

# Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

April 22, 2018 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary 4th Sunday of Easter

## 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 - 4 Classes**

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

#### **Grades 5 - 12**

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

## **Justice and Gerrymandering**

11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor

Choir Concert: Missa Gaia

4:00 p.m., Sanctuary

**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 to one of the pastors following the worship 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-4 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 "Larghetto" from Sonata for Organ Vincent Persichetti

WELCOME Rachel Pedersen

#### † CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The heavens declare the glory of God,

And the firmament shows forth the work of God's hands.

All: One day tells its tale to another,

And one night imparts knowledge to another.

One: Although they have no words or language,

And their voices are not heard,

All: Their sound has gone out into all lands,

And their message to the ends of the world.

One: Let us worship God with hymns of praise.

#### † **HYMN** 32

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

**ELLACOMBE** 

## CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Creator God, we are residents of your planet Earth in need of confession. Attune our spirits that we may hear the harmonies you intend for the creation, and help us bow before your power that we may face our own complicity in the destruction of your goodness.

You have made us just a little lower than the angels, and given us a job to care for your creation, and yet we have failed to be good stewards.

We use more resources than we should;

we wage war on people and vast landscapes;

we neglect fragile habitats and pollute the land and air and water.

Forgive us and heal us. Restore us to a proper role

in preserving this fragile world entrusted to our care. Amen.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† Please stand, if able. Page 3

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 4 depart for their Sunday School classes.



FIRST LESSON

Psalm 8 (p. 492 in pew Bible)

Mary Steege

**ANTHEM** 

The 23rd Psalm Sanctuary Choir Walter Granger

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures: He leads me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup run over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I shall dwell in Thy house for ever.

SECOND LESSON

Genesis 1:24-2:3 (p. 1 in pew Bible)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

#### SERMON

† **HYMN** 22

### God of the Sparrow

**ROEDER** 

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

#### † **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (in unison)

Franklyn C. Pottorff

God has made humankind part of creation.

God included human beings among the creatures he made and charged them to care for other living things.

We acknowledge we are kin to the other creatures.

We are dependent on the systems that sustain all life.

Yet God gives us power to rule and tame,

to order and reshape the world.

We hold the earth in trust

for future generations of living things.

The Lord forbids us to plunder, foul, and destroy it.

The Lord expects us to produce, to consume, to reproduce

in ways that make the world's goodness available to all people

and reflect God's love for all creatures.

The Lord bids us use our technical skills

for beauty, order, health, and peace.

 ${\sim}\,A\,Declaration\,of\,Faith$ 

#### 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

"The Blue Green Hills of Earth" from *Missa Gaia* Kim Oler Sanctuary Choir arr. Paul Halley

For the earth, forever turning, for the skies, for every sea, to our Lord we sing, returning home to our blue green hills of earth. For the mountains, hills and pastures, in their silent majesty, for all life, for all of Nature, sing we our joyful praise to Thee. For the sun, for rain and thunder, for the land that makes us free, for the stars, for all the heavens, sing we our joyful praise to Thee.

## 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** 23 God, You Spin the Whirling Planets sung to AUSTRIAN HYMN, 81

† BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE

Agnes W. Norfleet

**POSTLUDE** Fanfare on Gelobt sei Gott Matthew Glandorf

## **Worship Notes**

#### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of George 'Skip' Hollingshead

#### CHAPEL GARDEN FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jennette D. & H. Logan Lawrence

#### GREETING AND HOSTING

Members of our Environmental Justice Committee

#### PLAYING THE CARILLON

Rob Mygatt

#### **BULLETIN COVER**

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## **Announcements**

**TRIP TO SCOTLAND (APRIL 30 - MAY 8, 2019).** In response to interest in the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet's sermon series on the theological tenets of the Reformation, she invites you to join her on a trip to Scotland to explore the history of our denomination. Enjoy scenery, cities, and deepening friendships with fellow travelers on this tour of Scotland, guided by the Rev. James Wallace. Brochures are available in the Ministries Center and online. Register by May 27 for early-bird pricing. MonicaDevane@bmpc.org.

**ART EXHIBIT: VALERIE CRAIG.** On view in the Ministries Center through Sun., May 13. Valerie Craig of St. Davids is a church member and also a captivating painter of color and light whose impressionistic works have won awards both locally and abroad.

**SOULS SHOT EXHIBIT.** Wyndmoor artist Laura Madeleine has co-curated this art exhibit that tells the stories of gun violence victims. Installation begins on Mon., April 30, on the ramp leading to the second floor and balcony of the Ministries Center.

**VACATION BIBLE CAMP.** Mon., June 18 - Fri., June 22, BMPC Campus. VBC begins with a kick-off on Sun., June 17. This year we explore creation: "In the Beginning..." Registration is open now through June 1. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. Calling all volunteers! MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

**YOUTH SUMMER TRIPS.** High School Mission Trip to Mexico: July 22-28, for rising ninth graders to graduated seniors, \$1,300. Middle School Mission Trip to New York City: July 8-12, for rising sixth to rising eighth graders, \$299. Camp Kirkwood: Aug. 5-11, for rising sixth to rising 12th graders, \$499. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. Scholarships available. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

## This Sunday

**JUSTICE AND GERRYMANDERING: FAITH PERSPECTIVES ON REDISTRICTING REFORM.** 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Carol Kuniholm from Fair Districts PA and Brian Gordon from Concerned Citizens for Democracy discuss election reform issues and why this bipartisan issue relates to people of faith and larger matters of justice. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

**CHOIR CONCERT:** *MISSA GAIA.* 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. *Missa Gaia* (Earth Mass) features the Sanctuary Choir, Singing for Life, Youth Chorale, and Children's Choir, along with jazz musicians, a haunting audio soundtrack of animal song, and a dazzling video projected above the choir. Tickets: \$20 for adults, \$5 for students; purchase online at www.bmpc.org or at the door. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org.

## This Week

**PERSPECTIVES IN MUSIC.** Mon., April 23, 1:30 p.m., Fine Arts Center. Harold Evans classical and jazz pianist performs. No charge. Refreshments and fellowship. DeAnn Clancy, 610-525-8347 or deannclancy@hotmail.com.

**LOOK AND SEE: A PORTRAIT OF WENDELL BERRY.** Wed., April 25, 7:00 p.m., Bryn Mawr Film Institute. The final film in the Environmental Justice Committee's Green on Screen series is the story of Wendell Berry's return home to Henry County, Ky. The Rev. Dr. Gilson Waldkoenig from United Lutheran Seminary leads the discussion following the film. Courtenay Willcox, mcwillcox@gmail.com.

**THEOLOGY FOR BEGINNERS.** Thurs., April 26, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick leads this class exploring what Christians believe about the Bible, God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, Sin, the Church, and more. Anita Iyengar, aciyengar@gmail.com.

**A MATTER OF BALANCE PROGRAM.** Fridays, April 27 - June 15, 10:00 a.m. - noon, Gloucester Room. This free program provides practical strategies to manage falls and increase activity levels. Registration required; call 1-866-CALL-MLH.

**MISSION SUMMIT.** Sat., April 28, 9:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. Our annual Mission Summit is guided by Broad Street Ministry and the Mission Council. Join us to celebrate the stories we have told, the stories of service we have created, and commit to how we tell our story of mission in the future. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

**YOUNG ADULT BRUNCH.** Sat., April 28, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m., the Rev. Franklyn C. Pottorff's Manse. All young adults (ages 22-40) are invited for brunch! Childcare in the Ed. Bldg. is available upon request three days prior to the event by emailing childcare@bmpc.org. Register: FranklynPottorff@bmpc.org.

## Next Sunday

**ONE BOOK ONE CHURCH.** Sun., April 29, 11:15 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. At 11:15 a.m., Debby Irving, author of *Waking Up White*, presents "I'm a Good Person! Isn't That Enough?" This presentation includes a light brunch. At 1:00 p.m., Debby leads an interactive workshop on how we interpret patterns of privilege in our communities. Books available in the Book Center for \$5. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

## **Upcoming**

**Y-GROUP BOOK CLUB.** Tues., April 30, 7:30 p.m., Converse House Parlor. Closing discussion *Of Mess and Moxie: Wrangling Delight Out of This Wild and Glorious Life.* Colleen Bertrand, ckbertrand@icloud.com.

**HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY.** Wed., May 2, 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 8. Joyce Malott, okf405@gmail.com.

**MAIN LINE GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS EVENT.** Sun., May 6, 4:00 p.m. Meet at Bethel AME Church, 50 South Merion Ave., Bryn Mawr, for an educational forum and call to action. "Witness Walk" through Bryn Mawr to BMPC begins at 4:30 p.m. At 5:00 p.m. a remembrance service at the "Memorial to the Lost" T-shirt display is held on our front lawn. Refreshments provided. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION.** Sun., May 6, following the 10:00 a.m. worship service. BeckyHoy@bmpc.org.

**CONFIRMATION EXPO.** Sun., May 13, 11:00 a.m., Gymnasium. All are invited to view projects presented by the Confirmands. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

**MURAL ARTS TROLLEY TOUR.** Tues., May 15. Meet in the back parking lot at 8:45 a.m. Bus departs at 9:00 a.m. sharp. Tour the World's Largest Outdoor Art Gallery and look into the heart and soul of the City of Brotherly Love. Cost: \$35. Register online by Tues., May 1, at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations or mail your check to BMPC, attention Amy Bauer, to secure your reservation. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

**CONFIRMATION SUNDAY.** Pentacost Sunday, May 20. Following an 8:30 a.m. breakfast in Congregational Hall with their families, Confirmands are recognized during the 10:00 a.m. worship service. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

**HEALTHY STEPS FOR OLDER ADULTS.** Mon., May 21 & Wed., May 23, 1:00 - 4:30 p.m., Gloucester Room. Do you have concerns about falling? Healthy Steps for Older Adults is a fall risk-awareness program for individuals 50 years of age or older. Participants must attend both workshops. Free. Register with CarolCherry@bmpc.org.

## Caring & Sharing

**COLLECTION FOR BROAD STREET MINISTRY.** BSM is experiencing a dire need for men's shoes and pants (no women's clothing). Place in collection bins in the Ministries Center or Education Building.

**INFANT FORMULA AND BABY FOOD COLLECTION.** May 6 - May 20. Collection to be distributed to area food shelters. Donations may be placed in bins in the Ministries Center and Education Building.

**CALLING ALL GOLFERS.** Mon., June 18, 12:00 p.m. lunch and registration, 1:30 p.m. shotgun start, Jeffersonville Golf Club. This is the inaugural WKM Golf Outing to benefit West Kensington Ministries. Donation: \$150 per player includes lunch, green and cart fees, prizes, post tournament reception. Register: www.westkensingtonministry. com and click on "Golf Outing." Chad Pilling, pillingcb@gmail.com, or Bill Adelhelm, adelhelmw@comcast.net.

**BATTERY RECYCLING.** Our Environmental Justice Committee offers battery recycling to BMPC members. Look for the container behind the Reception Desk in the Ministries Center. All household batteries accepted. Courtenay Willcox, mcwillcox@gmail.com.

## This Week's Calendar

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## Today, April 22

7:45	a.m.	Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
8:00	a.m.	Worship with Communion, Chapel
8:45	a.m.	Filling the Well (for women), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 104
		Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Conference Room
		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 5 - 12), Gymnasium
10:15	a.m.	Sunday School for Grades K - 4, 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
11:15	a.m.	Hunger Committee Liaison Brunch, Congregational Hall

### Justice and Gerrymandering, Witherspoon Parlor 12:15 p.m. Carillon Lessons, Fine Arts Center

4:00 p.m. Choir Concert: Missa Gaia, Sanctuary

### Monday, April 23

1:30	p.m.	Perspectives in Music, Fine Arts Center
3:30	p.m.	Senior Adult Council Meeting, Fullerton Room

7:00 p.m. APNC Meeting, Fullerton Room

### Tuesday, April 24

9:00	a.m.	RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
		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

### Wednesday, April 25

- 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" End-of-Year Party, Fine Arts Center
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Chorale End-Of-Year Party, Fine Arts Center
- 7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft

"Green on Screen," Bryn Mawr Film Institute

### Thursday, April 26

- 8:30 a.m. Laurel House Meeting, Gloucester Room
- 10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
- 11:00 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
- 11:30 a.m. Presby's Inspired Life Clergy Circle, Congregational Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center

Theology for Beginners, Gloucester Room

Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium

### Friday, April 27

- 8:00 a.m. Foundation Investment Committee Meeting, Conference Room
- 10:00 a.m. A Matter of Balance, Witherspoon Parlor
- 4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Ed. Bldg.

### Saturday, April 28

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. Mission Summit, Congregational Hall
- 10:00 a.m. Community Orchestra Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center

Bereavement Group, Fullerton Room & Middleton Center

Young Adult Brunch, Pastor Frank's Manse

### Sunday, April 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 ages 2 - Pre K.

Fifth Sunday Service for Grades 1 - 12.

## Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education & Mission

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