



***Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church***

May 7, 2017
8:00 a.m., Chapel
Fourth Sunday of Easter

WELCOME TO BMPC

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Childcare

7:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Education Building, Rm. 102

Art @ 9

age 3 - Grade 5
8:45 a.m., Education Building, Rm. 201

Morning Discussion Group

Adult Bible Study
8:45 a.m., Conference Room

Filling the Well

Women's Bible Study
8:45 a.m., Education Building, Rm. 104

10:00 Worship & Programs

Sunday School, Adult Education
See calendar for a complete schedule

Annual Meeting

Congregational Meeting
11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

NEW HERE? We are pleased that you are joining us as we worship God this morning. Information about our programs is available in the Narthex of the Chapel. We invite you to participate in any of our programs, ministries and mission opportunities, as they are open to all.

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.

TO ASSIST YOU DURING WORSHIP. Children's bulletins with crayons may be found in the Narthex. If you are unable to come forward for Communion, please let an usher or server know, and Communion will be brought to you.

Subscribe to our BMPC eNews by adding your email address to the Fellowship Register. For more information about today's schedule, see the calendar at the back of this bulletin.

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GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Rachel Pedersen

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good.

All: The Lord's steadfast love endures forever.

One: The Lord is our strength and our might;

All: The Lord has become our salvation.

One: This is the day the Lord has made;

All: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

† HYMN 305

Come Sing, O Church, In Joy!

DARWALL'S 148TH

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

O God, you tend us gently and care for us completely,
while we wander and stray, still wanting,
in spite of what you have provided for us.

Take away our sin, still our hearts, and restore our souls.

Lead us in the paths of righteousness.

With goodness and mercy, fill us.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Good Shepherd. Amen.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

We are for - giv - en. We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to
God. Thanks be to God. We are for - giv - en.
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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Cathy Whiteside

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 23 (in unison)

Cathy Whiteside

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul:
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil;
for Thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:
Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

SECOND LESSON

John 10:1-11 (*p. 103 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Knowing the Voice

Agnes W. Norfleet

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Rachel Pedersen

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

Agnes W. Norfleet

† **HYMN 803** My Shepherd Will Supply My Need RESIGNATION

† **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
Edward S. and Ann H. Madara
Algernon and Elizabeth K. Roberts
Isaac W. Roberts III

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Elder Cathy Whiteside

USHERING

Elder Keith Brinks

BULLETIN COVER

Journey with Jesus by He Qi

Announcements

REFLECTION GROUPS FOR MINISTRY CURRICULUM. Help us identify the most important stories, skills, and experiences children have in each grade. Your feedback will help shape education for the whole church. There are two sessions per age group. For dates, contact MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

ART EXHIBIT: AFRICAN ART AND VOICES IN QUILTS. On display through May 28. The George Purvis collection from Harcum College highlights African sculpture in different materials: masks, fabrics, textiles and household items. The quilts of Ghana were conceived as the expressions of the women who crafted them under the direction of Christina Johnson, a fellowship recipient sent to teach and learn. Johnson speaks about the quilts on Sun., May 21 at 11:15 a.m. in our Conference Room. A reception for the exhibit follows the choir concert that afternoon.

CONSIDERING MEMBERSHIP? For information about our spring orientation or to join our church on our next New Member Sunday, June 11, contact DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

SANCTUARY FLOWER OPENING. We have an opening on Sun., May 28 for a shared flower dedication of our Sanctuary Flowers. If you would like to participate in dedicating flowers to a loved one, contact Doreen Petrovitch, 484-645-1661.

Today

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION is scheduled for today, immediately following the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

This Week

DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE. May 10 & 16, Fullerton Room. Our two-part series incorporates film and literature. On Wed., May 10 at 3:00 p.m., view David Lean's 1946 version of *Great Expectations*. On Tues., May 16 at 1:30 p.m., former Conestoga High School educator and book lover Norma Winther leads a discussion of Charles Dickens' classic *Great Expectations* and Lean's film. Erichthorjohnson@gmail.com.

REDUCING YOUR CARBON FOOTPRINT. Wed., May 10, 7:00 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Susan O'Donnell presents suggestions for reducing waste and your carbon footprint. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

Y-GROUP ANNUAL YEAR-END BRUNCH. Thurs., May 11, 9:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Y-Group is for mothers of younger children. AmyBarrickman@gmail.com.

HABITAT HOUSE BLESSING. Sat., May 13, 3:00 p.m., 1601 Page St., Philadelphia, 19121. Join us as we gather to bless the completed Habitat home that was framed this past fall on the BMPC Front Lawn.

Upcoming

FIFTH GRADE STEP-UP DAY & HYMNAL PRESENTATION. Sun., May 14, 9:15 a.m. Fifth grade students, their families and those who have helped with their Sunday school are invited for donuts and light snacks before the 10:00 a.m. service. During the Children's Moment, we hand out hymnals to our fifth graders as they bridge from the children's program to the youth program. Contact MaryRichards@bmpc.org if your child will participate.

LAST YOUTH GATHERING AND 5TH GRADE STEP-UP DAY. Sun., May 14. Fifth graders meet in the gym after hymnal presentation at the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

CONFIRMATION EXPO. Sun., May 14, 11:00 a.m., Gym. All are invited to view projects presented by the Confirmands. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8822.

URBAN SUBURBAN BOOK GROUP. Tues., May 16, noon, Converse House Library. Join members of Bryn Mawr Presbyterian and Overbrook Presbyterian Churches to discuss *Acts of Faith* by Eboo Patel. Alyce Marsh, 215 472-7886.

HOLY LEISURE. Fri., May 19, 6:00-9:00 p.m., home of Winifred Cutler. The Rev. Barbara Chaapel, Director of Communications at Princeton Theological Seminary, leads a discussion of *Our Journey Godward: An Opportunity to Explore Ancient and Contemporary Spiritual Practices*. Carpooling is suggested. Register with your potluck dinner donation. Janet White, Janetw298@verizon.net.

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY. Sun., May 21. Following an 8:30 a.m. breakfast in Congregational Hall with their families, Confirmands are recognized during the 10:00 a.m. worship service. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8822.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC & TEACHER CELEBRATION. Sun., May 21, 11:15 a.m., BMPC Lawn. As we wrap up a year of Sunday school, come enjoy fellowship together and help make cards to thank your teachers. Thank-you cards can be made in the Ed. Bldg. Children's Library, or worked on at home. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

HUNGER COMMITTEE LIAISON BRUNCH. Sun., May 21, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. All are welcome to join this informative event featuring leaders from hunger organizations in the greater Philadelphia area. This is your opportunity to find out why the white hunger envelopes are in the pews every week. Free of charge, but registration is requested: BMPC.org > Open Registrations. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

CHRISTINA JOHNSON PRESENTATION. Sun., May 21, 11:15 a.m., Conference Room. Christina Johnson traveled to Ghana to teach women to express themselves through quilting. Her work has been used to promote healing and offer comfort. Carolschmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

ZA CHIJERE PRESENTATION. Sun., May 21, 11:15 a.m., Gloucester Room. Malawian Za Chijere presents information on his school in Madisi, Malawi. Mary Bond, bondongrouce@gmail.com.

YOUTH END-OF-YEAR PARTY. Sun., May 21, 11:30 a.m., Pastor Kellen's Manse. Youth and their families are invited to celebrate the end of year with a backyard cookout. Register: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

CHOIR CONCERT WITH ANTON ARMSTRONG AND ANDRÉ THOMAS. Sun., May 21, 3:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Featuring the BMPC Sanctuary Choir and Children and Youth Choirs, Singing City and the Singing City Children's Choir, with the Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia. Tickets: \$20 for preferred seating; \$15 for general admission; \$5 for students. Available for purchase from singingcity.org, 267-519-5321.

GREAT DECISIONS. Tues., May 23, 2:30 p.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Auditorium. A discussion on the "Conflict in the South China Sea" examines China's growing influence and American diplomatic efforts in this volatile region. Marilyn Irwin, marirwin@aol.com.

PERSPECTIVES IN MUSIC. Tues., May 23, 11:30 a.m., Congregational Hall. Featured guest Carole Latimer, soprano, serenades us in Perspective's "Year of the Singer" Season Finale. Luncheon includes appetizer, entree, dessert and beverages. A registration form is needed with a \$20.00 check payable to BMPC Presbyterian Women by Fri., May 19. Mail checks to: DeAnn P. Clancy, 1956 Montgomery Ave., Villanova, PA 19085 or contact deannclancy@hotmail.com.

BRUCE FEILER LECTURE AND BOOK SIGNING. Tues., May 23, 7:30 p.m., Main Line Reform Temple, 410 Montgomery Ave., Wynnewood. Author of *First Love Story: Adam, Eve and Us*, Feiler redeems history's first couple, explains the many ways we've scapegoated Eve, and elevates these founding figures to their rightful place as role models for unity and forgiveness.

BIBLE FOR BEGINNERS. Thurs., May 25, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. All are welcome to attend this class led by the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick. Anita Iyengar, aciyengar@gmail.com.

Caring & Sharing

MOTHER'S DAY INFANT FORMULA AND BABY FOOD COLLECTION. Today through May 21. Help homeless women and children at Episcopal Community Services St. Barnabas Mission. Similac Advanced or other formula may be dropped off in collection bins around the church and education building. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

BREAKING BREAD AT BROAD STREET MINISTRY. Sat., May 13, 10:15 a.m. Meet in Ministries Center at BMPC Reception Desk and travel to Philadelphia to serve lunch to the homeless and hungry. Return at 2:00 p.m. Register: Pam Haynes Walsh, Haynes-walsh@comcast.net, 610-667-0972.

OUR BROTHERS' PLACE. Sat., May 20, 10:15 a.m. Meet at Reception Desk in the Ministries Center to carpool. Help prepare and serve lunch at Our Brothers' Place, a homeless shelter for men. Return at 2:00 p.m. Register: Pam Haynes Walsh, haynes-walsh@comcast.net, 610-667-0972.

HELP FIGHT HUNGER. Contribute to emergency food cupboards, homeless shelters, and hunger relief organizations by using the white Hunger envelopes in the pews or noting “Hunger” on the memo line of your check. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

SERVE WITH OUR PASTORAL CARE TEAM. Provide rides for older adults, meals to those recuperating, prayer shawls for those in need of solace, or visits to the homebound. LorieBenovic@bmpc.org, 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, May 7

- 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 - 3 begin worship in the Sanctuary
Worship Together Sunday for Grades 4 - 5, Sanctuary
Youth Gathering (Grades 6 - 12), Gymnasium
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School for grades K - 3, Ed. Bldg.
Youth Grade Groups and Confirmation, Ministries Center
- 11:00 a.m. Annual Meeting, Sanctuary
Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
Cafe in the Court, Ministries Center
- 6:00 p.m. Reflection Groups for Ministry Curriculum: Grades 3 - 7, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 205

Monday, May 8

- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
- 11:00 a.m. Betty S. Light Memorial Service, Chapel
- 4:00 p.m. Environmental Justice Committee, Conference Room
- 6:00 p.m. Foundation Board Meeting, Conference Room
- 7:00 p.m. Peacemaking Committee Meeting, Gloucester Room

Tuesday, May 9

- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
Tuesday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg, Rms. 101 & 102
- 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
- 11:00 a.m. Reflection Groups for Ministry Curriculum: Ages 2 - 4, Gloucester Room

- 1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
- 2:30 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room & Witherspoon Parlor
- 5:30 p.m. Upward Basketball, Gymnasium
- 7:00 p.m. Session Meeting, Gloucester Room

Wednesday, May 10

- 9:00 a.m. Mother's Day Celebration/Art Show, Ministries Center Court
- 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
- 3:00 p.m. Dimensions in Literature, Fullerton Room
- 4:45 p.m. Choir Concert Rehearsal for Grades 3 and up, Fine Arts Center
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Reflection Groups for Ministry Curriculum: Ages 2 - 4, Gloucester Room
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Education Council Meeting, Fullerton Room
- 7:00 p.m. Reducing Your Carbon Footprint, Witherspoon Parlor

Thursday, May 11

- 9:15 a.m. Y-Group End-of-Year Brunch, Congregational Hall
- 10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
- 11:00 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center

Friday, May 12

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

Saturday, May 13

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. Divorce Support Group, Witherspoon Parlor
- 10:00 a.m. Bereavement Group, Fullerton Room
- 10:15 a.m. Breaking Bread, Broad Street Ministry
- 3:00 p.m. Habitat House Blessing, 1601 Page St., Philadelphia, PA 19121

Sunday, May 14

- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
- 10:00 a.m. **Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary**
The Rev. Rachel Pedersen will preach.
Sunday School for age 2 - grade 12

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

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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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