



***Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church***

May 6, 2018
8:00 a.m., Chapel
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

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

10:00 Worship, Sanctuary

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

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 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.



"I am the resurrection and the life."

Madelyn Toadvine Reed Stern ~ December 31, 2017

Margaret Fanok ~ April 30, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Rachel Pedersen

† 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,

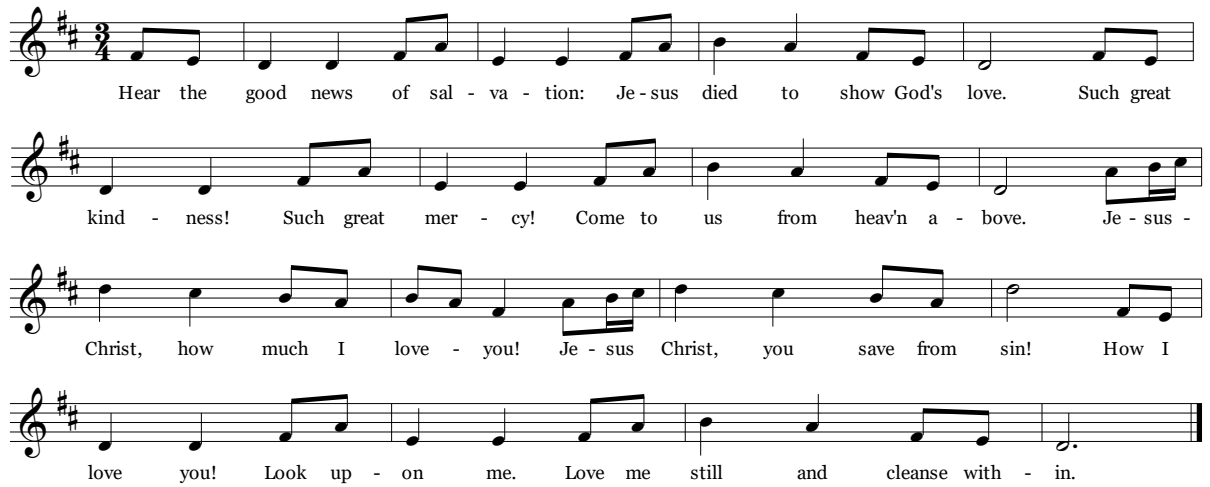
that we may be faithful to our calling

and filled with your joy.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE



Hear the good news of sal - va - tion: Je - sus died to show God's love. Such great kind - ness! Such great mer - cy! Come to us from heav'n a - bove. Je - sus - Christ, how much I love - you! Je - sus Christ, you save from sin! How I love you! Look up - on me. Love me still and cleanse with - in.

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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Cathy Whiteside

FIRST LESSON

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

Cathy Whiteside

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

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Rachel Pedersen

Ashley, Sydney, and Addison Navarro

One: Do we, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture these children by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging them to know and follow Christ and to be faithful members of His church?

All: **We do.**

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Rachel Pedersen

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

† LITANY OF DEDICATION

Agnes W. Norfleet

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

† 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
Edward S. and Ann H. Madara
Algernon and Elizabeth K. Roberts
Isaac W. Roberts III

RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Elder Cathy Whiteside

USHERING

Elder Keith Brinks

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. 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 > 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.

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.

This Sunday

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION. Following the 10:00 a.m. worship service. 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.

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 > 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 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,
call the church office, or contact 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

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

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Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children & Family Ministry

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