

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

January 17, 2016 8:00 a.m., Chapel Second Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome to BMPC

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

NEW HERE? Welcome! Please introduce yourself to a pastor after the service. Our programs are open to all and we invite you to participate according to your interests. Questions? Contact DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

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:** Holiday Worship Together, Sanctuary

GETTING 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 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 for refreshments and fellowship after the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Families with young children are invited to gather for refreshments in the Ed. Bldg. 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.

> **†** *"I am the resurrection and the life."* Craig W. Cullen ~ January 10, 2016





GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Rachel Pedersen

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CALL TO WORSHIP

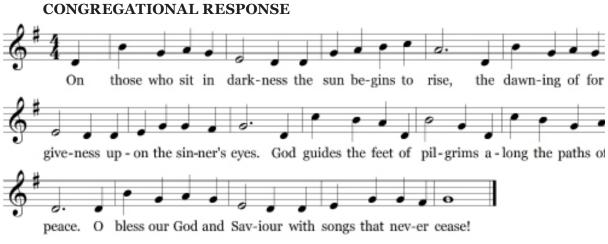
- One: From the midst of our real lives with their problems and concerns,
- All: We come to seek courage and strength from the presence of God and the support of one another.
- One: As persons who love imperfectly,
- All: We come to be renewed by the perfect love of God.
- One: As those who never fully live up to our calling in Jesus Christ,
- All: We come with hearts open to the love of God, with hands outstretched to one another, and with willing spirits to be disciples of Christ.
- + HYMN 666 O Splendor of God's Glory Bright PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

God of boundless joy:
You have called us to serve you cheerfully and to follow you faithfully, but we have turned a deaf ear to your call.
You have blessed us with gifts beyond measure, but we admit a lack of trust in your grace and mercy.
Forgive us for being preoccupied with our own concerns, and for insisting upon our own way, when you have called us to a better way.
Lead us to be better stewards of your good gifts.
Free us to trust you in all things, and to live according to your will, in the pattern of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON



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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLU	Susie Valerio	
FIRST LESSON	Isaiah 62:1-5 (p. 692 in pew Bible)	Susie Valerio
SECOND LESSON One: The Word o All: Thanks be		Agnes W. Norfleet
SERMON	Looking for Signs	Agnes W. Norfleet
HYMN 159	O Sing a Song of Bethlehem	KINGSFOLD

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RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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 offering plates 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** 39Great Is Thy FaithfulnessFAITHFULNESS

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

- One: The peace of Christ be with you.
- All: And also with you.

POSTLUDE

Worship Notes

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SANCTUARY FLOWERS

are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Gail D. Bentley Peggy and Jack Weir Ted, Marian and Gregory McMullan Joyce K. Hackman

THERE IS AN OPENING FOR SANCTUARY FLOWERS

for Sunday, February 14, 2016. Interested donors should contact Ruth Miller Cox 610-446-1595.

GREETING AND HOSTING

Members of Session

PLAYING THE CARILLON Alan Willoughby

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION Elder Susie Valerio

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Announcements

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING. Sun., Jan. 31, following the 10:00 a.m. worship service. The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for the purpose of electing church officers (elders, deacons, and trustees), members of the 2016 Nominating Committee, and members of an Associate Pastor Nominating Committee. Candidate bios will be available soon at www.bmpc.org/member-resources. PamLloyd@bmpc.org, ext. 8806.

OUR STEWARDSHIP JOURNEY. Thank you to everyone, who with a loving heart, has made a pledge commitment to BMPC. We are grateful for your gifts and are strengthened by your support.

NEW GROUP FOR PARENTS: FAITH UNDER THREE. An opportunity for parents and caregivers to gather in fellowship, support one another in prayer, and discuss how to build faith with children in the first three years of life. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

YOUTH SUMMER TRIPS EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION. Last chance to save \$100 is Jan. 31. For more information about the High School Mission Trip to Peru (5 spots left), the Middle School Urban Plunge in NYC, or Camp Kirkwood 2016, search "Summer Camps and Mission Trips" at www.bmpc.org. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

ART EXHIBIT - CRAFTS, ART, AND CULTURE OF BOTSWANA. On view and for sale in the Ministries Center through Sun., Jan. 24. Sales support the artists. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

'SOUPER BOWL" OF CARING. Sun., Feb. 7. Emergency food cupboards, homeless shelters and hunger relief organizations are in dire need of food. Our Hunger Committee and BMPC Youth will collect donations of cash and/or canned soups, stews, ravioli, and any other high-protein canned goods. Baskets will be available for donations in the Narthex, Ministries Center, and Ed. Bldg.

GREAT READS. Stop by The Book Center following worship or on weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The key to the bookcases is available at the Reception Desk. A wide variety of books are available for sale or you may check out a book from the Converse House Library. Kat MacMurray, KatRMac2@gmail.com.

SINGING FOR LIFE. BMPC's choir for older adults begins its winter/spring term on Thurs., Jan. 21, at 9:30 a.m. For registration info, contact StephanieSpeakman@bmpc. org, ext. 8836.

Today

LIFE TRANSITIONS. Sundays through Jan. 24, 11:15 a.m. Witherspoon Parlor. Patricia Danzon, Spiritual Director at the Middleton Center, discusses the distinctions between "change" and "transitions" and the Biblical stories of journey and spiritual writings and practices relevant to life transitions. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

This Week

THE REPRESENTATION PROJECT FILM SERIES. Thurs., Jan. 21, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Bryn Mawr Film Institute. "Miss Representation" exposes limiting stereotypes for girls and shows how mainstream media contributes to the under-representation of women in positions of power and influence in America. Panel discussion follows. A limited number of tickets are available free of charge from BMPC or tickets may be purchased at The Bryn Mawr Film Institute. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

INTERFAITH TU B'SHEVAT SEDER. Fri., Jan. 22, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. Gather on this rooted, creative, mystical, musical, Jewish and environmental holy day and celebrate the New Year of the Trees with a ceremonial Seder. Courtenay Willcox, mcwillcox@gmail.com.

MLK CONGREGATION-WIDE DAY OF SERVICE. Sat., Jan. 23, 8:30 a.m., meet in the Ministries Center; finish by noon. Choose between projects in the BMPC Ed. Bldg.; weatherization in Philadelphia with Habitat for Humanity; assisting seniors in the Bryn Mawr community with ElderNet; or attending a Casserole Blitz. Register at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations or CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

Upcoming

SUPPORT SYRIAN REFUGEES. Sun., Jan. 24, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Our congregation continues its discernment and education regarding the sponsorship of Syrian refugee families. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick and members who have been working with Lutheran Children and Family Services will explain the logistics of refugee support and how we can help this work of hospitality and welcome. RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org, ext. 8818.

BIBLE FOR BEGINNERS. Thurs., Jan. 28, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick leads this month's study of 1 & 2 Kings. Anita Iyengar, aciyengar@gmail.com.

YOUTH OUTING: PHILADELPHIA 76'ERS GAME. Sat., Jan. 30, 5:00 p.m., Wells Fargo Center. Meet Pastor Kellen at the Wells Fargo Center for an action-packed NBA game as the Sixers take on the World Champion Golden State Warriors. Limited tickets available; \$25. Register: Amy Bauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

TWO-PIANO RECITAL. Sun., Jan. 31, 2:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Featuring Jeffrey Brillhart and Laura Ward performing the music of Bach and Brubeck. Free-will offering. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

Save the Date

DEACONS' ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE. Mon., Feb. 1, 1:00 - 7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Volunteers are needed to donate blood and to assist with scheduling appointments. Bill Matthai, william.matthai@uphs.upenn.edu, 610-668-1842.

WALK THE LABYRINTH IN PRAYER. Tues., Feb. 2, 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.

SUPER BOWL PARTY FOR YOUTH, THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS. Sun., Feb. 7, 6:00 p.m., Pastor Kellen's manse. Enjoy great food and fellowship during the big game. RSVP to KellenSmith@bmpc.org and bring a snack to share.

Caring & Sharing

SUPPORT OUR TUTORING PROGRAM STUDENTS. Hats, gloves, scarves, and school supplies are needed for students from the William Dick School who attend our tutoring program. Place items in the collection bins in the Ministries Center and Ed. Bldg. through January. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

SERVE WITH OUR PASTORAL CARE TEAM. Provide rides for older adults, meals to those recuperating, prayer shawls for those in need of prayer, or visits to the homebound. LorieBenovic@bmpc.org or ext. 8833.

HELP FIGHT HUNGER.

- Contribute to the white hunger envelopes in the pews to provide food for emergency food cupboards, homeless shelters, and hunger relief organizations.
- Bring non-perishable food items to worship each Sunday to help stock local emergency food cupboards.

SHARE HOSPITAL INFORMATION. Current privacy laws make it more difficult for our pastors to know when BMPC members have been admitted to a hospital. Please call the church office at 610-525-2821 if you or anyone you know is hospitalized.

NEED A RIDE? We can help you with some of your transportation needs. For rides to medical appointments call Lorie Benovic, ext 8833.

SUPPORTING OUR TROOPS. Please pray for all who remain in harm's way. If you have a loved one serving in the Armed Forces, contact Janney Ryan, janneyryan610@gmail.com.

This Week's Calendar

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

Today, January 17, 2016

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.
7:45	a.m.	Childcare for infants - age 5, 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
		Holiday Worship Together for grades 6 - 12, Sanctuary
10:15	a.m.	Sunday School for Grades K - 5, Ed. Bldg.
11:00	a.m.	Cafe in the Court
		Refreshments and fellowship, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
11:15	a.m.	Life Transitions Class, Witherspoon Parlor

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Monday, January 18, 2016

Church Office Closed: *For pastoral emergencies, call 610-525-2821.* 9:30 a.m. MLK Interfaith Youth Service Day, BMPC Campus

Tuesday, January 19, 2016

- 8:00 a.m. Operation Home and Healing for Veterans, Witherspoon Parlor
- 8:30 a.m. Tuesday Morning Study Group, Converse House Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
- 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
- 1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
- 1:45 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester & Witherspoon Parlor
- 4:30 p.m. Upward Basketball Practice and Picture Day, Gymnasium
- 6:30 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.
- 7:00 p.m. Operation Home and Healing for Veterans, Fullerton Room Urban Suburban Book Group, Overbrook Presbyterian Church Boy Scouts Troop 19 Committee Meeting, Gymnasium

Wednesday, January 20, 2016

9:00	a.m.	Walk for Life: Walk More, Live Better!; meet in main parking lot
		Weekday School Home and School Association Meeting, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 205
9:30	a.m.	Dance Fit, Gymnasium
10:00	a.m.	Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room
		Clergy Renewal Think Tank, Fullerton Room
4:45	p.m.	Wednesday Together Program, Sanctuary
5:30	p.m.	Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
6:00	p.m.	Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
6:30	p.m.	Upward Basketball Practice, Gymnasium
7:00	p.m.	Student Serve, Loft
	-	Trustee Meeting, Conference Room

Thursday, January 21, 2016

- 9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
- 10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
- 7:00 p.m. "Miss Representation," Bryn Mawr Film Institute Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center Hunger Committee Meeting, Conference Room
- 7:30 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 19, Gymnasium

Friday, January 22, 2016

- 9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg.
- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
- 2:00 p.m. SmokeFREE Smoking Cessation Class, Gloucester Room
- 4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Ed. Bldg.
- 7:00 p.m. Interfaith Seder, Gloucester Room

Saturday, January 23, 2016

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor
- 8:30 a.m. Congregation Wide Day of Service, meet in Ministries Center
- 9:00 a.m. Upward Basketball Game Day, Gymnasium
- 10:00 a.m. Bereavement Group, Converse House Parlor
- 12:00 p.m. Patricia C. Shaw Interment, Memorial Service, & Reception, Chapel

Sunday, January 24, 2016

- 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. 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 Richard Wohlschlaeger, Interim Associate Pastor for Senior Adults & Pastoral Care Jeffrey Brillhart, Director of Music and Fine Arts Edward L. Landin, Assistant Director of Music

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