



***Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church***

February 26, 2017
8:00 a.m., Chapel
Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday

Welcome to BMPC

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. Please introduce yourself to a pastor after the service.

TO ASSIST YOU DURING WORSHIP: If you are unable to come forward during communion please let an usher or server know, and communion will be brought to you. 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 and Confirmation 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

David Smith

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God who said, “Out of darkness the light shall shine,”

All: Is the same God who makes light shine in our hearts.

One: We have been given knowledge of God’s glory

All: Shining in the face of Christ.

† HYMN 189

O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair

DEO GRACIAS

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Glorious God, it is good to be here with you – in the comfort of this sanctuary,
among friends, assured of your grace and love for us.

How tempted we are to abide in what feels safe and familiar;

How hesitant we are to venture forth into the unknown.

As Christ turned his eyes from the mountaintop to the valley,

turn our eyes toward places where we shudder to go –

places where people struggle with brokenness and pain,

dark places where we might bear your love and light.

Transfigure us, so we might represent your kingdom well.

Until the new day dawns and the morning star rises in our hearts,

sustain us by your presence and your power. Amen.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the dark - ness. Christ, be our
light! Shine in your church gath - ered to - day.

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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dave Hastings

FIRST LESSON Exodus 24:12-18 (*p. 70 in pew Bible*)

Dave Hastings

SECOND LESSON Matthew 17:1-9 (*p. 18 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Clouds of Glory

Agnes W. Norfleet

† **HYMN 500**

Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread

ST. FLAVIAN

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Agnes W. Norfleet

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 offering 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

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.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

David Smith

† **HYMN 190** Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory GENEVA

† **SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

POSTLUDE

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Dr. Agnes W. Barksdale

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Elder Dave Hastings

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

David Smith
Princeton Seminary Intern

USHERING

Michelle LaFarge

Announcements

DAILY LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET. Guide and enrich your journey through the 40 days of Lent, which begins Wednesday, March 1, using a devotional written by BMPC members and staff. Copies are available in church information racks or you may access the devotions on our website, search “Devotional” at www.bmpc.org.

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 2. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

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.

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

MEMBERSHIP ORIENTATION: GATHERING WITH THE PASTORS. 8:45 & 11:15 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 204. As we look forward to New Member Sunday, March 5, this is an opportunity to become better acquainted with this church, our ministries and our Reformed tradition and to ask questions (childcare available). DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

DIGGING DEEPER BIBLE STUDY. Sundays through March 19, 8:45 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 205. Study of the Gospel of John. Barbara Heaton, barbhheaton@gmail.com.

IVY BECKWITH: NURTURING CHILDREN’S FAITH. 11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Congregational Hall. One of the leading voices in children’s faith formation, the Rev. Ivy Beckwith discusses “Faith in the Future.”

ART EXHIBIT. Today 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.

This Week

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.

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP AND DINNER. Lent begins March 1.

- 5:30 p.m. Family Service in the Chapel with Imposition of Ashes. All ages are invited, but childcare is also available.
- 6:00-7:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner served in Congregational Hall; \$8/adults, \$5/students and children. All welcome.
- 7:30 p.m. Service in the Chapel with Imposition of Ashes.

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.

Upcoming

FULLERTON BIBLE STUDY. Sundays, March 5 - 26, 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. Seminary Intern David Smith leads "Encounters with Jesus": 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](mailto:PhoebeSheftel@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.

FAITH INBETWEEN. Sun., March 5, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 205. Parents of children grades 3 - 7 share dinner while the Rev. Rachel Pedersen leads a discussion about what it means to be a Christian in a multi-faith community. Pizza and a homework room (Rm. 202) are available for children. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

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.

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/awards. Amanda Scates-Preisinger, asp@interfaithcenterpa.org.

WEDNESDAY LENTEN VESPER WORSHIP. Wednesdays, March 8 - 29, 7:00 p.m., Chapel. A simple service of music, prayer, scripture and silence led by the pastors.

YOUTH MINISTRY ASSESSMENT. Sun., March 12, 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. Register for one of five sessions at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

- 11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Youth, Gloucester Room
- 12:45 - 2:00 p.m. Parents, Gloucester Room
- 2:15 - 3:45 p.m. Youth Ministry Council, Fullerton Room
- 4:00 - 5:15 p.m. Deacons, Elders, and Trustees, Witherspoon Parlor
- 5:30 - 6:45 p.m. All Church Members, Gloucester Room

INTERFAITH BIBLE STUDY. Mondays, March 13 & 20, 7:30 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, 5:30-7:00 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. Register: www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

13th (film) PEACEMAKING PRESENTATION. Sunday, March 19, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. View the film *13th*, a documentary centered on race in the U.S. criminal justice system that was nominated for an Academy Award for Best Documentary. Refreshments will be served. [Phoebe Sheftel pasheftel@gmail.com](mailto:PhoebeSheftel@pasheftel@gmail.com).

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](mailto:MickeyCooper@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. Bring a non-perishable food item to worship on Sundays to help stock the local emergency food cupboards. Food baskets are located in the Narthex and Chapel entrance. 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@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, February 26

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
8:45 a.m. Digging Deeper Bible Study, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 205
Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Conference Room
Filling the Well (for women), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 104
Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 201
Gathering with Pastors/Membership Orientation (Part 1), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 204
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion 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. Lobby
11:15 a.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
Gathering with Pastors/Membership Orientation (Part 2), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 204
Serving the Whole Family, Congregational Hall
Ivy Beckwith: Faith in the Future, Congregational Hall

Monday, February 27

- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
6:30 p.m. APNC Meeting, Fullerton Room

Tuesday, February 28

- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
Tuesday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg, Rm. 101 & 102
10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
6:30 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.

Wednesday, March 1 - Ash Wednesday

- 8:00 a.m. Stewardship Meeting, Conference Room
- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
- 10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room
- 10:30 a.m. Horizons Bible Study, Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom
- 5:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Family Worship, Chapel
Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft
- 7:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship, Chapel

Thursday, March 2

- 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. Refugee Support Committee Meeting, Congregational Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center

Friday, March 3

- 9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101 & 102
- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
- 4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Ed. Bldg.

Saturday, March 4

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 8:30 a.m. Childcare Workers & Ushers: CPR & AED Training, Congregational Hall
- 9:00 a.m. Your Kidneys & You Program, Gloucester Room
Organ Improvisation Class, Chapel

Sunday, March 5

- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Youth Chorale and Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
Sunday School for age 2 - grade 3.
Worship Together Sunday for grades 4 - 12.
- 2:00 p.m. Nathan Laube Organ Concert, Sanctuary

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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