

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

November 20, 2016 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary Christ the King Sunday

Welcome to BMPC

NEW HERE? We are pleased that you have joined 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 information alcove 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. For refreshments and fellowship after the 10:00 a.m. worship service, please visit Congregational Hall.

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"I am the resurrection and the life."

Barbara R. Merin ~ November 16, 2016

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE Selections from *French Suite in G, BWV 816* Johann Sebastian Bach

WELCOME Rebecca Kirkpatrick

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: To the one who sits on the throne and to the Lamb,

All: To the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end,

One: To the one who is, who was and who is yet to come, **All: Be all honor and glory, praise and power!**

One: Let us worship the living God!

† **HYMN** 268 Crown Him with Many Crowns DIADEMATA

CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

You are eternal; we are finite.

Although you stand before and beyond us, sometimes we forget that you also stand with us.

Forgive us, when our worlds become narrow and we cease to seek you and your way.

In the midst of our lives, teach us to follow your Spirit.

In the midst of our fragile kingdoms, help us to work for yours.

Help us to be your people now and forevermore.

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.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT AND

Kellen A. Smith

SENDING HYMN

Go now, Children, with our Blessing

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



FIRST LESSON

Luke 1:68-79 (p. 58 in pew Bible)

Richard Wohlschlaeger

ANTHEM

Siyahamba Sanctuary Choir with Ira Bond, percussion Thomas Vozzella

We are marching for the Lord is our light.

SECOND LESSON Colossians 1:11-20 (p. 200 in pew Bible)

Rachel Pedersen

SERMON

To Be Redeemed

Rachel Pedersen

† **HYMN** 366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (in unison)

Richard Wohlschlaeger

Already God's reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope in us and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and reward.

With an urgency born of this hope,

the church applies itself to the present tasks and strives for a better world.

It does not identify limited progress with the Kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat.

In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

~ from The Confession of 1967

MINISTRY MOMENT

Brad Baturka for Advent Gift Market

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

My Eternal King Sanctuary Choir Jane Marshall

My God, I love Thee not because I hope for heaven thereby, nor yet because who love Thee not must die eternally. Thou, O my Jesus, didst me upon the cross embrace; for me didst bear the nails and spear and manifold disgrace; Why then, O blessed Jesus, should I not love Thee well? Not for the hope of winning heaven or of escaping hell; not with the hope of gaining aught, not seeking a reward; but as thyself hast loved me, O everloving Lord! E'en so I love Thee and will love, and in thy praise will sing solely because Thou art my God and my eternal King.

Please fill in the Fellowship Register at the end of your pew; pass it down your row and back again.

† Please stand, if able. Page 4

† **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** 263 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

CORONATION

† BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE

Rachel Pedersen

POSTLUDE

Exordium

Carson Cooman

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Elizabeth R. Pantaleoni

GREETING AND HOSTING

Members of the Music and Fine Arts Council

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Brian Middleton

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Confession of 1967 was the first uniquely American Reformed Confession of Faith and was written in the same moment that the Presbyterian Church recognized through its new Book of Confessions the importance of affirming the diversity of expressions of faith written throughout our history. Centered around the reconciliation God achieves with humanity through the life, death and resurrection of Christ, this confession speaks specifically to the work of reconciliation to which the church has been called – the work of peacemaking, racial reconciliation, building health and wholeness in our personal relationships, and the fight against poverty.

Today

ADVENT GIFT MARKET. 11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. Learn more about projects, purchase cards, and enjoy festivities and refreshments. In addition to shopping our AGM catalog, you may purchase tangible items to benefit some of the committees' chosen charities, participate in a sock toss to benefit the homeless, and start your Christmas shopping. Marian Chitester, mmcthistle@verizon.net.

VOLUNTEER FOR A REFUGEE SUPPORT TEAM. Volunteers may sign up today and on Sundays through Dec. 18 during Cafe in the Court to support a local refugee family. A member of the BMPC Refugee Action Committee will be available to help you choose the best team for your interests and skills. Teams include: housing, furnishings, food/shopping, medical, transportation, employment, education, finance, clothing, and friendship. Sign up to volunteer via email: florence.zeller@gmail.com.

11TH & 12TH GRADE YOUTH AND PARENT BRUNCH. 11:30 a.m., Pastor Kellen's Manse. All 11th and 12th grade youth and their families are invited for a time of fellowship after worship. KellenSmith@bmpc.org.

Announcements

2017 STEWARDSHIP. We are thankful for your generosity! It is so inspirational to be a part of such a committed congregation that gives willingly and with great heart. We have reached 56% pledging participation! SarahMiciek@bmpc.org, ext. 8817.

MAKE THIS YOUR CHURCH HOME. If you are not a member, we invite you to join our community of faith on Sun., Dec. 11. Attend our "Gathering with the Pastors" on Sunday morning, Dec. 4, to learn more about our church and ask questions (childcare available). Register: DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS. Contributions may be given in three categories for listings in the Christmas Eve bulletin: "In memory of," "In honor of," or "In celebration of (marriage, retirement, birth, baptism)." Forms are available in the Ministries Center, in the back of the Sanctuary, or via the link on our homepage at www. bmpc.org. Monies received are used year-round for our floral decorations and Deacons' flower ministry. Deadline: Sun., Nov. 27.

NEW ART EXHIBIT. On view through Sun., Jan. 1. The vivid, colorful, and varied works of traditional art from Mary French to the more illusional art of Maria Schneider represent different techniques and materials and are available for purchase as holiday gifts. Artists' Reception on Sun., Dec. 11, after our Christmas choir concert. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

THE BOOK CENTER. One of our selections, *The Hero with a Thousand Faces* by Joseph Campbell (\$17), reveals Campbell's revolutionary insights on psychology and mythology. The Book Center is located in the Ministries Center. Kat MacMurray, KatRMac2@gmail.com.

This Week

INTERFAITH BIBLE STUDY. Mondays, Nov. 21 & 28, 7:30 p.m., Main Line Reform Temple, 410 Montgomery Ave., Wynnewood. Join Rabbi David Strauss and the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick on both evenings to explore biblical texts that we share as Christians and Jews. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING PANCAKE BREAKFAST. Thurs., Nov. 24, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m., Congregational Hall. "Pancakes for a Purpose" is a time for fellowship and food while supporting youth mission projects and trips. Cost: \$5 per person. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

Upcoming

SPECIAL SUNDAY SCHOOL: ADVENT KICK-OFF. Sun., Nov. 27, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 202, 10:15 a.m. Children birth - age 3 are in the nursery, while children age 4 - grade 3 begin worship in the Sanctuary at 10:00 a.m., and then go to a combined Advent Kick-Off class following the children's message. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

FULLERTON BIBLE STUDY: GOSPEL OF MARK. Sundays, Nov. 27, Dec. 4 - 18, 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. The Rev. Dr. Paul MacMurray walks us through this Gospel that gives us the very essence of Jesus' life and ministry. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM: PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE. Sundays Nov. 27, Dec. 4 - 18, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. The idea of religious freedom runs counter to most of history. What are the origins, present contours, and global prospects for a robust and just practice of "religious freedom?" Led by Dr. Jon Pahl, LTSP. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

PERSPECTIVES IN MUSIC. Mon., Nov. 28, 1:30 - 3:00 p.m., Fine Arts Center. Soprano soloist, Elizabeth Weigle, accompanied by pianist Elizabeth Morgan, presents a classical and contemporary repertoire. DeAnn Clancy, deannclancy@hotmail.com.

ADVENT CLASS: HANDEL'S MESSIAH. Wednesdays, Nov. 30 - Dec. 14, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Led by the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Jeffrey Brillhart and Edward Landin. Together we study the texts that Handel used to create his most iconic work. Our gathering includes performances by our Sanctuary Choir section leaders. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

ADVENT WORKSHOP FOR FAMILIES. Sun., Dec. 4, 11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. A festive event with hands-on fun and fellowship for all ages. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

PRIME TIME ADVENT PARTY (FOR AGE 50+). Sun., Dec. 4, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., home of Barbara Hauptfuhrer in Wayne. Register: www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations or with a check for \$15/person (includes heavy hors d'oeuvres and beverages), attn: Amy Bauer. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

SWEET SOUNDS OF CHRISTMAS. Sun., Dec. 11, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. This concert celebrates the joys of the Advent and Christmas seasons and features the entire family of BMPC choirs with one of the great brass ensembles in America, the Philadelphia Brass. Free-will offering. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

Caring & Sharing

FROZEN TURKEY AND HAM COLLECTION. Bring frozen turkeys and hams for the holiday season to the freezers in the Ministries Center for our Hunger Committee to deliver to families in need. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

CHRISTMAS ANGELS COLLECTION. Share the spirit of Christmas with children of the Village by adopting a family or sponsoring a child (5 - 8 gifts per child). Sign up online (http://bit.ly/2ePhUBF) and bring gifts to collection bins through Dec. 11. Betty Wu, efwuo1@gmail.com, 610-449-8059.

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 any one you know is hospitalized, and let us know if and when you volunteer at any local hospitals.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE WITH OUR PASTORAL CARE OFFICE. 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, November 20, 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

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.
Youth Grade Groups and Confirmation, Ministries Center

11:00 a.m. Cafe in the Court, Ministries Center Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby Advent Gift Market, Congregational Hall

11:15 a.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center

11:30 a.m. 11th & 12th Grade Brunch, Pastor Kellen's Manse

Monday, November 21, 2016

9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center

7:30 p.m. Interfaith Bible Study, Main Line Reform Temple

Tuesday, November 22, 2016

9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium Tuesday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg.

10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium

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

7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Committee Meeting, Conference Room

Wednesday, November 23, 2016

9:00 a.m. Walk for Life: Walk More, Live Better!, meet at BMPC's Back Parking Lot

9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

10:00 a.m. Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor

5:30 p.m. NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

Thursday, November 24, 2016

Church Office Closed: For pastoral emergencies, call 610-525-2821.

8:30 a.m. Annual Thanksgiving Pancake Breakfast, Congregational Hall

Friday, November 25, 2016

Church Office Closed: For pastoral emergencies, call 610-525-2821.

3:00 p.m. Ralph S. Saul Interment, Chapel Garden

Saturday, November 26, 2016

7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor

Sunday, November 27, 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 3.

Youth Holiday in Worship for grade 4 - 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

Jeffrey Brillhart, Director of Music and Fine Arts

Edward L. Landin, Assistant Director of Music

Contact Information

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

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Main Line Adult Day Center: 610-527-4220

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

The Weekday School (Preschool): 610-525-2821, ext. 8840