



Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

September 25, 2016
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome to BMPC

NEW HERE? We are pleased to have you with us as we gather to worship God. Our programs are open to all and you are invited to participate according to your interests. Questions? Stop at our general information table to the left of the main exit 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: 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

10:15 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. 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 a cup of 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 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

Prelude in C Major

J.S. Bach

WELCOME

Rachel Pedersen

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Who is like our God, high above the heavens in glory?

**All: The Lord who raises the poor from the dust
and lifts up the needy.**

One: Who makes light shine in darkness; who gives joy to those who sorrow?

**All: The Lord who brings life out of death
from this time on and forevermore.**

† **HYMN 694**

Great God of Every Blessing

AURELIA

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

God of justice and righteousness,

you lift up the lowly and fill the empty with good things,
yet we adore the high and the mighty.

You reach out to the poor, yet we ceaselessly pursue wealth.

You talk about treasure in heaven, yet we care too much about our own accounts.

Forgive our lack of generosity, and heal our misguided ways.

Cleanse us and change our hearts, so that we can tend to the things that matter,
and find our life in Jesus Christ.

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

Presentation of Third Grade Bibles

Rachel Pedersen

Krista Vaughan

SENDING HYMN

Go now, Children, with our Blessing

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



Go now, children with our blessing, to love and serve the Lord. May God



Bless you, May God guard you, May the light of God shine upon you, and may



God be gracious to you. May the presence of God be with you. May the



presence of God be with you, and give you peace.

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16 (*p. 548 in pew Bible*)

Kellen A. Smith

ANTHEM

How Can I Keep from Singing
Sanctuary Choir

Jeffrey Honoré

My life flows on in endless song, above earth's lamentation. I hear the real though far off hymn that hails a new creation. No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that Rock I'm clinging. Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing? Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing; it sounds and echoes in my soul; how can I keep from singing? The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing; All things are mine since I am his; How can I keep from singing? No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that Rock I'm clinging. Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

SECOND LESSON

Luke 16:19-31 (*p. 79 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

SERMON

With Open Eyes

Agnes W. Norfleet

† HYMN 722

Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak

CANONBURY

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(in unison)*

Kellen A. Smith

We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,

Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead,

vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.

~ From *A Brief Statement of Faith*, 1991

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Let all the World (From "Five Mystical Songs") Ralph Vaughan Williams
Sanctuary Choir

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King. The heavens are not too high; His praise may thither fly. The earth is not too low; His praises there may grow. The Church with Psalms must shout, no door can keep them out; But above all, the heart must bear the longest part.

*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** 301 Let Us Build a House TWO OAKS
- † **BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE** Agnes W. Norfleet
- POSTLUDE** Prelude and Fugue in B-flat major J.S. Bach

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
 Grafton D. Chase
 Elizabeth C. Erb and Harry C. Erb
 Richard W. Knecht
 Emilie M. Pyle
 Louella & Melville Kennedy

BIBLES PRESENTED

to these 3rd grade children during the 10:00 a.m. service are provided by
 the Catherine C. Miller Fund of The Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church Foundation:

Luke William Bickell*	Julian Daniel Lewis	Lucy Field Pierce
Shelby Allerton Brehman	Peter Hayden McConnell	Zackary Nestle Powers
Christopher R. Young Soo Chang*	Campbell Jane McCormack	Elizabeth Josephine Rothman
Annabel deForest Keys	Triston Scott McCracken	Gabriel Schrieber
Lilly Harrison Ebmeyer*	Lexi Louise McCracken	Stefan Gil Snyder
Amanda Jean Hauptfuhrer	Finley Anne McGuirl	Jackson Davis Williams
Elizabeth Josephine Huth	Bliss McKenna Odiorne	

** = unable to attend today.*

GREETING AND HOSTING

Members of the Adult Education Council

PLAYING THE CARRILON

Dianne Heard

BULLETIN COVER

A drawing of our church by Brian Clancy

Today

DIGGING DEEPER BIBLE STUDY. Sundays, Oct. 2-30 & Nov. 6, 8:15 a.m., Ed. Bldg. Rm. 201. Exploring the Book of Exodus combining the study of scripture and our personal experiences of experiences of faith and the Bible. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

THIRD GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATION. 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary. Following a third grade Bible breakfast from 8:45 - 9:45 a.m. in Congregational Hall, third graders receive their new Bibles during the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

WITHERSPOON FORUM: HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP PRESENTATION. 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. A team of youth and adults from BMPC who visited Mission Co-workers Jed and Jenny Koball in Peru tell us about their efforts to help a shelter there. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

Announcements

CHURCH OFFICER NOMINATIONS. Submit recommendations for Elders, Deacons, Trustees and Nominating Committee Members-at-Large for 2016-17 via the form on the back of this bulletin; forms at church entrances; or online at www.bmpc.org/nominatingform. Deadline: Sept. 30. Candidates must be church members for at least two years, faithfully participate in the worship and program life of the church, and regularly contribute to the church budget. Bill Adelhelm, AdelhelmW@comcast.net.

PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING. This offering begins on Sun., Oct. 2, to promote the Peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice across the world. Envelopes will be located in the pew holders or mark "Peace Offering" on the memo line of your check. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

MAKE THIS YOUR CHURCH HOME. We invite you to join our community of faith on Sun., Oct. 9, when we welcome new members at a breakfast meeting of Session. Our pre-requisite "Gathering with the Pastors" before and after 10:00 a.m. worship on Sun., Oct. 2, is an opportunity to meet our pastoral staff, learn more about our church and ask questions (childcare available). Register: DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

MISSION TRIP TO LEBANON. The Worldwide Ministries Committee is sponsoring a trip to visit with the Synod of Syria and Lebanon as part of our ongoing partnership in education and relief with congregations there. Tentative dates are February 12 – 22, 2017 space is limited. If you are interested in the trip, contact CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

LOCAL REFUGEE SUPPORT. Our Refugee Action Committee for Refugee Support is moving forward in their work to help sponsor a refugee family moving into our local community. Volunteers are needed to provide hospitality, transportation, educational support, employment advocacy, medical assistance and other tasks. If you want to support this work, contact Judy Sherry, judysherry1@gmail.com.

VISUAL ARTS EXHIBIT. Photo journal of the July 2016 Youth Mission Trip to Peru is on display through Oct. 2 in the Conference Room and Witherspoon Parlor. Attend a program about the trip today at 11:15 a.m. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

CHILD & YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING. Annual training is required for all who volunteer with children through grade 12 at BMPC. A session will be held Sun., Oct. 2, 11:15 a.m. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

THE BOOK CENTER. Gain a greater understanding of your favorite hymns in *Amazing Grace: Hymn Texts for Devotional Use*; Bert Polman, Marilyn Kay Stulken, and James R. Sydnor, editors (\$12). The Book Center is located in the Ministries Center Court; the key is available 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, at the Reception Desk. Kat MacMurray, KatRMac2@gmail.com.

This Week

PERSPECTIVES IN MUSIC. Mon., Sept. 26, 1:30 p.m., Fine Arts Center. Refreshments and recital. This is our “Year of the Singer” when we present free programs with some of our favorite local vocalists. DeAnn Clancy, Deannclancy@hotmail.com, 610-525-8347.

CONGREGATION-WIDE SERVICE DAY. Sat., Oct. 1, 8:00 a.m., Front Lawn. Build the framing of a house for Habitat for Humanity’s Diamond Street project in two-hour shifts beginning at 8:00 a.m. and ending at 2:00 p.m. Activities provided for children. Volunteers (16 years of age or older) sign up at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

Upcoming

WITHERSPOON FORUM: CLIMATE CHANGE. Sun., Oct. 2, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Our Environmental Justice Committee hosts a panel discussion about the science and ethics of climate change and how we respond as people of faith. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS. Sun., Oct. 2, 4:00 p.m., Front Lawn. Gather for fellowship, singing, scripture, prayers, and individual blessings of companion animals. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

WALK THE LABYRINTH IN PRAYER. Tues., Oct. 4, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Children’s Chapel. An introduction to the labyrinth for walkers of all ages through our “Story Path Labyrinth.” This is a shorter walk with time for contemplation in the Chapel before and after walking. info@middletoncenter.org, 610-525-0766.

HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY. Wed., Oct. 5, 10:30 a.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom. The Rev. Richard Wohlschlaeger leads our study of *Who is Jesus? What a Difference a Lens Makes*, Ch. 2. Joyce Malott, Okf405@erols.com, 610-525-4469.

PETER DUBOIS ORGAN RECITAL. Sun., Oct. 9, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Peter DuBois is Director of Music and Organist at Third Presbyterian Church in Rochester, NY and the host of the renowned PBS radio show, "With Heart and Voice." Free-will offering. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

THEOLOGIAN IN RESIDENCE: THE REV. DR. DAVID GRAFTON.

Dr. Grafton, Professor of Islamic Studies and Christian-Muslim Relations at Hartford Seminary, speaks in Congregational Hall:

- Sun., Oct. 9, 11:15 a.m.: "What is Islam? The Pillars of Faith and Practice"
- Sat., Oct. 15, 9:00 a.m. - noon: "American Views of Islam: Current Social-Political Context" and "What Do American Muslims Believe about this Country?"
- Sun., Oct. 16, 11:15 a.m.: "The Variety of Pieties of Muslims"

DOING GOOD TOGETHER. Wed., Oct. 12, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Spend the day off of school, in service! Students work with BMPC mission partners to help feed the hungry, care for the sick, and care for creation. Bring a sack lunch. Register by Sun., Oct. 9: MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

CONEXION MOSAICO PRESENTATION. Thurs., Oct. 13, 4:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Celebrate the 10th anniversary of our mission partner ConeXion Mosaico and its accomplishments in the urban slums of Mexico City. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

HOLY LEISURE. Fri., Oct. 14, 6:00-9:00 p.m., home of Barbara Cobb. Share a potluck dinner, fellowship and discussion led by the Rev. Debra Sutton. Topic: *Chatelaine Connection*. Register: Janet White, Janetw298@verizon.net.

Save the Date

NEW DATE FOR COMMUNITY FORUM. Tues., Oct. 25, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary. Sister Mary Scullion from Project HOME speaks about *Working to End Homelessness: Be Part of the Solution!* ElenaPerri@bmpc.org, ext. 8849.

METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART TRIP. Sat., Oct. 29. See the exhibition where *Jerusalem 1000–1400: Every People Under Heaven* which illuminates the key role that the Holy City played in shaping the art of the period from 1000 to 1400. Bus departs from our back parking lot at 8:45 a.m. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations; \$63 per person includes guided tour, bus, and snacks. Lunch on your own at the Met. Register: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, or ext. 8821.

SENIOR ADULT COUNCIL BRUNCH. Sun., Nov. 13, 11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. The Rev. Dr. Eugene C. Bay, Pastor Emeritus, returns as part of our Living Legacy series. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations or with a check for \$15 by Nov. 10., attn: Amy Bauer. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

Caring & Sharing

DONATE FOOD. Our sister churches and shelters are critically low due to funding cuts and lack of donated food in the summer. Baskets are located in the church Narthex and the Chapel entrance for donations of canned food; especially needed are protein sources such as tuna fish, peanut butter, or stews. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

This Week's Calendar

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

Today, September 25, 2016

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102
8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
8:30 a.m. Bible Display, Ministries Center Court
8:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Conference Room
Filling the Well, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 104
Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 201
3rd Grade Bible Breakfast, Congregational Hall
9:00 a.m. Refugee Sponsor Meeting, Gloucester Room
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
Youth Gathering (Grades 6 - 12), Gymnasium
10:15 a.m. Sunday School for Grades K - 5, Ed. Bldg.
10:15 a.m. Youth Grade Groups and Confirmation, Ministries Center
11:00 a.m. Fellowship and Refreshments, Lawn or Ministries Center
Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg.
11:15 a.m. Fullerton Bible Study, Fullerton Room
Witherspoon Forum: Mission Trip to Peru Presentation, Witherspoon Parlor
Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
3:30 p.m. Eugene Bay Fund Committee, Gloucester Room

Monday, September 26, 2016

- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
Clergy Colleague Group, Converse House Parlor
1:30 p.m. Perspectives in Music, Fine Arts Center

Tuesday, September 27, 2016

- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
Tuesday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg.
10:15 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium

- 1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
- 5:30 p.m. Upward Basketball Practice, Gymnasium
- 6:15 p.m. Tutoring Student Training & Child Clearance Training, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 205

Wednesday, September 28, 2016

- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
- 10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Fullerton Room
Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor
- 3:30 p.m. Senior Adult Council Meeting, Converse House Parlor
- 4:45 p.m. Wednesdays Together (Children's Choir), Fine Arts Center
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
Upward Basketball Practice, Gymnasium
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
- 7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft
Middleton Center Council Meeting, Fullerton Room
Outreach Council Meeting, Gloucester Room

Thursday, September 29, 2016

- 9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
- 10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
- 11:00 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center

Friday, September 30, 2016

- 9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg.
- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

Saturday, October 1, 2016

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 8:00 a.m. Congregation-wide Day of Service: Framing Blitz, Front Lawn

Sunday, October 2, 2016 - World Communion Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion and Choirs, Sanctuary
The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick will preach.
Sunday School for age 2 - grade 3
Worship Together Sunday for grades 4 - 12

Nominating Form

Candidates must be church members for at least two years, faithfully participate in the worship and program life of the church, and regularly contribute to the church budget.

Your name: _____

Your email address or phone number: _____

Name of person you are nominating: _____

Position: Elder Deacon Trustee At-Large Nominating Committee

Briefly describe why you are nominating this person:

Tear off this page and place in the Sanctuary or Ministries Center ballot box or submit a nomination online at www.bmpc.org/nominatingform. Deadline: Sept. 30.

Contact Information

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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

Main Line Adult Day Center: 610-527-4220

The Middleton Center: 610-525-0766 • KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org

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