



***Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church***

August 31, 2014
8:00 AM, Chapel
12th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to BMPC

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

VISITING TODAY? Please sign the Fellowship Register at the end of your pew and introduce yourself to a pastor after the service. Our doors are open to all—we invite you to return often!

SUMMER SCHEDULE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH:

- **Childcare for Infants-Age 5** (*with electronic pagers*):
7:45-11:15 a.m., Ed. Bldg, Room 102
- **Grades 1-12:** Worship with families

Children's bulletins with crayons may be found near the entrance doors.

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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 James Edwin Wood.

ASSISTING with the service today is Deacon Tod Guernsey.

THE CARILLON will be played today by Bob Holmes.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Rachel Pedersen

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

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: More enduring than the wooden pews and solid stone,

All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

One: More mysterious than the power of music and language,

All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

One: More than any one of us, more than the sum of us,

All: God's steadfast love endures and makes us whole.

† HYMN 281

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

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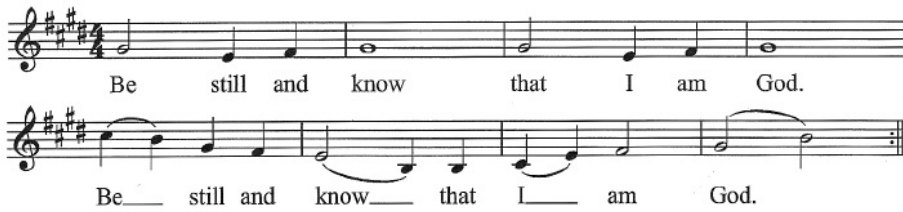
CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

God who feeds the ant and the elephant, you created us to tend your garden and to feed your sheep. Forgive us for the hunger that surrounds us. For the mindless growth that drives out the bear and suffocates the fish, forgive us. For the greed and deception that leaves our nation both heavy and starving, forgive us. For our reluctance to feed our neighbors and our fear of welcoming strangers to your table, forgive us. Break our hearts of stone, Lord. Be present among us, that with your help we may break the bread of life not only for ourselves but for our world.

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *(please remain seated)*



HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Tod Guernsey

FIRST LESSON

1 Kings 17:8-16 *(p. 324 in pew Bible)*

Tod Guernsey

SECOND LESSON

Mark 6:27-44 *(p. 41 in pew Bible)*

Nicole Duran

SERMON

Baskets of Broken Pieces

Nicole Duran

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

† **HYMN 502**

Bread of the World in Mercy Broken

RENDEZ À DIEU

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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

You are invited to come forward, using the center aisle, to partake of the Lord's Supper. Please break off a piece of bread, dip it in the cup and return to your seat, using the side aisle. If you prefer gluten- and casein-free bread, please partake from the center table. If you desire to be served in your seat, please raise your hand to alert an usher.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Nicole Duran

† HYMN 525

Here I Am, Lord

Daniel L. Schutte

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

POSTLUDE

Fall Kick-off

BRYN MAWR DAY. Sat., Sept. 6, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., parking lot across from Ludington Library. Join our neighbors, visit the BMPC booth, and enjoy fire truck and pony rides, food from local restaurants, the popular Farmer's Market, a traveling petting zoo, a circus, Radio Disney and live music. Free history tours are available featuring area institutions that are 100+ years old. More info: www.BrynMawrDay.com

BMPC RALLY DAY. Sun., Sept. 7. Celebrate together as a church family! Following 10:00 a.m. worship, we'll welcome fall and a new season in ministry with a festive picnic on the front lawn (rain location: Ministries Center). Enjoy music, food, entertainment, face painting and other activities for children, fall program information, and fellowship for all ages. All welcome; bring a friend. Contact: DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS. Wednesdays beginning Sept. 10, 5:30-7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall (food served until 6:45 p.m.) Cost: \$8 for adults; \$5 for children/students. New this year: watch for occasional special interest tables to connect those with common interests. To view upcoming fresh-ingredient menus by Chef Ruth, search "Wednesday dinners" at www.bmpc.org or call the church office at 610-525-2821.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL for children age 2 through Grade 5 resumes on Sun., Sept. 14, in the Education Building. The schedule is as follows (child must be the age indicated by 9/1/2014):

- Age 2, Room G3, 10:00 a.m.
- Age 3, Room G2, 10:00 a.m.
- Age 4, begin in Room 106; finish in Room 105
- Grades K-5 begin worship with their families in the Sanctuary. After the Children's Moment, the children go to the Education Building for the remainder of the hour (K—Room 106; Grade 1—Room 201; Grade 2—Room 210; Grade 3—Room 204; Grades 4 & 5—assigned rooms on the third floor).

Contact: RachelPedersen@bmpc.org, ext. 8810

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL for Grades 6-12 resumes on Sun., Sept. 14, in the Ministries Center. All students meet in the Gym at 10:00 a.m. for an interactive icebreaker, a video or skit, and singing worship songs with guitars/live music. After our opening gathering, students break out into grade-specific teaching and small group conversation with caring adult leaders. Contact: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821

ART@9 begins on Sun., Sept. 14, from 8:45-9:50 a.m. in the 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: RachelPedersen@bmpc.org, ext. 8810

Announcements

APNC OPEN FORUMS. Wed., Sept. 10, 5:00 and 7:00 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor AND Sun., Sept. 14, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. All are invited to share thoughts and ideas for the areas of adult education, outreach, and worldwide ministries. Contact: PamLloyd@bmpc.org, ext. 8806

JOIN SANCTUARY CHOIR. This vibrant community of singers performs a repertoire that spans three centuries, several languages, and a variety of styles ranging from Baroque to Spirituals and Gospel. Ability to read music and some choral experience is helpful. Rehearsals are Thursdays from 7:00-9:00 p.m., September through May. To schedule a vocal interview with Jeffrey Brillhart, contact StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER TRAINING. 2s-5th Grade Teachers and Shepherds. Two opportunities for training in the Ed. Building Lobby: Wed., Sept. 3, 6:30 p.m.; or Thurs., Sept. 4, 10:00 a.m. Choose the one that works best for you. RSVP: RachelPedersen@bmpc.org, ext. 8810

CHOIR SCHOOL REGISTRATION. Our Fine Arts Department offers choirs for kindergarten through Grade 12 and handbell choirs beginning in Grade 3. Register: StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836

NEW CHURCH OFFICER NOMINATIONS. Submit your recommendations by Sept. 30 for Elders, Deacons, Trustees and Nominating Committee Members-at-Large for 2014-2015 via the nominating forms found near the Sanctuary or Ministries Center entrances or online at www.bmpc.org/nominatingform. Candidates must be members for at least two years, faithfully participate in the worship and program life of the church, and regularly contribute to the church budget. Elders and Deacons are also called upon to participate in worship services by serving communion. Contact: BradBaturka@comcast.net

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: CharlesGrant@bmpc.org, ext. 8820

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.

Children, Youth, and their Families

MENTOR A BMPC YOUTH. This fall, we'll start a new "Lighthouse Program" for our youth in grades 6-12 that pairs them with a caring adult mentor in our congregation. Volunteers wanted. Contact: KellenSmith@bmpc.org, ext. 8822

KICK-OFF GATHERING FOR YOUTH & PARENTS. Sun, Sept. 14, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Youth and their families are invited to gather with Pastor Kellen and the Youth Ministry Council to hear about our exciting programs and events for the upcoming year. Refreshments provided. Contact: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821

Adult Gatherings and Spiritual Enrichment

BIBLE STUDIES AND BOOK DISCUSSIONS:

- **Horizons Bible Study.** Wed., Sept. 3, 10:30 a.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village, led by the Rev. Dr. R. Charles Grant. Study of *Reconciling Paul: A Contemporary Study of 2 Corinthians* by Elizabeth Hinson-Hasty. Contact: okf405@rcn.com
- **Men's Study Group.** Resumes on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month beginning Sept. 10, 9:30 a.m., Converse House. Led by the Rev. Dr. R. Charles Grant, this group reads books dealing with biblical and theological study. Men of all ages invited. Contact: CharlesGrant@bmpc.org, ext. 8820
- **Dimensions in Literature.** Tues., Sept. 16, 1:30 p.m., Fullerton Room, led by the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet. Discuss C.J. Sansom's *Dissolution*, the first of the Shardlake series of detective/murder mystery novels set in Tudor England. Contact: [Eric Johnson, johnsone@cpenow.com](mailto:johnsone@cpenow.com)
- **Urban Suburban Book Group.** Tues., Sept. 16, 7:00 p.m., Overbrook Presbyterian Church, 6376 City Ave., Philadelphia. Discuss *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt. Contact: Sherry.archer19@yahoo.com

WEEKDAY CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP. Tuesdays beginning Sept. 2, 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

WALK THE LABYRINTH IN PRAYER. Tues., Sept. 2, 11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Labyrinth workshops to enhance your experience with this ancient symbol and prayer form: 10:15-11:00 a.m. and 6:30-7:15 p.m., Fullerton Room. Last walk of the evening begins at 7:15 p.m. Contact: JoyceKrajian@bmpc.org, 610-525-0766

SATURDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP. Saturdays beginning Sept. 6, 7:00 a.m., Converse House. Men of all ages invited for fellowship and lively discussions. Contact: LeeComer@hotmail.com, 484-524-8271

SEARCHING FOR STILL WATERS: AN EXPLORATION OF LOSS AND GRIEF. Sat., Sept. 13, 10:00-11:30 a.m., Converse House, led by David Reed and Mary Joan Walheim. Ongoing support group for those coping with the loss of a loved one, whether recent or many years ago. All welcome. Contact: JoyceKrajian@bmpe.org, 610-525-0766

THE STORY OF THE JEWS. Sundays beginning Sept. 14, 8:45 a.m., Conference Room, led by the Rev. Dr. Paul MacMurray. After viewing 20 minutes of the program, discuss the PBS series presented by British Historian Simon Schama. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpe.org, ext. 8819

BREAD AS PEACE (AND ITS ABSENCE AS VIOLENCE) IN THE BODY OF CHRIST. Sundays, Sept. 14-Oct. 12, 8:45 a.m. Witherspoon Parlor, led by Jon Pahl. In this five-week series, look at biblical metaphors and how *real* bread points us to the contemporary questions of justice and peace. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpe.org, ext. 8819

CARING AND CRAFTS. Mon., Sept. 15, 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

Y-GROUP KICK-OFF POTLUCK BRUNCH (*for mothers of young children*). Tues., Sept. 16, 9:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Dr. Asha George-Guiser, licensed marriage/family therapist and Lutheran pastor, discusses "Landing the Helicopter, Over-Parenting Anonymous: A 12-Step Program for Good Parents Gone Bad." Bring a dish to share! Childcare available with 3-day notice to childcare@bmpe.org. Contact: Sharna Liggett, smliggett@gmail.com

PRACTICING SPIRITUAL DIRECTION. Tues., Sept. 16, 7:00 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor, led by Spiritual Directors Patricia Danzon and Heather Swanson. Learn and engage in the practice of spiritual direction. Contact: JoyceKrajian@bmpe.org, 610-525-0766

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY. Wednesdays, Sept. 17–Nov. 19 (no class on Oct. 15), 7:00 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. The Rev. Kellen Smith leads this biblically-based curriculum that teaches people how to handle money faithfully. For membership, materials and registration information, contact AmyBauer@bmpe.org, ext. 8821.

BETWEEN SOLITUDE AND SERVICE. Sundays, Sept. 21-Oct. 12, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor, led by BMPC members Paul Burgmayer and Patricia Danzon. Study the Christian practice of service and contemplation. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpe.org, ext. 8819

ARTISTS' GATHERING. Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. Artists of any medium are invited to attend with their oeuvres to create, share, and develop their talents in a community of fellow artists. Contact: Bonnie Atwood, batwood313@verizon.net

Local and Worldwide Outreach

PARTICIPATE IN FINE ARTS OUTREACH. Do you have an artistic skill that can be shared with others? We are looking for volunteers to give 30-minute programs at retirement and nursing homes, scheduled at your convenience. Programs can be musical performances, travel slides, readings from literature or poetry, etc. Contact by Sept 8: DeAnnClancy@hotmail.com

BE A WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER HELPER. Volunteers wanted to assist once a month with our Wednesday Night Dinners and join a group of people who enjoy the fellowship of working together for a delicious cause. Some flexibility available to fit your schedule. Contact: SueGibbons@bmpe.org, ext. 8831

VOLUNTEER FOR OUR TUTORING PROGRAM. Adult leaders and high school youth tutors are needed for the upcoming school year. Adult leaders oversee the tutors and tutors work one-on-one with students for approximately two hours on Tuesday and Wednesday nights from mid-September through April (volunteer for either night). Tutor sign-ups will be held on Tues., Sept. 16, at 6:30 p.m. in Congregational Hall. Contact: Marnie Bowen, marnieb1963@aol.com

MARCH FOR CLIMATE CHANGE. Sun., Sept. 21, New York City. Join us for an opportunity to make your voice heard as world leaders come to New York City for a historic UN summit on climate change. Bus leaves Central Baptist Church, Wayne, at 9:00 a.m., and returns to Central Baptist Church at 7:00 p.m. Cost: \$20. Contact: Courtenay Willcox, mcwillcox@gmail.com, 610-506-1708

ASSIST IN OUR CONVERSE HOUSE LIBRARY. Volunteers wanted to help in our library for a few hours on occasion. Contact: Kat MacMurray, KatRMac2@gmail.com

SERVE THROUGH OUR PASTORAL CARE OFFICE. Opportunities include providing rides for older adults, delivering meals to those recuperating, making prayer shawls for those in need of prayer, and visiting the homebound. Contact: LorieBenovic@bmpe.org, ext. 8833

HELP FIGHT HUNGER:

- **Casserole Blitz.** Sat., Sept. 13, 8:30 a.m. Family-friendly event where nutritious casseroles are prepared so they can be distributed to Philadelphia-area food cupboards and homeless shelters. Contact: Sandie Nicholson, sandiekev@verizon.net
- **Canned Food Collection.** Our sister churches and shelters reached dangerously low, critical levels this summer due to funding cuts and lack of donated food. Please help replenish the supply in their cupboards by donating canned food, especially protein sources such as tuna fish, peanut butter, or stews. Baskets are located in the Narthex (back of the Sanctuary) and at the Chapel entrance.

This Week's Calendar Highlights

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

Sunday, August 31, 2014

- 8:00 a.m. *Worship with Communion in the Chapel*
10:00 a.m. *Worship with Summer Choir in the Sanctuary*
The Rev. Dr. Nicole Duran will preach.
Childcare for infants-age 5, Ed. Bldg., Room 102, 7:45-11:15 a.m.
10:00 a.m. Grades 1-12 in worship
11:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn

Monday, September 1, 2014—Labor Day

Church closed.
For pastoral emergencies, call the church office: 610-525-2821

Tuesday, September 2, 2014

- 8:00 a.m. Weekday Contemplative Prayer Group, Chapel
10:15 a.m. Morning Labyrinth Workshop, Fullerton Room
11:00 a.m. Labyrinth Walk (through 8:00 p.m.), Congregational Hall
6:15 p.m. Evening Labyrinth Workshop, Fullerton Room

Wednesday, September 3, 2014

- 10:30 a.m. Horizons Bible Study, Rosemont Presbyterian Village
6:30 p.m. Sunday School Teacher Training, Ed. Bldg., Room 301; Witherspoon Parlor

Thursday, September 4, 2014

- 9:00 a.m. Thursday Morning Prayer Group, Chapel
9:30 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
10:00 a.m. Sunday School Teacher Training, Ed. Bldg., Room 301; Witherspoon Parlor
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center

Saturday, September 6, 2014

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House
10:00 a.m. Sparkle and Shine Saturday (Handbell Polishing), Fine Arts Center

Sunday, September 7, 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.
Childcare for infants-age 5, Ed. Bldg., Room 102, 7:45-11:15 a.m.
10:00 a.m. Worship Together Sunday (Grades 1-12 in worship), Sanctuary
11:00 a.m. Rally Day, Front Lawn

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

Nicole Wilkinson Duran, Supply Pastor for Adult Education, Outreach,
and Worldwide Ministries

R. Charles Grant, Associate Pastor for Senior Adults and Pastoral Care

Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry Elect

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

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Main Line Adult Day Center: 610-527-4220

The Middleton Center: 610-525-0766 • JoyceKrajian@bmpc.org

The Weekday School (Preschool): 610-525-2821, ext. 8840