



# ***Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church***

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May 6, 2018  
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary  
6th 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

#### **Annual Meeting**

11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

### **Main Line Gun Violence Awareness Event**

4:00 p.m., Bethel AME Church  
5:00 p.m., BMPC Front Lawn

**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.



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

Madelyn Toadvine Reed Stern ~ December 31, 2017

Margaret Fanok ~ April 30, 2018

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# GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

## PRELUDE

Meditation in B-flat  
Spring Pastorale  
The Quartet Ringers

John C. Dare

## WELCOME

Franklyn C. Pottorff

## † CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Sing to our God a new song.

**All: God has done marvelous things!**

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord!

**All: Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.**

One: Let the sea roar and all that fills it.

**All: Let the world and its people sing together for joy!**

## † HYMN 307

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

## CALL TO CONFESSION

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

Loving God, you have called us to follow Christ

by obeying his one commandment:

that we love one another as he has loved us.

We confess how we have fallen short of that love.

We have not loved you

or each other with our whole hearts.

Forgive us, we pray,

and lead us toward wholeness,

that we may be faithful to our calling

and filled with your joy.

*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 4 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     Acts 10:44-48 (*p. 130 in pew Bible*)

Mary Steege

### ANTHEM

Ubi Caritas  
Sanctuary Choir

Maurice Duruflé

Where charity and love are, God is there. Christ's love has gathered us into one. Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him. Let us fear, and let us love the living God. And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

### SECOND LESSON     John 15:9-17 (*p. 109 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

*Friends in Christ*

Agnes W. Norfleet

† HYMN 766

The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound

MCKEE

# RESPONSE TO THE WORD

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

Mary Steege

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.  
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,  
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,  
and binds us together with all believers  
in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit  
who inspired the prophets and apostles  
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,  
engages us through the Word proclaimed,  
claims us in the waters of baptism,  
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,  
and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage  
to pray without ceasing,  
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,  
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,  
to hear the voices of people long silenced,  
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

*~ from A Brief Statement of Faith*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

### OFFERING AND OFFERTORY ANTHEM

See What Love  
Sanctuary Choir

Felix Mendelssohn

See what love hath the Father bestowed on us in His goodness, that we  
should be called God's own children.

*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.

† **LITANY OF DEDICATION**

Franklyn C. Pottorff

One: God from whom all gifts are given, accept these offerings as a response to your generosity and your goodness. Help us use them not for our purposes, but for yours.

**All: O God, we dedicate our gifts to the work of your kingdom.**

One: God who calls us to use the gifts that each of us has been given to work for reconciliation and wholeness in a broken world, help us use our voices not for our purposes, but for yours.

**All: O God, we dedicate our lives to the work of your justice.**

One: God who calls us to be peacemakers in our neighborhoods, cities, and around the world, help us be bold in proclaiming the Good News: that in your kingdom swords will be beaten into plowshares and the world will study violence no more.

**All: O God, we dedicate our community to the work of your peace.**

One: God who has called this community to be your body in this time and in this place, we dedicate each of the T-shirts displayed on our lawn in this season, as representing a life taken too soon. May this memorial be a witness of solidarity, of challenge and of compassion.

**All: O God, we dedicate our hearts to the work of your love. Amen.**

† **HYMN 295**

Go to the World!

SINE NOMINE

† **BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE**

Agnes W. Norfleet

**ANNUAL MEETING**

***Worship Notes***

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
Edward S. and Ann H. Madara  
Algernon and Elizabeth K. Roberts  
Isaac W. Roberts III

**RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AT 8:00 A.M. SERVICE**

Ashley, Sydney, and Addison Navarro, daughters of Jennifer & Andrew Navarro

**GREETING AND HOSTING**

Middleton Center Board

**PLAYING THE CARILLON**

Rob Mygatt

## **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](mailto: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. You may view it along 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](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations. Calling all volunteers! [MaryRichards@bmpc.org](mailto: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](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations. Scholarships available. [AmyBauer@bmpc.org](mailto:AmyBauer@bmpc.org).

**BOOK CENTER.** Check out our sales section! Open Sundays following worship and weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Kat MacMurray, [Katmac2@icloud.com](mailto:Katmac2@icloud.com).

## **This Sunday**

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION.** Following the 10:00 a.m. worship service. [BeckyHoy@bmpc.org](mailto:BeckyHoy@bmpc.org).

**MAIN LINE GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS EVENT.** 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](mailto:CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org).

## **This Week**

**GREAT DECISIONS.** Tues., May 8, 2:30 p.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Auditorium. All are welcome to join the discussion of *China and America: The New Geopolitical Equation*. Marilyn Irwin, 484-380-3685.

**DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE.** Wed., May 9, 3:00 p.m., Fullerton Room. We view Martin Scorsese's 1993 American romantic period film, *The Age of Innocence*. Ericthorjohnson@gmail.com.

## **Next Sunday**

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

## **Upcoming**

**URBAN SUBURBAN BOOK GROUP.** Tues., May 15, 7:00 p.m., Overbrook Presbyterian Church. Discussion of *The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane* by Lisa See. Edelene Carroll, carrollvirgo@verizon.net.

**Y-GROUP YEAR-END FIESTA.** Sat., May 19, 5:00-7:00 p.m., home of Lainey McMahon. Join us for a relaxed cocktail hour as we celebrate the end of our 2017-2018 program year. Partners are welcome! AmyBarrickman@gmail.com.

**CONFIRMATION SUNDAY.** Pentecost 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. Register online at [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations. Cost \$5 per person; confirmands free. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH END-OF-YEAR PICNIC.** Sun., May 20, 11:30 a.m., Front Lawn. Children and youth and their families are invited to an end-of-year picnic with food prepared by Chef Ruth. Register with 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. Call Main Line Health at 1-866-CALL-MLH to register. CarolCherry@bmpc.org.

**THEOLOGY FOR BEGINNERS.** Thurs., May 24, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick leads this discussion using the book *More Theology for Beginners*. Anita Iyengar, aciyengar@gmail.com.

## **Caring & Sharing**

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

**PENTECOST OFFERING.** Sundays, May 13 and 20. Forty percent of the Pentecost Offering remains with our congregation to support the work of our tutoring program. The remainder supports PC USA Youth Ministries and Child Advocacy. Envelopes are in the pew holders or write Pentecost Offering on the memo line of your check.

**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 Golf Outing to benefit West Kensington Ministry. Donation: \$150 per player includes lunch, greens and cart fees, prizes, post-tournament reception. Register: [www.westkensingtonministry.com](http://www.westkensingtonministry.com) and click on "Golf Outing." Bill Adelhelm, adelhelmw@comcast.net.

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

**FOOD DONATIONS.** Due to the limited amount of non-perishable food donations we receive, we are only able to deliver food to local pantries a few times a year. The next time you are grocery shopping please consider buying items for our food pantry located in the Ministries Center. You may also donate financially using the white envelopes in the pew holders or noting "hunger" on the memo line of your check. Dave Hastings, Dhastings99@yahoo.com.

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

*For more information, visit our website at [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org),  
call the church office, or contact [communications@bmpc.org](mailto:communications@bmpc.org).*

## **Today, May 6**

- 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 - 4 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 5 - 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. Annual Meeting, Sanctuary  
Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby  
Café in the Court, Ministries Center  
11:15 a.m. Carillon Lessons, Fine Arts Center  
4:00 p.m. Main Line Gun Violence Awareness Event, Bethel AME Church  
5:00 p.m. Main Line Gun Violence Awareness Event, BMPC Front Lawn

## **Monday, May 7**

- 4:00 p.m. Congregational Life Council Meeting, Fullerton Room  
7:00 p.m. APNC Meeting, Fullerton Room

## **Tuesday, May 8**

- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium  
10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium  
12:30 p.m. Meals on Wheels Volunteer Luncheon, Congregational Hall  
1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium  
2:00 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room & Witherspoon Parlor  
2:30 p.m. Great Decisions, Rosemont Presbyterian Village Auditorium  
7:00 p.m. Session Meeting, Gloucester Room  
7:30 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 19 Committee Meeting, Conference Room

### **Wednesday, May 9**

- 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, Fullerton Room
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Property Committee Meeting, Conference Room
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Education Committee Meeting, Fullerton Room
- 7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft  
Middleton Center Council Meeting, Gloucester Room

### **Thursday, May 10**

- 10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
- 11:00 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
- 6:30 p.m. Boy Scout Court of Honor, Congregational Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center  
Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium

### **Friday, May 11**

- 10:00 a.m. Child & Youth Protection Training, Fullerton Room  
A Matter of Balance, Gloucester Room & Witherspoon Parlor
- 4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Ed. Bldg.

### **Saturday, May 12**

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. Divorce Support Group, Witherspoon Parlor
- 10:00 a.m. Bereavement Group, Fullerton Room & Middleton Center  
Community Orchestra Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center
- 11:00 a.m. Mothers in Charge Luncheon, Congregational Hall

### **Sunday, May 13**

- 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***

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**Agnes W. Norfleet**, Pastor

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**Mary Steege**, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care & Senior Adults

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