



Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

February 19, 2017
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome to BMPC

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.

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., Holiday Worship Together, 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 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.



"I am the resurrection and the life."

Elizabeth U. Lauer ~ February 10, 2017

Jane E. Henry ~ February 13, 2017

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

Fantasia in g minor

J.S. Bach

WELCOME

Rachel Pedersen

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: God's Spirit dwells in us,

All: For we are God's temple.

One: God declares to God's beloved,

All: You shall be holy, for I your God am holy.

† **HYMN 385**

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

OLD HUNDREDTH

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

Holy God, your law shows the way of righteousness,
but we forsake your commandments.

We have not provided for the poor or aided those in need.

We have not been truthful in our daily business;

we have been unjust in our judgment of others.

We have sought vengeance against our enemies;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

Forgive us our sins, and by the power of your Holy Spirit,

free us to live as your holy people with Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† **GLORIA PATRI** (*in unison*)

(Hymn 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

Rachel Pedersen

SENDING HYMN Go now, Children, with Our Blessing

During the Sending Hymn, children depart for their 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 Deuteronomy 26:16-19 (p. 181 in Bible) Richard Wohlschlaeger

ANTHEM The Best of Rooms Gerald Near Sanctuary Choir

Christ, he requires still, wheresoever he comes to feed or lodge, to have the best of rooms: Give him the choice; Grant him the nobler part of all the house: The best of all, the best of all's the heart.

SECOND LESSON Matthew 5:38-48 (p. 5 in pew Bible) Agnes W. Norfleet

SERMON Perfect Love Agnes W. Norfleet

† HYMN 410 God Is Calling Through the Whisper W ZLOBIE LEZY

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(in unison)*

Richard Wohlschlaeger

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

~ The Apostles' Creed

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

For the Beauty of the Earth
Sanctuary Choir

John Rutter

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies. Lord of all to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light. Lord of all to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent child. Friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild. Lord of all to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely given, graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven. Lord of all to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

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

- † **DOXOLOGY** (Hymn 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 693** Though I May Speak GIFT OF LOVE
- † **BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE** Agnes W. Norfleet
- POSTLUDE** Paeon Craig Phillips

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
 Dr. Henry and Eleanor Rohrer
 Misty Dailey
 Patricia Lowman Dailey

GREETING AND HOSTING

Members of the Senior Adults Council

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Rob Mygatt

BULLETIN COVER

Stained glass window depicting Jesus and the Sermon on the Mount
 in the Cathedral of Brussels, Belgium.

Announcements

MAKE THIS YOUR CHURCH HOME. We look forward to welcoming new members to our community of faith on Sun., March 5. As orientation, our “Gathering with the Pastors” next Sun., Feb. 26, before and after 10:00 a.m. worship will acquaint you with this church, our ministries and our Reformed tradition and is an opportunity to ask questions (childcare available). Register: DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

ONE BOOK ONE CHURCH. Copies of Eboo Patel’s book, *Acts of Faith*, are available in the Book Center for the reduced price of \$5.00. We welcome interfaith leader Eboo Patel to speak on Tuesday, March 7, at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. An all-church discussion of the book is scheduled for April. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

CHILD & YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING. Training is required for those who volunteer with children through grade 12 at BMPC. If you have not completed training in the last year, you must register; dates are available in February: MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

YOUTH SUMMER TRIPS REGISTRATION. For more information about the High School Mission Trip to Crownpoint, New Mexico; the Middle School Mission Trip to Broad Street Ministries; or Camp Kirkwood, search “Summer Camps and Mission Trips” at www.bmpc.org. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

PASTORAL COUNSELING & VOCATIONAL EXPLORATION. Former BMPC Associate Pastor Pattie Kitchen meets with individuals to explore the question, “What have I been placed upon this earth to do: to love, to lead, to create, to heal?” To schedule an appointment: info@middletoncenter.org or 610-525-0766. No charge.

ART EXHIBIT. Through Feb. 26 in our Ministries Center, the Studio at Beacon presents “Art Created for Community and Personal Transformation.” Beacon, a mission partner of BMPC, identifies itself as a neighborhood faith community serving a portion of Kensington. Presbyterian pastors lead the flock and have established an art studio to inspire creativity and expression for all who attend. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP. Mon., June 19 - Fri., June 23, BMPC Campus (kick-off on Sun., June 18). This year we *Explore the Parables through Art*. For more details or to sign up, search “Vacation Bible Camp” at www.bmpc.org. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

Today

FULLERTON BIBLE STUDY: THE BOOKS OF 1 & 2 SAMUEL. 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. “Walk” through 1 and 2 Samuel with Courtenay Willcox and revisit Saul, David, Jesus and many more. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

ARTS AND SPIRITUALITY. 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Patricia Danzon, Spiritual Director at Middleton Center, explores the influences of religion/spirituality on the visual arts from the Middle Ages to the present.

This Week

MISSION TRIP TO LEBANON. Five BMPC members are traveling with the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick and visiting with congregations of the National Evangelical Synod of Syria and Lebanon, our Presbyterian partners in the region. They return on Feb. 22. Please keep them in your prayers for safe travels. On Sun., March 26, 11:15 a.m., they share their experiences.

BIBLE FOR BEGINNERS. Thurs., Feb. 23, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. All are welcome to this class led by the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick. Anita Iyengar, aciyengar@gmail.com.

WEEKEND WITH IVY BECKWITH. Fri., Feb. 24, 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.; Sat., Feb. 25, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.; and Sun. Feb. 26, 11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Congregational Hall. One of the leading voices in children’s faith formation, the Rev. Ivy Beckwith explores ways to best support our children and grandchildren as they grow in faith. Register: MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

Upcoming

DEADLINE FOR BMPC WORLDWIDE MINISTRIES GRANTS. Tues., Feb. 28 is the deadline for applications for Worldwide Ministries grants. Check the criteria at www.bmpc.org > Outreach > Grants to learn if an organization you support might be encouraged to apply. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

NATIONAL KIDNEY FOUNDATION PROGRAM. Sat., March 4, 9:00 - 10:30 a.m., Gloucester Room. March is National Kidney Month! This presentation by the National Kidney Foundation discusses how kidneys function and keep you alive, individual risk of kidney disease and screening tests, and how people can improve their lifestyles to prevent kidney disease. Register: JenniferRocheleau@bmpc.org, ext. 8832.

MIDDAY LENTEN ORGAN RECITALS. Tuesdays, March 7 - April 11, 12:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Spend your lunch hour listening to talented organists play BMPC’s magnificent Rieger organ. March 7 – Parker Kitterman; March 14 – Lucas Brown; March 21 – Bryan Holten; March 28 – Andrew Senn; April 4 – Edward Landin; April 11 – Kathleen Scheide. Free admission. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

FULLERTON BIBLE STUDY. Sundays, March 5 - 26, 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. Encounters with Jesus led by Seminary Intern David Smith in a study of the stories from the Gospel of John that have shaped our Lenten Devotional. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

MINI SERIES ON CORRECTIONS ISSUES. Sun., March 5 & 12, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Our Peacemaking Committee addresses problems within the American justice system with speakers Ann Schwartzman of the PA Prison Society (March 5) and Kate Germond of Centurion Ministries (March 12). Phoebe Sheftel, pasheftel@gmail.com.

NATHAN LAUBE ORGAN RECITAL. Sun., March 5, 2:00 p.m., Sanctuary. A former Organ Scholar at BMPC, Nathan Laube has established an impressive performance career. We are thrilled to welcome him back to Bryn Mawr. Tickets: \$10 for adults; \$5 for students. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

INTERFAITH CENTER BENEFIT AND AWARD PRESENTATION. Tuesday, March 7, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary. The annual Dare to Understand Award will honor Eboo Patel, founder and president of Interfaith Youth Core. Free tickets available at www.interfaithcenterpa.org, Amanda Scates-Preisinger, asp@interfaithcenterpa.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY ASSESSMENT. Sunday, March 12, 8:45 a.m. - 6:45 p.m., Gloucester Room. Our Youth Ministry Council invites church members to participate in a listening session with Ministry Architects - consultants who have been enlisted to conduct an assessment of our youth ministry - including input from a variety of church members. To register: www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

INTERFAITH BIBLE STUDY. Mondays, March 13 & 20, 6:30 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Join Rabbi David Strauss of Main Line Reform Temple and the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick for two evenings of study as we explore significant biblical texts that we, as both Christians and Jews, share. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

YOUTH MINISTRY ASSESSMENT PRESENTATION. Tuesday, March 14, 5:30-6:45 p.m., Congregational Hall. Ministry Architects consultants present a report following the assessment of our youth ministry. All church members are invited to hear the results. A free dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. and the presentation runs from 5:45-7:00 p.m. To register: www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

Caring & Sharing

IS GARDENING YOUR PASSION? Volunteer with our Common Ground Committee that works to bring an environmentally friendly (as well as beautiful) use of the grounds that surround our campus. Mickey Cooper, RRRailer@aol.com.

VOLUNTEER FOR A REFUGEE SUPPORT TEAM. Sign up today to support a local refugee family. Teams include housing, furnishings, food/shopping, medical, transportation, employment, education, finance, clothing, and friendship. florence.zeller@gmail.com.

HELP FIGHT HUNGER. Food baskets are located in the Narthex and Chapel entrance. Bring a non-perishable food item to worship on Sundays to help stock the local emergency food cupboards. Dave Hastings, dhast99@yahoo.com.

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@bmpe.org or ext. 8833.

This Week's Calendar

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

Today, February 19

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
Church School Casseroles, Congregational Hall
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
Holiday Worship Together for grades 6 - 12
10:15 a.m. Sunday School for Grades K - 5, Ed. Bldg.
11:00 a.m. Cafe in the Court, Ministries Center
Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
11:15 a.m. Fullerton Bible Study, Fullerton Room
Arts and Spirituality, Witherspoon Parlor
Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center

Monday, February 20

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

Tuesday, February 21

- 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
2:30 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room & Witherspoon Parlor
6:30 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.

7:00 p.m. Urban Suburban Book Group, Overbrook Presbyterian
Boy Scout Troop 19 Committee Meeting, Conference Room

Wednesday, February 22

9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room
Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor
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
7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft
Outreach Council Meeting, Gloucester Room

Thursday, February 23

9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
Memoir Writing Class, Fullerton Room
11:00 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
5:00 p.m. Wheelchair Basketball Practice, Gymnasium
6:30 p.m. Ushers' CPR and AED Training, Congregational Hall
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center
Bible for Beginners, Gloucester Room
Hunger Committee Meeting, Conference Room

Friday, February 24

9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg.
Visual Arts Committee Meeting, Conference Room
9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Ed. Bldg.
6:00 p.m. Ivy Beckwith: Nurturing Faith at Home, Congregational Hall
(optional dinner at 6:00 p.m. and presentation at 7:00 p.m.)

Saturday, February 25

7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
9:00 a.m. Ivy Beckwith: Nurturing Faith at Church, Congregational Hall
10:00 a.m. Bereavement Group, Middleton Center

Sunday, February 26

8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel
10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion and Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
Sunday School for age 2 - grade 12
11:15 a.m. Ivy Beckwith: Faith in the Future, Congregational Hall

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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