

# Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

February 14, 2016 8:00 a.m., Chapel First Sunday in Lent

# 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: 10:00 a.m., 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.

# GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

#### **PRELUDE**

WELCOME Kellen A. Smith

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

#### † CALL TO WORSHIP

David Smith

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.

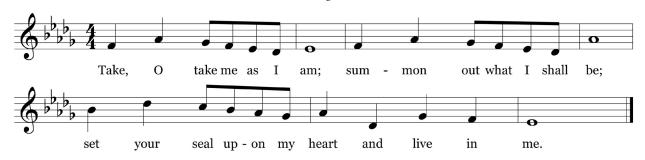
Forgive us, we pray, and hear us as we call to you.

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

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (sing twice)



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## HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Mary Beth Cheloha

FIRST LESSON

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

SECOND LESSON

Psalm 139 (p. 577 in pew Bible)

Agnes W. Norfleet

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

**SERMON** 

A Psalm of God's Knowing First in Lenten series on the Psalms Agnes W. Norfleet

**HYMN** 28

You Are Before Me, Lord

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## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

#### SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Kellen A. Smith

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

David Smith

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

#### † SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

#### **POSTLUDE**

# **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 ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION Deacon Mary Beth Cheloha

# **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
- 6:30 p.m. Upward Basketball Practice, Gymnasium
- 7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft
  Sanctuary Choir Men's Sectional Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center
  Trustee Meeting, Conference Room

## Thursday, February 18, 2016

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

## Friday, February 19, 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.
- 5:00 p.m. Presbyterian Women's Retreat, Congregational Hall

## Saturday, February 20, 2016

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

## 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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