



***Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church***

November 26, 2017
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Christ the King Sunday

WELCOME TO BMPC

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Childcare (infant - age 5)

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

10:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

Age 2 - Age 3 Combined Class

10:00 a.m., Education Building

PreK may choose either combined class

10:00 a.m., Education Building

Grades K - 2 Combined Class

10:00 a.m., Worship in Sanctuary
10:15 a.m., Education Building

Grades 3 -12

Holiday Worship Together

Advent Gift Market

11:00 a.m., Ministries Center Court

It's the End of the World as We Know It

11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor

NEW HERE? We give thanks that you are joining us as we worship God this morning. We invite you to stop by and say hello after the service at our information alcove to the left of the main entrance. All of our programs, ministries, and opportunities for mission are open to everyone. Come join us!

LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME? Consider learning more about being in community here by attending one of our 'Discover BMPC' classes offered in December. Contact the Rev. Franklyn Pottorff, FranklynPottorff@bmpc.org.

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. 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. We are pleased to offer education opportunities for all ages, listed in this bulletin.

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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PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

SENDING HYMN Go now, Children, with Our Blessing

During the Sending Hymn, children K - Grade 2 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

Psalm 100 (*p. 552 in pew Bible*)

Mary Steege

ANTHEM

Jubilate Deo
Sanctuary Choir

Benjamin Britten

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness and come by his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord He is God; it is He that hath made us and not we ourselves; we are the sheep of His pasture. O go your way into His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto Him and speak good of His name. For the Lord is gracious, His mercy is everlasting and His truth endureth from generation to generation. 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.

SECOND LESSON Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-31 (*p. 803 in pew Bible*) Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

A Covenant of Peace

Agnes W. Norfleet

† **HYMN 802**

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

ST. COLUMBA

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† LITANY OF THANKSGIVING *(in unison)*

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

One: We return thanks for the earth which sustains us.

**All: We return thanks for the rivers and streams
which supply us with water.**

One: We return thanks for all herbs which furnish medicines
for the cure of our diseases.

**All: We return thanks for the corn, and for her sisters,
the beans and squashes, which give us life.**

One: We return thanks for the wind which moving the air,
has banished pestilence.

**All: We return thanks for the moon and stars
which have given to us their light when the sun is gone.**

One: We return thanks for the sun, that has looked upon the earth
with a benevolent eye.

**All: Lastly, we return thanks to the Great Spirit,
in whom is embodied all goodness,
and who directs all things for the good of God's children.**

~ An Iriquois Prayer

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

Let all the World
Sanctuary Choir

Robert Baker

Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King! The heavens are not too high, His praise may thither fly! The earth is not too low, His praises there may grow. The church with psalms must shout; no door can keep them out. But above all the heart must bear the longest part.

*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		Mary Steege
†	HYMN 643	Now Thank We All Our God	NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT
†	BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE		Agnes W. Norfleet
	POSTLUDE	Carillon-Sortie	Henri Mulet

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Eva Lacey Lee
Mary E. Lee

GREETING

Sanctuary Choir

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Brian Middleton

BULLETIN COVER

Journey with Jesus by He Qi



"I am the resurrection and the life."

John R. Cranford ~ November 22, 2017

Announcements

GATHER US IN: STEWARDSHIP 2018. We hope you have spent time with your family and friends and gathered everyone in at your tables during Thanksgiving. Let us not forget to show our thanks and gratitude for all that Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church does for us, our community and the larger world. If you have not done so, please place your completed pledge card in the offering plate, mail it to the church office or pledge or donate online: www.bmpc.org/pledge. Thank you to all who have pledged! SarahMiciek@bmpc.org.

GRAPHIC NOTATION: VISUALIZING THE MUSIC OF J.S. BACH. Through Sun., Dec. 31. Philadelphia artist Melinda Steffy reinterprets the music of J.S. Bach as color patterns, blending music theory, color theory, mathematical structures, and meticulous handiwork to create vibrant works of art. In addition to selections from the *Well-Tempered Clavier*, *Cello Suite in G Major*, and more, her exhibit features new works commissioned by BMPC based on Bach's *Christmas Oratorio*, to be performed at the Christmas Concert on Sun., Dec. 10 at 4:00 p.m. A reception and artist's talk will follow the concert.

BOOK CENTER IN MINISTRIES CENTER. Christmas books for children, Advent books for adults, book-themed ornaments and special keepsakes (made in Germany) for the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. Book Center open following worship and on weekdays, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Kat MacMurray, katrmac2@icloud.com.

Today

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS DUE TODAY. Contributions may be given in three categories for listings in the Christmas Eve bulletin: "In memory of," "In honor of," or "In celebration of (marriage, retirement, birth, baptism)." Forms are available in the Ministries Center, in the back of the Sanctuary, or at www.bmpc.org. Monies received are used year-round for our floral decorations and Deacons' flower ministry.

TAKE TIME TO PRAY AND MEDITATE ON SCRIPTURE. Today and Sundays during Advent, 9:25 - 9:50 a.m., Middleton Center. The traditional practice of scriptural reading, meditation and prayer is known as "lectio divina," and Advent offers the opportunity to pause and reflect on the birth of Christ. info@middletoncenter.org.

ADVENT GIFT MARKET. Sundays through Dec. 24, 11:00 a.m., Ministries Center Court. AGM provides an opportunity for you to do your holiday shopping for family, friends, teachers, co-workers, babysitters, anyone you wish to honor by donating to a charitable project you have chosen. Cashiers available following worship to help you place, purchase or pick up your order. Also available online at www.bmpc.org. Marian Chitester, mmcthistle@verizon.net.

IT'S THE END OF THE WORLD AS WE KNOW IT: STUDYING APOCALYPTIC LITERATURE IN THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS. Today through Dec. 17, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. The season of Advent invites us to await with anticipation to the coming of Christ, not just as a child, but coming again in a future yet to be known. Dr. Joshua Yoder leads us through a four-week study of the biblical roots of what theologians have imagined the new heaven and new earth might be like. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

This Week

NOONTIME HARPSICORD RECITALS. Tuesdays during Advent, Nov. 28-Dec. 19, noon, Sanctuary. Featuring harpsichord students from Temple University on BMPC's William Dowd harpsichord. Free admission. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org.

ADVENT EVENING PRAYER SERVICES. Wednesdays starting Nov. 29 - Dec. 13, 7:00 p.m., Chapel. A simple service of music, prayer, scripture and silence, led by the pastors.

THEOLOGY FOR BEGINNERS. Thurs., Nov. 30, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. Using the book, *Theology for Presbyterians* by Donald K. McKim, the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick leads this review of the basics of many essential theological topics and how and why they matter to us. Anita Iyengar, aciyengar@gmail.com.

Next Sunday

ADVENT WORKSHOP FOR FAMILIES. Sun., Dec. 3, 11:20 a.m., Gym. A festive event with hands-on fun and fellowship for all ages. MaryRichards@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 by today, Nov. 26, at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. \$15/person (includes heavy hors d'oeuvres and beverages).

Upcoming

HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY. Wed., Dec. 6, 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* by Melissa Bane Sevier, Chapter 4. For book and information, contact Joycel Malott, okf405@erols.com.

BACH CHRISTMAS CONCERT. Sun., Dec. 10, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Featuring the Sanctuary Choir and the Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia performing Johann Sebastian Bach's *Magnificat* and *Christmas Oratorio, Part I*. Tickets: \$15.00 for adults; \$5.00 for students. Tickets may be purchased online: <http://bit.ly/BachChristmasConcert>. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org.

GREAT DECISIONS. Tues., Dec. 12, 2:30 p.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Auditorium. A discussion on “Nuclear security: Given nuclear threats from North Korea, Iran and terrorist access to weapon materials, what is the future of U.S. nuclear security?” Marilyn Irwin, marirwin@aol.com.

DECK THE HALLS. Thurs., Dec. 14, 9:30 a.m., Sanctuary. Help our Flower Committee decorate the church with boughs of holly, wreaths, poinsettias, and greens. Patti Hallowell, augustehallowell@mac.com.

Y-GROUP CHRISTMAS EVENT. Thurs., Dec. 14, 7:30 p.m., home of Sharon Garlepp. Join other mothers and caregivers of young children for a cookie exchange and children’s gift collection to donate to theVillage. AmyBarrickman@gmail.com.

CASSEROLE BLITZ. Sat., Dec. 16, 8:30 a.m., Main Kitchen. Adults and children (over age four) are invited to make casseroles for homeless shelters. This is a wonderful way to spread goodwill during the Advent season. Register: Sandie Nicholson, sandiekev@verizon.net.

Save the Date

YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY. Sun., Dec. 17, 4:00-6:00 p.m., Arnold’s Family Fun Center in Oaks. Join us for a joyful night of laser tag and go-karts. \$15/person includes dinner. Registration is due by Dec. 15, Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

A WEE CHRISTMAS. Tues., Dec. 19, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Designed for children ages 2 - 5 and their families, this special retelling of the Christmas Story allows our youngest members to hear and participate in the story of Jesus’ birth. MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

CALLING ALL ALUMNI: CHRISTMAS EVE ALUMNI RECEPTION. Sat., Dec. 24, 9:30 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Worship on Christmas Eve is made even more special by seeing those who grew up at BMPC and are now home for the holidays. We welcome back all former youth to join old friends after the 8:30 p.m. and before the 11:00 p.m. services. All are encouraged to attend! AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

HIGH SCHOOL SNOW RETREAT. Jan. 13-15, 2018, Camp Kirkwood, Poconos. Join us for a weekend away at Camp Kirkwood where you may enjoy hiking, snowtubing, small groups, Sunday morning worship and time to explore the surrounding area. Early-bird registration is due by Thurs., Nov. 30. Cost: \$225. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. Scholarship assistance is available for all trips and events. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

Caring & Sharing

CHRISTMAS ANGELS. Share the spirit of Christmas by adopting a family or sponsoring a child (five to eight gifts per child). Contact Betty Wu: bmpcangels@gmail.com, stop by the Angel Trees in the Ministries Center and Education Building, or sign up online: <http://bit.ly/BMPCAngels>. Gifts are due by Sun., Dec. 10.

CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING. Envelopes are available on Sundays, Dec. 10 and 17, to contribute to one of the four special offerings of the Presbyterian Church (USA). A cherished tradition since the 1930s, gifts to this fund are distributed to the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions and to Presbyterian-related racial ethnic schools and colleges. You may use the envelopes or note Christmas Joy Offering on the memo line of your check. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

HELP FIGHT HUNGER. Contribute to emergency food cupboards, homeless shelters, and hunger relief organizations by using the white Hunger Envelopes in the pews or noting "Hunger" on the memo line of your check. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

This Week's Calendar

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

Today, November 26

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
8:00 a.m. **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 age 2 - age 3, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 106
Sunday School for PreK, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 106 and 202
Grades K - 2 begin worship in the Sanctuary
Holiday Worship Together Sunday for Children & Youth in Grades 3 - 12
10:15 a.m. Sunday School for Grades K - 2, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 202
11:00 a.m. Cafe in the Court, Ministries Center
11:15 a.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
It's the End of the World as We Know It, Witherspoon Parlor
12:15 p.m. Carillon Lessons, Fine Arts Center

Monday, November 27

No scheduled activities.

Tuesday, November 28

- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
Tuesday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg, Rms. 101 & 102
10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
12:00 p.m. Harpsichord Recital, Sanctuary
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, November 29

- 10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room
- 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. Advent Taize Service, Chapel
Student Serve, Loft

Thursday, November 30

- 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
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center
Theology for Beginners, Gloucester Room
Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium

Friday, December 1

- 9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg., Rms. 101 & 102

Saturday, December 2

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 10:00 a.m. Discover BMPC, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 104
- 11:00 a.m. William J. LeBuhn Interment, Memorial Service & Reception, Chapel
- 1:00 p.m. Soloist Rehearsal for Christmas Concert, Sanctuary

Sunday, December 3

- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
- 10:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion and Choirs, Sanctuary**
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
Sunday School for age 2 - Grade 3.
Worship Together Sunday for Children & Youth in Grades 4 - 12.

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

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