



Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

October 1, 2017
8:00 a.m., Chapel
World Communion Sunday

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

Art @ 9

Age 3 - Grade 5
8:45 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 201

Sunday Morning Discussion Group

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

Filling the Well

Women's Bible Study
8:45 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 104

10:00 Worship, Sanctuary

Sunday School, Adult Education
See calendar for a complete schedule.

Blessing of the Animals

4:00 p.m., Front Lawn

NEW HERE? We are pleased that you are joining us as we worship God this morning. Information about our programs is available near the main entrance. 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 near the main entrance. If you are unable to come forward for Communion, please let an usher or server know, and Communion will be brought to you.

WORSHIP TOGETHER SUNDAY. We are welcoming all students 4th grade and up to 10:00 a.m. worship this morning! High school youth have helped select the liturgy and will lead parts of this service. After 10:00 a.m. worship, an all-church service project takes place in the gym to help with hurricane relief.

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 AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

David B. Smith

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We gather to worship together,

All: Different people, different lives, different histories,

One: Yet all children of the same God,

All: Created lovingly by the Source of all life!

One: We gather to reconnect with one another,

All: Different people, different lives, different histories,

One: Yet all disciples of one Teacher,

All: Jesus, the Word made flesh, dwelling among us.

One: We gather with different joys and sorrows,
different hopes and fears.

All: Different people, different lives, different histories,

One: Yet one people with one God, one faith, one baptism.

**All: Let us open ourselves to the presence of God at work in us,
among us, and through us.**

† HYMN 385

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

OLD HUNDREDTH

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Loving God,

You asked for our hands that you might use them for your purpose.

We gave them for a moment, then withdrew them for the work was hard.

You asked for our mouths to speak against injustice.

We gave you a whisper, that we might not be accused.

You asked for our eyes to see the pain of poverty.

We closed them for we did not want to see.

You asked for our lives that you might work through us.

We gave a small part, that we might not get “too involved.”

Lord, forgive us for our calculated efforts to serve you

only when it is convenient for us to do so,

only in those places where it is safe to do so,

and only with those who make it easy to do so.

Forgive us, renew us, send us out as your instruments.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

O - pen my ears, Lord. Help me to
O - pen my heart, Lord. Help me to
hear your voice. O - pen my ears,
love like you. O - pen my heart,
Lord. Help me to hear.
Lord. Help me to love.

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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Steve McConnell

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 17: 1-7 (*p. 64 in pew Bible*)

Steve McConnell

SECOND LESSON

Philippians 2:1-13 (*p. 197 in pew Bible*)

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Humility and Authority

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

† HYMN 372

O for a World

AZMON

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

† 509

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

HOLY MANNA

† 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
Dorothy G. and Francis L. Henderson
Deborah M. Henderson

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Deacon Steve McConnell

USHERING

Brian Kerr

BULLETIN COVER

Journey with Jesus
by He Qi

Announcements

CHURCH OFFICER NOMINATIONS. Submit your recommendations for Elders, Deacons, Trustees and Nominating Committee Members-at-Large for 2017-18 via the nominating forms found near the Sanctuary or Ministries Center entrances or online at www.bmpc.org/nominatingform. Candidates must be church members for at least two years, faithfully participate in the worship and program life of the church, and regularly contribute to the church budget. Bonnie Callahan, bbcalthan@comcast.net.

LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME? For information about our fall membership orientation on either Oct. 2 or 7, or to join our church on New Member Sunday, Oct. 8, contact FranklynPottorff@bmpc.org.

JOIN SINGING FOR LIFE. BMPC's choir for adults age 55+ is inviting new members! Thursdays, 9:30-10:45 a.m., beginning Oct. 5. \$75 registration fee per semester; scholarships available. To register, contact StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org.

ART EXHIBIT: VISUALS OF WWI SONGS AND LONGWOOD GARDENS PHOTOS. Opens Sun., Oct. 8. Part one features visuals of America's nationalist music that developed mainly as songs of WWI. Part two exhibits photos of Longwood Gardens, developed by American ammunition industrialist and philanthropist Pierre S. DuPont from 1915 to 1950. See the newly restored water fountains and learn about the Aeolian organ through its International Longwood Garden Organ Competition. Joshua Stafford, 2016 competition winner, performs at BMPC to open the show on Sun., Oct. 8 at 2:00 p.m. followed by an artists' reception.

PRESBYTERY OF PHILADELPHIA ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION. Our congregation is invited to attend the Presbytery of Philadelphia's 300th anniversary celebration at Enon Tabernacle East, 2800 West Cheltenham Ave. in Philadelphia on Sat., Oct. 7 at 10:00 a.m. The service features sermons by the Rev. Dr. Craig Barnes, president of Princeton Theological Seminary, and the Rev. Denise Anderson, Co-Moderator of the 22nd General Assembly. Reception follows.

WEEKDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR 2018-19. BMPC members have priority in placement for preschool children for the 2018 - 2019 school year through Oct. 27. For admissions information, contact Kim Black at weekdayschool@bmpc.org.

Today

SUNDAY MORNING DISCUSSION GROUP. 8:45 a.m., Conference Room. Paul MacMurray leads a discussion of *Why I Left, Why I Stayed* by Tony Campolo and Bart Campolo, a combined memoir in which father and son share their differing perspectives on faith, religion and the church. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

FILLING THE WELL. 8:45 a.m., Children's Library, Ed. Bldg. This weekly class for women is an opportunity for fellowship, study and discussion of *The Meaning of Jesus: Two Visions* by N.T. Wright and Marcus Borg. peggyhermann@hotmail.com.

DIGGING DEEPER BIBLE STUDY. Sundays, Oct. 1-29 & Nov. 5, 8:45 a.m., Room 201, Ed. Bldg. This six-week class meets to explore the Acts of the Apostles, combining the study of scripture and our own personal experiences of faith and the Bible. Barbara Heaton, barbhheaton@gmail.com.

CHOIR TOUR PRESENTATION. 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. The congregation is invited to hear a proposal for a 2020 choir and congregation tour to Israel and Jordan. Meet the tour leaders and learn about how you can participate in this trip. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS. 4:00 p.m., Front Lawn. Gather for fellowship, singing, scripture, prayers, and individual blessings of companion animals. All ages and creatures are welcome.

This Week

SPIRITUAL GROWTH GROUP. Meets weekly on Tuesdays from 10:00-11:00 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Join the Rev. Mary Steege in a discussion of Richard Rohr's *Falling Upward; A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life* as we explore the dimensions of spirituality that unfold as we age. For those 50 years and better. Book available in the Ministries Center for \$12. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY. Wed., Oct. 4, 10:30 a.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom. The Rev. Mary Steege leads our study of *Cloud of Witnesses: The Community of Christ in Hebrews*, Chapter 2. Contact: Joyce Malott, 610-525-4469, okf405@gmail.com.

Next Sunday

FARM CHURCH. Sun., Oct. 8, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Farm Church is the 2017 Shaull Mission Grant Recipient. The Revs. Ben Johnson-Krase and Allen Brimer, pastors of a new church development in Durham, NC, present information about their unique church whose mission is to leverage the resources of a farm to address food insecurity in their community. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

CONFIRMAND AND PARENT BRUNCH. Sun., Oct. 8, 11:30 a.m., David Smith's Manse. All Confirmands and their families are invited to join David for a time of fellowship after worship. Register: AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

GENERATION NEXT: A MINI-SERIES FEATURING TWO RISING STARS OF THE ORGAN WORLD. Joshua Stafford, winner of the 2016 Longwood Gardens International Organ Competition, Sun., Oct. 8, 2:00 p.m., and Dexter Kennedy, winner of the prestigious Grand Prix de Chartres d'Interprétation in 2014, Sun., Oct. 15, 2:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Suggested offering: \$10.00. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org.

Upcoming

DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE. Wed., Oct. 11, 3:00 p.m., Fullerton Room. View the film, *The Wonderful World of the Wizard of Oz*. Eric Johnson, ericthorjohnson@gmail.com.

HOLY LEISURE. Fri., Oct. 13, 6:00-9:00 p.m., home of Barbara Cobb. Share a potluck dinner, fellowship and discussion of "Relationships with Spirit" led by the Rev. Debra Sutton. Register: Janet White, janetw298@verizon.net.

GO BOWLING TO BENEFIT MAIN LINE ADULT DAY CENTER. Sat. Oct. 14, 4:00-7:00 p.m., Devon Lanes. Second annual MLADC Bowling Event to raise funds for member activities and Center renovations. Family fun, food and contests round out this event. Pam Barton, 610-527-4220.

HOW TO TALK ABOUT HOT TOPICS WITHOUT ARGUING. Sun., Oct. 15, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. BMPC Peacemaking Committee presents Jenny Beer, a teacher, mediator and anthropologist who guides organizations and communities in negotiating conflict. Phoebe Sheftel, pasheftel@gmail.com.

FALL FESTIVAL. Sun., Oct. 15, 3:30-5:30 p.m., Sandy Hill Farm, 1918 Sandy Hill Rd., Plymouth Meeting. Join us for this fall family event enjoying a petting zoo, hayride, and food! Cost: \$40 per family. Please write a check to BMPC and submit to Mary Richards by Oct. 5. MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINIATURE GOLF. Sun., Oct. 15, 4:00-6:00 p.m. Tee's Golf Center, Conshohocken. Youth in grades 6-8 are invited for an afternoon of fellowship, mini golf and pizza. Cost: \$15. Register online at www.bmpc.org > calendar > open registrations > Mini Golf. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

COMMUNITY FORUM. Mon., Oct. 16, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Barbara Bradley Hagerty, author and former religion reporter for National Public Radio, discusses her latest book, *Life Reimagined*, and how to renegotiate one's purpose, refocus relationships, and transform the way one thinks about self and the world. Book signing follows in Ministries Center. Childcare available with three days' notice: childcare@bmpc.org. MonicaDevane@bmpc.org.

DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE. Tues., Oct. 17, 1:30 p.m., Fullerton Room. Eric Johnson leads discussion of L. Frank Baum's book, *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*. For Word and PDF book information, contact: Eric Johnson, ericthorjohnson@gmail.com.

GREAT DECISIONS. Tues., Oct. 17, 2:30 p.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Auditorium. Discussion of Latin America's Political Pendulum: How can U.S. policy adjust to socioeconomic and political swings in Latin America? Jerry Young, 610-525-7280.

6TH & 7TH GRADE YOUTH AND PARENT BRUNCH. Sun., Oct. 22, 11:30 a.m., David Smith's Manse. All Confirmands and their families are invited to join David for a time of fellowship after worship. Register: AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

MIDDLE SCHOOL: THE RIDE OF YOUR LIFE. Sun., Oct. 22, 4:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Join David Smith and a panel of mental health professionals at this interactive event for parents and youth. Parents will learn creative ways of helping their youth navigate the transitions of middle school. Youth will grapple with what the transitions of middle school mean for their overall development, learn how to view change through the lens of faith, and celebrate new beginnings. All are welcome; free of charge. DavidSmith@bmpc.org.

Caring & Sharing

OUR BROTHERS' PLACE. Sat., Oct. 7. Meet in Ministries Center Court at 10:15 a.m. to carpool to the homeless shelter; return to BMPC around 2:00 p.m. Help prepare and serve lunch at the shelter. Pam Haynes Walsh, 610-667-0972, Haynes-walsh@comcast.net.

HUNGER COMMITTEE REQUESTS. Canned goods (high protein items: soups, peanut butter, stews, ravioli). Place in Hunger Baskets in the Narthex. Next Casserole Blitz, Sat., Oct. 21, 8:30 a.m. Sandie Nicholson, Sandiekev@verizon.net.

PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING. This offering supports every level of the Presbyterian Church (USA) to work for peace and respond to injustice around the globe. Envelopes available in the pew holders today. You also may donate by marking "Peace & Global Witness Offering" on the memo line of your check. Phoebe Sheftel, pasheftel@gmail.com.

CONTRIBUTE TO DISASTER RELIEF. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is accepting donations to help people affected by recent natural disasters. You may make an online donation through our website or by placing a check in the offering plate, noting "Disaster Relief" on the memo line.

This Week's Calendar

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

Today, October 1

- 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. 201
- Filling the Well, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 104
- Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Conference Room
- Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 201
- 9:00 a.m. Communion Class, Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion and Choirs, Sanctuary**
- Grades K - 3 begin worship in Sanctuary
- Worship Together Sunday for Grades 4 - 12

- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School for grades K - 3, Ed. Bldg.
- 11:00 a.m. Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
Cafe in the Court
- 11:15 a.m. Choir Tour Presentation, Congregational Hall
Children & Youth Service Project, Gymnasium
Service Project, Gymnasium
- 4:00 p.m. Blessing of the Animals, Front Lawn

Monday, October 2

- 7:00 p.m. Discover BMPC, Conference Room

Tuesday, October 3

- 9:00 a.m. Tuesday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg, Rms. 101 & 102
RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
- 10:00 a.m. Falling Upward, A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life, Converse House Parlor
- 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
Monthly Labyrinth Walk, Congregational Hall
- 1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
- 6:30 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.
- 7:00 p.m. Deacons' Meeting, Gloucester Room
- 7:30 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19 Committee Meeting, Conference Room

Wednesday, October 4

- 10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room
- 10:30 a.m. Horizons Bible Study, Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom
- 4:45 p.m. "Wednesdays Together" program for grades K-5, Fine Arts Center
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
- 7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft

Thursday, October 5

- 9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
- 11:00 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
- 11:15 a.m. Tour of the Museum of the American Revolution, Meet in Gloucester Room
- 12:30 p.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
- 6:00 p.m. Refugee Support Committee Meeting, Gloucester Room
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center
Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
- 9:00 p.m. Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Fine Arts Center

Friday, October 6

- 9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg., Rms. 101 & 102
- 5:00 p.m. Martindale/Thut Wedding Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Saturday, October 7

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
10:00 a.m. Discover BMPC, Conference Room
10:15 a.m. Serve at Our Brothers' Place, Meet at the Ministries Center Court

Sunday, October 8

- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
10:00 a.m. **Worship with 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

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

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