media. Fall fun for the whole family; enjoy a hayride followed by a full cook-out dinner. 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 celebrate by trick-or-treating through our church offices. Costumes are optional; hot cider will be served. Contact: MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

WEEKDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR 2015-2016. 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.

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 Paul MacMurray. This group is studying Islam; men of all ages invited. Contact: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.
- **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. Using the book *Sabbath in the Suburbs* by MaryAnn McKibben Dana, explore the meaning of Sabbath and seek to find a balance for our families. Contact: Barbara Heaton, bhheaton@comcast.net.

- **Y-Group Book Discussion** (*for mothers of children newborn to age 18 and other women with children in their care*). Tues., Oct. 28, 7:30 p.m., home of Kathy Stevens. Discuss *Me Before You*, by Jojo Moyes; bring an appetizer or beverage to share. RSVP: Kathy Stevens, kpstevens@comcast.net, 610-527-5666.
- **Horizon Bible Study**. Wed., Nov. 5, 10:30 a.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village, led by the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet. Study of *Reconciling Paul - A Contemporary Study of 2 Corinthians* by Elizabeth Hinson-Hasty. Contact: Joyce Malott, okf405@erols.com.
- **Urban Suburban Book Group**. Tues., Nov. 18, 7:00 p.m., Overbrook Presbyterian Church. Discuss *The Pastor: A Memoir* by Eugene Peterson. Memories of the translator of *The Message*. Contact: Sherry.archer19@yahoo.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.

ARE YOUR AFFAIRS IN ORDER? Today and Nov. 2, 11:15 a.m., Gloucester Room. Today: Powers of Attorney and Advance Directive, led by Robert Slutsky. Nov. 2: Planning Your Memorial Service, led by the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

MEALS IN THE NEW TESTAMENT. Sundays through 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.

PERSPECTIVES IN MUSIC. Mon., Oct. 27, 1:30 p.m., Fine Arts Center. Our Assistant Organist, Edward Landin, performs. Contact: DeAnnClancy@hotmail.com, 610-525-8347.

GREAT DECISIONS. Tues., Oct. 28, 2:30 p.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Auditorium, led by Marilyn Irwin. Discuss China's Foreign Policy—its rise to regional dominance and what it means for its Asian neighbors and U.S. foreign policy. Contact: Marilyn Irwin, marirwin@aol.com.

NEW SUNDAY OFFERING FOR WOMEN. Sun., Nov. 2, 8:45 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Room 205. Looking to build and strengthen connections with other women at BMPC? Interested in an opportunity for fellowship, fun, and faith that fits your busy schedule? Join us to see what this new group is all about. Childcare available without a reservation. Contact: PeggyHermann@hotmail.com.

REPORT ON YOUTH TRIP TO BELIZE. Sun., Nov. 2, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Hear first-hand accounts of this past July's High School Mission Trip, and learn why Belize has changed our participants' lives forever. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

WALK THE LABYRINTH IN PRAYER. Tues, Nov. 4, 11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Experience this ancient symbol and prayer form. Last walk of the evening begins at 7:15 p.m. Contact: JoyceKrajian@bmpc.org, 610-525-0766.

PRACTICING AUTHENTICITY: GIVING FROM THE HEART. Wed., Nov. 5, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Converse House, led by therapist Leah Brecher-Cohn. In preparation for the season of giving and receiving gifts, take time to be mindful of what true giving is. Contact: JoyceKrajian@bmpc.org, 610-525-0766.

SEARCHING FOR STILL WATERS: AN EXPLORATION OF LOSS AND GRIEF. Sat., Nov. 8, 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.

CHRISTIAN JEWISH ALLIES. Sun., Nov. 9, 11:15 a.m., Gloucester Room, led by representatives of the Christian Jewish Allies. Hear an overview of the 8-10 week curriculum of *Steadfast Hope: The Palestinian Quest for Just Peace*, an inspiring view of activities being undertaken by Muslim, Jewish, and Christian peacemakers working for justice and reconciliation. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

HOLY LEISURE. Fri., Nov. 14, 6:00 p.m., home of Susan Thorkelson. All women are invited to enjoy a potluck dinner, fellowship, and discussion led by the Rev. Dr. Nicole Duran. RSVP with what you plan to bring: Janet White, JanetW298@verizon.net.

MISSION PARTNER: SEGA GIRLS SCHOOL. Sunday, Nov. 16, 11:15 a.m., Gloucester Room. Dr. Helene Walker, psychologist at Agnes Irwin School, shares photos and experiences of traveling to Segal Girls School with the AIS students during the past two summers. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

LUNCH WITH JUDY WICKS: AUTHOR, CHEF & FOUNDER OF THE WHITE DOG CAFÉ. Wed., Nov. 19, 12:00 noon., Congregational Hall. Wicks' memoir, *Good Morning Beautiful Business*, traces the roots of her career and explores what it takes to marry social change and commerce and do business differently. Passionate, fun, and inspirational, she relates how women and men can follow both mind and heart, do what's right, and do well by doing good. All welcome. Cost: \$10 (includes lunch). RSVP: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

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.

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.

Local and Worldwide Outreach

HELP FIGHT HUNGER AT THE HUNGER COMMITTEE LIAISON BRUNCH. Today, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Hear Philadelphia hunger leaders speak about food challenges facing area emergency food cupboards and shelters.

VOLUNTEER AT CAMP KIRKWOOD'S WORK DAY. Sat., Nov. 8, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Kirkwood Camp and Conference Center, Stroudsburg, PA. Help clean up and close down for winter. Contact: Kirkwood@presbyphl.org.

STOP HUNGER NOW! Sat., Nov. 15, 8:30 a.m., Gym. Volunteers needed to staff the assembly lines as we prepare meal packages. Our goal is 10,000 meals prepared in two hours. Register online (www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations) or by contacting CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

ASSIST THE LITTLE LIBRARY PROJECT. West Philadelphia High students will build Little Free Libraries on the "Build-It Bus" on weekdays through Nov. 20 from 3:15 to 5:30 p.m. Help is needed to work with the students, provide home baked snacks, or donate supplies (scrap wood and leftover paint). This traveling workshop is supported by a grant from BMPC. Contact: Sherine Poorman, brick476@verizon.net.

This Week's Calendar Highlights

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

Sunday, October 26, 2014 — Stewardship Dedication Sunday

- 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.
- Infant and Toddler Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Room 102, 7:45-11:15 a.m.*
- 8:45 a.m. Couples Bible Study, Ed. Bldg., Room 206
Meals in the New Testament, Witherspoon Parlor
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-5 begin worship in the Sanctuary
Youth Gathering (Grades 6-12), Gym
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School for Grades K-5, Ed. Bldg.
- 10:30 a.m. Youth Grade Groups, Ministries Center
Confirmation, Witherspoon Parlor
- 11:00 a.m. Cafe in the Court
Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
- 11:15 a.m. Can Arabs and Jews Live Together in Israel?, Gym
Meals in the New Testament, Witherspoon Parlor

- 11:15 a.m. Hunger Committee Liaison Brunch, Congregational Hall
Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
Are Your Affairs in Order?, Gloucester Room
- 2:00 p.m. Middle School Mini Golf Event, Tee's Golf Center, Conshohocken
- 5:30 p.m. Y-Group Annual Hayride and Bonfire, Linvilla Orchards, Media

Monday, October 27, 2014

- 1:30 p.m. Perspectives in Music, Fine Arts Center

Tuesday, October 28, 2014

- 1:30 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room, Witherspoon Parlor
- 2:30 p.m. Great Decisions, Rosemont Presbyterian Village
- 6:30 p.m. BMPC Tutoring Program, Ed. Bldg.
- 7:30 p.m. Y-Group Book Discussion, Off Campus

Wednesday, October 29, 2014

- 8:00 a.m. Weekday Contemplative Prayer Group, Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Weekday School Halloween Parade, Gym
Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room
- 4:00 p.m. Carol Choir, Ed. Bldg., Room 202
Jubilate Ringers, Fine Arts Center
- 5:00 p.m. Beginners Choir, St. Andrew Boy Choir, St. Cecilia Girl Choir, Fine Arts Center
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner (served until 6:45 p.m.), Congregational Hall
- 6:00 p.m. StudentServe Meeting (grades 9-12), Loft
- 6:30 p.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
BMPC Tutoring Program, Ed. Bldg.

Thursday, October 30, 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 31, 2014

- 9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center

Saturday, November 1, 2014

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House

Sunday, November 2, 2014—Worship Together Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. *All Saints Worship with Communion in the Chapel*
- 10:00 a.m. *All Saints Requiem with Choir School and Orchestra in the Sanctuary*
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach a communion meditation.

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

Nicole Wilkinson Duran, Supply Pastor for Adult Education, Outreach,
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Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry

Kellen A. Smith, Associate Pastor for Youth, Their Families and College Ministries

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