



***Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church***

October 16, 2016
8:00 a.m., Chapel
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome to BMPC

NEW HERE? We are pleased that you have joined 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: 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.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Kellen Smith

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

† CALL TO WORSHIP

David Smith

One: We come not simply to a sanctuary, but into the presence of God.

**All: We come in our need
and bring with us the needs of the world.**

One: We are carried by our faith and stand in the face of doubts.

All: We come with our hopes and with our fears,

One: We come as we are, because it is God who invites us to come,

**All: and it is God who promises a holy welcome;
it is God who promises never to turn us away.**

† HYMN 645

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Loving God, we offer our praise for your wonderful gifts to us:

for your love that sustains us and binds us together as your people;

for your power that fills the earth and brings new life;

for your peace that takes away fear and brings us to hope.

Forgive us, O God, when we fail to trust in your presence

and in your purpose for our own lives and for the world.

Help us to know where you are calling us with persistence

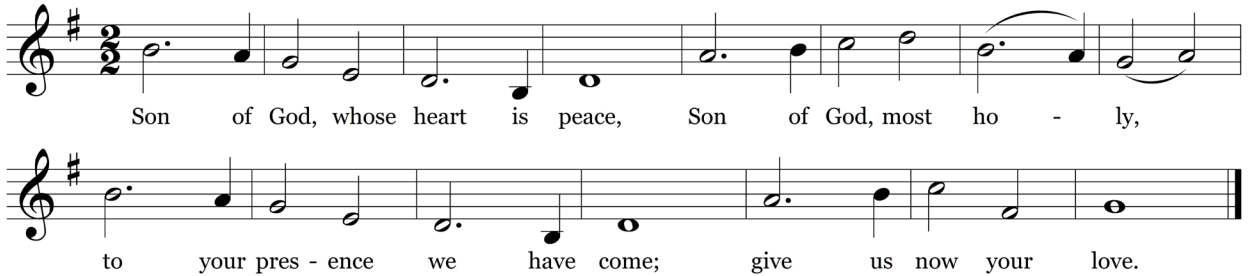
to witness and to serve with gladness and joy,

through Jesus Christ.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Sing Twice)



Son of God, whose heart is peace, Son of God, most ho - ly,
to your pres - ence we have come; give us now your love.

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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Bill McKee

FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 31:31-34 (*p. 735 in pew Bible*)

Bill McKee

SECOND LESSON Luke 18:1-8 (*p. 81 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

With Persistence

Agnes W. Norfleet

Second in a Four-part Series, *Growing in Generosity*

† **HYMN 308**

O God in Whom All Life Begins

NOEL

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Kellen 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 712 As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought FOREST GREEN

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

POSTLUDE

† Please stand, if able.

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Jim and Adell Burdick
Matthew Joseph Hnatin
Daniel Mark Caesar

RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AT 10:00 AM SERVICE

Riley Kelley Casper, daughter of Kelley and David Casper
Brady Matthew Heaton, son of Alex and Matt Heaton
Addison Randall West, Jr., son of Ashley and Addison West
Jonathan Shepherd Wilson, son of Diana and Garrett Wilson
Savannah Vaughan Young, daughter of Kim and Mike Young

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Elder Bill McKee

GREETING AND HOSTING

Members of the Hunger Committee

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Rob Mygatt

Today

WORLD FOOD DAY COLLECTION. 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary Narthex. Our Hunger Committee collects canned and non-perishable food items to be delivered to area food cupboards and homeless shelters. Especially needed are cans of tuna fish, beans, stew, meats, and baby food or baby formula. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

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

11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Dr. Grafton, Professor of Islamic Studies and Christian-Muslim Relations at Hartford Seminary, presents "The Variety of Pieties of Muslims." CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINIATURE GOLF. 4:00 - 6:00 p.m., Tee's Golf Center, Conshohocken. Youth in grades 6 - 8 are invited for an afternoon of fellowship, mini golf and pizza. Cost: \$15. KellenSmith@bmpc.org.

Announcements

2017 STEWARDSHIP. Dedication Sunday is two weeks away; let us Grow in Generosity! We are a congregation of generous people, so please, once again, show your gratitude by giving generously as you make your 2017 commitment to the church's ministry and mission on Sun., Oct. 30. SarahMiciek@bmpc.org, ext. 8817.

THE WEEKDAY SCHOOL: ENROLL NOW FOR 2017-18. BMPC members have priority in placement at our pre-school through Oct. 31, 2016. Kim Black, weekdayschool@bmpc.org or 610-520-8840.

FIBER OF OUR FAITH EXHIBIT. On view through Sun., Nov. 13. Liturgical textiles bring changing symbolism, color, and textures into our church every Sunday. This exhibit, which is on display in the Conference Room and Witherspoon Parlor, unravels the creation, history, and meaning of BMPC's paraments, bookmarkers, needlepoint cushions, communion cloths, and stoles. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

FAITH UNDER THREE. Small groups are being formed for parents with children three years of age and under to build community with other church families, have conversations about faith, and support one another. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

This Week

WOMAN, MAN AND GOD IN MODERN ISLAM. Wed., Oct. 19, 6:30 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Dr. Theodore Friend shares his quest to understand the life situations of women in Indonesia, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, and Turkey. Join us after optional Wed. night dinner in Congregational Hall (\$8). CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

Upcoming

BRUNCH WITH PROGRAM BY SINGER SUZANNE DUPLANTIS. Sun., Oct. 23, 11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. Enjoy nostalgic songs performed by Suzanne and accompanied by Laura Ward. Sponsored by Perspectives in Music and Senior Adult Council. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations, or with your check for \$15 payable to BMPC by Wed., Oct. 19 for the brunch and program. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

WITHERSPOON FORUM: GRACE – ONE WORD, MANY MEANINGS. Sundays, Oct. 23 - Nov. 6, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. A whirlwind tour of grace through the ages and around the Christian world led by Paul Burgmayer. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

UNDERSTANDING ADOLESCENT SEXUALITY. Sun., Oct. 23, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Parents are invited to learn about the stages of development, how to have meaningful conversations, and setting healthy boundaries. No charge. KellenSmith@bmpc.org, ext. 8822.

ANNUAL FAMILY HAYRIDE AND BONFIRE. Sun., Oct. 23, 5:15 - 7:30 p.m., Linvilla Orchards, 137 Knowlton Rd., Media. Sponsored by Y-Group; all families with children welcome. Cost: \$20 per person; \$75 per family includes hayride (leaves promptly at 5:30 p.m.), bonfire and dinner. Register: MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

GREAT DECISIONS. Tues., Oct. 25, 2:30 p.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Auditorium. Marilyn Irwin leads a discussion about the United Nations and its efforts to eradicate poverty, hunger and discrimination and ensure justice and dignity for all. Marilyn Irwin, marirwin@aol.com.

BIBLE FOR BEGINNERS. Thurs., Oct. 27, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. Using the book *The Bible from Scratch*, survey the basics of the New Testament with the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick. People of all experience levels are welcome. This month: the Gospel of Matthew. Anita Iyengar, aciyengar@gmail.com.

THE SEARCH FOR PEACE: IS ISRAELI-ARAB CO-EXISTENCE POSSIBLE? Thurs., Oct. 27, 7:30 p.m., Congregational Hall. Rabbi Ron Kronish of Rabbis for Human Rights and Mayor Issa Jabber of the Israel town of Abu Ghosh share their insights and experiences from 25 years of working in Israel. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART TRIP. Sat., Oct. 29. See the exhibition *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.

HIGH SCHOOL HAYRIDE AND BONFIRE. Sun., Oct. 30, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Sugartown Strawberries Farm, Malvern. Youth in grades 9 - 12 are invited for a night of fellowship, campfire songs, and s'mores. Cost: \$15. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

CAREGIVERS: THEIR PASSION, THEIR PAIN. Sat., Nov. 5, 9:00 a.m. - noon, Congregational Hall. Who are the professionals and public servants we call upon in a crisis? The screening of this locally-produced documentary about dealing with secondary trauma is hosted by our Peacemaking Committee. Free; reservations aren't required. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

Save the Date

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY. Sun., Nov. 6, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary. Our Sanctuary Choir performs Eleanor Daley's a cappella *Requiem* as part of the 10:00 a.m. worship service. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

PASTOR'S BOOK GROUP. Wed., Nov. 9, 6:30 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet leads a discussion of Michael Sandel's book, *What Money Can't Buy*, where Sandel explores the question, "Is there something wrong with a world in which everything is for sale?" Books available for \$10. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

Caring & Sharing

HURRICANE MATTHEW RELIEF EFFORT. BMPC is accepting donations on behalf of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Checks payable to BMPC may be placed in the collection plate with "Presbyterian Disaster Assistance" noted on the memo line of your check.

THEVILLAGE 5K CROSS-COUNTRY STYLE RUN. Sat., Oct. 22, 452 S. Roberts Rd., Rosemont. Support our mission partner theVillage and its work with children and families impacted by trauma by participating in a 5K (8:00 a.m.) or kids' 100-yard dash (10:00 a.m.). Register at www.theVillageRun.org.

CASSEROLE BLITZ. Sat., Oct. 22, 8:30 a.m., Main Kitchen. A family-friendly event to prepare nutritious casseroles for delivery to Philadelphia area food cupboards and homeless shelters. Sandie Nicholson, sandiekev@verizon.net.

OUR BROTHER'S PLACE. Sat., Oct. 29, 10:15 a.m, meet at BMPC and car pool to this homeless shelter to serve lunch. Return by 2:00 p.m. Pam Haynes Walsh, Haynes-walsh@comcast.net, 610 667-0972.

LOCAL REFUGEE SUPPORT. Thurs., Nov. 3, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. Our Refugee Action Committee for Refugee Support is working to help sponsor a refugee family moving into our community. Volunteers are needed to provide hospitality, transportation, educational support, employment advocacy, medical assistance and other tasks. Judy Sherry, judysherry1@gmail.com.

BE A “SECRET SAINT.” Sponsor one of our many students who are attending school away from home. Secret Saints let them know BMPC cares through packages, cards, and most importantly, prayers. Jane Wilber, Parent Coordinator, willbaway5@comcast.net.

OUTREACH GRANTS. Do you work with a non-profits in West Philadelphia or a Presbyterian-related organization? Tell them about our outreach grants at BMPC. Applications available www.bmpc.org > Outreach > Grants. Deadline: Nov. 1. 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, October 16, 2016

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102
8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
8:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Conference Room
Filling the Well for women, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 104
Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 201
Digging Deeper Bible Study, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 205
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Baptism and 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.
Youth Grade Groups and Confirmation, Ministries Center
11:00 a.m. Cafe in the Court, Ministries Center
Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg.
11:15 a.m. Theologian in Residence, Congregational Hall
Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
11:30 a.m. Grades 9 & 10 Brunch, Pastor Kellen's Manse
4:00 p.m. Middle School Mini Golf, Tee's Golf Center

Monday, October 17, 2016

- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

Tuesday, October 18, 2016

- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
Tuesday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg.
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
1:30 p.m. Dimensions in Literature, Fullerton Room
2:00 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room and Witherspoon Parlor

- 5:30 p.m. Upward Basketball Practice, Gymnasium
- 6:30 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.
- 6:45 p.m. Communications Committee Meeting, Fullerton Room
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19 Committee Meeting, Conference Room

Wednesday, October 19, 2016

- 8:00 a.m. Stewardship Meeting, Conference Room
- 9:00 a.m. Walk for Life: Walk More, Live Better!, meet at Main Parking Lot
- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
- 10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Fullerton Room
- 4:45 p.m. Wednesdays Together, Fine Arts Center
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall (served until 6:45 p.m.)
Upward Basketball Practice, Gymnasium
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
- 6:30 p.m. Woman, Man and God in Modern Islam, Witherspoon Parlor
- 7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft
Nominating Committee Meeting, Gloucester Room

Thursday, October 20, 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
- 6:00 p.m. Personnel Committee Meeting, Fullerton Room
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Loft

Friday, October 21, 2016

- 9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg.
- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
- 4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Ed. Bldg.

Saturday, October 22, 2016

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 8:30 a.m. Casserole Blitz, Main Kitchen
- 9:00 a.m. Upward Basketball, Gymnasium
- 10:00 a.m. Bereavement Group, Converse House Parlor

Sunday, October 23, 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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