



Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

January 1, 2017
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
First Sunday after Christmas

Welcome to BMPC

NEW HERE? We are pleased that you have joined us as we gather to worship God on New Year's Day. 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 (infants - age 5): 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102

Grades K- 12: Holiday Worship Together - No Sunday School

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 refreshments and fellowship after the worship service.



"I am the resurrection and the life."

Baird S. Ritter ~ December 27, 2016

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

Come, Let us All, with Fervor
The Old Year Now Hath Passed Away

J.S. Bach
J.S. Bach

WELCOME

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Children of God, let us rejoice with our whole being in God, our Savior.

All: For God has clothed us with the bright robes of salvation.

One: Our God will cause righteousness and praise to be seen among the nations.

All: Like a burning torch, the Light of the World leads us.

One: Come, let us walk in the light of God!

† HYMN 152 What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

God of Christmas:

We still have stacks of Christmas cards,
the manger figures have not been put away;
but we memorize the words sin has taught us;
we set limits on whom we will love;
we make promises we cannot keep;
we fail to see the pain and hurt we cause.

God of the angels and shepherds, forgive us.

Your Word has come to reshape our lives;
your Light has come to show us the way home;
your Son has come to make us your family.
Have mercy and make us new people. Amen.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† GLORIA PATRI

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

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

SENDING HYMN Go now, Children, with Our Blessing



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

Isaiah 63:7-9 (*p. 693 in pew Bible*)

Richard Wohlschlaeger

ANTHEM

Jesu
Sanctuary Choir

Andrea Ramsey

Jesus, nothing more melodious is sung, nothing more delightful is heard, nothing sweeter is ever thought, than Jesus, the Son of God. No written word can express, no tongue can tell. Be Thou our glory for all time, Jesus!

SECOND LESSON

John 1:1-13 (*p. 91 in pew Bible*)

Kellen A. Smith

SERMON

Born of Light

Kellen A. Smith

† **HYMN 110**

Love Has Come

BRING A TORCH

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

Sweet Sounds of Christmas
Sanctuary Choir

Chris Detrick
arr. Emily Crocker

Sweet sounds of Christmas, goodwill and joy; Wisemen wonder, "Who is this Boy?" Sweet Baby Jesus in swaddling clothes; Shepherds wonder, "How blooms this Rose?" Hosannas fill the night-time air, their praises never cease. O Gloria in excelsis Deo, echoing, "Peace!" Sweet sound of singing, melody so pure! Children wonder, "Will this Star endure?"

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

† **DOXOLOGY** (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** 118 While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks CHRISTMAS

† **BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE** Kellen A. Smith

POSTLUDE In Thee is Gladness J.S. Bach

Worship Notes

GREETING AND HOSTING

Ushers

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Alan Willoughby

BULLETIN COVER

Detail from Presentation in the Temple
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Announcements

2017 STEWARDSHIP. As we reflect on all that Christmas has brought to our homes, let us not forget our church home. It is not too late to pledge for 2017! We need your financial support in order to advance and foster the mission of BMPC through its programming, staff, education, activities and worship. In the pew envelopes, by mail or online you may share your gifts. SarahMiciek@bmpc.org, ext. 8817.

YOUTH SUMMER TRIP EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION. Deadline for early bird pricing is January 31 for Camp Kirkwood. 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.

GET FIT IN THE NEW YEAR. BMPC offers fitness classes to help you feel better, look better, and meet new friends: DanceFit, Repose Yoga, Tai Chi and Senior Exercise Class. Review the schedule online at www.bmpc.org and pick one that’s right for you. You may call the church office at 610-525-2821 to confirm location and time.

CONVERSE HOUSE LIBRARY. Visit our Library, located on the 2nd floor of the Ministries Center, after Sunday services or on weekdays and choose a book to borrow or sit in the quiet parlor and meditate or read. Kat MacMurray, katmac2@icloud.com.

This Week

HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY. Wed., Jan. 4, 10:30 a.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom. The Rev. Richard Wohlschlaeger leads our study of *Who is Jesus? What a Difference a Lens Makes*, Chapter 5. Joyce Malott, okf405@erols.com, 610-525-4469.

CAREGIVER WORKSHOP. Sat., Jan. 7, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., The Main Line Adult Day Center. The Center, located on our campus, hosts a free caregiver workshop. Registration required. Pam Barton, bartonp@mladc.org or call 610-527-4220.

Upcoming

FILLING THE WELL. Sundays beginning Jan. 8, 8:45 a.m., Ed. Bldg. Library. This weekly class for women discusses Lauren Winner's book *Mudhouse Sabbath: An Invitation to a Life of Spiritual Discipline*, which explores the connections between Jewish and Christian practices of faith. PeggyHermann@hotmail.com.

MORNING DISCUSSION GROUP. Sundays beginning Jan. 8, 8:45 a.m., Conference Room. The Rev. Dr. Paul MacMurray leads an exploration of the Gospel of Mark. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

CARILLON TOUR. Sun., Jan. 8, 11:05 a.m., Choir Loft. Come see the instrument that welcomes you to worship and sends you out. Tours of the carillon are held on the second Sunday of each month; meet in the Choir Loft following the postlude to climb the tower stairs and see the bells. Rob Mygatt, Rob.Mygatt@gmail.com.

Y-GROUP (FOR MOTHERS OF YOUNGER CHILDREN). Tues., Jan. 10, 9:15 a.m., Main Kitchen. Make casseroles to support our Hunger Committee in feeding our hungry neighbors. AmyBarrickman@gmail.com.

THE PROBLEM OF ISLAMOPHOBIA: TOOLS FOR ALLIES. Sundays, Jan. 15 and 22, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Professor Hibba Abugideiri of Villanova University discusses the history of Islamophobia in the West (Europe & US), the dangers and provides evidence we can use to create bonds of fellowship. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

URBAN SUBURBAN BOOK GROUP. Tuesday, Jan. 17, noon, Converse House Parlor. Discussion of *Underground Girls of Kabul* by Jenny Nordberg. Edlene Carroll, carrollvirgo@verizon.net.

HOLY LEISURE. Fri., Jan. 20, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., home of Barbara Cobb. Share a potluck dinner, fellowship and discussion. Register: Janet White, janetw298@verizon.net.

Save the Date

HARPSICHORD RECITAL. Sun., Jan. 22, 2:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Jeffrey Brillhart and Edward Landin play BMPC's William Dowd French double harpsichord with Evan Ocheret, oboe; Frances Tate, flute; and Elizabeth Thompson, cello. Free-will offering. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

DEACONS' ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE. Mon., Jan. 30, 1:00 - 7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Volunteers are needed to donate blood and assist with scheduling appointments. Sherri Shields, ShieldsS1@email.chop.edu or 610-449-3351.

Caring & Sharing

DONATE WINTER ITEMS. This month we are collecting winter coats/jackets, hats, scarves, gloves, mittens, and jeans/warm casual pants (not dress pants) for the folks at Broad Street Ministries. Collection bin are located in the Ministries Center and Education Building. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

DAYS OF SERVICE. This year we offer three opportunities to serve with various projects. Mark your calendar for Saturdays, Jan. 28, Feb. 4 and 11. Participate in all or just one. Watch for details in January.

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

HELP FIGHT HUNGER. Your contributions to the white hunger envelopes in the pews provide food for emergency food cupboards, homeless shelters, and hunger relief organizations. Dave Hastings, dhast99@yahoo.com.

SHARE 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.

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.

NEED A RIDE? We can help you with some of your transportation needs. For rides to medical appointments, call Lorie Benovic, ext 8833. Volunteer drivers welcome.

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS. Please pray for Freida Kaniuka's grandson in the Armed Forces. If you have a loved one serving in the Armed Forces, contact Janney Ryan, janneyryan610@gmail.com.

This Week's Calendar

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

Today, January 1, 2017 - New Year's Day

- 9:30 a.m. Childcare, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary**
Holiday Worship Together - No Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Café in the Court, Ministries Center

Monday, January 2, 2017

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

Tuesday, January 3, 2017

- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
4:00 p.m. Environmental Justice Committee Meeting, Conference Room
7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting, Witherspoon Parlor

Wednesday, January 4, 2017

- 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. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft
Worldwide Ministries Committee Meeting, Gloucester Room

Thursday, January 5, 2017

- 10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
11:00 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center
9:00 p.m. Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Fine Arts Center

Friday, January 6, 2017

9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

Saturday, January 7, 2017

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

10:00 a.m. Bereavement Group, Middleton Center

Sunday, January 8, 2017

8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel

10:00 a.m. Worship with Baptism and Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary

The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.

Sunday School for age 2 - grade 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

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The Middleton Center: 610-525-0766 • info@middletoncenter.org

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