

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

March 29, 2015 8:00 a.m., Chapel Palm/Passion Sunday

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: 9:45 a.m., meet in classrooms for

Palm Processional

Grades K-5: 9:45 a.m., meet in Chapel for Palm Processional

10:15 a.m., classes, Ed. Bldg.

Grades 6-12: Youth in Worship

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

SANCTUARY FLOWERS: given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Samuel Craighead Alexander.

GREETING AND HOSTING TODAY: representatives of the congregation; join them at Café in the Court to enjoy refreshments and fellowship.

PLAYING THE CARILLON: Brian Middleton.

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION: Deacon Marian Chitester.

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"I am the resurrection and the life."

Ruthann H. Graf ~ March 24, 2015



GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME Nicole Duran

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

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Lo, your Messiah comes to you.

All: Triumphant and victorious is Jesus Christ,

One: Humble and riding on a donkey -- All: On a colt, the foal of a donkey.

One: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

All: Hosanna in the highest!

† **HYMN** 88

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

The congregation is invited to wave palm branches in celebration.

CALL TO CONFESSION AND

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

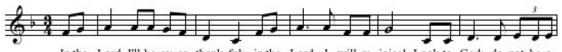
Merciful God, as we enter this Holy Week, gathering in your house of prayer, we turn our hearts toward the peace and reconciliation offered to us in the life and death of Jesus, your anointed One. Forgive our resistance to his work and witness, and guide us by your Spirit to follow in his way. As we worship at the foot of the cross in awe and wonder, may we show forth your suffering love for the sake of the world.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Nicole Duran

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-



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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Marian Chitester

FIRST LESSON Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (p. 565 in pew Bible)

Marian Chitester

SECOND LESSON

Mark 11:1-11 (p. 47 in pew Bible)

Agnes W. Norfleet

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

SERMON

Looking Around

Agnes W. Norfleet

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*† **HYMN** 248

You Are Before Me, Lord

SURSUM CORDA

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

† **HYMN** 101 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross Hamburg

* SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

POSTLUDE

Announcements

NOT A BMPC MEMBER? We invite you to join our community of faith on our next New Member Sunday, April 26. In the meantime, we're offering opportunities to learn more about our Presbyterian denomination (Wed., Apr. 15, 7:00 -8:00 p.m.) and this church and its ministries (Sun., April. 19, 8:45-9:45 a.m.). Register: DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

50-YEAR MEMBER BRUNCH. Sun., Apr. 19, following 10:00 a.m. worship, Congregational Hall. If you joined BMPC in or before 1965, you are invited by our Senior Adult Council to a brunch in your honor. Family members and friends are encouraged to attend at the cost of \$15 per person; 50+ year members are our guests at no charge. All are welcome to celebrate and share memories. RSVP by Apr. 12, AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING. Your contribution to this ecumenical offering supports programs that supply food, clean water, disaster relief, and self improvement tools to those who need it most. Envelopes are found in the pews or you may designate on the memo line of your check. http://onegreathourofsharing.org.

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, ext. 8811.

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.

VISIT OUR BOOK CENTER. Our Book Center, located in the Ministries Center, is open after worship and on weekdays 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Next to the book center are two racks with books from our library in Converse House that are available for borrowing. Kat MacMurray, KatRMac2@gmail.com.

Today

PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST. 8:45 a.m., Congregational Hall. All welcome for good food, fellowship, a service project, and an opportunity to make palm crosses. Suggested donation: \$5 per person, \$20 cap per family.

CHILDREN'S PALM PROCESSION. Gather at 9:45 a.m., ages 2-4 meet in classrooms, kindergarten – grade 5 in the Chapel.

ANNUAL Y-GROUP EASTER EGG HUNT. 11:15 a.m., BMPC playground (behind the Ed. Bldg). Teachers will take children to the playground to meet parents at 11:00 a.m. If you don't want to participate, please meet your children immediately following worship in their classrooms.

Holy Week and Easter Schedule

Wednesday, April 1

• No Wednesday Night Dinner (Simple Supper on Thurs., April 2, instead.)

Maundy Thursday, April 2

- 5:30 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
- 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. The Story of Holy Week for Children. Witherspoon Parlor. Stop by to listen and help the Rev. Rachel Pedersen retell the story of Holy Week by walking through the story of Jesus' ministry. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.
- 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.
- 7:45 a.m. 12:15 p.m. Childcare infants age 5.
- 9:30 a.m. Easter Chapel Service, age 4 grade 2.
- 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.

WALKING THE LABYRINTH. Gymnasium. This ancient form of meditation provides opportunities to focus on the life, the death and the resurrection of Christ and his ongoing gifts of mercy, grace and peace for those who seek him. The Labyrinth will be available for prayer and meditation during the following hours:

- Maundy Thursday, Apr. 2: 8:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m.
- Good Friday, Apr. 3: 8:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.

Upcoming

STOP HUNGER NOW. Sat., April 11, 8:30 a.m., Gymnasium. Join our Hunger Committee and Outreach Council for our second special hunger project with Stop Hunger Now, where we will package 20,000 meals in about 2 ½ hours. Sign up at www. bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. Children of 5 years and older are welcome to participate. Bring the family and have fun! CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

GRAIN AND POLITICS. Apr. 12 & 19, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. How did the California orange make its way to Spain, and how did it change the Mediterranean? Why did the Nazis want to raise pigs on entirely German-grown feed? What was Mussolini's Battle of Wheat, and who won? In this two-part class, Drexel University professor Dr. Tiago Saraiva follows through on our theme of Bread, combining analysis from the history of technology and science, with environmental and political history to discuss the interplay of food and politics in the 20th century.

Save the Date

PROGRESSIVE WORSHIP WALK. Sat., Apr. 18, 8:30 a.m. Begin with a call to worship in our Chapel, proceed to Ardmore Presbyterian for a prayer of confession, and walk to 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. Register at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

COMMUNITY FORUM. Mon., Apr. 20, 7:30 p.m., Chapel. Author and activist Tim Wise speaks about "Moving Beyond Racism." Wise is the author of six books including a memoir, *White Like Me: Reflections on Race from a Privileged Son*. He has appeared on CNN, MSNBC and 20/20 and has spoken on hundreds of college campuses. Free and open to the public; no reservations needed. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

FOLKSONGS FROM ANOTHER WORLD: A VOICE RECITAL. Sun., Apr. 26, 2:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Soprano Elizabeth Weigle and pianist Elizabeth Morgan perform an entertaining recital with something for everyone: young Debussy's extravagant love songs full of high notes, Philadelphian Benjamin Boyle's stunning Folksongs from Another World, and Cole Porter favorites. Free-will offering. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

MISSION SUMMIT 2015. Sat., May 9, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Anyone who has participated in mission opportunities in which our church is engaged is invited for conversation with some key mission partners with ample time for dreaming and envisioning together. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

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

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

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 29, 2015

8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel

10:00 a.m. Worship with Children's Procession of Palms and Choir School and Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary

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

8:45 a.m. Palm Sunday Breakfast, Congregational Hall Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 201
The Five Great Discourses in Matthew, Conference Room

9:45 a.m. Ages 2, 3, &4 meet in Classrooms, Ed. Bldg. Kdg - grade 5 meet in Chapel

10:00 a.m. Youth in Worship

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

11:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt, Playground Cafe in the Court, Ministries Center

11:15 a.m. The Joseph Saga (adult class), Witherspoon Parlor

Monday, March 30, 2015

9:30 a.m. DanceFit, Gymnasium

Tuesday, March 31, 2015

No events scheduled.

Wednesday, April 1, 2015

8:00 a.m. Weekday Contemplative Prayer Group, Chapel

9:30 a.m. DanceFit, Gymnasium

9:00 a.m. Walk for Life: Walk More, Live Better!, meet in Main Parking Lot

10:30 a.m. Horizons Bible Study, Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom No Wednesday Night Dinner (see Thurs. Apr. 2)

Thursday, April 2, 2015

- 8:00 a.m. Labyrinth Walk: last walk begins at 7:15 p.m., Gymnasium
- 9:00 a.m. Thursday Morning Prayer Group, Chapel
- 9:30 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
- 5:30 p.m. Simple Supper, Congregational Hall
- 7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service with Communion, Sanctuary The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach
- 8:45 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center

Friday, April 3, 2015

- 8:00 a.m. Labyrinth Walk: last walk begins at 11:15 a.m., Gymnasium
- 12:00 p.m. Good Friday Service: Youth-led, Sanctuary
- 1:00 p.m. The Story of Holy Week for Children, Witherspoon Parlor
- 7:30 p.m. Good Friday Evening Worship Service, Sanctuary

Saturday, April 4, 2015

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

Easter Sunday, April 5, 2015

- 6:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service, Front Lawn The Rev. Rachel Pedersen will preach.
- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Sanctuary Choir and Easter Brass, Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Choir School grades 4-12, and Easter Brass, Sanctuary
- 11:00 a.m. Worship with Sanctuary Choir and Easter Brass, Sanctuary
 The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
 Youth in Worship

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 Jeffrey Brillhart, Director of Music and Fine Arts Edward Landin, Assistant Organist

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