



*Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church*

September 21, 2014
8:00 AM, Chapel
15th 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.

MAKE THIS YOUR CHURCH HOME! New members will be warmly welcomed to our community of faith on Sun., Oct. 12. For more information or to register, 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-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 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 Anne Garrett Buck and James Mahlon Buck Jr. The flowers in the Chapel Garden are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Hugh and Ruth Campbell.

THE CARILLON will be played today by Brian Middleton.

ASSISTING with the service today is Elder John Frazier.

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM TODAY AT 10:00 A.M.: Cooper Reed Hinkie and Cole Grant Hinkie, sons of Alison & Samuel Hinkie, and John Kevin Williams, son of Katherine & Timothy Williams. Assisting in the baptism will be Elder Steve Udicious and Katie McGuirl.

Today's bulletin cover is a pen and ink rendering of the Lord's Prayer on the wall in the Children's Chapel.



"I am the resurrection and the life."

William Wallace Vosburgh (NM) — September 12, 2014
Sara C. Vogel — September 18, 2014



GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Nicole Duran

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

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Bless the Lord, O my soul;

All: Let all that is within me bless God's holy name.

One: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits:

All: God forgives our sin, and crowns us with steadfast love and mercy.

One: God satisfies us with goodness as long as we live

All: So that our strength is renewed like the eagle's.

One: Let us worship God.

† HYMN 478

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

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

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.

(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

John Frazier

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 130 (*p. 573 in pew Bible*)

John Frazier

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 18:21-35 (*p. 20 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

SERMON

Confession and Pardon
In a Sermon Series on Worship

Agnes W. Norfleet

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

† **HYMN 347**

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

DETROIT

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Nicole Duran

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

Agnes W. Norfleet

† HYMN 260

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

EIN' FESTE BURG

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

POSTLUDE

Today's Bible Presentation

BIBLES PRESENTED to these 3rd grade children during the 10:00 a.m. service are provided by the Catherine C. Miller Fund of The Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church Foundation:

Alexandra Bachman
Quintin Bowers
Nicholas Bufalino*
Emma Grace Burke
Atleigh Hazel Ciprich
Addison DeLorefice
Anabelle Doyle
David J. Eschelman Jr.

Luke Francis Fesnak
Matthew Campbell Fuller
Vivian Grace Hattersley
Joseph T. Herd*
Harper Britton Hoffman
Harrison Kerr
Sydney Navarro
Julia Koban Payne*

Annabelle Parente*
Ella Mae Springer
Ella Vartanian
Jude Christopher Vaughan
Kimberly Weinstock
Blair M. Williams
Casey E. Williams
Russell Yeakel

**Those who will receive Bibles but are not present today*

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. The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sun., Sept. 28, immediately following the 10:00 a.m. worship service, to act on Charles' request to dissolve his pastoral relationship with BMPC. 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

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. This week we are reserving a table especially for dog lovers. Take home treats provided! 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.

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.

CHOIR SCHOOL REGISTRATION. Our Fine Arts department offers choirs for kindergarten through Grade 12 and handbell choirs beginning in Grade 3. For more information or to register, contact StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

SINGING FOR LIFE. BMPC's choir for older adults (55+), which meets on Friday mornings from 9:30-10:45 a.m. beginning Oct. 3, focuses on stretching, breathing, and vocalizing. All members of the community are welcome; \$60 participation fee per semester (scholarships available). For registration information, contact 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 church 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 also are called upon to participate in worship services by serving communion. Contact: BradBaturka@comcast.net.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS. Sun., Oct. 5, 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. Contact: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

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. Tickets: \$10 for adults; \$5 for students. To purchase, visit www.bmpc.org/programs/music-and-fine-arts/concerts 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.

ART EXHIBIT. Photographs taken during the Sanctuary Choir Tour to Germany this summer will be on exhibit in the Conference Room through Oct. 12. View the choir performing in historic churches and images of cities and homes of Bach, Handel, Martin Luther and others made famous during the Reformation.

READ BANNED BOOKS. What do *Catch-22*, *Beloved*, and *Huck Finn* have in common? Each was once banned for questionable content. During Banned Books Week (Sept. 21-28), our Converse House Library celebrates the challenge of these and other controversial classics. Contact: Kat MacMurray, katrmac2@gmail.com.

Adult Gatherings and Spiritual Enrichment

BIBLE STUDIES AND BOOK DISCUSSIONS:

- **Y-Group Book Discussion (*for mothers of children newborn to age 18*).** Tues., Sept. 23, 9:30 a.m., home of Emma Ominski. Discuss *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt. Contact: Stephanie Walsh, stephaniebwalsh@pro-mic.com.
- **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@bmcp.org, ext. 8820.
- **Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study.** Wednesdays beginning Sept. 24, 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 will be provided. Contact: RachelPedersen@bmcp.org, ext. 8810.
- **Horizons Bible Study.** Wed., Oct. 1, 10:30 a.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village. The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet leads a study of *Reconciling Paul - A Contemporary Study of 2 Corinthians* by Elizabeth Hinson-Hasty. Contact: Joyce Malott, okf405@erols.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@bmcp.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. This week, we address social inequality with the help of the 1934 film *Our Daily Bread*, about a family who leaves banking for farming with miraculous results. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmcp.org, ext. 8819.

BETWEEN SOLITUDE AND SERVICE. Sundays through Oct. 12, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. BMPC members Paul Burgmayer and Patricia Danzon lead a study on the Christian practices of service and contemplation. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmcp.org, ext. 8819.

PERSPECTIVES IN MUSIC. Mon., Sept. 22, 1:30 p.m., Fine Arts Center. Musician Bill Munich performs a jazz piano program. Contact: DeAnnClancy@hotmail.com.

PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY PW FALL GATHERING. Sat., Sept. 27, 10:00 a.m., Church on the Mall. Bryan Miller, Executive Director of Heeding God's Call, addresses "The Faith Community Responds to Gun Violence." Bring your lunch and join other Presbyterian Women for fellowship and discussion. Contact: Janet Brown, jwbpeace@yahoo.com.

YOUNG ADULT POTLUCK BRUNCH. Sun., Sept. 28, 11:30 a.m. Pastor Kellen's Manse. Young adults (20s and 30s) are invited for a time of fellowship. Bring a dish to share. RSVP: KellenSmith@bmcp.org, ext. 8822.

GREAT DECISIONS. Tues., Sept. 30, 2:30 p.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village, led by Marilyn Irwin. Discuss *Food and Climate*, the effects of changing climate on food security and U.S. foreign aid and climate policies. Contact: Marilyn Irwin, marirwin@aol.com.

WEEKDAY CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP. Wednesdays starting Oct. 1, 8:00 a.m., Chapel. Led by Patricia Danzon and David Heaton. Before turning to the day's work, listen to God using traditional prayer, *Lectio Divina*, and Centering Prayer. Contact: PatriciaDanzon@gmail.com.

WELLNESS AND PREVENTION: A MATTER OF BALANCE. Fridays, Oct. 3-Nov. 21, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (8 week class), led by Ann Fossum and Maureen Krouse. Learn how the risks of falling can be reduced with several interventions that are easy to include in your daily activities. In this series, co-sponsored by Bryn Mawr Hospital and Main Line Health, improve your endurance, strength, and balance while having fun! Bring a brown bag lunch; manual provided. Register by Sept. 20: AnnFossum@bmpe.org, ext. 8832.

WALK THE LABYRINTH IN PRAYER. Tues., Oct. 7, 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@bmpe.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@bmpe.org, ext. 8809.

HOLY LEISURE: A Women's Gathering. Fri., Oct. 10, 6:00 p.m., home of Barbara Cobb. Discuss "Table of 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@bmpe.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@bmpe.org, 610-525-0766.

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

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.

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 www.bmpe.org/prayer. Contact: Jeanne LeBuhn, wlebuhn200@comcast.net, 610-688-6984.

Local and Worldwide Outreach

BECOME A “SECRET SAINT.” Each fall, many of our youth begin a new adventure in college or boarding school. As a “Secret Saint,” support one of them with thoughts and prayers, and by sending goodies and cards. To be a “Saint,” contact AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

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.

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.

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. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

This Week’s Calendar Highlights

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

Sunday, September 21, 2014

- 8:00 a.m. *Worship with Communion in the Chapel*
- 10:00 a.m. *Worship with Sanctuary Choir and Baptism 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. 3rd Grade Bible Breakfast, Congregational Hall
Bread as Peace in the Body of Christ, 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
3rd Grade Bible Presentation, Sanctuary
 - 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 (Coffee and Fellowship)
Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby

- 11:00 a.m. Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
11:15 a.m. Between Solitude and Service, Witherspoon Parlor

Monday, September 22, 2014

- 1:30 p.m. Perspectives in Music, Fine Arts Center
4:00 p.m. Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) Meeting, Conference Room

Tuesday, September 23, 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 Tutor Training, Congregational Hall
7:30 p.m. Child and Youth Protection Training, Congregational Hall

Wednesday, September 24, 2014

- 9:30 a.m. Men's Study Group, Converse House
10:00 a.m. 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
7:00 p.m. Financial Peace University, Witherspoon Parlor

Thursday, September 25, 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
Harmony Choir, Fine Arts Center

Saturday, September 27, 2014

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House
7:30 a.m. National September 11 Museum and Memorial Trip, NYC

Sunday, September 28, 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.

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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