



# Gather Us In

## Stewardship 2018

***Bryn Mawr  
Presbyterian Church***

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October 22, 2017  
8:00 a.m., Chapel  
29th 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**

#### **Art @ 9**

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

#### **Digging Deeper**

Adult Bible Study  
8:45 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 201

#### **Filling the Well**

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

#### **Sunday Morning Discussion Group**

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

### **10:00 Worship, Sanctuary**

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

### **Theologian-in-Residence**

First in Two-Part Series  
11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall

**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.

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

Mary Steege

## † CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Our help is in the name of the Lord

**All: Who made heaven and earth.**

One: With true and believing hearts, let us worship

**All: And give praise to God through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

## † HYMN 624

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

TOULON

## CALL TO CONFESSION

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

O God in Christ, you have taught us a new way of life,  
yet we have not followed your way.

You have taught us to hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
but we strive for success and security  
more than for a right relationship with you.

You have called us to do justice and to love kindness,  
but our hearts have become calloused to the needs of others.

Forgive us for resisting your ways.

Help us spend our days on earth seeking to live  
as citizens of the kingdom of heaven.

*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

Patricia Danzon

### FIRST LESSON Colossians 1:15-20 (p. 200 in pew Bible)

Patricia Danzon

### SECOND LESSON Hebrews 4:14-5:10 (p. 220 in pew Bible)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

*Christ Alone*

Agnes W. Norfleet

Third in a five-part series on the Reformation

† HYMN 702

Christ Be Beside Me

BUNESSAN

# 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.

## MINISTRY MOMENT

*Gather Us In*

The Whamond Family

## COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Agnes W. Norfleet

† HYMN 317

In Christ There Is No East or West

MC KEE

† 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  
W. Henry Cordray Jr.  
Shirley S. Kelly

### **SERMON SERIES**

#### **on the five Solas of the Reformation**

Observing the 500th anniversary of when Martin Luther is said to have posted his 95 Theses of Reform on October 31, 1517, this series will consider the five theological affirmations of the Reformation: Grace Alone, Faith Alone, Christ Alone, Scripture Alone, and To God Alone Be Glory.

### **ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION**

Deacon Patricia Danzon

### **USHERING**

Steve Ryan

### **BULLETIN COVER**

*Gather Us In*  
is the Stewardship theme for 2018



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

Carole Solomon ~ October 15, 2017

Alan Lawley ~ October 17, 2017

## Announcements

**CHOIR TOUR TO ISRAEL AND JORDAN.** Registration is now open for the 2020 Choir Tour to Israel and Jordan. Singers as well as guests of the choir are welcome to sign up! The trip is scheduled for June and July 2020. A \$150 deposit is due by Wed., Nov. 15. Registration and payment information as well as trip itinerary, are available for download at [www.bmpc.org/ChoirTour](http://www.bmpc.org/ChoirTour). [StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org](mailto:StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org).

**OUTREACH GRANT APPLICATIONS.** Deadline: Wed., Nov. 1. Check the criteria on [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org) > Outreach > Grants. An organization you support may be eligible to apply. [CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org](mailto:CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org).

**WEEKDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR 2018-2019.** Through Oct. 27 BMPC members have priority in placement for preschool children for the 2018-2019 school year. For admissions information, contact Kim Black at [weekdayschool@bmpc.org](mailto:weekdayschool@bmpc.org).

**BOOK CENTER IN MINISTRIES CENTER.** *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson, the selection for the Pastor's Book Group on Nov. 8, is available for purchase. The center is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and on Sundays following the 10:00 a.m. service. [Kat MacMurray, katmac2@icloud.com](mailto:KatMacMurray@icloud.com).

**ART EXHIBIT: VISUALS OF WWI SONGS AND LONGWOOD GARDENS PHOTOS.** Through Sun., Nov. 5, Ministries Center. 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.

## Today

**6TH & 7TH GRADE YOUTH AND PARENT BRUNCH.** 11:30 a.m., David Smith's Manse. All sixth and seventh graders and their families are invited to join David Smith, Interim Director of Youth Ministry, for a time of fellowship after worship.

**THEOLOGIAN-IN-RESIDENCE SERIES.** Today and Oct. 29, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. The Rev. Dr. Beth Hessel, executive director of the Presbyterian Historical Society, presents a two-part series, "Challenges to Christian Unity: The Tensions in a Key Tenet of the Protestant Reformation." This morning Dr. Hessel shares her research on the Presbyterian response to the Japanese Internment during World War II and tells stories of the Presbyterian missionaries who fought for justice for Japanese-Americans. On Oct. 29, she helps us make historical connections between our theological traditions and the current events of the times in which our theology was shaped. [CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org](mailto:CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org).

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

## **This Week**

**THEOLOGY FOR BEGINNERS.** Thurs., Oct. 26, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick leads the discussion using *Theology for Presbyterians* by Donald K. McKim. Anita Iyengar, aciyengar@gmail.com.

**HALLOWEEN OPEN HOUSE.** Fri., Oct. 27, 3:00-5:00 p.m., Ministries Center. Bring your little ones to trick-or-treat through the church offices; costumes are optional and warm cider will be served! MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

## **Next Sunday**

**HIGH SCHOOL HAYRIDE AND BONFIRE.** Sun., Oct. 29, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Sugartown Strawberries Farm, Malvern. Youth in grades 9-12 are invited for a night of fellowship, campfire songs, and s'mores. Cost: \$15. Register online at [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

## **Upcoming**

**HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY.** Wed., Nov. 1, 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 3. Joyce Malott, 610-525-4469, okf405@gmail.com.

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME REMINDER.** Daylight Savings Time ends Sun., Nov. 5, so be sure to change your clocks before you go to bed the night before.

**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE.** Sun., Nov. 5, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary. To observe All Saints Sunday, the Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers present Gabriel Fauré's "Requiem" with Jeffrey Brillhart conducting.

**WORSHIP TOGETHER SERVICE PROJECT.** Sun., Nov. 5, 11:15 a.m., Gymnasium. Children and youth are invited to live into the promise of All Saints Sunday by engaging in a brief intergenerational service project. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.



**MISSION CO-WORKERS CATHY CHANG AND JUAN LOPEZ.** Sun., Nov. 5, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Presentation of the work they are doing to fight against human trafficking in the Philippines. Cathy and Juan were recipients of the 2016 Shaull Mission Grant from BMPC. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

**DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE.** Wed., Nov. 8, 3:00 p.m., Fullerton Room. View the film, *The Three Penny Opera*. Eric Johnson, ericthorjohnson@gmail.com.

**PASTOR'S BOOK GROUP.** Wed., Nov. 8, 6:30 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick invites you to read and discuss with her Bryan Stevenson's *Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption*. Books are available in the BMPC Book Center for \$8. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

**HOLY LEISURE.** Fri., Nov. 10, 6:00-9:00 p.m., home of Anne Lee. Share a potluck dinner, fellowship and discussion of "Joy in our Weakness... a Gift of Hope," led by the Rev. Dr. Anne Clark Duncan. Register: Janet White, janetw298@verizon.net.

**LIVING LEGACY BRUNCH.** Sun., Nov. 12, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. The Rev. Dr. George Wirth, former BMPC Youth Pastor, returns as part of the Living Legacy series hosted by our Senior Adult Council. Cost: \$10. Register online at [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations. All are welcome. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

## **Save the Date**

**ADVENT GIFT MARKET KICKOFF.** Sun., Nov. 19, 11:00 a.m. Following worship head to Congregational Hall to choose Christmas gifts that matter! Committees and councils will share information about the organizations they support. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

**PRIME TIME ADVENT PARTY (FOR SINGLES AND COUPLES AGE 50+).** Sun., Dec. 3, 6:00-8:00 p.m., home of Barbara Hauptfuhrer in Wayne (directions to be mailed). Register online at [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations or with a check for \$15/person (includes heavy hors d'oeuvres and beverages) attn: Amy Bauer. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

## **Caring & Sharing**

**HUNGER COMMITTEE REQUESTS.** Canned goods (high protein items: soups, peanut butter, stews, ravioli). Place in Hunger Baskets in the Narthex. Sandie Nicholson, Sandiekev@verizon.net.

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

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call the church office, or contact [communications@bmpc.org](mailto:communications@bmpc.org).*

## **Today, October 22**

- 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  
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 age 2 - PreK, 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.  
10:30 a.m. Middle School Connections Group (Grades 6 - 7), Loft  
Confirmation (Grade 8) Connections Group, Gloucester Room  
Grades 9 - 10 Connections Groups, Converse House Parlor  
Grades 11 - 12 Connections Groups, Fullerton Room  
11:00 a.m. Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby  
Cafe in the Court, Ministries Center  
11:15 a.m. Theologian-in-Residence, Congregational Hall  
11:30 a.m. 6th & 7th Grade Brunch, David Smith's Manse  
4:00 p.m. Middle School: The Ride of Your Life, Congregational Hall

## **Monday, October 23**

- 1:30 p.m. Perspectives in Music, Fine Arts Center

## **Tuesday, October 24**

- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium  
Tuesday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg, Rms. 101 & 102  
9:30 a.m. Broad Street Ministries Immersion Day, Broad Street Ministries  
10:00 a.m. Falling Upward, A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life, Fullerton Room  
10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium  
1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium  
2:00 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room & Witherspoon Parlor  
6:30 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.

### **Wednesday, October 25**

- 7:30 a.m. Foundation Investment Meeting, Fullerton Room
- 8:00 a.m. Capital Campaign Cabinet Meeting, Conference Room
- 10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room  
Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor
- 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 26**

- 9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
- 10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room  
Memoir Writing Class, Fullerton Room
- 11:00 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center  
Theology for Beginners, Gloucester Room  
Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
- 9:00 p.m. Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Fine Arts Center

### **Friday, October 27**

- 9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg., Rms. 101 & 102
- 10:00 a.m. Weekday School Halloween Parade, Gymnasium
- 3:00 p.m. Halloween Open House, Ministries Center

### **Saturday, October 28**

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 10:00 a.m. Bereavement Group, Fullerton Room & Middleton Center
- 3:30 p.m. Smith/Frutos Wedding, Chapel

### **Sunday, October 29**

- 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.
- 11:15 a.m. Theologian-in-Residence, Congregational Hall

## ***Worship Staff***

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**Agnes W. Norfleet**, Pastor

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