



***Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church***

January 28, 2018
8:00 a.m., Chapel
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

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

Filling the Well

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

Sunday Morning Discussion Group

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

Morning Prayer

Lectio Divina
9:25 a.m., Middleton Center

10:00 Worship, Sanctuary

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

Two-Piano Recital

2:00 p.m., Sanctuary

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

Franklyn C. Pottorff

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: How good it is to sing praises to our God;

All: How pleasant it is to honor the Lord with praise!

One: The Lord heals the brokenhearted and
binds up the wounds of the injured.

**All: Great is our God, and mighty in power;
God's wisdom is beyond our understanding.**

† HYMN 403

Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

UNSER HERRSCHER

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Compassionate God, we confess we fail to acknowledge your amazing power.

We cling to our own ideas about how the world turns,
rather than let ourselves be led by your powerful ways
and healed by your love.

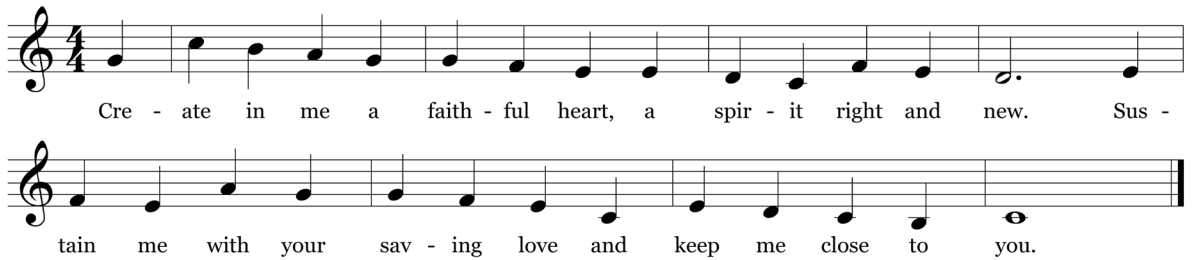
We close our hearts, refusing to be channels of your love to those in need around us.

Forgive us, and give us courage to trust you,
and to let your grace, mercy and peace flow through us to others;
through Jesus Christ we pray.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE



Cre - ate in me a faith - ful heart, a spir - it right and new. Sus -
tain me with your sav - ing love and keep me close to you.

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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Marian Chitester

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 147:1-6 (*p. 582 in pew Bible*)

Marian Chitester

SECOND LESSON

Mark 1:21-34 (*p. 35 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Spaces for Healing

Agnes W. Norfleet

† **HYMN 792**

There Is a Balm in Gilead

BALM IN GILEAD

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

Agnes W. Norfleet

† HYMN 634

To God Be the Glory

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

† 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
Lewis V. and Jane Ellen Chamberlin
Dr. Robert and Edith Madden

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Deacon Marian Chitester

USHERING

Elder Keith Brinks

BULLETIN COVER

Journey with Jesus by He Qi

Announcements

ART EXHIBITS. On view through Sun., Feb. 25 in the Ministries Center. The art of Ray Sternbergh, successful New York artist, illustrator and sculptor, and father of church member Jennifer Huth. Also opening today, an exhibit in honor of Black History Month. A reception showcasing both exhibits follows the Two-Piano Recital which begins at 2:00 p.m. today in the Sanctuary.

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

BOOK CENTER. *Why I Left; Why I Stayed* by Tony Campolo and Bart Campolo is available in the Book Center. Tony and Bart Campolo speak about their book on Mon., April 9 at the Community Forum in the Sanctuary. The Book Center is open after worship and weekdays, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Katrmac2@icloud.com.

YOUTH SUMMER TRIPS 2018. High School Mission Trip to Mexico for rising ninth graders to graduated seniors, July 22-28, \$1,300. Space is limited; register now. Middle School Mission Trip to New York City for rising sixth to rising eighth graders, July 8-12, \$299. Camp Kirkwood for rising sixth to rising 12th graders, \$399 before March 1; \$499 after. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. Scholarship assistance is available for all trips and events. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

Today

SUNDAY MORNING DISCUSSION GROUP. 8:45 a.m., Conference Room. This class begins a book discussion of *Soul Survivor* by Philip Yancey, led by the Rev. Dr. Paul MacMurray. Yancey writes about how his faith journey was aided by 13 "unlikely" well-known people. Books available at class or in the Book Center. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

FILLING THE WELL. 8:45 a.m., Children's Library, Education Building. This weekly class gives women an opportunity for fellowship, study and conversation on issues of faith and life. The group's conversations are guided by a short video featuring contemporary Christian leaders and scholars. PeggyHermann@hotmail.com.

JOHN FRANCIS LEADS WORSHIP IN YOUTH GATHERING. 10:00 a.m., Gymnasium. Award-winning songwriter John Francis leads worship in Youth Gathering. Fourth and fifth graders join grades 6 - 12 for what promises to be a joyful time of worship and reflection. All youth are welcome!

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 2018 Nominating Committee and 2018 APNC and for approving 2018 Pastoral Terms of Call.

AN ALTAR IN THE WORLD. 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Patricia Danzon, spiritual director at the Middleton Center, leads a discussion of the book, *An Altar in the World*, by Barbara Brown Taylor. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

TWO-PIANO RECITAL. 2:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Back by popular demand, Jeffrey Brillhart and Laura Ward return to present a recital featuring works by Mozart, Bach, Rachmaninoff, Debussy, and more. Suggested offering: \$10.00. Reception follows in Ministries Center.

This Week

DEACONS' ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE. Mon., Jan. 29, 2:00-7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Volunteers are needed to donate blood and to assist with scheduling appointments. Sherri Shields, ShieldsS1@email.chop.edu or 610-449-3351.

SOUND OF MUSIC SING-ALONG. Fri., Feb. 2, 5:30 p.m., Congregational Hall. All are invited to Family Fun Friday. Enjoy the film *The Sound of Music* for a sing-along and pizza dinner. Children are welcome to wear pajamas and bring blankets. Please indicate if you would like gluten-free pizza. Suggested donation: \$5 per person or \$20 cap per family. Register: MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

Next Sunday

DIGGING DEEPER BIBLE STUDY. Sundays, Feb. 4, 11, 25 & March 4, 11 & 18, 8:45 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 201. A six-week class using Rob Bell's book *What is the Bible?* guided by the Rev. Franklyn C. Pottorff. Combines the study of scripture and our own personal experiences of faith and the Bible. BarbhHeaton@gmail.com.

THREE WEEKS WITH REINHOLD NIEBUHR. Sundays, Feb. 4, 11, 18, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Feb. 4: Dr. Jeremy Sabella, author of *An American Conscience: The Reinhold Niebuhr Story*. Feb. 11: Screening of the new documentary that is a companion to Sabella's book. Feb. 18: David Smith leads us through an explanation of the impact and legacy of Niebuhr. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

"SOUPER BOWL" OF CARING. Sun., Feb. 4. Emergency food cupboards, homeless shelters and hunger relief organizations are in dire need of food. The Hunger Committee and BMPC Youth are collecting donations of cash and/or canned soups, stews, ravioli, and other high-protein canned goods after worship on "Souper Bowl" Sunday. Baskets also available in the Narthex, Ministries Center and Education Building.

Upcoming

HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY. Wed., Feb. 7, 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 6. Joyce Malott, okf405@erols.com.

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP AND DINNER. Lent begins on Feb. 14.

- 5:30 p.m. Family Service in the Chapel with Imposition of Ashes. The Rev. Rachel Pedersen preaching. All ages are invited. Childcare available.
- 6:00-7:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner served in Congregational Hall; \$8/adults, \$5/students and children.
- 7:30 p.m. Service in the Chapel with Imposition of Ashes. The Rev. Dr. Agnes Norfleet preaching.

URBAN SUBURBAN BOOK GROUP. Tues., Feb. 20, noon, Converse House Parlor. Discussion of *Leaving Church: A Memoir of Faith* by Barbara Brown Taylor. Edelen Carroll, carrollvirgo@verizon.net.

Caring & Sharing

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR LOCAL REFUGEES. Through the month of January the following items are needed by Bethany Christian Services for newly-arrived refugees in the Philadelphia area: deodorant, bar soap, shampoo (no conditioner), toothpaste (no brushes), razors, laundry detergent, kitchen/bathroom cleaners. Drop off donations in collection bins in the Ministries Center and Education Building.

IT'S COLD OUTSIDE. Broad Street Ministry needs men's coats for its guests. Place in collection bins in the Ministries Center and Education Building during the month of February.

CASSEROLE BLITZ. Sat., Feb. 10, 8:30 a.m., Main Kitchen, Ministries Center. Prepare casseroles for Philadelphia area food cupboards. Family-friendly event (children over the age of 3) Bring your own apron or kitchen work clothes. Register: Sandie Nicholson, SandieKiev@verizon.net.

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 28

- 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
9:25 a.m. Lectio Divina, Middleton Center
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary**
Sunday School for age 2 - PreK, Ed. Bldg.
Grades K - 3 begin worship in the Sanctuary
Youth Gathering (Grades 4 - 12) with John Francis, Gymnasium
10:15 a.m. Sunday School Casserole Blitz for Grades K - 3, 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. Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary
Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
Café in the Court, Ministries Center
11:15 a.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
An Altar in the World, Witherspoon Parlor
12:15 p.m. Carillon Lessons, Fine Arts Center
2:00 p.m. Two-Piano Recital, Sanctuary
3:30 p.m. Art Exhibit and Concert Reception, Ministries Center Court

Monday, January 29

- 2:00 p.m. Deacons' Blood Drive, Congregational Hall

Tuesday, January 30

- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
Tuesday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg, Rms. 101 & 102
10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
5:00 p.m. Upward Basketball Picture Night, Gymnasium
5:30 p.m. Upward Basketball Practice, Gymnasium
6:30 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.

Wednesday, January 31

- 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. Student Serve, Loft

Thursday, February 1

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

Friday, February 2

- 9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg., Rms. 101 & 102
- 4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Ed. Bldg.
- 5:30 p.m. Family Fun Friday, Congregational Hall

Saturday, February 3

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. Upward Basketball Game Day, Gymnasium

Sunday, February 4

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

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education & Mission

Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children & Family Ministry

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

David B. Smith, Interim Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry

Mary Steege, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care & Senior Adults

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