

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

November 12, 2017 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Living Legacy Brunch

11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall

The Art of the Song

BMPC Staff Singers Recital 2:00 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 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!

LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME? Consider learning more about being in community here by attending one of our 'Discover BMPC' classes offered in December. Contact the Rev. Franklyn Pottorff, Franklyn Pottorff@bmpc.org.

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 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 "Andante" from Trois Mouvements

Little Suite

Jehan Alain John C. Dare

i: Fanfare; ii: Ode; iii: Hymn The Quartet Ringers

WELCOME Agnes W. Norfleet

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise the Lord in the heights.

All: Praise the Lord, all you holy angels; praise the Lord, all heavenly host.

One: Praise the Lord, sun and moon; praise the Lord, all you shining stars.

All: Let us praise the name of the Lord, for the Lord is exalted.

† **HYMN** 187

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

BRADBURY

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Loving God, you have called us to glorify you and enjoy you above all else.

You have given us joyful songs to sing.

We confess that sometimes our words of good news are restrained,

and our harmonies of praise become muted by our love for the things of this world.

Forgive us when we fail to give thanks for your abundant blessings.

Inspire us to enter the doors you open for us that we may follow you faithfully.

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.

ANTHEM

Teach Me Your Way

Timothy Shaw

Children's Choir and Youth Chorale

Teach me your way, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth. I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart; thank and praise you. Your mercy abounds, O Lord.

Children are invited to come forward for the Children's Moment.

† Please stand, if able. Page 3

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT AND THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Rebecca Kirkpatrick Heewon Chang with Eli Press

One: Do we, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture this child by word and deed, with love and prayer,

encouraging him to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member

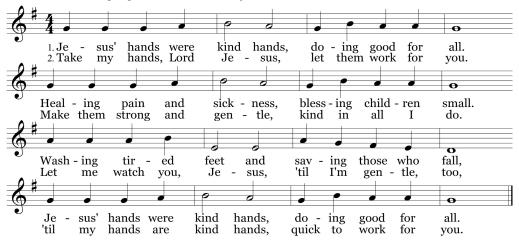
of His church?

All: We do.

SENDING HYMN Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands

During the Sending Hymn, children K - Grade 5 depart for their Sunday School classes.

The congregation is invited to join the Children's Choir on verse 2.



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FIRST LESSON

Psalm 121 (p. 571 in pew Bible)

Mary Steege

SECOND LESSON

Philippians 3:12-16 (p. 198 in pew Bible) John 10:9, 10b (p. 102 in pew Bible) George Wirth

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Every Exit Is Also An Entrance

George Wirth

† **HYMN** 45

I to the Hills Will Lift My Eyes

DUNDEE

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

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

Agnes W. Norfleet

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the guick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

~ The Apostles' Creed

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

Rejoice in the Lord Alway Sanctuary Choir Henry Purcell

Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say, rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God which passeth all understanding shall keep your hearts and minds through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

† Please stand, if able. Page 5

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Mary Steege

† **HYMN** 305

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

DARWALL'S 148TH

† BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE

George Wirth

POSTLUDE

"Final" from Symphonie I, Op. 14

Louis Vierne

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jane S. Polk Esther M. and Herbert P. Stellwagen

RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Andrew Jae Lee, son of Annie and Harrison Lee

PREACHING THIS SUNDAY

We welcome the Rev. Dr. George B. Wirth as our guest preacher this morning. George served as Associate Pastor of Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church from 1972-1977. He is Pastor Emeritus at First Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, and serves as a consultant for the Cousins Family Foundation.

GUEST MUSICIANS

Elizabeth Thompson, cello David DiGiacobbe, flute

GREETING AND HOSTING

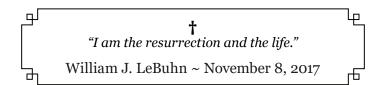
Advent Gift Market Committee

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Bob Holmes

BULLETIN COVER

Journey with Jesus by He Qi



Announcements

GATHER US IN: STEWARDSHIP 2018. Thank you for getting your pledges in! We are off to a strong start in this campaign, and we are so thankful for your dedication to BMPC! As a reminder, you may place your completed pledge cards in the offering plate or you may pledge or donate online: www.bmpc.org/pledge. SarahMiciek@bmpc.org.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS. Contributions may be given in three categories for listings in the Christmas Eve bulletin: "In memory of," "In honor of," or "In celebration of (marriage, retirement, birth, baptism)." Forms are available in the Ministries Center, in the back of the Sanctuary, or at www.bmpc.org. Monies received are used year-round for our floral decorations and Deacons' flower ministry. Deadline: Sun., Nov. 26.

GRAPHIC NOTATION: VISUALIZING THE MUSIC OF J.S. BACH. Through Sun., Dec. 31. Philadelphia artist Melinda Steffy reinterprets the music of J.S. Bach as color patterns, blending music theory, color theory, mathematical structures, and meticulous handiwork to create vibrant works of art. In addition to selections from the *Well-Tempered Clavier, Cello Suite in G Major*, and more, her exhibit features new works commissioned by BMPC based on Bach's *Christmas Oratorio* to be performed at the Christmas concert on Sun., Dec. 10 at 4:00 p.m. An artist's reception follows the concert.

CHOIR TOUR TO ISRAEL AND JORDAN. Registration is now open for the 2020 Choir Tour to Israel and Jordan. Singers as well as friends of the choir are welcome to sign up! The trip is scheduled for June and July 2020. A \$150 deposit is due by Wed., Nov. 15. Registration and payment information as well as trip itinerary are available for download at www.bmpc.org/ChoirTour. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org.

BOOK CENTER IN MINISTRIES CENTER. Books make great host/hostess gifts! We also have a large variety of children's books. The Center is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and on Sundays following the 10:00 a.m. service. Kat MacMurray, katrmac2@icloud.com.

<u>Today</u>

LIVING LEGACY BRUNCH. 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. The Rev. Dr. George Wirth, former BMPC Youth Pastor, returns as part of the Living Legacy series hosted by our Senior Adult Council.

9TH to 12TH GRADE YOUTH AND PARENT BRUNCH. 11:30 a.m., David Smith's Manse. All 9th - 12th graders and their families are invited to join David Smith, Interim Director of Youth Ministry, for a time of fellowship after worship.

THE ART OF THE SONG: BMPC STAFF SINGERS, JEFFREY BRILLHART, PIANIST. 2:00 p.m., Sanctuary. A new addition to our concert series this year is the opportunity to hear the staff soloists from our Sanctuary Choir featured in their own recital. Suggested offering: \$10.00.

KICKBALL WITH YOUTH FROM CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER. 4:00 p.m., field behind the gym at the Baldwin School. In the spirit of fellowship, the youth group at the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer have challenged our 6th through 12th grades to a game of kickball! Show your colors and wear your BMPC Youth T-shirts to the match. Dinner to follow at the Redeemer parish house.

This Week

Y-GROUP MEETING. Tues., Nov. 14, 9:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Y-Group is our interest group for mothers and caregivers of children of all ages with a focus on family, faith, fellowship and service. Florence Sturm, certified parent educator, speaker. Check for childcare availability: childcare@bmpc.org. AmyBarrickman@gmail.com.

DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE. Tues., Nov. 14, 1:30 p.m., Fullerton Room. Dr. Erlis Wickersham leads discussion of the book, *The Three Penny Opera*. Eric Johnson, ericthorjohnson@gmail.com.

GREAT DECISIONS. Tues., Nov. 14, 2:30 p.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Auditorium. A discussion about the prospects for Afghanistan and Pakistan and how the United States will approach policy in that region, considering the ongoing war with the Taliban and deteriorating relations with Pakistan. Jerry Young, 610-525-7280.

FAMILY FUN FRIDAY. Fri., Nov. 17, 5:30 p.m., Congregational Hall. Enjoy the film *The Polar Express* and a pizza dinner. Children may 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

ADVENT GIFT MARKET. Sun., Nov. 19, 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Congregational Hall. The Opening Market Festival features representatives from the various committees and councils who can answer questions about their individual mission projects. Marian Chitester, mmcthistle@verizon.net.

CARING CORNER. Our parish nurse and social worker will be in the Ministries Center Court before and after the 10:00 a.m. service. Look for the Caring Ministries banner! Bring your questions and come meet Carol and Renee.

Upcoming

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING PANCAKE BREAKFAST. Thurs., Nov. 23, 8:30-11:30 a.m., Congregational Hall. Join us for "Pancakes for a Purpose" and enjoy fellowship and food at this annual event. All proceeds (\$5 per person) support the youth mission projects and trips. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

IT'S THE END OF THE WORLD AS WE KNOW IT: STUDYING APOCALYPTIC LITERATURE IN THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS. Sundays, Nov. 26-Dec.

17, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. The season of Advent bids us look in anticipation to the coming of Christ, not just as a child, but to come again in a future yet to be known. Dr. Joshua Yoder leads us through a four-week study of the biblical roots of what theologians have imagined the new heaven and new earth might be like.

THEOLOGY FOR BEGINNERS. Thurs., Nov. 30, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. Using the book, *Theology for Presbyterians* by Donald K. McKim, the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick leads this review of the basics of most essential theological topics and how and why they matter to us. Anita Iyengar, aciyengar@gmail.com.

Save the Date

PRIME TIME ADVENT PARTY (FOR SINGLES AND COUPLES AGE 50+).

Sun., Dec. 3, 6:00-8:00 p.m., home of Barbara Hauptfuhrer in Wayne (directions to be mailed). Register by Nov. 26 online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations or with a check for \$15/person (includes heavy hors d'oeuvres and beverages), attn: Amy Bauer. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

BACH CHRISTMAS CONCERT. Sun., Dec. 10, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Featuring the Sanctuary Choir and the Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia performing J.S. Bach's *Magnificat* and *Christmas Oratorio, Part I.* Tickets: \$15.00 for adults; \$5.00 for students. Purchase in advance on our website, www.bmpc.org. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org.

HIGH SCHOOL SNOW RETREAT. Sat., Jan. 13-15, 2018, Camp Kirkwood, Poconos. Join us for a weekend away at Camp Kirkwood where you will enjoy hiking, snowtubing, small groups, Sunday morning worship and time to explore the surrounding area. Early bird registration due by Thurs., Nov. 30. Cost: \$225. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. All are welcome. Scholarship assistance is available for all trips and events. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

Caring & Sharing

HAM AND TURKEY COLLECTION. During November the Hunger Committee is accepting donations of frozen hams and turkeys. Donations may be placed in the freezers in the Ministries Center.

This Week's Calendar

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

Today, November 12

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| 7:45 | | Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102 |
| 8:00 | | Worship with Communion, Chapel |
| 8:45 | a.m. | Digging Deeper Bible Study, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 201 |
| | | Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Conference Room |
| | | Filling the Well (for women), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 104 |
| | | Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 201 |
| 10:00 | a.m. | Worship with Baptism and Choirs, 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 Service Activity for Grades K - 5, Ed. Bldg. |
| | | Middle School Connections Group (Grades 6 - 7), Loft |
| - 10 - | | 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 |
| | | Cafe in the Court, Ministries Center |
| 11:05 | a.m. | Carillon Tours, Sanctuary Choir Loft |
| 11:15 | a.m. | Living Legacy Brunch with the Rev. Dr. George Wirth, Congregational Hall |
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| 11:30 | a.m. | High School Brunch, David Smith's Manse |
| J | | Children and Family Ministry Council Meeting, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 205 |
| 12:15 | p.m. | Carillon Lessons, Fine Arts Center |
| 2:00 | | The Art of the Song Recital, Sanctuary |
| 3:30 | | The Art of the Song Reception, Ministries Center Court |
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Monday, November 13

| 4:00 | p.m. | Environmental Justice Committee Meeting, Conference Room |
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| 6:00 | p.m. | Foundation Board Meeting, Conference Room |
| 7:00 | p.m. | Peacemaking Committee Meeting, Gloucester Room |

Tuesday, November 14

| 9:00 | a.m. | RePose Yoga, Gymnasium |
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| | | Tuesday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg, Rms. 101 & 102 |
| | | Y-Group Meeting, Witherspoon Parlor |
| 10:00 | a.m. | Falling Upward, A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life, Fullerton Room |
| 10:30 | a.m. | Tai Chi, Gymnasium |

- 1:30 p.m. Dimensions in Literature, Fullerton Room
- 2:00 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room & Witherspoon Parlor
- 2:30 p.m. Great Decisions, Rosemont Presbyterian Village Auditorium
- 6:30 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.
- 7:00 p.m. Session Meeting, Gloucester Room

Wednesday, November 15

- 8:00 a.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting, Fullerton Room
- 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

Outreach Committee Meeting, Gloucester Room

Trustee Meeting, Conference Room

Thursday, November 16

- 9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
- 10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room Memoir Writing Class, Fullerton 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, November 17

- 9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg., Rms. 101 & 102
- 9:30 a.m. Child and Youth Protection Training, Gloucester Room
- 5:30 p.m. Family Fun Friday, Congregational Hall

Saturday, November 18

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 1:00 p.m. Advent Gift Market Set-up, Congregational Hall

Sunday, November 19

- 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 age 2 - grade 12.

11:00 a.m. Advent Gift Market, Congregational Hall

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Mission

Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry

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

David B. Smith, Interim Director, Youth Ministry

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