

Confirmation



***Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church***

May 17, 2015
8:00 a.m., Chapel
Seventh 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-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 in Worship

GET CONNECTED. Please fill out the fellowship register as indicated during worship 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 may 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

Rachel Pedersen

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

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

All: Worship the Lord with gladness.

One: Come into God's presence with singing!

All: For the Lord is a gracious God

One: Whose mercy is everlasting,
and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.

† HYMN 485

To God Be the Glory

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CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† *Please stand, if able.*

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-



fraid. Lift up your voice - es; the Lord is near. Lift up your voice - es; the Lord is near.

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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Bryan Hauptfuhrer

FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 31:1-6 (*p. 733 in pew Bible*)

Bryan Hauptfuhrer

SECOND LESSON 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 (*p. 185 in pew Bible*)

Kellen A. Smith

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

The Gracious Mercy of God

Kellen A. Smith

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*† **HYMN 525**

Here I Am, Lord

HERE I AM, LORD

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Rachel Pedersen

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

Kellen A. Smith

† HYMN 346

Christ, You Are the Fullness

ARIRANG

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

POSTLUDE

† Please stand, if able.

Worship Notes

2015 CONFIRMANDS PRESENTED AT 10:00 WORSHIP

Alexander D. Andrews
Evan G. Babiash
Marcus A. Beato **
Isabel T. Burton
A. Samuel Chase
Amelia M. Coursen
Siobhan Daley-Gibson
Samuel R. Eaddy
Weldon T. Eaddy
Jaimee A. Getty
Miles C. Harden**
Brock C. Hoehn

Olivia W. Hughart
Isabelle H. Kitchel
Isabella K. Maloney**
Jake C. McClain
William B. Micheletti
John C. Munroe
Nicholas S. Parente
Alexander N. Peetros
Emily V. Pinsk**
J. David Pomeroy
James T. Powell
Ann Elisabeth B. Rau

Benjamin E. Schmid
Isabella E. Schneider
Christopher M. Snyder
S. Grant Stevens
Alex D. Storrer
Lindsay A. Tillman
A. Sophia Udicious
Carter M. Valerio
Thomas N. Ward
Peter F. Zirkilton
Katerina Zisman
***Presented for Baptism*

Today we confirm the youth who started Confirmation Class in September, 2014. Over the past year, they have continued their faith journeys, strengthened by the help of their teachers, mentors and families. Confirmation is about becoming a fully participating member of the church and today is a time for our Confirmands to answer questions in front of the congregation about what they believe, how they will treat others, and how they think the church should be speaking to the world. As a congregation, we welcome these youth with open arms and encourage them into all ministries of the church.

Agnes Norfleet regrets that she is unable to join us for this celebration of Confirmation. She and Larry are in New Orleans for son James Arney's graduation from Tulane University.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ida Virginia Evans

CHAPEL GARDEN FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Stuart K. Gord

GREETING AND HOSTING FELLOWSHIP

Representatives of the Main Line Adult Day Center
Join them after worship to enjoy refreshments and fellowship.

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Brian Middleton

SERVING COMMUNION

Deacon Bryan Hauptfuhrer

Announcements

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 in the week prior to the meeting.

PENTECOST OFFERING. Your gift to the Pentecost Offering unites young people in Christ and inspires them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world. Envelopes are in the pew racks or note “Pentecost Offering” on the memo line of your check. This offering will be collected through Pentecost Sunday, May 24. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

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.

SUMMER CHOIR. Begins Sun., Jun. 14. All singers (ages 12 to adults) are invited on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. for a short rehearsal in the choir loft, then to stay and sing for the 10:00 a.m. service. Summer choir is simple (one anthem and hymns), and informal (no robes). No long-term commitment, no need to sign up in advance. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL. Can you help 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 4 - 10. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP REGISTRATION. Mon., June 22 to Fri., June 26, BMPC campus. Join us for a week when students age 3 - rising 6th graders grow in God’s love, serve neighbors, and build a community together. Volunteers welcome. For more details and to register, search “Vacation Bible Camp” at bmpc.org. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

CHILD AND YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING. Become a certified volunteer to work with children and youth. Required training dates will be offered in May and June. For details, 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. Come and purchase a perfect book for summer reading! You also can borrow books from our Converse House Library. Kat MacMurray, KatRMac2@gmail.com.

STOP HUNGER NOW UPDATE. Meals from our meal packaging event in April have been shipped to Salesian Missions in Zambia. Salesian Missions operates 5,000 schools and technical training centers, 23 colleges, 216 clinics and hospitals, 225 orphanages and shelters, and runs a wide variety of social and economic development activities throughout the world.

Today

MOTHER'S DAY COLLECTION — LAST DAY. Bring infant formula and baby food to the collection boxes and baskets in the Ministries Center, Education Building and Narthex for children at St. Barnabas Mission. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

YOUTH END-OF-YEAR PARTY. 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.

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

This Week

CARING AND CRAFTS. Mon., May 18, 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., May 19, 12:00 noon, Converse House Parlor. Discussion of *Lila* by Marilynne Robinson. Bring a brown bag lunch and beverage along with suggestions for upcoming book selections. Sherry Archer, Sherry.archer19@yahoo.com.

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.

Y-GROUP BRUNCH AND PARENTING PROGRAM. 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, fellowship, and discussion led by the Rev. Rachel Pedersen. RSVP with pot-luck donation to Janet White, JanetW298@verizon.net, 610-254-0231.

Upcoming

GREAT DECISIONS. Tues., May 26, 2:30 p.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Auditorium. Marilyn Irwin leads monthly discussions of global affairs issues based on the Foreign Policy Association briefing books and DVDs. This month: U.S. Policy toward Africa — how can U.S. policy live up to its promise and values while securing its interests in the region? Marilyn Irwin, marirwin@aol.com.

Y-GROUP BOOK DISCUSSION. Tues., May 26, 7:30 p.m., home of Judi Green, 624 South Devon Ave., Wayne. Mothers and caregivers of children of all ages. Judi leads our discussion of *The Dinner* by Herman Kock. RSVP with your appetizer or beverage donation to judigreen1@aol.com or 610-525-1832.

FEED THE HUNGRY. Sat., May 30, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Carpool from BMPC to help prepare and serve lunch at “Our Brother’s Place” homeless shelter for men. Contact Pam Haynes Walsh, haynes-walsh@comcast.net or 610-667-0972.

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

BMPC Online

BMPC ONLINE. Visit our website, www.bmpc.org, for updated information and our complete calendar, including open registrations. Under “News & Media,” you’ll find pastors’ columns, archives of recorded sermons, and our other church publications. Our “search box” on the top right of our home page should help you find what 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

For more information visit our website at www.bmpc.org, call the church office (610-525-2821), or contact communications@bmpc.org.

Today, May 17, 2015

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

10:00 a.m. Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary

The Rev. Kellen Smith will preach.

7:45 a.m. Childcare, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102 (through 11:15 a.m.)

8:30 a.m. Confirmation Breakfast, Congregational Hall

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

10:00 a.m. Confirmation Sunday, Sanctuary

Sunday School ages 2, 3, &4, Ed. Bldg.

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

11:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn (Parents pick up children in Ed. Bldg.)

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

11:30 a.m. High School and Middle School End of Year Cookout, Congregational Hall

Monday, May 18, 2015

9:15 a.m. Caring and Crafts, Gloucester Room

9:30 a.m. DanceFit, Gymnasium

Tuesday, May 19, 2015

7:00 a.m. Primary Election Voting, Ed. Bldg.

8:30 a.m. Tuesday Morning Study Group, Converse House Parlor

9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium

11:30 a.m. Perspectives in Music Luncheon, Overbrook Country Club

12:00 p.m. Urban Suburban Book Group, Converse House Parlor

5:00 p.m. Child and Youth Protection Training, Fullerton Room

7:30 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium

Wednesday, May 20, 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
- 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
- 7:00 p.m. Inhabiting Eden: Get Your Lawn Off Drugs, Congregational Hall
Vacation Bible Camp Volunteer Training, Fullerton Room

Thursday, May 21, 2015

- 9:00 a.m. Thursday Morning Prayer Group, Chapel
Y-Group, Congregational Hall
- 9:30 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
- 2:30 p.m. Caregivers Support Group, Converse House Parlor
- 6:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Dinner, Congregational Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center
- 7:30 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
- 9:00 p.m. Harmony Choir, Fine Arts Center

Friday, May 22, 2015

- 9:30 a.m. DanceFit, Gymnasium
- 6:00 p.m. Holy Leisure, home of Janet Haas

Saturday, May 23, 2015

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

Sunday, May 24, 2015

- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Choir School and Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
Grades 6 - 12 in worship with their families.
Sunday School for ages 2 - grade 5.

Donate a New Hymnal! Help fill our church with new volumes (\$20 each).
Upon request, book plates will indicate names of donors and honorees.

Amount \$ _____ Your Name: _____

Circle one: In Memory of/In Honor of (optional): _____

Put this tear-off and your payment in the "Donations" envelope in the pew rack and place it in an offering plate, or visit the hymnal sales table in the Court.

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

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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