

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

July 31, 2016 8:00 a.m., Chapel 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome to BMPC

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

NEW HERE? We are pleased to have you with us as we gather to worship God. Our programs and ministries are open to all and we invite you to participate according to your interests. Questions? Please introduce yourself to a pastor after the service or contact DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809, during the week.

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 3; 7:45 a.m. - 11:15 p.m., Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102 Sunday School for age 4 - grade 3: 10:15 a.m., Ed. Bldg. Rm. 201 (Children begin worship with their families and depart after the Children's Moment)

Grades 4 - 12 in Worship, 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 pew so that you may greet each other after worship. To keep informed about our activities, subscribe to BMPC eNews by adding your email address to the fellowship register. Visit our homepage, www.bmpc.org, for links to ministry-specific newsletters and our Facebook and Instagram pages.

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP. Stop by the Ministries Center Court for coffee between 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. and join us for Lemonade on the Lawn after the 10:00 a.m. worship service (rain location: Ministries Center Court).

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 out the Fellowship Register at the end of your pew.

† CALL TO WORSHIP

David Smith

One: Our hearts exult in the Lord;

All: Our strength is exalted in our God.

One: There is no Holy One like the Lord, no one besides you;

All: There is no rock like our God.

† **HYMN** 402

How Lovely, Lord

MERLE'S TUNE

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Almighty God, there is no one like you in heaven or on earth.

You keep promises like no one else can.

You listen to us without distraction.

You answer us with divine wisdom.

We confess that our prayers fall short of what they should be.

We admit that our lives fall short of what they could be.

Yet you call us to repentance and in you we find the abundance of life.

Forgive us, Lord, for our failures and lack of trust,

and grant us the precious gift of your loving grace.

In the name of Jesus, our Savior we pray.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

[†] Please stand, if able.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE







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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Darryl Brown

FIRST LESSON

1 Samuel 1:1-20 (p. 244 in pew Bible)

Darryl Brown

SECOND LESSON 1 Samuel 2:1-10 (p. 245 in pew Bible)

Kellen A. Smith

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

SERMON

Hannah Prays

Kellen A. Smith

† **HYMN** 324

For All the Faithful Women

NYLAND

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER Kellen A. Smith and David 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 into 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** 545 Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace LAND OF REST

† 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 William H. Bosch

SERVING AS LITURGIST

David Smith, Seminary Intern for Youth Ministry

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Deacon Darryl Brown

GREETING AND HOSTING TODAY

Ann Capers for Membership Council and new member Sandy Besaha

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Rob Mygatt

BULLETIN COVER

"Hannah Prays"

This is another story that connects to a child's experience and offers a faith response. Hannah longed for a child and she told God about her longing. We remind children that prayer is a conversation with God. We are free to tell God our hurts, our longings, our fears, our joys, and our hopes. For young children this story is a kind example of how important it is to recognize when someone else is praying.

Our summer sermon series is based upon the Old Testament stories we teach to our youngest children, hoping that children in worship will recognize these stories and the child in each of us will recall the foundational biblical witness for the life of faith.

Announcements

LAST DAY TO REGISTER FOR CAMP KIRKWOOD. Camp runs from August 7-13 and is for rising 6th - 12th graders. It's a week full of fun, friends, and faith in the Poconos! There are opportunities for archery, arts and crafts, high ropes, and free time with friends. With worship and small groups, camp is an unforgettable week. Cost: \$599. To sign up, search "Summer Camps and Mission Trips" at www.bmpc.org. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

JOIN OUR SANCTUARY CHOIR. This vibrant community of singers performs a repertoire that spans three centuries, several languages, and a variety of styles ranging from Baroque to Spirituals and Gospel. Ability to read music and some choral experience is helpful. Rehearsals are Thursdays from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Sept. – May. Open auditions will be held in the choir loft from 11:00 a.m. to noon on Aug. 21 and Sept. 4. no appointment necessary. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL. Sundays through Aug. 21, Ed. Bldg. during 10:00 a.m. worship. Rising kindergartners - 3rd graders help mission partners and learn more about worship; special activities available for our 2- and 3-year-olds in the nursery. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

VOLUNTEER SUMMER CHOIR. Through Sept. 4. All singers (age 12 to adults) are invited to come to church on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. for a short rehearsal in the choir loft, then to stay and sing for the 10:00 a.m. service. Summer choir is simple (one anthem and hymns) and informal (no robes). Come when you can; no need to sign up in advance. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

ASSOCIATE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE. The APNC is continuing its work to identify a candidate to serve as our Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care and Senior Adults, and a candidate for Associate Pastor for Congregational Life and Stewardship. The committee welcomes your input. To refer a possible candidate, email APNC@bmpc.org.

SUPPER CLUB MINISTRY. Interested in sharing fellowship and a potluck dinner several times a year in members' homes? Contact DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

CONGREGATIONAL MIXED-MEDIA ART SHOW. This annual show welcomes works from artists who are members of the church and their friends, especially the Artists' Gathering group who transform Gloucester Room into a studio every Thursday. Works on view in the Conference Room as well as Witherspoon Parlor through the summer. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

THE BOOK CENTER. Select a book for your vacation at The Book Center in the Court of the Ministries Center. The key is available 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Mondays through Fridays at the Reception Desk. Kat MacMurray, KatRMac2@gmail.com.

Caring & Sharing

PROVIDE BACKPACKS FOR CHILDREN AT THEVILLAGE. Donate school supplies or pack a complete backpack to give children in foster care a great start to the school year. Shopping lists are available in the back of the church (Narthex) or at http://bit.ly/BMPCbackpacks. Items should be placed in the collection bins in the Ministries Center by Aug. 5. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

VOLUNTEER FOR UPWARD BASKETBALL. Our successful K - 12 special needs basketball ministry is back for another season! We are recruiting volunteers to serve for Fall 2016 and need practice buddies, referees, coaches, and general volunteers. All are welcome (ages 12+); no basketball or special needs experience required. Whether you can volunteer for the entire eight-week season or you'd like to help out for a day, contact league director Sarah Smith, upward@bmpc.org.

PROVIDE HEALTHY LUNCHES FOR CHILDREN. Ten percent of students in Lower Merion schools participate in the Reduced Lunch Program. During the summer months, these families struggle to provide healthy lunch options for their children. Help us partner with Main Line Reform Temple in collecting Weekend Lunch Boxes that go home with children from summer programs in Ardmore and Haverford. The items may be deposited throughout the summer in our collection bins in the Ministries Center and Education Building: tuna pouches, macaroni and cheese boxes, granola bars, fruit cups, pasta, instant oatmeal packs, shelf-stable milk boxes and cereal. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

SHARE HOSPITAL INFORMATION. Due to current privacy laws, it is more difficult for our pastors to know when BMPC members have been admitted to a hospital. Call the church office at 610-525-2821 if you or anyone you know is hospitalized, and let us know if and when you volunteer at any local hospitals.

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

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.

This Week's Calendar

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

Today, July 31, 2016

7:45 a.m. Childcare for infants - age 5, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102

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

8:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Conference Room

9:00 a.m. Summer Choir Rehearsal, Choir Loft

10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion and Summer Choir, Sanctuary

10:15 a.m. Summer Sunday School for age 4 - grade 3, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 201

11:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn (rain location: Ministries Center)

Monday, August 1, 2016

9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

2:00 p.m. American Red Cross Blood Drive, Congregational Hall

Tuesday, August 2, 2016

10:15 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium

Wednesday, August 3, 2016

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

9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

Thursday, August 4, 2016

10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room

Friday, August 5, 2016

9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

Saturday, August 6, 2016

No activities scheduled.

Sunday, August 7, 2016

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

10:00 a.m. Worship with Summer Choir, Sanctuary

The Rev. Rachel Pedersen will preach.

10:15 a.m. Summer Sunday School for age 4 - grade 3, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 201

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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www.bmpc.org (for program information, calendar, and staff directory)

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24/7 Answering Service for Pastoral Emergencies: 610-525-2821

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