

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

February 14, 2016 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary First Sunday in Lent

Welcome to BMPC

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

NEW HERE? We invite you to 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. Our programs are open to all and you are welcome to participate according to your interests. 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., Holiday Worship Together, Sanctuary

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 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.



GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

Prelude on Psalm 34:6

Herbert Howells

WELCOME

Richard Wohlschlaeger

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The God of our ancestors heard our cries and saw our oppression when we were slaves in Egypt.

All: God brought us out with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; with signs and wonders God brought us through the wilderness.

One: The Lord is our shelter and refuge who promises:

All: "When my people call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble; I will show them my salvation."

† **HYMN** 618

O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

DEO GRACIAS

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

O God, you know us better than we know ourselves.

Forgive us when we fail to trust in you and when we fall to temptation.

Forgive us when we choose our ease and comfort

over your demanding claims upon us and upon the world.

Forgive our turning from you,

when we settle for less than the abundant generosity you intend.

Forgive us, we pray, and hear us as we call to you.

Show us your salvation, in Christ's name we pray.

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.)

[†] Please stand, if able. * Ushers may seat latecomers.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen



During the Sending Hymn, children grades K - 5 depart for their Sunday School classes.

FIRST LESSON

Romans 8:22-27 (p. 158 in pew Bible)

Kellen A. Smith

ANTHEM

Te Deum

Benjamin Britten

We praise Thee, O God, we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father everlasting. To Thee all Angels cry aloud, the Heavens and all the Powers therein. To Thee Cherubin and Seraphin continually do cry, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of Thy Glory. The Glorious company of the Apostles, praise Thee. The goodly fellowship of the Prophets, Praise Thee. The noble army of Martyrs, praise Thee. The Holy Church throughout the world doth acknowledge Thee. The Father of an infinite Majesty; Thine honourable, true and only Son; Also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter. Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ. Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father. When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver us, Thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb. When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, Thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers. Thou sittest at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father. We believe that Thou shalt come to be our Judge. We therefore pray Thee, help Thy servants whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood. Make them to be numbered with Thy saints in glory everlasting. O Lord, save thy people and bless Thine heritage. Govern them, and lift them up forever. Day by day we magnify Thee and we worship Thy name; ever world without end. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin. Have mercy upon us. Let thy mercy lighten upon us as our trust is in Thee. O Lord, in Thee have I trusted. Let me never be confounded.

SECOND LESSON Psalm 139 (p. 577 in pew Bible) Agnes W. Norfleet

SERMON A Psalm of God's Knowing Agnes W. Norfleet

First in Lenten series on the Psalms

† **HYMN** 28 You Are Before Me, Lord SURSUM CORDA

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

OFFERING Kellen A. Smith

OFFERTORY ANTHEM O Lord, Thou Hast Searched Me Eugene Butler

O Lord, thou hast searched me and known me. Thou knowest when I sit down and when I rise up, Thou searchest out my path and my lying down and are acquainted in all my ways. Thou layest Thy hand upon me. Wonderful are Thy works, O Lord! If I ascend into heaven Thou art there! If I take the wings of morning, Thou art there! I praise Thee for thou art wonderful and I praise Thy name.

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

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

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.

† Please stand, if able. Page 4

SANCTUS Hymn 572

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.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

As the bread and cup are distributed, you may partake individually in personal prayer. Gluten- and casein-free bread is available in the small container located on each plate.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION Selections on the Robert Hauptfuhrer Memorial Harpsichord

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

† **HYMN** 819 Be Still, My Soul FINLANDIA

† BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE

Agnes W. Norfleet

POSTLUDE Fugue on the Carillon d'Alet Craig Phillips

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Ralph F. Moriarity

GREETING AND HOSTING

Representatives of the Sanctuary Choir

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Rob Mygatt

Announcements

NOT A BMPC MEMBER? We invite you to learn more about us at our membership orientation, a "Gathering with the Pastors," on Sun., Feb. 28 before and after 10:00 a.m. worship and to be warmly welcomed with other new members on Sun., Mar. 13. Register: DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

ART EXHIBIT. "BMPC's Stained Glass and Works of Nature seen through Photographs by Bill Kemmerer" is on view in the Conference Room and Witherspoon Parlor through Feb. 28. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

ENRICH YOUR COMMUNION EXPERIENCE BY SERVING. If you are a past elder or deacon, either at BMPC or at another church, and would like to help serve communion on one or more of the Sundays when communion is served at the 10:00 a.m. service, contact Susan Bravo, B41793@aol.com or 610-578-0224.

YOUTH SUMMER TRIPS REGISTRATION. For more information about 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.

YOUTH CHORALE CAMP REGISTRATION. Spend the last days of summer making and strengthening friendships through music at Fellowship Farm in Pottstown, PA; August 28-31; \$50. We will prepare an anthem to present in Worship on Rally Day in September. To participate, notify Edward Landin by Fri., Apr. 1. EdwardLandin@bmpc. org, ext. 8837.

NEW GROUP FOR PARENTS: FAITH UNDER THREE. A monthly 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.

BOOKS WRITTEN BY BMPC MEMBERS AVAILABLE. Visit the Ministries Center Court following worship or on weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; the key to the bookcase is available at the Reception Desk. A wide variety of books are available for sale or you may check out a book from our Converse House Library. Kat MacMurray, KatRMac2@gmail.com.

Today

STAINED GLASS PRESENTATION. 11:15 a.m., Chapel. Arthur Femenella, renowned and prize-winning stained glass conservator who has assisted with BMPC's windows, will speak about stained glass window fabrication and conservation. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

The Season of Lent

DAILY LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET. Guide and enrich your journey through the 40 days of Lent using a devotional written by BMPC members and staff. Copies are available in church information racks or you may access the devotions on our website, search "Devotional" at www.bmpc.org.

LENTEN SATURDAY VESPERS. Saturdays, Feb. 20 - Mar. 12, 4:00 p.m., Chapel. Led by the Revs. Rachel Pedersen and Rebecca Kirkpatrick. Center yourself in scripture, pray together through the Psalms, feed your soul through music, and enact the Gospel through interactive prayer stations. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, 8819.

EXPLORING CHRISTIAN PRACTICES. Sundays, Feb. 21 - Mar. 20, 11:15 a.m., Ed. Bldg. Rm. 205. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick leads a discussion about how the ways we practice our faith can strengthen it. A DVD series of leading voices in the church will assist us as we share our experiences. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

CAN WE TALK ABOUT SIN? Sundays, Feb. 21 - 28 & Mar. 13 - 20, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Paul Burgmayer leads this class about a word we don't hear much, "sin." We'll explore the history and what it means today. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

ORGAN RECITALS. Tuesdays in March, 12:00 p.m., Sanctuary, sponsored by the American Guild of Organists. Spend your lunch hour listening to local organists play BMPC's magnificent Rieger organ. Mar. 1 - Andrew Senn; Mar. 8 - Zach Hemenway; Mar. 15 - Jeffrey Brillhart; Mar. 22 - Edward Landin; Mar. 29 - Kathleen Scheide. Free admission. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

This Week

URBAN SUBURBAN BOOK GROUP. Tues., Feb. 16, noon, Converse House Parlor. Discussion of *The End of Your Life Book Club* by William Schwalbe. Bring a sandwich and beverage. sherry.archer19@yahoo.com.

GREAT DECISIONS. Tues., Feb. 16, 2:30 p.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Auditorium. Marilyn Irwin leads a discussion of *Shifting Alliances in the Middle East*. Marilyn Irwin, marirwin@aol.com.

BMPC WOMEN'S MOVIE MINI-RETREAT. Fri., Feb. 19, 5:00 p.m. for dinner preparation, 6:30 p.m. for dinner followed by a showing of the film *Chocolat* and a discussion led by the Revs. Rachel Pedersen and Rebecca Kirkpatrick. Bring your favorite chocolate dessert to share. Register by Feb. 17: MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

Upcoming

BIBLE FOR BEGINNERS, Thurs., Feb. 25, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. Focus on the prophets Amos, Hosea, Micah, Isaiah, Jeremiah. Anita Iyengar, aciyengar@gmail.com.

Y-GROUP COUPLES SOIREE. Sat., Feb. 27, 7:00 p.m. An evening of fellowship at the home of Sam and Ali Hinkie in Bryn Mawr. hinkie.ali@gmail.com.

WALK THE LABYRINTH IN PRAYER. Tues., Mar. 1, 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

CASSEROLE BLITZ. Sat., Feb. 20, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. main kitchen. Family friendly event to prepare casseroles for delivery to Philadelphia area food cupboards and homeless shelters. Sandie Nicholson, sandiekev@verizon.net.

WORLDWIDE MINISTRIES GRANT. Applications for BMPC's worldwide ministries grant are available at www.bmpc.org, search "grants." Deadline, March 1, 2016. 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.

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.

SUPPORT 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, February 14, 2016

7:45 a.m. Childcare for infants - age 5, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102 (to 12:30 p.m.)

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

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. Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary

Sunday School for ages 2 - 4, Ed. Bldg.

Grades K - 5 begin worship in the Sanctuary

Grades 6 - 12 Holiday Worship Together, Sanctuary

10:15 a.m. Sunday School for Grades K - 5, Ed. Bldg.

11:00 a.m. Cafe in the Court

Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby

11:15 a.m. Stained Glass Windows Presentation, Chapel

Choir Tour Committee Meeting, Converse House Parlor

Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center

2:00 p.m. Associate Pastors Nominating Committee Meeting, Fullerton Room

Monday, February 15, 2016

9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

Tuesday, February 16, 2016

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

9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium

10:00 a.m. Middleton Center Coffee, Ministries Center Balcony

10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium

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

1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium

1:45 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room/Witherspoon Parlor

4:30 p.m. Upward Basketball Practice, Gymnasium

7:30 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 19 Committee Meeting, Gymnasium

Wednesday, February 17, 2016

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

9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

10:00 a.m. Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room

4:45 p.m. "Wednesdays Together" Program for grades K - 5, Sanctuary

5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall

- 6:00 p.m. Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
- p.m. Upward Basketball Practice, Gymnasium 6:30
- p.m. Student Serve, Loft 7:00 Sanctuary Choir Men's Sectional Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center

Trustee Meeting, Conference Room

Thursday, February 18, 2016

- a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center 9:30
- 10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
- p.m. Interfaith Center Meeting, Conference Room 1:00
- p.m. Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center 7:00 Hunger Committee Meeting, Conference Room
- p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 19, Gymnasium 7:30

Friday, February 19, 2016

- a.m. Friday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg. 9:00
- a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium 9:30
- p.m. SmokeFREE Smoking Cessation Class, Gloucester Room 2:00
- p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Ed. Bldg. 4:00
- p.m. Presbyterian Women's Retreat, Congregational Hall 5:00

Saturday, February 20, 2016

- a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor 7:00
- 8:30 a.m. Casserole Blitz, main kitchen
- a.m. Upward Basketball Game Day, Gymnasium 9:00
- p.m. Lenten Saturday Vespers, Chapel 4:00

Sunday, February 21, 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

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