



***Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church***

February 11, 2018
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Transfiguration of the Lord

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 - PreK Classes

10:00 a.m., Education Building

Grades K - 5 Classes

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

Grades 6 -12

Youth Gathering
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., Gym
Connection Groups
10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.,
Ministries Center

Three Weeks with Reinhold Niebuhr

Adult Bible Study
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 at our information alcove to the left of the main entrance after the service. All of our programs, ministries, and opportunities for mission are open to everyone. Come join us!

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, back pillows 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. **Grades K-5** worship with their families in the Sanctuary before being dismissed to Sunday School. If this is your first Sunday, please accompany your child to the Education Building.

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 OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr

J.S. Bach

WELCOME

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: The glory of God transfigures the everyday!

All: The light of God transfigures familiar faces!

One: At the heights of our worship, may God's
presence shine through the commonplace.

**All: At the depths of our pain and struggle, may God's
presence give us courage and peace.**

One: May God's light, shining in the face of Christ, illumine all our days.

† **HYMN 409**

God Is Here!

ABBOT'S LEIGH

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rachel Pedersen

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

God of compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory,
but we turn away, distracted by our own plans.

We confess that we speak when we should listen,
and cling to the ways of the world when we should harken to your will.

Forgive our aimless enthusiasms.

Strengthen us in faith to embrace the mystery of the cross,
and open our hearts to your transfiguring power.

Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved son,
Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

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 K - Grade 5 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 50:1-6 (*p. 519 in pew Bible*)

Franklyn C. Pottorff

ANTHEM

Transfiguration
Sanctuary Choir

Craig Phillips

O burning mountain, O chosen sun, O perfect moon, O fathomless well, O unattainable height, O unattainable light, O clearness beyond all measure, O wisdom without end, O mercy without all limit, O strength beyond resistance, O crown of all majesty, all creation humbly sings your praise: Bright stars, high mountains, depths of the seas, rushing waters, all these break into song at heaven's proclamation: This is my Son, my beloved, My chosen One. Alleluia!

SECOND LESSON

Mark 9:2-10 (*p. 44 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Mountaintops and Valley Faith

Agnes W. Norfleet

† HYMN 630

Fairest Lord Jesus

CRUSADERS' HYMN

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*in unison*)

Mary Steege

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.

~ from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

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

Jesus Our Savior
Sanctuary Choir

Anton Bruckner

Jesus, our Savior, God's Son incarnate, our King eternal! Thou dost save us from curse of sin, from death's dread power. Thou hast redeemed us with thy blood most holy. Jesus, our Savior! Jesus, our Savior, our Redeemer, plead Thou for us before the throne of God. Pray for us, Jesus, now and ever. Jesus, Redeemer, save us, we pray Thee. Amen.

*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		Franklyn C. Pottorff
†	HYMN 666	O Splendor of God's Glory Bright	PUER NOBIS NASCITUR
†	BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE		Agnes W. Norfleet
	POSTLUDE	Paeon	Craig Phillips

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Ralph F. Moriarty

GREETING AND HOSTING

Members of our Y-Group

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Carillonneur Name

BULLETIN COVER

Transfiguration - Artist Unknown

Announcements

LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME? Consider learning more about being in community here by attending one of our 'Discover BMPC' class being offered in March. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. Contact the Rev. Franklyn Pottorff, FranklynPottorff@bmpc.org.

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, as well as an exhibit in honor of Black History Month.

BOOK CENTER. Debby Irving's *Waking Up White: And Finding Myself in the Story of Race* is our One Book One Church selection this year. Available for \$5. A presentation and workshop with the author will be held on Sun., April 29. 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

DIGGING DEEPER BIBLE STUDY. Sundays through March 18, 8:45 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 205. 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.

SUNDAY MORNING DISCUSSION GROUP. Sundays through Feb. 25, 8:45 a.m., Conference Room. Discussion of *Soul Survivor* by Philip Yancey. Popular author Yancey writes about how his faith journey was aided by 13 "unlikely" well-known people. Discussion led by Paul MacMurray. Beginning March 4, a discussion of Debby Irving's *Waking Up White*. 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.

THREE WEEKS WITH REINHOLD NIEBUHR. Through Feb. 18, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Today: Screening of the 2017 PBS documentary *An American Conscience: The Reinhold Niebuhr Story*. Feb. 18: David Smith leads us through an exploration of the impact and legacy of Niebuhr in our current social and political climate. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

This Week

DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE. Wed., Feb. 14, 3:00 p.m., Fullerton Room. View the film *Ben-Hur* on Tues., Feb. 20, 1:30 p.m., Fullerton Room. Dr. John Wickersham, retired Ursinus professor of classics, leads the discussion of Lew Wallace's book, *Ben-Hur: A Tale of the Christ*. A PDF of the book is available from www.gutenberg.org. Erichthorjohnson@gmail.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.

Next Sunday

CARING CORNER. Feb. 18, 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., Ministries Center. Have you met the church Social Worker Renee Malnak-Giansiracusa and Parish Nurse Carol Cherry? Please stop by next week following worship.

Upcoming

THEOLOGY FOR BEGINNERS. Thurs., Feb. 22, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick leads this study reviewing the basics of the most essential theological topics and how and why they matter to us.

PARENT EDUCATION EVENT. Sun., Feb. 25, 4:00 - 5:30 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Parents join a panel of experts for a discussion on high schoolers transitioning to college. DavidSmith@bmpe.org.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH LOCK-IN. Sat., March 3, 7:00 p.m., Gymnasium. \$15 per person. Join Pastor David for an overnight event with games, fellowship and fun. Register: AmyBauer@bmpe.org.

HIGH SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT. Sat., March 3, 7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Join Pastor David for a night of movies, fellowship and fun. Register: DavidSmith@bmpe.org.

The Season of Lent

DAILY LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET. Guide and enrich your journey through the 40 days of Lent using a devotional written by BMPC members, staff and ministry partners. Copies are available in church information racks or you may access the devotions on our website; search “Devotional” at www.bmpc.org.

WEDNESDAY VESPER SERVICES. Wednesdays, February 21 and 28, March 7, 14 and 21. Gather in the Chapel at 7:00 p.m. for a simple service of music, prayer, scripture and silence led by the pastors.

SUNDAY LENTEN STUDY: *HANDEL’S MESSIAH*. Sun., Feb. 25-March 18, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick and Jeffrey Brillhart, Director of Music and Fine Arts, lead a study of the scripture and a reflection on Handel’s musical interpretation of the biblical text.

Save the Date

BACH CHOIR OF BETHLEHEM. Sun., March 18, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. BMPC is pleased to host the Bach Choir of Bethlehem for its concert. Details and ticket information: <http://bit.ly/BachChoirofBethlehem> or call 610-866-4382.

RISE AGAINST HUNGER. Sat., March 24, 8:30 a.m., Gymnasium. During this family-friendly event, sponsored by the Hunger Committee and Outreach Council, we pack over 20,000 nutritious meals for people in need. Activities will be completed by noon. Sign up at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

Caring & Sharing

IT’S COLD OUTSIDE. Broad Street Ministry needs men’s coats (no women’s coats needed) for its guests. Place in collection bins in the Ministries Center and Education Building during the month of February.

This Week's Calendar

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

Today, February 11

- 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. 205
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 - 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
Café in the Court, Ministries Center
11:05 a.m. Carillon Tours, Sanctuary Choir Loft
11:15 a.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
Three Weeks with Reinhold Niebuhr, Witherspoon Parlor
11:30 a.m. Nursery Training, Ed. Bldg., Rms. 104 & 205
12:15 p.m. Carillon Lessons, Fine Arts Center

Monday, February 12

- 3:30 p.m. Senior Adult Council Meeting, Fullerton Room
4:00 p.m. Environmental Justice Committee Meeting, Conference Room

Tuesday, February 13

- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
Tuesday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg, Rms. 101 & 102
9:45 a.m. Emotionally Healthy Spirituality Small Group, 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
5:30 p.m. Upward Basketball Practice, Gymnasium
6:30 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.
7:00 p.m. Session Meeting, Gloucester Room

Wednesday, February 14 - Ash Wednesday

- 10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room
Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor
- 3:00 p.m. Dimensions in Literature: Film, Fullerton Room
- 5:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship, Chapel
- 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
Property Committee Meeting, Conference Room
- 6:30 p.m. Gentle Prayer, Converse House Parlor
- 7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft
- 7:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service, Chapel

Thursday, February 15

- 8:00 a.m. Laurel House Meeting, Gloucester 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
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center
Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
Hunger Committee Meeting, Conference Room

Friday, February 16

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

Saturday, February 17

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

Sunday, February 18

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

Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children & Family Ministry

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

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