

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

January 29, 2017 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome to BMPC

NEW HERE? 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., 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.

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"I am the resurrection and the life."

Nancy B. Rainey ~ January 19, 2017

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GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

"Aria" from Symphonie VI

Louis Vierne

WELCOME

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

† CALL TO WORSHIP

- One: O Lord, open my lips
- All: And my mouth shall proclaim your praise.
- One: You created the day and the night, O God;
- All: You set the sun and the moon in their places;
- One: You set the limits of the earth; you made summer and winter. Praise the Lord!
- All: The Lord's name be praised.
- † **HYMN** 667

When Morning Gilds the Skies

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CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Loving God, you have made us in your own image, and yet we fail to love ourselves and one another fully. We build barriers which divide us, one from another, and that deny your image and likeness in others. Help us to live as people called to follow in your way, to trust your power to reconcile us to you and to each other. Shower us with forgiveness, and open our hearts to the new life of unity and peace you intend for us, and for the human family. 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.

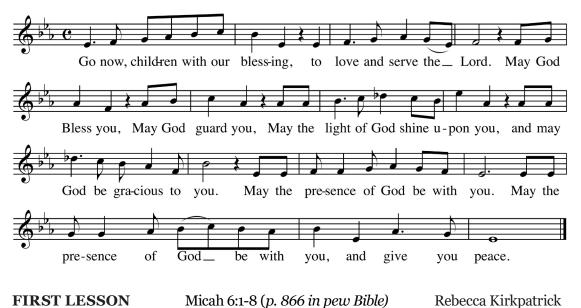
PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

SENDING HYMN Go now, Children, with our Blessing

During the Sending Hymn, children depart for their Sunday School classes.



ANTHEM

The Lamb Sanctuary Choir

John Tavener

Little lamb, who made thee? Dost thou know who made thee? Gave thee life and bid thee feed by the stream and o'er the mead; gave thee clothing of delight, softest clothing, woolly, bright; gave thee such a tender voice, making all the vales rejoice? Little lamb, who made thee? Dost thou know who made thee? Little lamb, I'll tell thee; little lamb, I'll tell thee: He is called by thy name, for he calls himself a Lamb. He is meek and he is mild; he became a little child. I, a child, and thou, a lamb, we are called by his name. Little lamb, God bless thee! Little lamb, God bless thee!

SECOND LESSON	Matthew 5:1-12 (p. 4 in pew Bible)	Agnes W. Norfleet
SERMON	Blessed Who?	Agnes W. Norfleet
HYMN 749	Come! Live in the Light!	WE ARE CALLED

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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

Dan Forrest

Arise, Shine! Sanctuary Choir

Arise, shine! for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee! Arise, shine! For behold the darkness shall cover the earth. But the Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee. The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light; but the Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light, thy God shall be thy glory. And the days of thy mourning shall be ended. Arise! Thy light is come. Lift up thine eyes and see: all nations shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. Lift up thine eyes: Arise, shine! For thy light is come! Arise! Shine!

> 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

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[†] **HYMN** 306 Blest Be the Tie that Binds

DENNIS

† BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE

Agnes W. Norfleet

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Lewis V. and Jane Ellen Chamberlin Dr. Robert and Edith Madden

MUSIC NOTES

Sir John Tavener's (1944-2013) setting of William Blake's (1757-1827) poem, *The Lamb*, has become an international favorite in recent years. Tavener wrote *The Lamb* in 1982 on a journey between South Devon and London. Of the work, he said, "It came to me fully grown so to speak, so all I had to do was to write it down. It was inspired by Blake and by my three-year-old nephew, Simon."

The piece is noted for its simplicity. A single line in the upper voices opens the work and brings with it a childlike quality almost like a nursery rhyme. This chant builds around four notes as the other voices enter. The overall expression is one of transcendence and contemplation.

William Blake's poem appeared in his *Songs of Innocence*; a collection published in the 1780s and 1790s. *The Lamb* is typical of this collection, which brings together three protagonists: the child (who is the narrator), the lamb, and Christ. All three are united in their nature: meek, mild, delightful and pure. The line "He is called by thy name, for he calls himself a Lamb" refers to the title given to Jesus by John the Baptist in John 1.29 which states "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world."

GREETING AND HOSTING

Members of the Communications Committee

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Alan Willoughby

BULLETIN COVER

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

Announcements

DATABASE UPGRADE. Thank you in advance for your patience and assistance as we upgrade and transition our membership database. If you notice any change in communication, or if you would like to update your contact information at this time, contact JaneWilber@bmpc.org, ext. 8813.

YOUTH SUMMER TRIP EARLY-BIRD REGISTRATION. Deadline for early-bird pricing is Jan. 31 for Camp Kirkwood; sign up now and save \$100. For more information about the High School Mission Trip to Crownpoint, New Mexico; the Middle School Mission Trip to Broad Street Ministry; or Camp Kirkwood, search "Summer Camps and Mission Trips" at www.bmpc.org. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY, MARCH 5. We look forward to welcoming new members to our community of faith. Our orientation, "Gathering with the Pastors" on Sun., Feb. 26, will acquaint you with this church, our ministries, and our Reformed tradition (childcare available). On Sun., March 5, we will receive new members at a breakfast meeting of Session and welcome them during 10:00 a.m. worship. Register: DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

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

SINGING FOR LIFE. BMPC's choir for adults ages 55+ resumes for its spring semester on Thurs., Feb. 2. Registration fee of \$75 is required to participate, but scholarships are available. Register: StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

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.

CONVERSE HOUSE LIBRARY. Visit our Library, located on the second floor of the Ministries Center, after Sunday services or during the week. Choose one or several books to borrow for those cold winter days, or sit in the quiet parlor and meditate or read. Kat MacMurray, katrmac2@icloud.com.

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 at www.bmpc.org (search for "fitness"), and pick one that's right for you. Call the church office, 610-525-2821, to confirm location and time.

Today

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING. Following the 10:00 a.m. worship service, Sanctuary. The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for the purpose of electing church officers (elders, deacons, and trustees) and members of the 2017 Nominating Committee. Candidate bios are available at www.bmpc.org (search "bios") and in the back of the church.

FULLERTON BIBLE STUDY: CHILDREN AND THE BIBLE. 11:15 a.m. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick talks about the skills and grace that we can employ when reading the Bible with children. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

ARTS AND SPIRITUALITY. Sundays, today through Feb. 19, 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. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

This Week

DEACONS' ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE. Mon., Jan. 30, 2:00 - 7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Choose a time slot in the Court today after 10:00 a.m. worship. Walk-ins welcome. Sherri Shields, ShieldsS1@email.chop.edu or 610-449-3351.

HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY. Wed., Feb. 1, 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@gmail.com or 610-525-4469.

FAMILY FUN FRIDAY. Fri., Feb. 3, 6:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Pizza dinner and the film *Finding Dory*. Children may wear pajamas and bring blankets. For gluten-free pizza, make note in your response. Suggested donation: \$5/person, or \$20/family. Register by Feb. 1. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

Upcoming

"SOUPER BOWL" OF CARING. Sun., Feb. 5. The Hunger Committee and BMPC Youth collect donations of cash and/or canned soups, stews, ravioli, and any other high-protein canned goods before worship. Baskets are located in the Narthex, Ministries Center, and Education Building. Dave Hastings, dhast99@yahoo.com or 610-325-3456.

DIGGING DEEPER: COUPLES BIBLE STUDY. Sundays, Feb. 5 - March 19 (excluding Feb. 19), 8:45 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 205. Study of the Gospel of John. Barbara Heaton, barbheaton@gmail.com.

FULLERTON BIBLE STUDY: THE BOOKS OF 1 & 2 SAMUEL. Sundays, Feb. 5 - 19, 11:15 a.m. "Walk" through 1 and 2 Samuel with Courtenay Willcox and revisit Saul, David, Jesus and many more. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

YOUTH SUPER BOWL PARTY. Sun., Feb. 5, 6:00 p.m., home of Kathy Stevens. Enjoy food and fellowship during the big game. Friends welcome. Register: Kathy Stevens, kpstevens@comcast.net.

FAITH INBETWEEN. Sun., Feb. 12, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 205. Parents of children in grades 3 - 7 share dinner while the Rev. Rachel Pedersen leads our discussion on *Forgiveness—how Forgiveness, Empathy, and Middle School Fit Together*. Pizza and a homework room available for children. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

Y-GROUP (MOTHERS OF YOUNGER CHILDREN). Tues., Feb. 14, 9:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. The Rev. Rachel Pedersen leads a discussion about nurturing children's faith based on books by the Rev. Ivy Beckwith. Bring a breakfast item to share; childcare available with advance notice to childcare@bmpc.org. Amy Barrickman, amybarrickman@gmail.com.

Caring & Sharing

DONATE WINTER CLOTHING. Ends Wed., Feb. 1. We are collecting winter coats/ jackets, hats, scarves, gloves, mittens, and jeans/warm casual pants (not dress pants) for the men and women at Broad Street Ministries. Collection bins are in the Ministries Center and Education Building. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

WEST PHILADELPHIA ALLIANCE FOR CHILDREN (WEPAC) SERVICE DAY. Sat., Feb. 4, 10:00 a.m. - noon and noon - 2:00 p.m. (work one or both shifts); Global Leadership Academy West, 4601 W. Girard Avenue, Philadelphia. Tasks include taping spine labels, reorganizing books, straightening shelves, etc. This service day is family friendly. Sign up online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY AND CASSEROLE BLITZ SERVICE DAY. Sat., Feb. 11, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. (Habitat) or 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. (Casserole Blitz). Habitat volunteers work on the home framed on our front lawn this past fall. Work on drywall, painting, flooring, insulation and exterior siding. Casserole Blitz volunteers assemble nutritious casseroles to be distributed to partners around the area. Sign up online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

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@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.

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 29, 2017

7:45	a.m.	Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
8:00		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 - 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.	Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary
		Cafe in the Court, Ministries Center
		Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
11:15	a.m.	Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
		Fullerton Bible Study, Fullerton Room
		Art and Spirituality, Fullerton Room

Monday, January 30, 2017

- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium Clergy Colleague Group, Converse House Parlor
- 1:00 p.m. Deacons' Blood Drive, Congregational Hall

Tuesday, January 31, 2017

- 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
- 6:30 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.

Wednesday, February 1, 2017

9:30	a.m.	Dance Fit, Gymnasium
		Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room
10:30	a.m.	Horizons Bible Study, Rosemont Presbyterian Ballroom
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.	Youth Sunday Rehearsal, Sanctuary
-	-	Worldwide Ministries Committee Meeting Clausester Poom

Worldwide Ministries Committee Meeting, Gloucester Room Music and Fine Arts Council Meeting, Conference Room

Thursday, February 2, 2017

- 9:00 a.m. Coordinating Team Meeting, Conference Room
- 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, Gymnasium
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center

Friday, February 3, 2017

- 9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg.
- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
- 4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Ed. Bldg.
- 6:00 p.m. Family Fun Friday, Congregational Hall

Saturday, February 4, 2017

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 10:00 a.m. Day of Service Shift 1: WePAC, Global Leadership Academy West
- 12:00 p.m. Day of Service Shift 2: WePAC, Global Leadership Academy West

Sunday, February 5, 2017 - Youth Sunday

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

10:00 a.m. Worship with Children and Youth Choirs, Sanctuary Youth will preach. Sunday School for age 2 - grade 3.

Worship Together Sunday for grades 4 - 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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