

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

November 22, 2015 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary Christ the King Sunday

Welcome to BMPC

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

NEW HERE? Visit the information alcove near the main Sanctuary entrance to learn more about us, 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 coffee between 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. and come to the Advent Gift Market today in Congregational Hall 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** Pièce d'orgue J. S. Bach

WELCOME Rebecca Kirkpatrick

*† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Be Joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness,

All: And come before God's presence with singing.

One: Know this: The Lord alone is God;

All: We belong to the Lord, who made us.

One: We are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

All: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving;
One: For the Lord is good, his mercy is everlasting;

All: And his faithfulness endures from age to age.

† **HYMN** 41

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

LYONS

CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Holy God, you are light and truth.

We confess that we often dwell in darkness and falsehood.

Sin drives us into ourselves and away from you.

We almost come to believe

that it is possible for us to make it on our own,

but in moments we are honest,

and we see the errors of our ways.

Walking away from you leads only to our ruin.

Turn us around. Capture our hearts. Cleanse our spirits.

In your light, may we see who we are.

In your truth, may we see who we can become.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*† GLORIA PATRI (in unison)

(Hymnal 581)

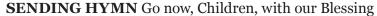
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

(Children are invited to come forward for the Children's Moment.)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen





During the Sending Hymn, children depart for their Sunday School classes.

FIRST LESSON

Revelation 1:4b-8 (p. 245 in pew Bible) Rebecca Kirkpatrick

ANTHEM

With a Voice of Singing

Martin Shaw

With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia. Utter it even unto the ends of the earth. The Lord hath delivered his people. Alleluia. O be joyful in God, all ye lands. O sing praises to the honor of his name; make his praise to be glorious.

SECOND LESSON

John 18:33-37 (p. 113 in pew Bible)

Agnes W. Norfleet

SERMON

What Is Truth?

Agnes W. Norfleet

† **HYMN** 310

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

ST. THOMAS

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (in unison)

Richard Wohlschlaeger

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

he descended into hell;

the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen. ~ The Apostles' Creed

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Richard Wohlschlaeger

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.

OFFERING AND

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Canticle of Thanksgiving

Mark Schweizer

God is our refuge and strength, in strife our constant aid; Therefore, although the earth be removed, we will not be afraid: Our God, who is the Lord of hosts, is still upon our side; and ever will abide. Though mountains fall to seas, and oceans leap with foam; And roar in anger, yet we still find in His grace our home. Our God, who is the Lord of hosts, is still upon our side; and ev'ry need provide. Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done, in Whom this world rejoices; Who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today. Come, and behold what works have by the Lord been made; Come, see what wonders now proclaimed in majesty arrayed. Our God, who is the Lord of hosts, our guardian and our guide; will ever more abide.

Please fill in the Fellowship Register at the end of your pew; pass it down your row and back again.

† **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** 643

Now Thank We All Our God

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† BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE

Agnes W. Norfleet

POSTLUDE

Pièce Heroïque

César Franck

† Please stand, if able.

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Elizabeth R. Pantaleoni

GREETING AND HOSTING

Representatives of the Advent Gift Market

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Bob Holmes

TODAY'S POSTLUDE

César Franck was a Belgian-born composer who resided in Paris most of his life. He was undoubtedly the most influential composer of organ music in 19th century France. Around the time of Franck's appointment as organist at the Parisian church of Sainte-Clothide in 1858, there was a new organ builder in Paris, Aristide Cavaillé-Coll, who would usher in the next generation of organ design in France, and hence the birth of a new era in musical style. Cavaillé-Coll's instruments and Franck's compositions were both of the "symphonic" style, with new stops mimicking the sounds of the orchestra, new wind control mechanisms allowing for easier playing at higher wind pressure, and innovations in expression that allowed for much more subtle dynamic control by the organist. Franck composed music that utilized the full potential of these new innovations, and led a new generation of organ composers that followed in his footsteps into the 20th century: Widor, Vierne, Duruflé, Dupré, Messiaen, and Langlais just to name a few.

Pièce Héroïque, written in 1878, is an iconic Romantic piece that is symphonic in scale. It begins with a brooding melody in the bass register, which eventually grows into a full organ statement. The middle section is a much gentler and expressive treatment in the parallel major, but the phrases are accented by timpani-like fourths in the pedals. As the middle section builds in intensity, the original material from the beginning is reprised, though in a much more frantic and ornamented style. The final climactic moment is a reprise of the theme from the middle section in full, triumphant organ style.

Announcements

OUR STEWARDSHIP JOURNEY. As we give thanks for all the Lord has given us, may we remember to share our blessings. We are thankful to receive your pledge cards (in the pews) for 2016. If you have not pledged, please complete a pledge card to return by mail or pledge online at www.bmpc.org.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS. Contributions may be given in three categories for listings in the Christmas Eve bulletin: "In memory of," "In honor of," or "In celebration of (marriage, retirement, birth, baptism)." Forms are available in the Ministries Center, in the back of the Sanctuary, or at www.bmpc.org. Monies received are used year-round for our floral decorations and Deacons' flower ministry. Deadline: Sun., Nov. 29.

MAKE THIS YOUR CHURCH HOME. If you are not a member, we invite you to join our community of faith on Sun., Dec. 5. As orientation, attend our "Gathering with the Pastors" on Sunday morning, Nov. 29, to meet our pastoral staff, learn more about our church and ask questions (childcare available). Register: DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

CONGREGATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT. On view in the Conference Room and Witherspoon Parlor through Sunday, Nov. 29. Reception today in the Ministries Center following Faythe Freese's organ recital. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

BOOKS MAKE A GREAT GIFT. At our Book Center in the Ministries Center Court, you will find something for children and adults alike. Open following worship and accessible on weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; the key is available at the Reception Desk. Kat MacMurray, KatRMac2@gmail.com.

Today

ADVENT GIFT MARKET. 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Congregational Hall. Opening day for our Advent Gift Market (AGM) where you may choose "gifts" representing donations that make a difference. Today you also may purchase tangible items to benefit some of the organizations. Online shopping list available: search "Advent Gift Market" at www.bmpc. org. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

SOCK TOSS FOR BROAD STREET. Today, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Gymnasium. Purchase a pair of warm socks for \$3, then test your aim at tossing socks at a target. Win prizes when you hit the target! All socks will be donated to Broad Street Ministry. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

11TH GRADE YOUTH AND PARENT BRUNCH. Sun., Nov. 22, 11:30 a.m., Pastor Kellen's Manse. All 11th grade families are invited for a time of fellowship after worship. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

ORGAN RECITAL. 2:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Organist Faythe Freese presents works from five different countries as she reflects on a year of playing organs throughout Europe. The program also includes the Pennsylvania premiere of a work she commissioned by American organist and composer Pamela Decker entitled *The Freese Collection*. Tickets may be purchased on our website or at the door: \$10 for adults; \$5 for students. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

This Week

THANKSGIVING PANCAKE BREAKFAST. Thurs., Nov. 26, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m., Congregational Hall. Join us for "Pancakes for a Purpose" and enjoy fellowship and food at this annual event. All proceeds from the breakfast (\$5 per person) support our youth mission projects and trips. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

Upcoming

AMERICAN CHRISTIAN WOMEN: LEADING THE WAY TO LOVING THE NEIGHBOR. Sundays, Nov. 29 – Dec. 20, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Jon Pahl returns to lead a class on those sisters-in-the-spirit who have led the way toward loving our neighbor over the past three centuries. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

HIGH SCHOOL SNOW RETREAT. Jan. 16-18. Early Bird Registration of \$199 due Nov. 30 (\$299 after). A winter getaway in the Poconos with snow games, tubing, great meals, worship, and a service opportunity on MLK Jr. Day. Register online at www.bmpc. org > Calendar > Open Registrations. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY. Wed., Dec. 2, 10:30 a.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom. The Rev. Richard Wohlschlaeger leads our study of *Come to the Waters* by Judy Record Fletcher, Chapter 4. For books: Joyce Malott, 610-525-4469 or okf405@erols.com.

ADVENT SERIES: THE STORIES OF JESUS' CHILDHOOD. Wednesdays, Dec. 2, 9, 16, 7:00 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick discusses the often neglected stories of Jesus' childhood as found in the Gospels of Luke and Matthew. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

Y-GROUP GIFT EXCHANGE. Thurs., Dec. 3, 6:30 p.m., home of Eleanor D'Addesi. Join moms and women of BMPC for the annual Y-Group Gift Exchange. Bring an appetizer, drink, or dessert, and a gift to exchange (\$25 limit). YGroupBMPC@gmail.com.

12TH GRADE YOUTH AND PARENT BRUNCH. Sun., Dec. 6, 11:30 a.m., Pastor Kellen's Manse. All 12th grade families are invited for a time of fellowship after worship. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

YOUNG ADULTS GATHERING. Sun., Dec. 6, 2:00 p.m. Philadelphia Museum of Art. All in their 20s or 30s are welcome for a time of fellowship with our young adult group. KellenSmith@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

PRIME TIME ADVENT PARTY (FOR SINGLES AND COUPLES AGE 50+). Sun., Dec. 6, 6:00-8:00 p.m., home of Barbara Hauptfuhrer in Wayne (directions will be mailed). \$15/person includes heavy hors d'oeuvres and beverages. Bring an unwrapped gift for an infant - 18-year-old to benefit the Brighter Holidays Project of Turning Points for Children. Register with your check payable to BMPC by Mon., Nov. 30. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

ADVENT MUSIC IN WORSHIP. Sun., Dec. 13, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary. Featuring the Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers and The Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia performing J.S. Bach's Cantata 62, *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland*. Jeffrey Brillhart, conductor. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

Caring & Sharing

DECK THE HALLS. Help our Flower Committee decorate the church with boughs of holly, wreaths, poinsettias and greens on Wednesdays, Dec. 2 & 9; Sat., Dec. 12 (1 - 3 p.m.); and Thurs. and Fri., Dec. 17 & 18 (9:30 a.m. - noon). Patti Hallowell, augustehallowell@mac.com.

BE AN "ANGEL." Sponsor a child or family for Christmas and brighten the holidays for those served by the Village. You will receive a name and wish list of new items; drop off gifts (5-8 per child) to collection boxes in our Ministries Center or Ed. Building by Dec. 6. Register: Betty Wu, efwuo1@gmail.com.

DONATE FROZEN TURKEYS AND HAMS. Bring frozen turkeys and hams to the freezers in the Ministries Center and our Hunger Committee will donate them to needy families in our area during the holidays. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

FIGHT HUNGER. Contribute to the white hunger envelopes in the pews to provide food for emergency food cupboards, homeless shelters, and hunger relief organizations and/or bring non-perishable food items to worship each Sunday to help stock local emergency food cupboards. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

This Week's Calendar

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

Today, November 22, 2015

- 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.
- 7:45 a.m. Childcare for infants age 2, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102 (to 12:30 p.m.)
- 8:45 a.m. 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. Youth Grade Groups and Confirmation, Ministries Center
- 11:00 a.m. Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
 - Advent Gift Market, Congregational Hall
 - Sock Toss for Broad Street Ministry, Gymnasium
- 11:15 a.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
- 11:30 a.m. 11th Grade Luncheon, Pastor Kellen's Manse
- 2:00 p.m. Organ Recital: Faythe Freese, Sanctuary
- 3:15 p.m. Photography Exhibit and Organist Reception, Ministries Center

Monday, November 23, 2015

9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

Tuesday, November 24, 2015

- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
- 1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
- 6:30 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.

Wednesday, November 25, 2015

9:00 a.m. Walk for Life: Walk More, Live Better!, meet in main parking lot

9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

No Wednesday Night Dinner.

Thursday, November 26, 2015

Church Office Closed: For pastoral emergencies, call 610-525-2821.

8:30 a.m. Thanksgiving Pancake Breakfast, Congregational Hall

Friday, November 27, 2015

Church Campus Closed: For pastoral emergencies, call 610-525-2821.

Saturday, November 28, 2015

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

Sunday, November 29, 2015

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. Holiday Worship Together for age 2 - grade 12.

Childcare: Birth - 3

Sunday School: 4 - Kindergarten, Room 6

1st - 3rd, Room 202

Worship Staff

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Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Mission

Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry

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