



# ***Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church***

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August 6, 2017  
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary  
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

# WELCOME TO BMPC

## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

### **Childcare (infant - age 5)**

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

### **8:00 a.m. Worship, Chapel**

### **10:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary**

**Grades 4 - 12**  
Attend Worship  
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

**Grades K - 3 Classes**  
10:15 a.m., Education Building

**NEW HERE?** We are pleased that you are joining us as we worship God this morning. We invite you to stop at our information alcove to the left of the main entrance. You are welcome 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 join us for Lemonade on the Lawn after the 10:00 a.m. worship service (inclement weather location: Ministries Center Court).

**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.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL. Grades K-3** worship with their families in the Sanctuary before being dismissed at 10:15 a.m. for Sunday School. If this is your first Sunday, please accompany your child to the Education Building. Regular classes for all ages resume on Sept. 10.

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

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# GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

## PRELUDE

A Song Without Words  
Peter Volpert, cello

Craig Phillips

## WELCOME

Mary Steege

## † CALL TO WORSHIP

One: I will bless the Lord at all times.

**All: God's praise will continually be in my mouth.**

One: My soul makes its boast in the Lord,

**All: Let the humble hear and be glad.**

One: O magnify the Lord with me,

**All: Let us exalt God's name together.**

## † HYMN 667

When Morning Gilds the Skies

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## CALL TO CONFESSION

### AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

O God, you have been faithful,

yet we have not loved you with our whole hearts.

You showed us how to love our fellow human beings,

yet we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

Turn us back to you, O God,

that we may follow your commandments;

through Christ our Lord.

*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 K - Grade 3 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    Romans 12:9-21 (*p. 162 in pew Bible*)

Mary Steege

## SECOND LESSON    Mark 12: 28-34 (*p. 49 in pew Bible*)

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

*Heart, Soul, Mind and Strength*

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

## † HYMN 754

Help Us Accept Each Other

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# RESPONSE TO THE WORD

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

Franklyn C. Pottorff

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

At the Name of Jesus

Summer Choir

arr. James Kirkby

At the Name of Jesus, every knee shall bow, every tongue confess Him King of glory now; It is his pleasure we should call Him Lord, who from the beginning was the mighty Word. Humbled for a season, to receive a name from the lips of sinners unto whom He came, gladly He bore it spotless to the last, brought it back victorious when from death He passed. Bore it up triumphant with its human light, through all ranks of creatures, to the central height, before the throne and to the Father's breast; Filled it with the glory of that perfect rest. In your hearts enthrone Him; there let Him subdue all that is not holy, all that is not true; Crown as your Captain in temptation's hour; Let His will enfold you in its light and power.

*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 634**

To God Be the Glory

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† **BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE**

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

**POSTLUDE**

Prelude in G major

Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel

## *Worship Notes*

### **SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
Charlotte and James Rittenhouse

### **GREETING AND HOSTING**

Peggy and Mike Ballinger and Anne Grauer

### **GUEST SUMMER CHOIR CONDUCTOR**

Sandra Stouffer

### **PLAYING THE CARILLON**

Rob Mygatt

### **BULLETIN COVER**

*The Greatest Commandment*

*Our summer sermon series is based upon the gospel stories of Jesus that we teach to our youngest children, in hopes that children in worship recognize them and the child in each of us recalls the foundational biblical witness for the life of faith.*



*"I am the resurrection and the life."*

Frances Powell ~ July 27, 2017

Ruth "Dudy" Fergusson ~ July 30, 2017



## Today

**PRAY FOR BMPC YOUTH.** Please keep in your prayers the 41 BMPC youth and adults who are journeying to Camp Kirkwood today for a week full of fun, friends and faith.

**SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL.** Through Aug. 20, Ed. Bldg., 10:15 a.m. Our rising kindergarteners – third graders help mission partners and learn about worship. If this is your first Sunday, please accompany your child to the Education Building.

**SUMMER CHOIR.** Through Sept. 3. All singers who can read music are invited to come to church on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. for a short rehearsal in the choir loft, then stay and sing for the 10:00 a.m. service. Summer choir is simple (one anthem and hymns), and informal (no robes). No long-term commitment; no need to sign up in advance. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org.

## This Week

**MISSION PROJECT AT WEST KENSINGTON MINISTRY.** Aug. 7 - 11, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Volunteer for any increment of time or the entire time! We'll be scraping, sanding and painting the manse to make space for mission residents. Chad Pilling, pillingcb@gmail.com, 267 566-0206.

## Announcements

**HYMNAL DEDICATION LIST.** The hymnal dedication list is available to view in binders in the back of the Sanctuary and the Chapel. The list includes names of donors who contributed to the purchase of the *Glory to God* hymnals in 2015 as well as their dedications.

**NEW CHANCEL LIGHTING IN SANCTUARY.** With a generous financial contribution from anonymous donors, the six-light incandescent fixtures in the balconies and on the edge of the stained-glass windows in the chancel area in the front of the Sanctuary are to be replaced with 24 new energy-efficient LED fixtures. Six of the new fixtures will provide colored light for theatrical productions. The project also includes installation of new lighting controls.

The donors wanted to provide better illumination in front of the church during worship and limited theatrical lighting when the Sanctuary is used for musical and theatrical productions. Work is expected to be finished by Fri., Aug. 11. The project will not affect worship services on Sundays.

**SANCTUARY FLOWER OPENING.** We have an opening on Sun., Aug. 27 for a shared dedication of our Sanctuary Flowers. If you would like to participate in dedicating flowers to a loved one, contact BeckyHoy@bmpc.org.

**JOIN SANCTUARY CHOIR.** If you love to sing, we invite you to join Sanctuary Choir, a vibrant group of adults who worship God through music while serving as leaders in the church. To schedule an informal interview with Jeff Brillhart, contact StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org.

## ***Caring & Sharing***

**HELP WITH SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL.** Through Aug. 20, our rising kindergarteners - third graders help mission partners and learn about worship. Sign up to lead or help on one (or more!) Sundays from 10:15 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

**WEEKEND GROCERY COLLECTION.** Did you know that 10% of students in Lower Merion School District receive free or reduced-price lunch during the school year, indicating real need? Help us partner with Main Line Reform Temple to prepare weekend grocery bags given to local families this summer. Please bring the following donations to BMPC and place in the collection bins: instant oatmeal packs, shelf-stable milk boxes, macaroni and cheese, tuna pouches, granola bars, fruit cups, cereal. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

**VOLUNTEER FOR MEMORIAL SERVICES/RECEPTIONS.** Serve as an usher or help with receptions at occasional memorial services held at our church. We will include you on emails sent whenever help is needed; volunteer when you are able. Send your contact information to AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

**CANNED FOOD NEEDED.** During the summer, food pantries receive fewer donations. Drop off high-protein canned goods (soups, peanut butter, stews, ravioli) in the Hunger Baskets near the Sanctuary entrance to be delivered to the pantries. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

**LEARN ABOUT OUR MISSION PARTNERS.** Both the Worldwide Ministries Committee and Outreach Committee support a number of organizations. Visit [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org) and click on an organization's name on either the Worldwide Ministries page or Outreach page to be directed to their websites to learn more about the work of these organizations.



# ***This Week's Calendar***

*For more information, visit our website at [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org), call the church office, or contact [communications@bmpc.org](mailto:communications@bmpc.org).*

## **Today, August 6**

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare (infant - 5 years old, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102)  
8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**  
9:00 a.m. Summer Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary Choir Loft  
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion and Summer Choir, Sanctuary**  
Grades K - 3 begin worship in the Sanctuary  
Worship Together Sunday for Children & Youth in grades 4 - 12  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School for grades K - 3, Ed. Bldg.  
11:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn (inclement weather location: Ministries Center)  
11:15 a.m. Camp Leader Training, Gloucester Room  
1:00 p.m. Camp Kirkwood Camper Check-In, Ministries Center Court

## **Monday, August 7**

*No scheduled activities.*

## **Tuesday, August 8**

- 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium

## **Wednesday, August 9**

- 6:00 p.m. Property Committee Meeting, Conference Room

## **Thursday, August 10**

- 10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room

## **Friday, August 11**

*No scheduled activities.*

## **Saturday, August 12**

- 9:00 a.m. Divorce Support Group, Witherspoon Parlor  
10:00 a.m. Bereavement Group, Fullerton Room

## **Sunday, August 13**

- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**  
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Baptism and Summer Choir, Sanctuary**  
The Rev. Franklyn C. Pottorff will preach.  
Sunday School for kindergarten - grade 3.

# **Upcoming Special Events**

## **Rally Day**

***Sun., Sept. 10, 11:00 a.m., Front Lawn (rain location: Ministries Center)***

Join us as we kick off a new season in ministry! Our celebration will include picnic food, entertainment, fall program information from our ministry areas, and fellowship for all ages. All welcome; bring a friend!

## **Installation of our new Associate Pastors**

***Sun., Sept. 17, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary***

The Rev. Franklyn C. Pottorff, Associate Pastor for Congregational Life and Stewardship, and the Rev. Mary Steege, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care and Senior Adults, will be installed in a special worship service.

## **Service Day: Framing Blitz with Habitat for Humanity Philadelphia**

***Sat., Sept. 30, 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Front Lawn***

Choose one or more shifts to help build the frame of a new home; no experience necessary. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

## **Blessing of the Animals**

***Sun., Oct. 1, 4:00 p.m., Front Lawn***

Gather for fellowship, singing, scripture, prayers, and individual blessings of companion animals. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

## **Community Forum Distinguished Speaker Series**

***Mon., Oct. 16, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary***

Barbara Bradley Hagerty, former religion reporter for National Public Radio, discusses her latest book, *Life Reimagined*, a frank and imaginative look at the science of thriving in the second half of life. Book signing to follow in Ministries Center.

## **2017 David and Ruth Watermulder Theologian in Residence:**

**The Rev. Dr. Beth Hessel**

***Sundays, Oct. 22 and 29, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall***

In Dr. Hessel's first lecture, she will share her research into the Presbyterian response to the Japanese Internment during World War II, telling stories of Presbyterian missionaries who fought for justice for Japanese Americans. In her second lecture, she will help us make more historical connections between our theological traditions and the current events of the times in which our theology was shaped.

## *Save the Dates*

- Sat., Sept. 9** Bryn Mawr Day  
Saturday Morning Men's Group Resumes
- Sun., Sept. 10** Sunday School begins; Rally Day Festivities
- Tues., Sept. 12** Monthly Labyrinth Walks Resume
- Wed., Sept. 13** Wednesday Dinners Resume  
Student Serve, Wednesday's Together (Children & Youth  
Choir Rehearsals) Begin  
Men's Study Group Begins
- Sat., Sept. 16** "Loving Well" Workshop
- Sun., Sept. 17** Youth and Parent Kick-off Meeting  
Adult Education Programs Resume
- Tues., Sept. 19** Tuesday/Friday Morning Out Program Begins  
Tutoring Sign-ups Begin
- Wed., Sept. 20** Kickoff for Mission
- Sat., Sept. 23** Casserole Blitz
- Sun., Sept. 24** Third Grade Bible Presentation  
Learn to drum with Kulu Mele
- Sun., Oct. 1** World Communion Sunday
- Thurs., Oct. 5** Senior Adult trip to Museum of the American Revolution
- Sun., Oct. 8** Organ recital with Joshua Stafford
- Wed., Oct. 11** High School New Mexico Mission Trip Presentation
- Sat., Oct. 14** Interfaith Climate Advisory Workshop  
Main Line Adult Day Center Bowling Fundraiser, Devon Lanes
- Sun., Oct. 15** Organ recital with Dexter Kennedy  
Middle School Mini Golf, Tee's Golf Center
- Sun., Oct. 22** Middle School Parent Education Program
- Fri., Oct. 27** Office Trick or Treat for Elementary School Students
- Sat., Oct. 28** Theology for Beginners Class Begins
- Sun., Oct. 29** High School Hayride, Sugartown Strawberries

## ***Worship Staff***

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**Agnes W. Norfleet**, Pastor

**Rebecca Kirkpatrick**, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Mission

**Rachel Pedersen**, Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry

**Franklyn C. Pottorff**, Associate Pastor for Congregational Life and Stewardship

**David B. Smith**, Interim Director, Youth Ministry

**Mary Steege**, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care and Senior Adults

**Jeffrey Brillhart**, Director of Music and Fine Arts

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