

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

March 1, 2015 8:00 a.m., Chapel Second Sunday in Lent

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 programs are open to all and we invite you to participate according to your interests.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH:

Childcare: 7:45 - 11:15 a.m., Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102

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 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 Agnes W. Barksdale.

THE CARILLON will be played today by Dianne Heard.

GREETING AND HOSTING TODAY are some of our ushers. Join them following worship at Café in the Court to enjoy refreshments and fellowship.

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION will be Elder Mary Beth Pratt.

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: The journey of Lent

All: is a journey inward, to examine our hearts.

One: The journey of faith

All: is a journey of trust following God's promises.

One: The journey of life

All: is a journey outward, spending our lives

for the sake of God's love.

[†] Please stand, if able.



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CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Faithful God, in Jesus Christ, you call us to take up our cross and follow, as he invited his disciples. We are quick to make excuses, afraid of the unknown, and afraid of the hard work of discipleship. We are cautious, and shy to share the good news. Forgive us, we pray. Give us the courage that comes from knowing that you walk with us and you show us the path of righteousness. Amen.

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (please remain seated)



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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Mary Beth Pratt

FIRST LESSON

1 Corinthians 1:26-31 (p. 166 in pew Bible)

Mary Beth Pratt

SECOND LESSON

Mark 8:27-38 (p. 43 in pew Bible)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

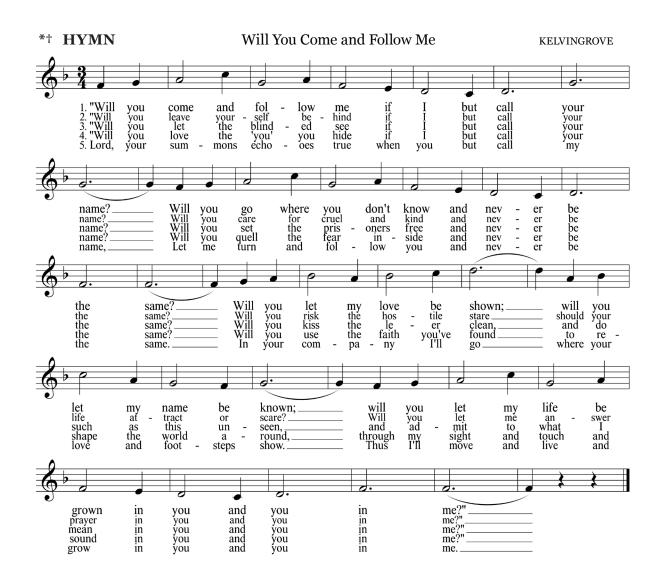
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The High Price of Faith

Agnes W. Norfleet

RESPONDING TO THE WORD



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SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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

MINISTRY MOMENT

Glory to God

Jeffrey Brillhart

† **HYMN** 421

The Church of Christ in Every Age

WAREHAM

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

POSTLUDE

The Season of Lent

DAILY LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET. Guide and enrich your journey through the 40 days of Lent using a devotional written by BMPC members and staff. Copies are available in church information racks or you may access the devotions at www.bmpc.org under "announcements."

WEDNESDAY LENTEN SERIES. 7:00 p.m., following dinner in Congregational Hall. This year's theme: "Sown in Tears: Exploring Stories of Tragedy, Struggle, and Reconciliation." Consider how Lent gives us courage to face the emptiness within and around us, knowing that the coming resurrection redeems even the most hopeless of human experiences. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

- MAR. 4: Witherspoon Parlor. "When Changing the Subject Doesn't Work: How to Talk about Tragedy and Justice with Children." The Rev. Rachel Pederson shares resources and ways of framing these difficult conversations to help our children and grandchildren find their response of faith.
- MAR. 11: Congregational Hall. "Philadelphia's Mural Arts Restorative Justice Program." Jane Golden discusses "Beyond the Wall," which incorporates the concepts of restorative justice through art instruction, mural making, and community service work.
- MAR. 18 AND 25: Witherspoon Parlor. "Restorative Justice." Dr. Tim Horner, Assistant Professor at Villanova and director of the Center for Peace and Justice, shares his research about the Gacaca Court System that was used after the Rwandan genocide.

SPECIAL EVENTS

In commemoration of the 70th Anniversary of peace in 1945 after World War II, our Fine Arts Council offers music, drama, and artistic works to provide restorative justice for past suffering and loss of life. Contact: StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

- **METRONOME TICKING:** A DOCUDRAMA PRESENTATION. Today, 2:00 p.m., Chapel. Don't miss this moving, mixed-media play created from the writings of two very different people living through the horrors of World War II in Europe: a Nazi Propaganda Officer and an Austrian Holocaust survivor. It has challenging moments but is also uplifting. Free will offering.
- VISUAL ARTS EXHIBIT. "Passages from Dark to Light: Images of My Mother's Journey Through the Holocaust" in 26 mixed-media works by daughter and artist Reena Milner Brooks runs from Feb. 24 to April 19 in the Ministries Center. Artist's reception after "Metronome Ticking" today.
- MURALS TROLLEY TOUR. Sat., Mar. 14, as a follow-up to the Wed., Mar. 11, Lenten Series event with Jane Golden. Bus departs BMPC at 9:00 a.m., returns by 1:00 p.m. RSVP with a check payable to BMPC for \$24, attn: Amy Bauer. Contact: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821 or register at www.bmpc.org > calendar > open registrations.

• TO BE CERTAIN OF THE DAWN: A HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL ORATORIO. Sun., Mar. 22, 4:00 p.m. Under the direction of Jeffrey Brillhart, this concert will feature full orchestra and the choirs of the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul and BMPC, performing the Philadelphia premiere of this work by acclaimed composer Stephen Paulus. Tickets: \$25 for adults; \$10 for students. Purchase on our website or in the Court on Sunday mornings.

Announcements

EASTER LILIES DONATIONS. Due Mar. 18. Contributions may be given in three categories for listings in the Sunday Easter bulletin: "In memory of," "In honor of," or "In celebration of." Forms are available in the Ministries Center, in the back of the Sanctuary, or at www.bmpc.org under "announcements." Contact: SarahMiciek@bmpc.org, ext. 8817.

NEW SAFETY MEASURES. Because of the generosity and stewardship of our congregation, our childcare workers and facilities staff are now CPR/AED certified, and AEDs (automatic external defibrillators) are located in both our Ministries Center and Education Building.

Y-GROUP MOTHER'S DAY COLLECTION FOR WOMEN AT THEVILLAGE. Drop off medium-size baskets, shampoo, conditioner, soap, body lotion and cream, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss, mouthwash, brushes, combs, personal hygiene products, deodorant, body spray, and nail care accessories, in the Ministries Center and Education Bldg. collection boxes by March 16. Contact: Amy Barrickman, amybarrickman@gmail. com or 646-301-3534.

VISIT OUR BOOK CENTER. Located in the Ministries Center and open after worship and on weekdays, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. New additions: Anne Lamott's *Small Victories* and Eben Alexander's *Map of Heaven*. Contact: Kat MacMurray, KatRMac2@gmail.

Adult Gatherings and Spiritual Enrichment

BREAKING BREAD TOGETHER: A SERIES ABOUT HUNGER. Sundays through Mar. 8, 11:15 a.m., Gloucester Room. Today: Mission Partner, Fortaleza. Dr. Carmen Morrison tells us about the work being done by Fortaleza (2014 Shall Award recipient) in Mexico. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

IN VINO, *VERITAS*: THE SPIRITUALITY AND THEOLOGY OF WINE. Today, 11:15 a.m. "From Prohibition to Nirvana" is the last in this intoxicating series led by Jon Pahl. Attendees are invited to the home of the Rev. Nicole Duran after class (noon-1:30) for a light lunch, wine tasting, and viewing of clips from the Ken Burns film, *Prohibition*.

WALK THE LABYRINTH IN PRAYER. Tues., Mar. 3, 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: info@middletoncenter.org, 610-525-0766.

WEEKDAY CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP. Wednesdays, Mar. 4 - May 20, 8:00 a.m., Chapel. Led by David Heaton and Patricia Danzon. Start your day with contemplative prayer! With busy lives and racing minds, settle down and be present to God's word in scripture, in our lives, and in our hearts. Contact: pdanzonphoto@comcast.net.

SEARCHING FOR STILL WATERS: AN EXPLORATION OF LOSS AND GRIEF. Sat., Mar. 14, 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: info@middletoncenter.org, 610-525-0766.

Y-GROUP MISSION PROJECT. Tues. Mar. 17, 7:30 p.m., home of Amy Barrickman. For mothers and caregivers of children of all ages. Join us for "Baskets and Bubbly" and assemble Mother's Day Baskets of personal care items for women at the Village. RSVP: amybarrickman@gmail.com or 646-301-3534.

BMPC MEN'S GROUP. Saturdays, 7:00 a.m., Converse House Parlor. Men of all ages are invited for fellowship and lively discussions. Contact: Lee Comer, 484-524-8271.

FITNESS AND FELLOWSHIP. All are invited to DanceFit (aerobics and strength training), Repose Yoga and Tai Chi classes held weekly in our gym, and to our Walk for Life: Walk More, Live Better, which meets on Wednesdays. More info: search "Fitness" at bmpc.org. Contact: AnnFossum@bmpc.org, ext. 8832.

BIBLE STUDIES AND BOOK DISCUSSIONS

COUPLES' BIBLE STUDY. Sundays, 8:45 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Room 206. Couples of any age are welcome. Contact: Barbara Heaton, barbhheaton@gmail.com.

"FILLING THE WELL" WOMEN'S GROUP. Sundays, 8:45 a.m., Ed Bldg. Rm. 101. The Rev. Nicole Duran leads a discussion using *Practicing Our Faith* by Dorothy Bass. Woman of all ages and stages of life welcome. Contact: PeggyHerman@hotmail.com.

THE FIVE GREAT DISCOURSES IN MATTHEW. Sundays through June 7, 8:45 a.m., Conference Room, led by the Rev. Dr. Paul MacMurray. Study the "hard sayings" of Jesus and how to apply them. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

THE BIBLE FOR BEGINNERS - A NEW MONTHLY GATHERING. Beginning Tues., Mar. 3, 7:00 p.m., home of the Rev. Dr. Nicole Duran, 850 Lewis Lane, Bryn Mawr. Ever decide to read the entire Bible only to get bogged down somewhere around Leviticus? Let's find a way through the difficult areas of the Bible together. At this kick-off gathering, we will plot our biblical journey. Contact: Anita Iyengar, aciyengar@gmail.com, 610-645-6044.

DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE. Tues., Mar. 17, 1:30 p.m., Fullerton Room. Former Ursinus Classics Professor John Wickersham leads a discussion of the Greek comedy *Lysistrata* by Aristophanes. Readers of all ages and interests are welcome. Contact: Eric Johnson, johnsone@cpenow.com.

URBAN SUBURBAN BOOK GROUP. Tues., Mar. 17, 12:00 noon, Converse House Parlor. Discuss *My Foreign Cities* by Elizabeth Scarbora. Contact: Sherry.Archer19@yahoo.com.

WOMEN'S COFFEE CUP BIBLE STUDY. Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m., Gloucester Room. The Rev. Rachel Pedersen leads our study of Old Testament stories told in two different ways to enhance our understanding of the story of God. Contact: MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

MEN'S STUDY GROUP. Meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 10:00 a.m. in Converse House. Led by the Rev. Paul MacMurray, this group reads books dealing with biblical and theological study. Men of all ages invited. Contact: AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

Children, Youth, and their Families

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.

SAVE THE DATE! VACATION BIBLE CAMP. Mon., June 22 to Fri., June 26, BMPC campus. Join us for an exciting week where students age 3 through rising 5th graders grow in God's love, serve neighbors, and build a community together. Interested in participating or helping? Contact: MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

YOUTH SUMMER TRIP REGISTRATION. For details about our High School Mission Trip to the Dominican Republic, Middle School Urban Plunge in NYC, or Camp Kirkwood, search "Summer Camps and Mission Trips" at bmpc.org. Register at www. bmpc.org > calendar > open registrations. Contact: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

Local and Worldwide Outreach

AMPLE HARVEST PROGRAM. Mon., Mar. 2, 6:00 p.m. dinner by free will donation in Congregational Hall; 7:00 p.m. presentation of "No Food Left Behind," Chapel. Gary Oppenheimer, Founder of AmpleHarvest.org, discusses a solution to food waste and hunger in America. BMPC is partnering with Harcum College for this event. For more information and to register: www.harcum.edu/hclecture.

CASSEROLE BLITZ. Sat., Mar. 14, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. A family-friendly event where we prepare nutritious casseroles to be delivered to Philadelphia area food cupboards and homeless shelters. Contact: Sandie Nicholson, sandiekev@verizon.net.

HUNGER ENVELOPES. Your contributions to the white hunger envelopes in the pews provide food for emergency food cupboards, homeless shelters, and hunger relief organizations.

Care & Concern:

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 is hospitalized, and let us know if and when you volunteer at any local hospitals.

NEED A RIDE? We can help you with some of your transportation needs. For rides to medical appointments call Lorie Benovic, ext 8833. Volunteer drivers welcome.

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

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.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE WITH THE PASTORAL CARE OFFICE. Provide rides for older adults, meals to those recuperating, prayer shawls for those in need of prayer, visits to the home bound. Contact: LorieBenovic@bmpc.org or ext. 8833.

BMPC Online

BMPC ONLINE. Visit us at www.bmpc.org for updated information and our full calendar. Our "search box" on the top right of our home page should help you find the information you need.

STAY UP TO DATE WITH ENEWS. Subscribe to our weekly BMPC eNews or to monthly ministry-specific newsletters by adding your email address to the fellowship register or by searching "subscribe to eNews" on bmpc.org.

SOCIAL MEDIA. "Like" us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/BrynMawrPC or "Follow" us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/BrynMawrPres.

WIRELESS NETWORK. We now have WiFi in all buildings on our campus.

This Week's Calendar Highlights

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

Today, March 1, 2015

- 8:45 a.m. Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 201
 - Couples Bible Study, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 206
 - "Filling the Well" Women's Group, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 101
 - The Five Great Discourses in Matthew, Conference Room
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School Ages 2, 3 & 4, Ed. Bldg.
 - Worship Together Sunday, grades 4 12
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School, K-3rd Grade, Ed. Bldg.
- 11:00 a.m. Cafe in the Court, Ministries Center
 - Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
- 11:15 a.m. In Vino Veritas: The Spirituality and Theology of Wine, Witherspoon Parlor
 - Breaking Bread Series Mission Partner: Fortaleza, Gloucester Room
 - Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
- 12:15 p.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
- 2:00 p.m. Metronome Ticking Docudrama, Chapel
- 3:30 p.m. Art Exhibit Reception, Witherspoon Parlor

This Week's Highlights

- Mon., Mar. 2 Ample Harvest Speaker: Gary Oppenheimer, 7:00 p.m., Chapel
- Tues., Mar. 3 Walking the Labyrinth in Prayer, 11 a.m. 8 p.m., Congregational Hall
- Wed., Mar 4 Lenten Series: How to Talk About Tragedy and Justice with Children, Witherspoon Parlor

Next Sunday, March 8, 2015

The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.

Sunday School for age 2 - grade 12

Adult Classes at 8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

Church Officers 2014-2015

Session

Steve Udicious, Clerk

Elder Class of 2015

Bill Black
Karen Dunkman
Laura Getty+
David Heaton+
Eli Bravo(Y)
Graham Small(Y)
Suzanne VanderVeer+
Krista Vaughan
Janet White

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Brad Baturka
Jen Bowers +
Susan Bravo +
Bob Guthrie +
Amy Hughart
Susan Joseph +
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Bill Adelhelm John Frazier+ Janet Haas Morris Kay Mary Beth Pratt+ Steve Udicious (Clerk)+ Susie Valerio

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Jen Huth
Debbie Kay
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Elaine Robertson+
Julia Udicious(Y)
Kathy Wynn+
Flo Zeller

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Bryan Hauptfuhrer
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Laurie Koziol
Chris Libson +
Jane Mackie
Bill Matthai +
Diana Rossi +
Janney Ryan +
Holly Stafford
Gretchen Steck +

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Kirstin Engelman+
Linda Griska+
Tod Guernsey
Mary Hodgkinson+
Julia Koeppe
Kay Miller+
Didi Rieger
Cindy Stewart+

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Martin Bond Keith Brinks+ Fred Fletcher+ Kevin Roller+ Brian Walsh Nancy Wolcott+

Trustee Class of 2016

Mark Dawejko Tom Gadsden + Peggy Hermann Meg Holdsworth + Kevin Nicholson Nancy Page

Trustee Class of 2017

Bill Bosch+
Judy Ehrman
Jean Hunt
Jonathan Liggett
Carol Pyle+
Rick Ware+ (President)

(Y) Indicates a youth serving a one-year term as Elder or Deacon.

+ Indicates a person is serving his/her second three-year term.

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

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

Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry

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

Richard Wohlschlaeger, Interim Associate Pastor for Senior Adults & Pastoral Care

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