

# Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

March 15, 2015 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary Fourth Sunday in Lent

## Welcome to BMPC

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

**VISITING TODAY?** Stop by the Welcome Center to the left of the main entrance to learn more about this church or ask questions, then join us for refreshments in the Ministries Center Court or the Education Building lobby following worship. 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-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.

## LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HEARING DEVICES

are available near the church entrance; ask an usher.

# Worship Notes

**THE FLOWERS** in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Thornton G. Smith.

**GREETING AND HOSTING TODAY** are representatives of the Children and Family Ministry. Join them at Café in the Court to enjoy refreshments and fellowship.

*"I am the resurrection and the life."* Dorothea "Dottebob" Andes ~ March 6, 2015 Elinor T. Wattles ~ March 8, 2015 William T. Shearer ~ March 9, 2015 Kathleen Daerr-Bannon ~ March 5, 2015



## **GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

#### \* PRELUDE

"Plein Jeu" and "Tierce en taille" from Second Organ Book

#### \* WELCOME

#### † CALL TO WORSHIP

- One: The Lord be with you.
- All: And also with you.
- One: Give thanks to God, for God is good.
- All: God's steadfast love endures forever.
- One: Let the redeemed of God say so.
- All: Let those gathered in from every land say so. God's steadfast love endures forever!
- **HYMN** 376
  Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

#### HYFRYDOL

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

Gracious God, you have given us a sure word, sealed by your Spirit in the free gift of your Son. In Christ you have set us free from bondage, bound up and healed our wounds, and led us into paths of peace. But still we listen to other voices, as though your Word were just one among many. God, in your mercy, forgive us. Enable us to rise to new life by your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

#### \*† **GLORIA PATRI** (in unison)

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.)

(Hymnal 579)

Pierre DuMage

Kellen A. Smith

## **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

#### Agnes W. Norfleet CHILDREN'S MOMENT AND Elder William Thorkelson, assisting THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Do we, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and One: nurture these children by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging them to know and follow Christ and to be faithful members of his church? All: We do. Jesus Loves Me! (verse 1) **SENDING HYMN 304** JESUS LOVES ME Ephesians 2:1-10 (p. 192 in pew Bible) Agnes W. Norfleet FIRST LESSON "Hymn to the Eternal Flame" **Stephen Paulus ANTHEM** from To Be Certain of the Dawn Every face is in you, every voice, every sorrow in you, every pity, every love, every memory,

Every face is in you, every voice, every sorrow in you, every pity, every love, every memory, woven into fire. Every breath is in you, every cry, every longing in you, every singing, every hope, every healing, woven into fire. Every heart is in you, every tongue, every trembling in you, every blessing, every soul, every shining, woven into fire.

SECOND LESSON	John 3:14-21 (p. 94 in pew Bible)	Richard Wohlschlaeger
SERMON	Saved for Life and Love	Richard Wohlschlaeger
HYMN 85	What Wondrous Love Is This	WONDROUS LOVE

## **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (in unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen. ~ *The Apostles' Creed* 

Agnes W. Norfleet

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#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

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

#### **OFFERING AND**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** Lord Jesus, Think on Me Robert Elmore Lord Jesus, think on me and purge away my sin. From earthborn passions set me free and make me pure within. Lord Jesus think on me, with care and woe opprest. Let me thy loving servant be and taste thy promised rest. Lord Jesus, think on me; nor let me go astray. Through darkness and perplexity point thou the heavenly way. Lord Jesus, think on me. That when the flood is past I may the eternal brightness see and share the joy at last. Amen.

† DOXOLOGY (in unison)

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**

†	HYMN 436	We Are Your People	WHITFIELD
†	BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE		Richard Wohlschlaeger
	POSTLUDE	Grand Dialogue in C	Louis Marchand

### **RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM TODAY**

Colin Gregory Fagan, son of Anne Fagan and Scott Fagan Abigail Anna Thorkelson, daughter of Ann Thorkelson and David Thorkelson. Elder William Thorkelson, assisting.

(Hymnal 592)

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## 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. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

• 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.

**VISUAL ARTS EXHIBIT:** "Passages from Dark to Light: Images of My Mother's Journey Through the Holocaust." This exhibit of 26 mixed-media works by artist Reena Milner Brooks runs through April 19 in the Ministries Center.

**TO BE CERTAIN OF THE DAWN: A HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL ORATORIO.** Sun., Mar. 22, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Under the direction of Jeffrey Brillhart, this concert will feature full orchestra, the choirs of the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul and BMPC, and guests, performing the Philadelphia premiere of this work by acclaimed composer Stephen Paulus. Tickets: \$25 for adults; \$10 for students. Purchase on our homepage under "upcoming" or in the Court on Sunday mornings. StephanieSpeakman@ bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

**EASTER LILIES DONATIONS.** Due Mar. 18. Forms for listing names in the Easter bulletin are available in the Ministries Center, in the back of the Sanctuary, or at www. bmpc.org under "announcements." SarahMiciek@bmpc.org, ext. 8817.

**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING.** Your contribution to this ecumenical offering will empower, provide water, supply food, and give relief to those in disaster areas. Envelopes are found in pews or designate on memo line of your check.

**LENT ON THE GO.** Check out our online resource for inspiration as you and your family observe Lent together: BMPClentonthego.blogspot.com. MaryRichards@bmpc. org, ext. 8811.

## Holy Week and Easter Schedule

### Palm Sunday, March 29

- 8:00 a.m. Worship with communion by intinction in the Chapel
- 8:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. Breakfast in Congregational Hall. Suggested donation: \$5/ person, \$20 cap per family. RSVP to MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.
- 10:00 a.m. Worship and children's palm procession in the Sanctuary

### Wednesday, April 1

- No Wednesday Night Dinner (Simple Supper on Thurs., April 2, instead)
- Maundy Thursday, April 2
  - 6:00 p.m. Simple supper in Congregational Hall. Free-will offering
  - 7:30 p.m. Worship with Communion in the Sanctuary, led by the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet

## Good Friday, April 3

- 12:00 noon. Service commemorating Good Friday in the Sanctuary, led by BMPC Youth
- 7:30 p.m. Service with the Presbybop Jazz Quartet in Sanctuary. Featuring Psalms of Lament and congregational singing. Free-will offering.

### Easter Sunday, April 5

- 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service on the front lawn, led by the Rev. Rachel Pedersen. Continental breakfast follows.
- 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. Worship with choir and Easter Brass in the Sanctuary. The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.

## **Announcements**

### Y-GROUP MOTHER'S DAY COLLECTION FOR WOMEN AT THEVILLAGE.

Drop off medium-size baskets, and full-size 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. Amy Barrickman, amybarrickman@gmail.com or 646-301-3534.

**VACATION BIBLE CAMP REGISTRATION.** Mon., Jun. 22 to Fri., Jun. 26, BMPC Campus. Join us for a week where students age 3- rising 6th graders grow in God's love, serve neighbors, and build a community together. For more details and to register, search "Vacation Bible Camp" at bmpc.org. 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. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

# Today

**NEW CLASS: JOSEPH'S SAGA.** Today, Mar. 22 and 29, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. The Rev. Dr. Nicole Duran leads a discussion of the story of Joseph and his brothers — study of bad parenting, attempted fratricide, destiny, and reconciliation. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

# This Week

**CARING AND CRAFTS.** Mon., Mar. 16, 9:15 a.m., Gloucester Room. Knitters gather to make scarves, prayer shawls, mittens and hats for children and teens at theVillage. Maryalice Stoltzfus, 610-527-3909.

**URBAN SUBURBAN BOOK GROUP.** Tues., Mar. 17, 12:00 noon, Converse House Parlor. Discuss *The Other Wes Moore* by Wes Moore. Sherry.Archer19@yahoo.com.

**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. Eric Johnson, johnsone@cpenow.com.

**THE BIBLE FOR BEGINNERS - RESCHEDULED.** Tues., Mar. 17, 7:00 p.m., home of the Rev. Nicole Duran (850 Lewis Lane, Bryn Mawr). The Bible can be a scary place in which to wander around on your own! Let's discover a way through its more difficult regions together. Anita Iyengar, aciyengar@gmail.com for details.

**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 theVillage. RSVP: AmyBarrickman@gmail.com or 646-301-3534.

# Save the Date

HOLY LEISURE. Fri., Mar. 27, 6:00 p.m., home of Barbara Cobb. Spend the evening with BMPC women for a pot-luck dinner, discussion and fellowship. Courtenay Willcox leads a discussion of "Love Languages." RSVP: Janet White, JanetW298@verizon.net, 610-254-0231.

**ANNUAL Y-GROUP EASTER EGG HUNT.** Sun., Mar. 29, 11:15 a.m., BMPC Playground. Bring your own baskets – eggs will be provided. Lainey McMahon, laineymcmahon@hotmail.com.

**BOOST YOUR BRAIN AND MEMORY.** Wednesdays, Apr. 8 - Jun. 3, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Gloucester Room. Presented by Ann Fossum and Lorie Benovic, "Boost Your Brain and Memory" is an evidence-based program designed to help you learn and practice the most promising strategies for keeping your brain healthy as you age. LorieBenovic@ bmpc.org, ext. 8833.

**PROGRESSIVE WORSHIP WALK**. April 18, 8:30 a.m. Beginning with a call to worship at BMPC, we will proceed to Ardmore Presbyterian for a prayer of confession, and so on through Overbrook, First African, Calvin, and Lombard Central Presbyterian Churches, finally to arrive at Arch Street Presbyterian Church for a musical benediction. Build new relationships. Renew old friendships. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

**Mission Summit 2015.** May 9, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Everyone who has participated in any mission opportunity in which our church is engaged, is invited. Conversation with some key mission partners and ample time for dreaming and visioning together. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

## Care & Concern:

**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. Jeanne LeBuhn, wlebuhn200@comcast.net.

**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, JanneyRyan610@gmail.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. LorieBenovic@bmpc.org.

## **BMPC Online**

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

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## This Week's Calendar

# For more information visit our website at www.bmpc.org, call the church office, or contact communications@bmpc.org

#### Today, March 15, 2015

- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Baptism and Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary The Rev. Richard Wohlschlaeger will preach.

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

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.
10:15	a.m.	Sunday School, K-5th Grade, Ed. Bldg.
10.00	a m	Confirmation Witherspoon Parlor

- 10:30 a.m. Confirmation, Witherspoon Parlor Youth Grade Groups
- 11:00 a.m. Cafe in the Court, Ministries Center Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
- 11:15 a.m. Choir Vespers Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center The Joseph Saga, Witherspoon Parlor
- 12:30 p.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
- 4:00 p.m. New Officer Training, Gloucester Room

### Monday, March 16, 2015

- 9:15 a.m. Caring and Crafts, Gloucester Room
- 9:30 a.m. DanceFit, Gymnasium

### Tuesday, March 17, 2015

- 8:30 a.m. Tuesday Morning Study Group, Converse House Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
- 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
- 12:00 p.m. Urban Suburban Book Group, Converse House Parlor
- 1:30 p.m. Dimensions in Literature, Fullerton Room Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room
- 6:30 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.
- 7:30 p.m. Y-Group Mission Project, Off Campus

### Wednesday, March 18, 2015

- a.m. Weekday Contemplative Prayer Group, Chapel 8:00 a.m. Walk for Life: Walk More, Live Better!, Meet at Main Parking Lot 9:00 a.m. DanceFit, Gymnasium 9:30 10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room p.m. Carol Choir, Fine Arts Center 4:00 Jubilate Ringers, Fine Arts Center p.m. Beginners Choir, Fine Arts Center 5:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall 5:30 6:30 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Concert Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center Lenten Series: Restorative Justice Program, Witherspoon Parlor

#### Thursday, March 19, 2015

- 9:00 a.m. Thursday Morning Prayer Group, Chapel
- 9:30 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
- 2:30 p.m. Caregivers Support Group, Converse House Parlor
- 7:00 p.m. Hunger Committee Meeting, Conference Room Choir Concert Rehearsal, Off Campus
- 7:30 p.m. Boy Scouts: Troop 19, Gymnasium

### Friday, March 20, 2015

- 9:30 a.m. DanceFit, Gymnasium Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
- 8:00 p.m. Choir Concert: To Be Certain of the Dawn, Off Campus

### Saturday, March 21, 2015

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 8:00 a.m. Cub Scouts: Pack 110 Pinewood Derby, Gymnasium

### Sunday, March 22, 2015

- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach. Sunday School for age 2 - grade 12
- 4:00 p.m. Choir Concert: To Be Certain of the Dawn, Sanctuary

## 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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