



## **Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**

Sunday, February 9, 2025

10:00 a.m., Sanctuary



# Gathering of God's People

Please note that online worshipers join the livestream at 9:50 a.m.

We invite you to prepare for worship in quiet reflection.

PRELUDE Morning Has Broken  
Charlie Reiner, trumpet

BUNESSAN

PRELUDE I Danced in the Morning  
Will Giampetroni, saxophone

LORD OF THE DANCE

INTROIT Jubilate Deo

Dale Wood

O sing to the Lord with a jubilant voice; Glory to God in the highest! O serve him with gladness, before him rejoice; Praise to the Lord in the highest. The Lord is our God, our Creator, not we; Glory to God in the highest! The sheep of his pasture we ever shall be; Praise to the Lord in the highest! O enter his gates with thanksgiving and praise; Glory to God in the highest! To honor his Name thankful voices we raise; Praise to the Lord in the highest! For good is the Lord, and his mercy is sure; Glory to God in the highest! To all generations his truth shall endure; Glory to God! Praise to the Lord in the highest!

WELCOME

Lindsay Collett and Lowell Hoffman

CALL TO WORSHIP

One Heaven is declaring God's glory.

**All The sky is proclaiming God's handiwork.**

One The Lord's instructions are perfect, reviving one's very being.

**All The Lord's regulations are right, gladdening the heart.**

One The Lord's commands are pure, giving light to the eyes.

**All The Lord's judgments are true, all of these are righteous.**

One Let us worship God.

HYMN 366 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL

CALL TO CONFESSION & PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Bridget Daley-Gibson

**All Merciful God, we confess our struggles to manage stress, often relying on ourselves instead of Your peace. Forgive us for judging others and failing to forgive as You have forgiven us. Heal our hearts and help us forgive ourselves. We admit our lack of trust in Your path, doubting Your plan. Strengthen our faith and guide us forward.**

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

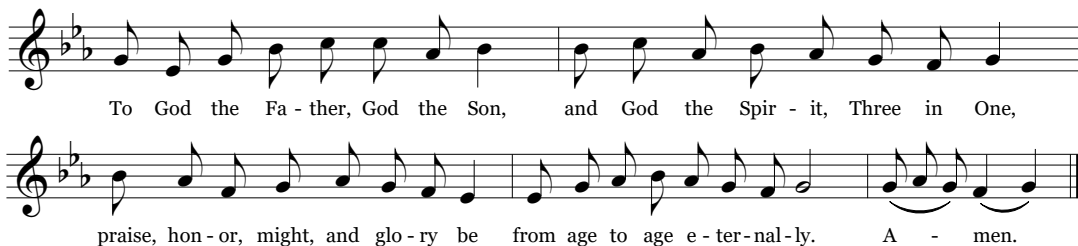
ASSURANCE OF PARDON

James Bertrand

During the Sung Response, children are invited to come forward for the Children’s Moment.

SUNG RESPONSE

CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM



To God the Fa-ther, God the Son, and God the Spir-it, Three in One,  
 praise, hon-or, might, and glo-ry be from age to age e-ter-nal-ly. A-men.

## Proclamation of the Word

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

William Armstrong

Following the Children’s Moment, children K - grade 2 depart for their Sunday School classes.

SENDING HYMN Go Now Children With Our Blessing

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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Luke Moleski

FIRST LESSON & SERMON

Maeve Daley-Gibson

Matthew 13:44 (pg. 15 in pew Bible)

SECOND LESSON & SERMON

Nina Bertrand

Luke 19:1-10 (pg. 69 in pew Bible)

THIRD LESSON & SERMON

Kylie Liggett

Romans 13:8-10 (pg. 162 in pew Bible)

## Response to the Word

Please stand, if able.

HYMN 450 Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Lucas Prato

**All** God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of humanity's mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals his love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful men. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of his love.

*- From the Confession of 1967*

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Peter McConnell

**All** 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.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Sidney Nicholas

OFFERTORY ANTHEM How Great Thou Art

arr. Linda and Steve Pratt

Michael Hogue, tenor

Oh Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed; Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, How great thou art! When through the woods and forest glades I wander, And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze, And when I think, that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in. That on the cross my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin. Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, How great thou art! When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation, And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration And there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, How great thou art!

Please fill in the Friendship Pad at the end of your pew; pass it down your row and back again.

Please stand, if able.

DOXOLOGY 606 Praise God, from whom all Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

**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

Sidney Nicholas

HYMN 726 Will You Come and Follow Me

KELVINGROVE

BENEDICTION

Maeve Daley-Gibson; Nina Bertrand; Kylie Liggett

POSTLUDE Improvisation

Jeffrey Brillhart

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"I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE."

Amos B. Smith III - February 3, 2025

## Worship & Music Notes

### USHERS

Charlie Collett, Meredith Collett, Sam Giampetroni, Morgan Gunther,  
Ellie Mulligan, Alex Nicholas, and Clara Prato

### BULLETIN COVER

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### PLAYING THE CARILLON

Paul McConnell

# WELCOME TO BRYN MAWR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome to Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church! Whether you're visiting for the first time or have been part of our community for years, we're so glad you're here. We hope this hour of worship brings you meaning and inspiration. Inside this bulletin, you'll find announcements about upcoming opportunities to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ. We pray that your time with us leads to deeper connections and meaningful ways to live out your faith through worship, fellowship, and service.



The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet  
Senior Pastor

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## NEW HERE?

We are pleased that you are joining us as we worship God this morning. We invite you to introduce yourself to one of our pastors in the Atrium following the worship service. All of our programs, ministries, and opportunities for mission are open to everyone. Learn more at [bmpc.org](http://bmpc.org).

## LIVESTREAMED CHURCH SERVICES

Our Sunday 10:00 a.m. service is livestreamed and can be viewed at [www.bmpc.org/livestream](http://www.bmpc.org/livestream) or on our YouTube channel. A recording of the service will also be available on our Worship Services website page and Vimeo channel starting Monday. If you are attending in person and prefer not to be on camera, please speak with an usher who will seat you in an area off camera.

## CHILDCARE ON SUNDAY

Childcare is available on Sundays from 7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for children ages six months and older. Please contact the Rev. Rachel Pedersen, [RachelPedersen@bmpc.org](mailto:RachelPedersen@bmpc.org) or Childcare Coordinator Erika Henry, [childcare@bmpc.org](mailto:childcare@bmpc.org) with any questions.

# Announcements

## TODAY

### **Scatterlings with Betty Wright-Riggens.**

Sun., Feb. 9, 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. Drawing from the recent South African novel *Scatterlings*, Middleton Center Spiritual Director and Pastor Betty Wright-Riggens will guide us through a conversation on the themes of racial justice, the commandment to be one another's keeper, the parameters of love, cultural conformity, and parental responsibility. Participants do not need to read the novel to fully participate in the class, but if you would like to purchase a copy from the church for \$10, visit [bit.ly/BMPCBookpickup](http://bit.ly/BMPCBookpickup)

### **Souper Bowl of Caring Food Collection.**

Sun., Feb. 9, Narthex. This year, BMPC donations will be distributed among six of our local partners located from Lower Merion to Chester, serving their community's needs. Leave donations in the Narthex before worship. If you forgot to bring items today, please bring them to the Church office reception desk this week or use the envelopes in the pews to make a donation to the Hunger Fund. Contact [Jennifer McArthur@bmpc.org](mailto:JenniferMcArthur@bmpc.org)

**Feminine Energy Exhibit.** Through Mar. 2, Gallery. This exhibit by Sister Helen David Brancato honors the courage and strength of women from diverse backgrounds and eras who lived with passion and compassion. Through these portraits, we celebrate their fidelity, endurance, and the many ways they shared their talents and gifts with the world.

## NEW ANNOUNCEMENT

**Caring Ministries Symposium: Exploring Care Planning as Health and Healthcare Options Change.** Sat., Mar. 8, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Learn about long-term and palliative/hospice care, how long-term insurance interfaces with different options, and how to have discussions now to enable you and your family to make thoughtful decisions in the future. Presenters will be The Rev. Barbara Emery (former hospital chaplain), Julia Schott, MSS, MLSP, LCSW (palliative care social worker), and Marilyn Mitchell, JD (Partner at Herr Potts & Potts Law Firm). Email [KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org](mailto:KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org) to register.



**Holy Leisure Potluck.** Fri., Feb. 28, 6:00 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Join us for a Holy Leisure Potluck and discussion. Molly Grace Hicks will present on Music & Faith. She provides interfaith and music leadership at Old Haverford Friends Meeting, Or Zarua, and Congregation Beth Am Israel. RSVP online with a shared food item at [bit.ly/HolyLeisureFeb2025](https://bit.ly/HolyLeisureFeb2025) Contact, [BMPCHolyLeisure@gmail.com](mailto:BMPCHolyLeisure@gmail.com)

## UPCOMING

**Deepen Your Faith This Lent.** Looking for a meaningful way to connect with others in the church and grow in faith this Lent? Join a Lenten Connection Group! These four one-hour weekly gatherings are lay-led groups that will reflect on scripture and insights from our annual Lenten devotional, written by our pastors and fellow congregants. Share joys and concerns, listen deeply, and support one another on this sacred journey. To join a group, fill out the form at [bit.ly/LentenCG](https://bit.ly/LentenCG) or contact [RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org](mailto:RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org)

**CeaseFire PA.** Sun. Feb. 16, 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. CeaseFirePA is a Pennsylvania-based organization dedicated to preventing gun violence by advocating for stronger gun laws, educating communities, and empowering individuals to promote safer environments through activism and policy reform. We will be

joined by Grant Maurer, who will help us better understand the reality of gun violence, potential legislative work for 2025, and how you can personally advocate for change. This class is sponsored by the BMPC Peacemaking Committee.

**James O'Donnell Organ Recital.** Sun., Feb. 23, 2:00 p.m., Sanctuary. One of the most celebrated concert organists, choral conductors, and liturgical musicians of our time, James O'Donnell served for more than a decade as Master of Music at Westminster Cathedral and for more than two decades as Organist and Master of the Choristers (Director of Music) at Westminster Abbey. In 2023, he was appointed to the faculty of Yale University's School of Music and in addition to his teaching continues to concertize around the world. This free concert, featuring the Bryn Mawr Chant Society, will be his first appearance at BMPC.

**Illuminated Art: Faux-Stained Glass Art Workshop for Youth.** Starting Sat., Mar. 8, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., Ed. Bldg. Calling all young artists ages 8-14! Join teaching artist George Apotsos for a fun and creative 6-class workshop inspired by the colorful stained-glass windows of Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church. Learn how to design your own faux-stained glass and reverse glass paintings using cool techniques and vibrant colors. Along the way,

you'll explore the history of stained glass, sharpen your art skills, and create unique pieces to take home. Sign-up is free at [bit.ly/BMPCYouthArtClass](https://bit.ly/BMPCYouthArtClass) Contact [Tori Fisher@bmpc.org](mailto:ToriFisher@bmpc.org) for more details.

**Hersheypark Youth Trip.** Sun., June 1, 9:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Current 5th-12th Graders are invited to our Annual Hersheypark Trip! Registration Cost: \$40 (includes admission to the park and one meal). Scholarships are available. Register at [bit.ly/Hersheypark2025](https://bit.ly/Hersheypark2025); limited spots will fill up fast. Registration deadline is Fri., May 23.

**Vacation Bible Camp 2025.** Mon., June 23 – Fri., June 27, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., BMPC Campus. Registration is open for VBC. Ages Pre-K - Rising 5th Grade register at [bit.ly/VBCRegistration2025](https://bit.ly/VBCRegistration2025) Campers must be at least 4 years old by May 1, 2025. Calling all Youth and Adult Volunteers! Rising 6th Grade and above register as a volunteer at [bit.ly/VBCVolunteer2025](https://bit.ly/VBCVolunteer2025) Contact, [MaryRichards@bmpc.org](mailto:MaryRichards@bmpc.org)

## CARING AND SHARING

**Casserole Blitz.** Sat., Feb. 15, 8:30 a.m., Ministries Center Kitchen. Join us to make casseroles and friends at the Hunger Committee's Casserole Blitz! Enjoy this family activity (children over age 5) as you get to know BMPC folks you haven't met before and support a good cause while working with others to prepare casseroles for area shelters. Upcoming Dates: March 15, April 12. Please use our RSVP link to sign up: [bit.ly/Blitz-RSVP](https://bit.ly/Blitz-RSVP)

**Sanctuary Flower Donations.** Openings are available in February and March for donors who wish to give flowers in memory of or in honor of loved ones. After Sunday services, our Deacons deliver small arrangements of the flowers to homebound church members. Contact [SusanThorkelson@mac.com](mailto:SusanThorkelson@mac.com)

# Calendar

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare (Birth-Kindergarten), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101
- 8:00 a.m. **Youth Sunday with Communion, Chapel**
- 8:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Cannon Room
- 8:45 a.m. Art@9, Room 102, Ed. Bldg.
- 8:45 a.m. Filling the Well, Children's Library, Ed. Bldg.
- 9:00 a.m. Feminine Energy Exhibit, Gallery
- 9:55 a.m. Sunday School Ages 2s, 3s, and Pre-K, Ed. Bldg.
- 10:00 a.m. **Youth Sunday, Sanctuary and Livestreamed**
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Together Sunday Grades 3-12, Sanctuary
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School K-2nd Grade, Ed. Bldg.
- 11:00 a.m. Family Fellowship, Ed. Bldg. Hall
- 11:00 a.m. Atrium Cafe, Atrium
- 11:15 a.m. *Scatterlings* with Betty Wright-Riggens, Fullerton Room

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

- 1:00 p.m. Congregational Life Council Meeting, Cannon Room
- 7:00 p.m. Love in the Hebrew Bible, Witherspoon Parlor
- 7:00 p.m. Youth Ministry Council Meeting, Gym Youth Lounge
- 7:30 p.m. FIT4MOM, Gymnasium

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

- 8:30 a.m. APNC for Congregational Care Meeting, Gloucester Room
- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga (Hybrid), Gymnasium
- 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi (Hybrid), Gymnasium
- 1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease Class, Gymnasium
- 1:00 p.m. Visual Arts Committee Meeting, Gloucester Room
- 6:45 p.m. BMPC Tutoring Program, Ed. Bldg. Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Session Meeting, Fullerton Room
- 7:00 p.m. Spiritual Direction Book Group, virtual

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## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

- 9:30 a.m. Yoga206 Bone Boost, Gymnasium
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee Cup Bible Study, Cannon Room
- 10:00 a.m. Wednesday Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 4:30 p.m. Wednesday Connection Group, Converse House Parlor
- 4:45 p.m. Beginners' Choir Rehearsal, Ed. Bldg. Hall
- 4:45 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal, Children & Youth Rehearsal Room
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
- 5:45 p.m. Youth Chorale Rehearsal, Children & Youth Rehearsal Room
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Education Committee Meeting, Cannon Room
- 7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Gym Youth Lounge

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

- 9:30 p.m. Singing for Life Rehearsal, Rehearsal Room
- 9:45 a.m. FIT4MOM, Gymnasium
- 5:30 p.m. Music & Fine Arts Council Meeting, Gloucester Room
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Rehearsal Room

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

- 9:45 a.m. FIT4MOM, Gymnasium
- 11:00 a.m. Oil Painting for Beginners, Fine Arts Center

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Connection Group, Converse House Parlor
- 8:30 a.m. Casserole Blitz, Congregational Hall
- 1:00 p.m. **Amos Smith Memorial Service, Sanctuary**

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
- 10:00 a.m. **Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary and Livestreamed**  
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet with preach.







## Giving

Your generosity can make a profound difference at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church. Join us in spreading love and hope by giving at [bit.ly/BMPCGiveOnline](https://bit.ly/BMPCGiveOnline) or simply scan the QR code to the right. Every donation, no matter the size, fuels our mission to create a more faithful, just, and compassionate community. Together, let's make a lasting impact!



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