

I have heard of your faith  
in the Lord Jesus  
and your love towards  
all the Saints  
and for this reason I do not  
cease to give thanks for  
you as I remember you in  
my prayers.

Ephesians 1:15-16

## ***Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church***

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April 26, 2015  
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary  
Fourth Sunday of Easter

# 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 - Annual Meeting's conclusion., Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102

**Children age 2 to PreK:** 10:00 a.m. classes, Ed. Bldg.

**Grades K-5:** 10:15 a.m., classes, Ed. Bldg  
(10:00-10:15 a.m. families worship together in the Sanctuary)

*If this is your first Sunday, please accompany your child to the Chapel.*

**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.



## Worship Notes

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS:** given to the glory of God and in loving memory of George "Skip" Hollingshead.

**CHAPEL GARDEN FLOWERS:** given to the glory of God and in loving memory of H. Logan Lawrence.

**GREETING AND HOSTING TODAY:** representatives of our Senior Adult Ministry. Join them at Café in the Court to enjoy refreshments and fellowship.

**PLAYING THE CARILLON:** Bob Holmes.

# GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

\* **PRELUDE** "Entrada, Echo, and Elevazione" from *Suite for E* Kathleen Scheide

\* **WELCOME** Rachel Pedersen

## † **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: With faithful trust, we have come,

**All: For the call of God has claimed us.**

One: With burning questions, we have come,

**All: For the mystery of God has drawn us.**

One: With whispered hopes, we have come,

**All: For the love of God knows us by name.**

† **HYMN 108** Christ is Alive! TRURO

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

### **AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *(in unison)*

Loving and forgiving God, you have made us in your own image and likeness, and yet we fail to love ourselves fully. We build barriers which divide us, one from another, and deny your image and likeness in others. Help us live as Easter people, who trust the resurrection to reconcile us to you and to each other. Shower us with forgiveness, and open our hearts and hands to the new life of unity and peace you intend for us, and for the human family.

*A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.*

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

\*† **GLORIA PATRI** *(in unison)* *(Hymnal 579)*

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.*

# PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

SENDING HYMN      Go now, Children, with our Blessing

*During the Sending Hymn, kindergarten through 5th grade children depart for their Sunday School classes.*

Go now, child-ren with our blessing, to love and serve the Lord. May God  
Bless you, May God guard you, May the light of God shine u-pon you, and may  
God be gra-cious to you. May the pre-sence of God be with you. May the  
pre-sence of God be with you, and give you peace.

FIRST LESSON      Acts 4:32-37 (p. 122 in pew Bible)      Richard Wohlschlaeger

ANTHEM      My Shepherd is the Lord Above (World Premiere)      Edward Landin

My shepherd is the Lord above, who ne'er will suffer me to rove; In Him I'll trust, He is so good, He'll never let me want for food. To pastures green and flow'ry meads, His happy flock he gently leads, where water in abundance flows, and where luxuriant herbage grows. When o'er my bounds I chance to roam, my shepherd finds and brings me home; And when I wander o'er the plain, He drives me to the fold again. Or should I hap to lose my way, and in death's gloomy valley stray, I need not ever be dismay'd, for God himself will be my aid. In what'e'r pasture I abide, He still is present at my side; His rod, his crook, his shepherd's staff, in every path shall keep me safe. My soul with comfort overflows, in spite of all my numerous foes; And thou with richness hast, O Lord! And plenty crown'd my crowded board. His precious balms, my God hath shed, upon my highly favoured head: And with the blessings of the Lord, my larder is completely stor'd. His bounty and his mercies past, shall follow me unto the last; And, for his favours shown to me, His house, my home shall ever be.

SECOND LESSON      Ephesians 2:11-22 (p. 192 in pew Bible)      Agnes W. Norfleet

SERMON      *Practicing Resurrection: As One in Christ*      Agnes W. Norfleet  
Second of four sermons on the Letter to the Ephesians

† Please stand, if able. \* Ushers may seat latecomers.

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Richard Wohlschlaeger

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand,  
 and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast:  
 that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures;  
 that he was buried; that he was raised on the third day;  
 and that he appeared first to the women,  
 then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.  
 We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.  
 Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end;  
 he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

### WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

#### 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**  
 Alleluia, amen.

Alleluia

Randall Thompson

† **DOXOLOGY** *(in unison)*

*(Hymnal 592)*

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 344**

Christ of the Upward Way

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† **BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE**

Agnes W. Norfleet

### ANNUAL MEETING

**TODAY'S ANTHEM:** *My Shepherd is the Lord Above* was written for Jeffrey Brillhart and the Sanctuary Choir of Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church by Assistant Organist Edward Landin. It is in memory of Edward's maternal grandmother, Jean Mallyn Arthur Blevins, who spent the last twenty years of her life traveling to Wales and marveling in the land of her ancestors. Originally in Welsh, this adaptation of the Twenty Third Psalm was written by the Rev. Rees Prichard and translated into English by the Rev. William Evans.



**NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED** at a breakfast meeting of Session today, Sunday, April 26, and welcomed during 10:00 a.m. worship:

John and Meg Cranford

Greg and Amy Gatta

Tim Hulton

Jim Kitchen

Brian and Alicia Papson

Cathy Pinch

Kathy Wohlschlaeger



**HONORING THE REV. DR. DAVID B. WATERMULDER.** Copies of the bulletin from Dr. Watermulder's memorial service, including the text from the mediation and prayer offered by Agnes Norfleet, are available in the narthex or via a link on our homepage.

## **Announcements**

**MOTHER'S DAY COLLECTION.** Donate infant formula and baby food for children at St. Barnabas Mission. Collection boxes and baskets will be in the Ministries Center, Education Building and Narthex through May 17. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

**DINE FOR A CAUSE.** Tues., Apr. 28, all day. Eat lunch, dinner or get take out at Yangming (1051 Conestoga Rd., Bryn Mawr); 20% of the proceeds will benefit Main Line Adult Day Center (a partnership of BMPC and Main Line Health) located on Radnor St. next to our Ministries Center. Voucher required; download flyer at [www.mainlineadultdaycenter.org](http://www.mainlineadultdaycenter.org).

**ART EXHIBIT.** "Russian Iconography, Its History and Art" is on display in the Ministries Center through May 31. View works by artists trained at the Prosopeon School of Iconography and photographs of Russian Orthodox Christian churches by BMPC member Linda Madara. Reception today immediately following the voice recital. Susan Kelly vonMedicus, artist and teacher at Villanova University, will speak about iconography on April 29; Linda Madara will discuss her photos on May 13. Both lectures will be held in Witherspoon Parlor at 7:30 p.m.

**VISIT OUR BOOK CENTER.** Located in the Ministries Center, our Book Center is open after worship and on weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Books related to our "Inhabiting Eden" series are available. Kat MacMurray, KatRMac2@gmail.com.

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

## **Today**

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION.** Today, following 10:00 a.m. worship. The meeting will include brief reports on the life of our church. Copies of the 2014 BMPC Annual Report and other materials for the meeting will be available in the Narthex and on [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org). Extended childcare will be available during the meeting.

**INHABITING EDEN SERIES: FOOD FOR LIFE.** Today, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Vicky Town and her husband Steve Pottorff homesteaded Haven Farm in the Blue Ridge Mountains of southwest Virginia in August 2010. Learn about their yearly harvest of vegetables and fruits, and the six bee hives in their apiary.

**IPAD, IPHONE CLASS.** Today, 11:30 a.m., Gloucester Room. Want to make better use of the new available technology? Karen Strauss of Main Street Technology presents an overview on the many uses for small Apple devices. Learn how the iPhone, iPad and the Apple Watch are changing the way we get information and communicate with others. LorieBenovic@bmpc.org, ext. 8833.

**FOLKSONGS FROM ANOTHER WORLD: A VOICE RECITAL.** Today, 2:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Soprano Elizabeth Weigle and pianist Elizabeth Morgan perform a 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.

## ***This Week***

**PERSPECTIVES IN MUSIC.** Mon., Apr. 27, 1:30 p.m., Fine Arts Center. Welcome prodigy Ruobing Zhang, a piano student of Joy Kiszely and voice student in NYC, who appears in area productions and competitions. DeannClancy@hotmail.com.

**Y-GROUP MONTHLY MEETING.** Tues., Apr. 28, 9:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. For mothers and caregivers of children of all ages. Learn new approaches to flower arranging with Long Stems' owner and designer Keith Bell. Tricia Mackay, tricia.mackay@gmail.com.

**GREAT DECISIONS.** Tues., Apr. 28, 2:30 p.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Auditorium. Marilyn Irwin leads a discussion of "India Changes Course." With new Indian leadership, how should the U.S. pursue its interests as India asserts itself on the world stage? Marilyn Irwin, marirwin@aol.com.

## ***Upcoming***

**INHABITING EDEN SERIES: SAVING SOME \$GREEN\$ TO SAVE SOME GREEN.** Sun., May 3, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Courtenay Willcox and Jeff Wilber offer tips for simple things you can do to make your house more energy efficient.

**WALK THE LABYRINTH IN PRAYER.** Tues., May 5, 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. info@middletoncenter.org, 610-525-0766.

**NURSES APPRECIATION DINNER.** Wed., May 6, 6:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Join us during National Nurses Week to celebrate and discuss our health ministry at BMPC. All R.N.s (retired, working, or at-home) are invited and welcome to attend. AnnFossum@bmpc.org, ext. 8832.

**MISSION SUMMIT 2015.** Sat., May 9, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Anyone who participated in mission opportunities for our church is invited for conversation with key mission partners, including time for for dreaming and envisioning together. Keynote Speaker: The Rev. Dr. J. Herbert Nelson, currently serving as Director of the Office of Public Witness of the PCUSA in Washington, DC. Register online at [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

**SEARCHING FOR STILL WATERS.** Sat., May 9, 10:00-11:30 a.m., Converse House Parlor. On-going bereavement support group for those coping with the loss of a loved one, whether recent or many years ago. All welcome. info@middletoncenter.org, 610-525-0766.



## **Save the Date**

**LAST YOUTH GATHERING AND 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STEP-UP DAY.** Sun., May 10, 10:00 a.m., Gymnasium. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8822.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS WINDOWS INTO FAITH (WIF) EXPO.** Sun., May 10, 11:00 a.m., Gym. All invited to view projects presented by the Confirmands. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8822.

**CONFIRMATION SUNDAY.** Sun., May 17. Following a 9:00 a.m. breakfast in Congregational Hall with families, confirmands will be received during the 10:00 a.m. worship service. RSVP for breakfast by May 10: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8822.

**MIDEAST TRIP: DARE TO UNDERSTAND.** Oct. 8 - 19. Sponsored by the Interfaith Center of Greater Philadelphia. Journey to Turkey, Israel and Palestinian cities. Contact CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819 for flyers and registration forms.

## **BMPC Online**

**BMPC ONLINE.** Visit us at [www.bmpc.org](http://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***

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## **Today, April 26, 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

*Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Room 102, 7:45 - Annual Meeting's conclusion, birth - 5 years*

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. 210  
The Five Great Discourses in Matthew, Conference Room  
9:00 a.m. Session Meeting to Receive New Members, Gloucester Room  
10:00 a.m. Youth Gathering, Gymnasium  
Sunday School Ages 2, 3, &4, Ed. Bldg.  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School K - 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Ed. Bldg.  
10:30 a.m. Youth Grade Groups and Confirmation, Ministries Center  
11:00 a.m. Annual Meeting, Sanctuary  
**Café in the Court, Ministries Center**  
**Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby**  
11:15 a.m. Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center  
Inhabiting Eden: Food for Life, Witherspoon Parlor  
11:30 a.m. iPad, iPhone Class, Gloucester Room  
12:05 p.m. Deacon Communion Training, Sanctuary  
12:15 p.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center  
2:00 p.m. *Folksongs from Another World* Voice Recital, Sanctuary  
3:00 p.m. Art Exhibit Reception, Ministries Center

## **Monday, April 27, 2015**

9:30 a.m. DanceFit, Gymnasium  
1:30 p.m. Perspectives in Music, Fine Arts Center

## **Tuesday, April 28, 2015**

9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium  
9:15 a.m. Y-Group Monthly Meeting, Witherspoon Parlor

- 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
- 12:00 p.m. Spiritual Directors Circle, Congregational Hall
- 1:30 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Witherspoon Parlor
- 2:30 p.m. Great Decisions, Rosemont Presbyterian Village Auditorium
- 6:30 p.m. Tutoring Program, Ed. Bldg.

**Wednesday, April 29, 2015**

- 8:00 a.m. Weekday Contemplative Prayer Group, Chapel
- 9:00 a.m. Walk for Life: Walk More, Live Better!, meet in Main Parking Lot
- 9:30 a.m. DanceFit, Gymnasium
- 10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room
- 1:30 p.m. Boost Your Brain & Memory, Gloucester Room
- 4:00 p.m. Jubilate Ringers, Fine Arts Center
- 5:00 p.m. St. Andrew Boy Choir, Fine Arts Center  
St. Cecilia Girl Choir, Fine Arts Center
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
- 6:30 p.m. Tutoring Program, Ed. Bldg.
- 7:30 p.m. Icon Art Presentation, Witherspoon Parlor

**Thursday, April 30, 2015**

- 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
- 7:30 p.m. Boy Scouts: Troop 19, Gymnasium

**Friday, May 1, 2015**

- 9:15 a.m. Baby / Parent Play Date, Ed. Bldg. Nursery
- 9:30 a.m. DanceFit, Gymnasium

**Saturday, May 2, 2015**

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

**Sunday, May 3, 2015**

- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Choir School, Sanctuary  
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.  
Worship Together Sunday. Grades 4 - 12 in worship with their families.

## ***Worship Staff***

**Agnes W. Norfleet**, Pastor

**Nicole Wilkinson Duran**, Supply Pastor for Adult Education, Outreach,  
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**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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