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

Ephesians 1:15-16

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

May 10, 2015 8:00 a.m., Chapel Sixth Sunday of Easter

Welcome to BMPC

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

NEW HERE? 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-4: 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.*

Grade 5: 10:00 a.m., Hymnal Presentation, Sanctuary; immediately followed by Step Up to Youth Gathering, Gym

Grades 6-12: 10:00 a.m., Youth Gathering in Gym; 10:30 a.m., Grade Groups in the Ministries Center

GET CONNECTED. Please fill out the fellowship register at the end of your pew to let us know that you were here, to provide or update your contact information, and to identify yourself to others in your row so that you might greet one another after worship. To inquire about membership or other opportunities to enrich your life in faith, contact DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext 8809.

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP. Stop by the Ministries Center Court for a cup of coffee between 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. and join us for refreshments on the front lawn (weather permitting) at 11:00 a.m.

As we gather for worship, please silence your cell phone and prepare your heart and mind for the worship of God.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Richard Wohlschlaeger

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

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Happy are those who inhabit the house of the Lord,

for they may ever praise you.

All: Happy are the people whose strength is in God,

for their hearts are set on the pilgrim way. Lord God of hosts, hear our prayers as we worship.

All: For you, O Lord, are our sun and our shield;

yours alone is the grace and the glory.

† **HYMN** 483

One:

Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART

CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Loving God, you have shown yourself to us in Jesus, compassionate and kind, faithful and loving, gracious, hospitable, and open. While you direct us to embrace the qualities that marked his life, we confess that we have stumbled and fallen. Our sins are real, and they are many. Have mercy on us, and forgive our failings. Encourage us to start again, trusting that what we have seen in Jesus is true, and nothing, not even our sin, can separate us from your love.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON



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

Bill Black

FIRST LESSON Acts 19:11-12, 17-20 (p. 139 in pew Bible)

Bill Black

SECOND LESSON Ephesians 6:10-17 (p. 195 in pew Bible)

Agnes W. Norfleet

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

SERMON

Practicing Resurrection: In the Armor of God Agnes W. Norfleet Fourth of four sermons on the Letter to the Ephesians

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*† **HYMN** 421

The Church of Christ in Every Age

WAREHAM

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** 262 God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand NATIONAL HYMN

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

POSTLUDE

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the ministry of The Reverend Dr. David Watermulder

THE ANNUAL GIFT OF HYMNALS HONORS JOHN M. MOON CLERK OF SESSION, EMERITUS

Madeline Egan Kayla Kim Gotanda Henry Haupt S. Paul McConnell, III Ashley Lynn Navarro Sophia Rothman Jack Stevens

Hymnals give us new words to describe our faith and connect us to the faithful of every generation. With prayers, we hope these hymnals will be a resource to our fifth graders as they continue in their faith journey.

RECEPTION FOLLOWING 10:00 WORSHIP

All are invited to the Gym for a reception honoring The Reverend Dr. Nicole Duran to celebrate her ministry among us.

GREETING AND HOSTING FELLOWSHIP

Families of the 8th Grade Confirmands. Join them in the Gym to enjoy refreshments and fellowship and to view the Confirmation Class's Windows into Faith (WIF) projects.

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Alan Willoughby

SERVING COMMUNION

Elder Bill Black

Announcements

SAYING FAREWELL. The ministry of the Rev. Nicole Duran, Temporary Supply Associate for Adult Education and Mission, will be celebrated in the Gymnasium today, her last Sunday with us, at a reception in her honor following the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING. The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sun., May 31, following the 10:00 a.m. worship service to act on a recommendation of the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee for Adult Education and Mission. Information pertaining to the meeting will be available the week prior to the meeting.

LUNCHEON TO SUPPORT OUR YOUTH MISSION TRIP. Sun., May 31, following Congregational Meeting, Congregational Hall. Support our Dominican Republic Mission Team at a themed congregational lunch. Proceeds benefit the construction of a new church building in the Dominican Republic, which our youth will help build. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821

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.

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 Prosopon School of Iconography and photographs of Russian Orthodox Christian churches by BMPC member Linda Madara. On May 13, Linda Madara will discuss her photos in Witherspoon Parlor at 7:30 p.m.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL. Can you help out this summer? Share a story with our two and three year olds in the nursery, or help us worship together at our special chapel service for ages four to ten years. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

CHILD AND YOUTH PROTECTION. Become a certified volunteer to work with children and youth. Required training dates will be offered in May and June. For details and dates, contact MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

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.

STOP HUNGER NOW UPDATE. The 20,000 meals that were packed from our Stop Hunger Now event on April 11 have been shipped to Zambia making a total of 285,120 packaged meals for Salesian Missions to distribute, along with shoes and sports equipment.

Today

FIFTH GRADE HYMNAL PRESENTATION. 9:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Fifth grade students, their families and those who have helped with their Sunday school are invited for donuts and light snacks in Congregational Hall. During the Children's Moment at the 10:00 a.m. service, we will hand out hymnals as fifth graders "step up" from the children's program to the youth program. MaryRichards@bmpc.org., ext. 8811.

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

This Week

DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE. Tues., May 12, 1:30 p.m., Fullerton Room. Join us for snacks, fellowship and book discussion. Helen Gelhard leads the discussion of *Christ Stopped at Eboli: The Story of a Year* by Carlo Levi. Readers of all ages and interests are welcome! Eric Johnson, johnsone@cpenow.com.

THE BIBLE FOR BEGINNERS. Thurs., May 14, 7:00 p.m., home of Nancy Wolcott. Please RSVP to Anita Iyengar, adiyengar@gmail.com.

CASSEROLE BLITZ. Sat., May, 16, 8:30 a.m., main kitchen. Family-friendly event where we prepare nutritious casseroles to be delivered to Philadelphia area food cupboards and homeless shelters. Sandie Nicholson, sandiekev@verizon.net.

DAY OF DIRT AND THE GLORY. Sat., May 16, 9:00 a.m. or at 1:00 p.m., West Kensington Ministry, 2140 N. Hancock, Philadelphia. Help remove dirt from the basement to create an area for programs and activities. Bring a pair of gloves and a bucket and help us reach our goal to fill a dumpster. Each time slot is three hours. the Rev. Adan A. Mairena, adan.mairena@gmail.com, 267 324-7386.

Upcoming

TEN YEARS OF BROAD STREET MINISTRY. Sun., May 17, 4:00 p.m., Worship; 5:30 p.m., party. Free food, great music, Federal Donuts donuts cake, and a photo booth with Philadelphia photographer, JJ Tiziou! For more information: www. BroadStreetMinistry.org/Anniversary.

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.

YOUTH END-OF-YEAR PARTY. Sun., May 17, 11:30 a.m., Congregational Hall. Youth and their families are invited to celebrate with food catered by Chef Ruth and to meet Hadley Claire Smith. Free will offering. RSVP: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

PERSPECTIVES IN MUSIC. Tues., May 19, 11:30 p.m., Overbrook Country Club, 799 Godfrey Rd, Villanova. Our spring finale luncheon will feature harpist, Anne Sullivan. RSVP by May 16. Forms are available on the PW kiosk in the Ministries Center or contact DeAnn Clancy, 610-525-8347, deannclancy@hotmail.com.

CHANGE OF DATE: Y-GROUP MONTHLY MEETING. Thurs., May 21, 9:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Interest group for mothers and caregivers of children of all ages. We welcome all for our pot-luck, year-end brunch and to attend certified Parent Educator Florence Sturm's parenting class filled with wisdom, humor, and practical advice. Tricia Mackay, tricia.mackay@gmail.com.

HOLY LEISURE. Fri., May 22, 6:00 p.m., home of Janet Haas, 459 Huston Road, Radnor. Spend the evening with BMPC women of all ages for a pot-luck dinner, discussion and fellowship. Discussion and fellowship led by the Rev. Rachel Pedersen. RSVP with pot-luck donation to Janet White, JanetW298@verizon.net, 610-254-0231.

Save the Date

INHABITING EDEN SERIES: GET YOUR LAWN OFF DRUGS. Wed., May 20, 7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Host of *You Bet Your Garden* public radio show, Mike McGrath, shares the essentials for keeping your garden looking good without adding pesticides or herbicides.

MIDEAST TRIP: DARE TO UNDERSTAND. Oct. 8 - 19, sponsored by the Interfaith Center of Greater Philadelphia. Journey to Turkish, Israeli and Palestinian cities. For flyers and registration forms, contact CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

Care & Concern:

ASSIST WITH INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK. IHN guests will arrive at BMPC today and stay through May 10. If you are able to assist by preparing and serving dinner or spending the night, contact Barbara Heaton, BarbaraHHeaton@gmail.com, 610-667-2197.

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

GET INVOLVED. We offer volunteer opportunities through our local mission partners, Saturday Service Days, casserole blitzes, tutoring program, driving corps, knitting ministries and more. Visit "outreach" on our website or contact SueGibbons@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

PASTORAL CARE. If you (or someone you know in our community) are going through a difficult time, our Care Team is available for home and hospital visits and prayer. You may submit prayer requests on the cards found in the pew racks or visit www.bmpc.org/prayer. LorieBenovic@bmpc.org, ext. 8833.

This Week's Calendar

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

Today, May 10, 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 - 11:15 a.m.

8:45 a.m. Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 201

Couples Bible Study, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 209

"Filling the Well" Women's Group, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 210

The Five Great Discourses in Matthew, Conference Room

9:00 a.m. Session Meets with Confimation Class, Gymnasium

10:00 a.m. Youth Gathering, Gymnasium

Hymnal Presentation during Children's Moment for Grade 5, Sanctuary Sunday School ages 2, 3, &4, Ed. Bldg.

10:15 a.m. Sunday School K - 4^{th} grade, Ed. Bldg.

Grade 5 Step Up to Youth, Ministries Center

10:30 a.m. Confirmation, Witherspoon Parlor

Youth Grade Groups

11:00 a.m. Java in the Gym, including...reception honoring the Rev. Dr. Nicole Duran and Confirmation Class's Windows into Faith (WIF) projects

11:15 a.m. Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center

Monday, May 11, 2015

9:30 a.m. DanceFit, Gymnasium

10:00 a.m. Child and Youth Protection Training, Fullerton Room

Tuesday, May 12, 2015

9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium

1:30 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Witherspoon Parlor

Wednesday, May 13, 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

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