



Our
STEWARDSHIP
Journey

***Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church***

October 18, 2015
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to BMPC

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

NEW HERE? Stop by the information alcove near the main entrance to learn more about us or ask questions and join us for refreshments in the Ministries Center Court following worship. We invite you to participate according to your interests and hope you will return often. Questions? Contact DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

TO ASSIST YOU DURING WORSHIP: Large print bulletins and hearing assistance devices are available; ask an usher. Children's bulletins with crayons may be found near the main entrance.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH:

Childcare: infants - age 2; 7:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.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 Ed. Bldg.

Grades 6 - 12: 10:00 a.m., Youth Gathering in Gym;

10:30 a.m., Grade Groups in the Ministries Center

GETTING 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 each other after worship.

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP. Stop by the Ministries Center Court for a cup of coffee between 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. and for refreshments and fellowship after the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Families with young children are invited to gather for refreshments in the Education Building Lobby after Sunday School.

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



GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

Fugue in G
Canzonetta in C

Dieterich Buxtehude

* WELCOME

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Let us come together in the presence of God,

All: One in faith and one in spirit.

One: For it is good to give thanks to the Lord,

All: To sing praises to God's name.

One: We come seeking new life,

All: Trusting in God's goodness and grace.

One: In gratitude and thanksgiving,

All: Let us worship God with joyful songs of praise.

† HYMN 299

You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

HANOVER

CALL TO CONFESSION AND

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Loving God, we offer our praise for your wonderful gifts to us – for your love that sustains us and binds us together as your people; for your power that fills the earth and brings new life; for your peace that takes away fear and brings us to hope. Forgive us, O God, when we fail to trust in your presence, and when we fail to trust in your purpose for our lives and for the world. Help us to know how we are being called to discipleship, that we may serve with gladness and joy, through Jesus Christ.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*† GLORIA PATRI *(in unison)*

(Hymnal 581)

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



Go now, child-ren with our bless-ing, 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.

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

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 104:1-9 (p. 554 in pew Bible)

Agnes W. Norfleet

ANTHEM

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot Alice Parker & Robert Shaw
Sanctuary Choir

Swing low, sweet chariot, comin' for to carry me home. I looked over Jordan, and what did I see, a band of angels comin' after me. Oh, I'm sometimes up, and sometimes down, sometimes I'm almost to the ground. Swing low, sweet chariot, comin' for to carry me home.

SECOND LESSON

Mark 10:35-45 (p. 47 in pew Bible)

Brian K. Blount

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

SERMON

Focus

Brian K. Blount

† HYMN 818

By Gracious Powers

INTERCESSOR

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*A Declaration of Faith*) Agnes W. Norfleet

As in the early Christian community, so in the centuries since,
the Spirit has formed and identified the church.

We acknowledge the true church of Jesus Christ
wherever the work of the Spirit is evident:
in preaching and sacraments,
in the new life and continuous growth of believers,
in sharing of the spiritual gifts and material things,
in mission and service to the world.

MINISTRY MOMENT Mark Dawejko on behalf of *Our Stewardship Journey*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Agnes W. Norfleet
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 O Praise the Lord, All Ye Nations Georg Philipp Telemann
Sanctuary Choir

Alexandra Cutler-Fetkewicz and Hyo Samantha Crawford, violins

O praise ye the Lord God, all ye nations! O praise Him, all ye people! For his steadfast love is great to us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever. Alleluia.

† **DOXOLOGY** (*in unison*) (*Hymnal 606*)

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 320** The Church of Christ in Every Age WAREHAM

† **BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE** Brian K. Blount

POSTLUDE Præludium in D Major Dieterich Buxtehude

Worship Notes

PREACHING: THE REV. DR. BRIAN K. BLOUNT

BMPC is honored to have as our 2015 Theologian-in-Residence the Rev. Dr. Brian K. Blount, President and Professor of New Testament at Union Presbyterian Seminary, Richmond, VA, and Charlotte, NC. He was called to this position in 2007 after serving for 15 years as the Richard J. Dearborn Professor of New Testament Interpretation at Princeton Theological Seminary.

Professor Blount's primary work has been in the Gospel of Mark, the Book of Revelation and in the area of cultural studies and hermeneutics.

During his weekend with us, Dr. Blount is focusing on the Gospel of Mark, especially on how he believes Mark informs and instructs the church today.

This program is supported by the Theologian-in-Residence Fund in the BMPC Foundation in honor of the Rev. Dr. David B. and Ruth Watermulder.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Daniel Mark Caesar
Matthew Joseph Hnatin
Jim and Adell Burdick

GREETING AND HOSTING

Representatives of Stewardship Committee

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Dianne Heard

PRELUDE AND POSTLUDE

Today's prelude features two fugal compositions by Dieterich Buxtehude, Fugue in G and Canzonetta in C. The postlude is another one of Buxtehude's incredible Praeludia in the key of D Major. D Major was viewed as a triumphant key in the Baroque era, and pieces in this key generally feature fanfare-like writing. Buxtehude follows this unwritten guideline and in doing so, creates one of his most jovial organ compositions.

Announcements

COMMITMENT SUNDAY IS A WEEK AWAY. Let our Stewardship Journey begin! We are a congregation of generous people, so please once again, show your gratitude by giving generously as you make your commitment to the church's ministry and mission on Sunday, October 25.

VISUAL ARTS. Photographers – we invite your participation in a Congregational Photography Show opening Sun., Nov. 1. Submit up to five photos by Mon., Oct. 26; search “visual arts” on our website or see the Music and Fine Arts kiosk in the Ministries Center Court for guidelines. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

OUTREACH GRANTS. Organizations that are in West Philadelphia and/or are Presbytery-related are encouraged to apply for BMPC's 2016 outreach grants. Search “grants” at www.bmpc.org; deadline is Nov. 15. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

REGISTER FOR THE WEEKDAY SCHOOL. Registrations for the 2016-17 school year are underway; BMPC members have priority in placement through Oct. 30. For more information contact Kim Black, weekdayschool@bmpc.org, 610-520-8840.

Today

LECTURE BY THE REV. DR. BRIAN BLOUNT. Congregational Hall, following 10:00 a.m. worship. This weekend's Theologian-in-Residence presents a lecture, “Jesus as a Teacher.” Includes light brunch; all welcome. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINIATURE GOLF. 4:00-6:00 p.m, Tee's Golf Center, Conshohocken. Middle schoolers are invited for an afternoon of fellowship, mini golf and pizza. Cost: \$15. KellenSmith@bmpc.org.

This Week

DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE. Tues., Oct. 20, 1:30 p.m.. Fullerton Room. Eric Johnson leads a discussion of *The Murder of Roger Ackroyd* by Agatha Christie, which has an innovative twist ending. A PDF file of the work is available on the Internet. EricThorJohnson@gmail.com.

INTRODUCTION TO MINDFULNESS MEDITATION SERIES. Wednesdays through Nov. 18, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Discover the benefits of meditation with the Rev. John Hill, therapist with the Middleton Center. \$15 per session payable in class. Register: JoyceKrajian@bmpc.org, 610-525-0766.

URBAN SUBURBAN BOOK GROUP. Tues., Oct. 20, 7:00 p.m., Overbrook Presbyterian Church. Discussion of *Americanah* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. Sherry.archer19@yahoo.com.

BIBLE FOR BEGINNERS. Thurs., Oct. 22, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. Led by the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick. Meets monthly. Anita Iyengar, aciyengar@gmail.com.

YOUNG ADULTS RETREAT TO POCONOS. Oct. 23-25 . Young Adult Ministry for (20s and 30s) is renting a house for the weekend to enjoy a great time of fellowship, conversation, rest, and fun. Lodging and meals included at no cost. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

Next Sunday

MIND THE GAP: UNDERSTANDING ECONOMIC INEQUALITY. Sun., Oct. 25, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Explore the Christian response to income disparity with panel members Jon Pahl, Jana Nestlerode and Jondhi Harrell. Light lunch provided. Presented by our Peacemaking Committee and Adult Education Council. Register preferred, walk-ins welcome. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

9TH GRADE YOUTH AND PARENT BRUNCH. Sun., Oct. 25, 11:30 a.m., Pastor Kellen's Manse. All 9th grade families are invited for a time of fellowship after worship. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

VIOLA AND PIANO RECITAL. Sun., Oct. 25, 2:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Sarah Sutton, viola, and Edward Landin, piano, perform works by J. S. Bach, Arvo Pärt, Benjamin Britten, Howard Ferguson, and Rebecca Clarke. Free-will offering. Reception to follow in celebration of the performers and the artists represented in the BMPC Permanent Art Exhibition hung throughout the Ministries Center. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

Y-GROUP HAYRIDE & BONFIRE. Sun., Oct. 25, 5:30 p.m., Linvilla Orchards. Hayride for the whole family followed by a bonfire with hotdogs and marshmallows; \$20 per person/ \$75 per family. Payments to BMPC attn: Mary Richards by Oct. 22, MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

HIGH SCHOOL HAYRIDE AND BONFIRE. Sun., Oct. 25, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Sugartown Strawberries Farm, Malvern. Youth in grades 9-12 share an evening of fellowship, campfire songs, and s'mores. Cost: \$15. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

Upcoming

PERSPECTIVES IN MUSIC. Mon., Oct. 26, 1:30 p.m., Fine Arts Center. Philadelphia Orchestra member, violinist and Assistant Concert Master Marc Rovetti shares his violin artistry. DeAnnClancy@hotmail.com, 610-525-8347.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY MUSIC IN WORSHIP. Sun., Nov. 1, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary. Our Sanctuary Choir performs Maurice Duruflé's *Requiem* as part of the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Edward Landin, organist; Jeffrey Brillhart, conductor. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

SOCIAL JUSTICE AND THE HEBREW PROPHETS. Sundays, Nov. 1 – 15, 11:15 a.m. As we continue on our journey determining “Who is our neighbor?”, Tim Horner of Villanova University leads us in a discussion about the Hebrew Prophets and how this defines our insider/outsider mentality when we self identify as Christians. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

8TH GRADE YOUTH AND PARENT BRUNCH. Sun., Nov. 1, 11:30 a.m., Pastor Kellen’s Manse. All 8th grade families are invited for a time of fellowship after worship. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

WALK THE LABYRINTH IN PRAYER. Tues., Nov. 3, 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.

Caring & Sharing

FIGHT HUNGER. Help prepare casseroles in our kitchen on Sat., Oct. 24, at 8:30 a.m. or contribute to the white hunger envelopes in the pews to provide food for emergency food cupboards, homeless shelters, and hunger relief organizations. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

SERVE LUNCH. Sat., Oct. 31, 10:15 a.m.; meet in the Ministries Center to carpool to prepare and serve lunch at Our Brother’s Place homeless shelter. Return by 2:00 p.m. Pam Haynes Walsh, haynes-walsh@comcast.net.

DONATE HALLOWEEN CANDY FOR THE COMMON PLACE. Place candy (no nuts, please) for their Halloween party in the collection bins in the Ministries Center or Education Building. The Common Place, a sacred space serving the families of Southwest Philadelphia, receives support from our Eugene C. Bay Fund through our Outreach Council. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

LEND A HAND AT WEST KENSINGTON MINISTRY. Sat., Nov. 7, 9:00 a.m. “Day of the Dirt and the Glory.” WKM is having a massive bucket brigade to remove the dirt from their basement to create more programmatic space. To carpool with other volunteers, register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

HELP WITH SUNDAY SCHOOL. Join us as you are able to help make our classes special for children age 2 - grade 5. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

REQUEST 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, October 18, 2015

- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Sanctuary
Our seminary intern David Smith will preach.
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary
The Rev. Dr. Brian Blount will preach.
- 7:45 a.m. Childcare for infants - age 2, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102 (through 12:30 p.m.)
- 8:45 a.m. Child and Youth Protection Training, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 210
Couples Bible Study, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 205
"Filling the Well" Women's Group, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 104
Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Conference Room
Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 201
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School for ages 2 - 4, Ed. Bldg.
Grades K - 5 begin worship in the Sanctuary
Youth Gathering (Grades 6 - 12), Gymnasium
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School for Grades K - 5, Ed. Bldg.
- 10:30 a.m. Confirmation, Witherspoon Parlor
Youth Grade Groups, Ministries Center
- 11:00 a.m. Cafe in the Court
Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
- 11:15 a.m. Theologian-in-Residence Lecture and Light Brunch, Congregational Hall
Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
- 4:00 p.m. Middle School Mini Golf, Tee's Golf Center

Monday, October 19, 2015

- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

Tuesday, October 20, 2015

- 8:30 a.m. Tuesday Morning Study Group, Converse House Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
- 9:30 a.m. Pathways to Clergy Renewal, Congregational Hall
- 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
- 1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
- 1:30 p.m. Dimensions in Literature, Fullerton Room
- 6:00 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.
- 7:00 p.m. Urban Suburban Book Group, Overbrook Presbyterian Church
- 7:30 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19 Committee Meeting, Gymnasium

Wednesday, October 21, 2015

- 8:00 a.m. Weekday Contemplative Prayer Group, Converse House Parlor
Stewardship Meeting, Conference Room
- 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. Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room
- 1:00 p.m. Mindful Meditation Class, Witherspoon Parlor
- 4:30 p.m. Wednesdays Together (Children's Choir), Fine Arts Center
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
- 7:00 p.m. Student Serve - High School Leadership Team, Loft
Trustee Meeting, Conference Room

Thursday, October 22, 2015

- 9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
- 10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
Memoir Writing Class, Fullerton Room
- 2:30 p.m. MLADC Board Meeting, Conference Room
- 7:00 p.m. Bible for Beginners, Gloucester Room
Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center
- 7:30 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium

Friday, October 23, 2015

- 9:00 a.m. Infant/Toddler "Friday Morning Out," Ed. Bldg.
- 9:30 a.m. DanceFit, Gymnasium
- 11:00 a.m. Matter of Balance, Gloucester Room and Witherspoon Parlor
- 4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Ed. Bldg.
- 5:00 p.m. Young Adults' Retreat: Poconos, meet in main parking lot

Saturday, October 24, 2015

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 8:30 a.m. Casserole Blitz, Main Kitchen
- 10:30 a.m. Sanctuary Choir: Alto Sectional Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center

Sunday, October 25, 2015: Stewardship Dedication

- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Sanctuary
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
Sunday School for age 2 - grade 12.

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Mission

Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry

Kellen A. Smith, Associate Pastor for Youth, Their Families and College Ministries

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