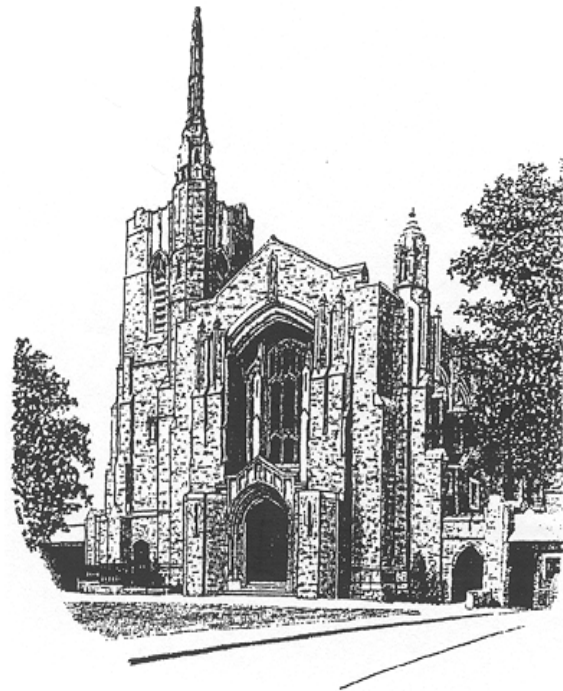


Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Order of Worship

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2010, 8:00 A.M., CHAPEL

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PRELUDE Canon in D Johann Pachelbel

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THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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One: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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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.

THE COMMUNION

You are invited to come forward, using the center aisle, to partake of the Lord's Supper. Please break off a piece of bread, dip it in the cup and return to your seat, using the side aisle. If you prefer gluten- and casein-free bread, please partake from the center table. If you desire to be served in your seat, please raise your hand to alert an usher.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION O Nata Lux Morten Lauridsen

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION AND COMMON PRAYER Rob McClellan

† HYMN 306 Fairest Lord Jesus CRUSADERS' HYMN

BENEDICTION Sherri Hausser

POSTLUDE Minuet G.F. Handel

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❖ Worship Notes ❖

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SINCE OUR LAST RECORD AT COMMUNION:

Proctor Grigg
William G. Berlinger, Jr.



IF YOU ARE AN ELDER OR DEACON willing to serve communion, contact Joanne Hanna, hanna@upenn.edu or 610-356-9796.



IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN USHERING for the 8:00 a.m. service, contact Phoebe Sheftel, Pasheftel@comcast.net or 610-526-1802



CATHY WHITESIDE is assisting with communion this morning.

SKIP DITTMANN is the usher for this morning's service.

BMPC Mission Statement

We are a community of faith, challenged, strengthened, and transformed by the God who is revealed to us in Christ.

We ...

- ❖ *welcome all who would follow Christ;*
- ❖ *prefer truth to complacency;*
- ❖ *strive to connect faith with life;*
- ❖ *serve and leaven the church, community, and wider world through compassionate and empowering ministries.*

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PRELUDE Second Movement from *Sonata* Kent Kenna
Amazing Grace arr. Harold Burgmayer
Paul and Sharon Burgmayer

CALL TO WORSHIP Elizabeth Lovell (9:30)
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(A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† **GLORIA PATRI** (*Hymnal 579*)

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'S MOMENT (9:30) James Carter

† **SENDING HYMN (9:30)** Go now, Children, with our Blessing
(See Worship notes section for Sending Hymn)

FIRST LESSON Exodus 34: 29-35 (page 81) Kit Schooley

ANTHEM Beautiful Savior F. Melius Christiansen

Fair are the meadows, Fairer the woodlands, Robed in flowers of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes our sorrowing spirit sing. Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, Praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be Thine.

OUR COMMON LIFE AND MINISTRY Kit Schooley (9:30)
Susan Sytsma Bratt (11:00)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM O Nata Lux Morten Lauridsen

O born light of light, Jesus, redeemer of the world, mercifully deem worthy and accept the praises and prayers of your supplicants. Thou who once deigned to be clothed in flesh for the sake of he lost ones, grant us to be made members of your holy body.

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Sanctus (Hymnal 568)
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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
As the bread comes to you, please hold the bread so that we might partake corporately as one body. As the juice is distributed, please partake individually in personal prayer. Bread in the small container on the communion plates is made without gluten or caesin so that all might be able to participate in our Communion.

Thanksgiving after the Supper Kit Schooley

Prayer for the Communion of Saints

† **HYMN 73** Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory GENEVA

BENEDICTION AND SILENT PRAYER Sherri Hausser

POSTLUDE "Entrée" from *Suite Médiévale* Jean Langlais

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❖ Worship Notes ❖

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
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The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of

Adelaide and Reed McIntire

Annette McI. and Harold B. Pough

Kenneth Lowden Atwood



HELPING HANDS ARE AVAILABLE before the 11:00 a.m. service every Sunday in both the east and west driveways near the portico entrances to greet those who may need assistance disembarking from vehicles.



HUNGER ENVELOPES found in the pew racks may be placed in the offering plates.



ALAN WILLOUGHBY will be playing the carillon following this morning's worship services.

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DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 15 FOR PROJECT

PROPOSALS FOR EUGENE C. BAY FUND: This fund was established to support projects and programs that enhance the lives of residents of urban areas of Philadelphia, with a preference for West Philadelphia and Chester. It favors projects or programs that:

- hold promise of systemic change.
- contain a significant self-help component.
- enhance the physical, emotional, educational and spiritual lives of children.
- encourage personal transformation and provide opportunities for urban and suburban residents to work and grow together.

Submit brief project descriptions (two-page maximum) by February 15, to CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER. Friday, March 5, 10:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. Hosted by Presbyterian Women around the globe each year. All communities of faith are invited to join together as we fulfill the call of Psalm 150: "Let everything that has breath praise God." Fellowship, refreshments at 10:00 a.m. followed by the service at 11:00 a.m. Focus will be on the struggles of women and children in Cameroon, West Africa as our prayers call for justice and peace. Come be a part of this special occasion and enjoy vibrant songs of Cameroon. Contact: Susan Bravo, B41792@aol.com or 610-578-0224.

Adult Education**NOW AVAILABLE IN THE BOOK CENTER IN**

THE COURT: *Love Cycles: The Science of Intimacy* by Winnifred B. Cutler. Celebrate Valentine's Day and enhance your health, well-being, and relationship with this book by one of our own BMPC members. \$15. The Book Center is open Sundays following services and on weekdays, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

CONVERSE HOUSE LIBRARY: Snacks in the Stacks, TODAY, 10:30 a.m. "Love so Amazing." Be a sweetheart and come to the Library for coffee, homemade baked goods and conversation. To contribute a baked item contact librarian Kat MacMurray at 610-935-7582.

Adult Sunday Classes**NEW SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES BEGIN**

FEBRUARY 21: One at 8:00 a.m., two at 9:30 a.m., two at 11:00 a.m.

SPEAKING OF FAITH BY KRISTA TIPPETT

BOOK DISCUSSION. 8:00 a.m., Conference Room. Led by the Rev. Dr. Paul MacMurray. This book discussion began in January and continues in February. Each class is individual and it is not necessary to attend all classes. Books available at class.

LIVING WITH AN OPEN HEART: WAKING UP TO GOD'S PRESENCE IN OUR LIVES. February 21 and 28 only, 9:30 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Led by Donna Holstein, Spiritual Director, Middleton Center. This class will focus on the writings of Paula D'Arcy, the 2010 Middleton Center Spring Symposium speaker. Although discussion will draw from several of D'Arcy's books, class participants are asked to read D'Arcy's newest book, *Waking Up to This Day*, available in The Book Center.

SOUL SURVIVOR BOOK DISCUSSION. 9:30 a.m., Conference Room. Led by the Rev. Dr. Paul MacMurray. James Leininger at two-years-old had nightmares of his fiery death as a World War II fighter pilot. This compelling story of the boy and his parents' reaction may cause you to rethink what it means to be human. Book available at class.

BIBLE STUDY: THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES. 11:00 a.m., Conference Room. Led by the Rev. Graham Ford. What does fire from heaven, the sharing of goods, a Damascus road conversion, and an Ethiopian eunuch have in common? All are part of the story of the early church and inform how we might live as a church today. This four-week study explores the strange and wonderful world of Acts, the continuation of Luke's "orderly account" of the Good News of Jesus Christ.

LENTEN PREPARATION: PAUSING ON THE ROAD TO JERUSALEM. 11:00 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Led by Donna Barrickman and Tim and Jeannie Bickhart. Lent has long been a time set aside for making sacrifices, for "giving things up for Lent." It is also a time to ready our hearts and minds for Easter through study and prayer. Join us to read the Lectionary passages and consider themes of temptation, atonement, and grace.

Adult Weekday Classes

PREACHERS' BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY. Tuesdays through February 16, noon – 1:00 p.m., Conference Room. Bring your lunch and study next week's scripture passage with the preaching pastor (usually Dr. Carter). A great way to enrich worship.

LAY-LED BIBLE STUDY. Wednesdays (except 2nd Wednesday), 10:00 a.m., Fullerton Room, led by Elinor Snyder. Contact: Emily Parkin, emparkin@yahoo.com, 610-664-8380.

TORAH (OLD TESTAMENT) STUDY OF EZEKIEL. Thursdays, 11:00 a.m., led by Rabbi Franzel, Main Line Reform Temple, Wynnewood. Come for a single session or as often as you like. BMPC contact: Phoebe Sheftel, pasheftel@comcast.net, or 610-526-1802.

Children's and Family Ministries

FAMILY FUN FRIDAY. February 26, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Come for pizza, salad and a movie for children—*Stuart Little*. Suggested donation: \$5 person or \$15 family and donation of canned goods. RSVP: Childrensandfamily@bmpc.org.

FIFTH GRADE HYMNAL PRESENTATION. On March 7, fifth graders will receive Presbyterian hymnals during BLINK at the 9:30 a.m. service of worship. The annual gift of hymnals honors John M. Moon, Clerk of Session Emeritus. A letter with details about this special event and the brunch to follow has been mailed to all fifth grade families. CarolynBeitmann@bmpc.org or ext 8812.

Middleton Center

TOOLS FOR LIVING WITH CANCER. Tuesday, February 16, 7:00 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. This month's focus: Meditation, with Professor Dom Roberti, a cancer survivor. No cost. Drop-ins welcome, but reservations requested, 610-525-0766.

Music and Fine Arts

FINE ARTS PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT. Through February 21. *Alaska to Kenya*, by Bill and Caroline Kemmerer, BMPC choir members and Deacons, Conference Room and Witherspoon Parlor. Reception for Bill and Caroline on Sunday, February 21, following the Lenten Handbell Vesper Service.

LENTEN HANDBELL VESPERS. Sunday, February 21, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Featuring handbell ringers of all ages, congregational singing, and the incorporation of our own 49-bell carillon. Free-will offering. Following the concert, enjoy a reception in the Ministries Center honoring the performers and showcasing the photographic artwork of the Kemmerers. Contact: StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

Outreach

URBAN SUBURBAN BOOK GROUP: Tuesday, February 16, 7:00 p.m., Wynnefield Presbyterian Church, 2249 North 54th Street, Philadelphia. This month's selection is *Olive Kitteridge* by Elizabeth Strout a collection of linked stories about a gruff, 60-something school teacher in a coastal town that has won its author the 2009 Pulitzer Prize for fiction.

Presbyterian Women

PW Y-GROUP BOOK CLUB. Tuesday, February 16, 7:30 p.m. Discuss *The 19th Wife* by David Ebersoff at the home of Krista Vaughan, 214 Almur Lane, Wynnewood. RSVP to Krista if you can attend: kristavaughan@yahoo.com.

PW SWEET LIFE CAFE: WOMEN'S RETREAT 2010. Friday, February 19, 6:00-9:00 p.m.; Saturday, February 20, 9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Presbyterian Women again hosts this popular event for women of all ages. Led by the Rev. Susan Rice.

PW GREAT DECISIONS. Tuesday, February 23, video 12:30 p.m., discussion 1:00 p.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Auditorium. Halting Atrocities in Kenya: what lessons can be learned from intervention? What does emerging UN role mean? Contact: Marilyn Irwin, 610-527-6500, ext.233.

Y GROUP WINTER SOIREE. Saturday, February 27, 7:30 p.m., hosted by Krista and Mike Vaughan, 214 Almur Lane, Wynnewood. Reconnect with old friends and meet new ones during this evening of fun and good conversation. Spouses/significant others are welcome. RSVP to kristavaughan@yahoo.com.

PW HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY. Wednesday, March 3, 10:30 a.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village ballroom. Led by the Revs.Kit Schooley. and Elizabeth Lovell. God's Concern for Justice: Joshua 20:1-9, 21:13-41. Contact: Joyce Malott, OK405@erols.com or 610-525-4469.

Senior Adults

PATHWAYS TO LEARNING. Thursday, February 18, 10:30 a.m., Congregational Hall. "Lincoln: Life, Legends and Legacy." Christian Johnson, a well-known Lincoln impersonator, shares vignettes about our 16th President. Cost for the program and lunch \$19, payable to BMPC Senior Adults. Mail check to Louise Burnstein, 449 W. Montgomery Avenue, #201, Haverford, PA 19041. Contacts: Louise at 610-642-7500 or Joan Wood at 610-429-1912.

SENIORS CLUB LUNCH. Wednesday, February 17, noon, Congregational Hall. Guest speaker Ted Peters, President and CEO of Bryn Mawr Trust Corp., will discuss *The Economy and The Economic Forecast for 2010*. Bring a brown bag lunch; coffee and sweets provided. Everyone welcome.

SENIOR ADULT BRUNCH. Sunday, February 28, 12:15 p.m., Congregational Hall. Senior Adult Council welcomes all to hear Joy Bergey from Penn Future discuss *Environmental Stewardship and Senior Adults*. Make reservations by sending a check to "BMPC – Senior Adults" for \$14 per person, attn. Amy Bauer, to cover the cost of the meal. We can take up to 125 reservations. Questions may be directed to AmyBauer@bmpc.org., ext.8821.

Youth

HIGH SCHOOL SMALL GROUP MINISTRY. Monday, February 15, 2:10 p.m. Join us at the Wayne Theater to see "Dear John." Afterwards we will hang out at Starbucks in Wayne. Pick up at Starbucks at 5:00 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS RETREAT. Friday and Saturday, February 19-20. It's not always easy being a teenage girl. Spend the weekend with your friends and some former teenage girls to talk about what all this means. We'll look to some pretty strong women found in the Bible, watch movies, have "girl talk" and play games. Cost: \$35. Time and location TBD. RSVP: LindseyEvans@bmpc.org by February 15.

SWELL. Sunday, February 28, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Congregational Hall. All invited for an alternative worship service sponsored by youth.

Caring and Sharing

SUPPORTING OUR TROOPS! Please continue to pray for Army Lt. Robert "Kirk" Ryan, son of Steve and Janney Ryan, actively serving in Afghanistan; Army Cpl. Jeffrey VanDusen, son of Nancy and Robin VanDusen, who is on deployment in Iraq; and Air Force Col. Rick Murphy, son-in-law of Roberta and George Hollingshead, actively serving in the Emirates. If you have a loved one serving in the armed forces, contact Louise Huber, 610-658-9651.

NEED A RIDE? We can help you with some of your transportation needs. For rides to medical appointments call the church office receptionist, 610-525-2821. Volunteer drivers welcome.

Hunger Task Force

CASSEROLE BLITZ: Saturday, February 20, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. First Blitz of 2010! Join us as we turn this into an extension of the MLK Day of Service, partnering with Episcopal Academy. Can't cook but want to help? Help us deliver. Can't drive? Bring cans weekly. Contact Linda Webster, 215-753-8841, or websterl@email.chop.edu if you are able to deliver casseroles.

HUNGER TASK FORCE COUNCIL MEETING: Thursday, February 18, 7:00 p.m., Ministries Center. All are welcome.

NEED IDEAS FOR CANNED GOODS? WANT TO MAKE A "BALANCED BAG"? Donate canned or dried fruit, canned vegetables, powdered milk, soups, canned tuna fish, salmon, meats, peanut butter, jelly, spaghetti sauce, pasta, crackers, granola bars, healthy-type cereals, oatmeal, cream of wheat, grits, beans of all kinds, chili, and stew. Don't forget baby formula, baby cereal. Please, no opened packages!

HUNGER ENVELOPES. Your contributions to the white hunger envelopes in the pews go directly for food in emergency food cupboards, homeless shelters, and hunger relief organizations. Please give generously for those who are hungry.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help serve dinners at a West Philadelphia area soup kitchen from 5:45 to 7:00 p.m. on the following days: Mondays at the Newman Center, 3720 Chestnut Street; or Thursdays, at St. Mary's Church, 3916 Locust Walk. Contact Rick Hamilton at rhamilto@brynmaur.edu.

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church



Our Common Life

WELCOME TO BMPC. If you are looking for a church where you can ask questions about the Christian faith and explore what you believe, you've come to the right place. Please greet those who are worshiping near you and sign the fellowship register when it is passed. If you would like to know more about us and our ministries, which are open to everyone, stop at the Welcome Center near the main doors. All are invited for refreshments in the lobby of the Education Building at 10:30 a.m. or the Court of the Ministries Center at 10:30 a.m. and noon.

If you need assistance, ask an usher or anyone wearing a nametag. Nursery care with electronic pagers is available in our Education Building.

Lent Begins February 17

ASH WEDNESDAY FAMILY SERVICE. February 17, 5:30– 6:00 p.m., Chapel. Designed with children in mind but open to all. Features songs, short readings and a brief explanation of the symbols of Ash Wednesday.

ASH WEDNESDAY SUPPER. February 17, 6:00– 7:15 p.m., Congregational Hall. Suggested dinner donation \$5 per person / \$15 per family. RSVP by noon on February 17: Jane Wilber, ext. 8813 or Childrensandfamily@bmpe.org.

ASH WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICE. February 17, 7:30– 8:30 p.m., Chapel. Sermon by the Rev. Elizabeth Lovell; imposition of ashes.

LENTEN SERIES: WEDNESDAYS, FEBRUARY 24 - MARCH 24.

5:30 P.M. DINNER, CONGREGATIONAL HALL. Sign up at Reception Desk, \$5 per person, \$15 per family. Family-friendly catered supper for all ages.

6:30 P.M. CLASS "WHO IS JESUS CHRIST TODAY?" led by the Rev. Dr. James Carter, Congregational Hall. Join us as we ask "Who is Jesus and why does he matter in our lives today?" Starting point for discussion: *Jesus the Savior* by William Placher, available in the Book Center.

7:40 P.M. COMPLINE SERVICE, SANCTUARY. Take time out of your busy schedules for this special weekly service during Lent. The night prayer of Compline is not only spiritual but also practical; a sole point of calm in a hectic week. Darkness and heavy silence greet those who enter the Sanctuary. Candles offer the only light. Shortly before the service begins, the church bells begin to clang, and then an unseen choir begins to sing...

Child care is available for all ages during the Lenten Series and Compline Services. Contact Megan Forgie, x8850, or mmforgie@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY FORUM WITH PHILADELPHIA POLICE COMMISSIONER CHARLES RAMSEY:

Monday, March 1, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary. Topic: "Urban Crime, Whose Problem?" Commissioner Ramsey will share his views about resourceful crime fighting and the challenges and opportunities we face in making our city and region a safe place in which to live, work and play. Our free forums are made possible by the Anna and Herbert H. Middleton, Sr. Fund of the BMPC Foundation. All welcome; reservations are not necessary.

BMPC MEMBERSHIP ORIENTATION RESCHEDULED: Due to inclement weather, our winter orientation will now be for Sunday, March 7, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (includes lunch). New members will be welcomed by our Session on the evening of Tuesday, March 9, and received in worship on Sunday, March 14. Contact DonnaBarrickman@bmpe.org, x8809.

OUR ASSOCIATE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE (APNC) FOR SENIOR ADULTS AND PASTORAL CARE has received more than 55 resumes and from that grouping, several candidates of interest have been identified. We are engaged in interviewing these persons. We will continue to keep you informed of our progress. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

Weekly Calendar: February 14 - 21, 2010

Sunday, February 14

- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel.
- 8:00 a.m. Adult Class: *Speaking of Faith* Book Discussion, Conference Room.
- 9:30 a.m. Worship with Communion, Sanctuary.
- 9:30 a.m. BLINK: K-5th graders begin worship with families in Sanctuary.
- 9:30 a.m. Church School, Rainbows (age 2 by 9/1/09) - Lambs (age 4 by 9/1/09), Education Building.
- 9:30 a.m. Confirmation Class (8th Grade), Congregational Hall, Gloucester Room.
- 9:30 a.m. High School Sunday School, Loft.
- 9:30 a.m. Middle School Sunday School, Crypt.
- 9:45 a.m. 3rd-5th graders remain in Worship the entire hour.
- 9:45 a.m. K-2nd grade classes meet in Education Building.
- 10:30 a.m. Snacks in the Stacks, Converse House Parlor and Library.
- 11:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Sanctuary.
- 11:00 a.m. Art-at-11 for age 3 and older, Room 201, Education Building.
- 12:00 p.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center Main Room.
- 12:15 p.m. APNC for Senior Adults & Pastoral Care, Pastors Conference Room.

Monday, February 15

- 9:15 a.m. PW Caring & Crafts, Gloucester Room.
- 9:30 a.m. Cardio Fitness, Carol Haldy, 610-525-6765, Gym.
- 7:00 p.m. Congregational Life Council, Conference Room.

Tuesday, February 16

- 8:30 a.m. Tuesday Morning Study Group, Converse House Parlor/Library.
- 9:10 a.m. Yoga for Life, Gym. kcgagnier@verizon.net or 610-952-0622.
- 9:30 a.m. Daytime PW Dimensions in Literature, Witherspoon Parlor.
- 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gym.
- 12:00 p.m. Preacher's Brown Bag Bible Study, Conference Room.
- 1:30 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room, Witherspoon Parlor.
- 6:00 p.m. Outreach Council, Pastors Conference Room, Gloucester Room.
- 6:50 p.m. Tutoring Program, Education Building.
- 7:00 p.m. Session Meeting, Congregational Hall.
- 7:00 p.m. Peacemaking Task Force, Conference Room.
- 7:00 p.m. Urban Suburban Book Group, Wynnefield Presbyterian Church.
- 7:00 p.m. Congregational Care Council Meeting, Fullerton Room.
- 7:30 p.m. Career Counseling, 610-525-0766, Conference Room
- 7:00 p.m. Tools for Living with Cancer, 610-525-0766, Witherspoon Parlor.
- 7:30 p.m. PW Y-Group Book Club Meeting, home of Krista Vaughan.

Wednesday, February 17 - Ash Wednesday

- 9:30 a.m. Cardio Fitness, Carol Haldy, 610-525-6765, Gym.
- 10:00 a.m. Lay-Led Bible Study, Fullerton Room.
- 10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Witherspoon Parlor.
- 12:00 p.m. Senior's Club Lunch, Congregational Hall.
- 4:00 p.m. Homework Room, Gloucester Room.
- 5:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Family Service, Chapel.
- 6:00 p.m. Foundation Board Meeting, Conference Room.
- 6:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Supper, Congregational Hall.
- 6:30 p.m. Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center Main Room.
- 6:50 p.m. Tutoring Program, Education Building.
- 7:00 p.m. Caregivers Support Group, Converse House Parlor and Library.
- 7:30 p.m. High School Bible Study, Lindsey's house, 610-525-2821 ext 8823.
- 7:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Evening Service, Chapel.

Thursday, February 18

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer Group, Jeanne LeBuhn, 610-688-6984, Chapel.
- 9:30 a.m. PW Coordinating Team, Rosemont Presbyterian Village.
- 10:30 a.m. Pathways to Learning Luncheon, Congregational Hall.
- 11:00 a.m. Torah Study, Main Line Reform Temple.
- 6:00 p.m. Jubilate Ringers and Tintinnabulators Extra Rehearsal, Sanctuary.
- 7:00 p.m. Hunger Task Force Monthly Meeting, Conference Room.
- 7:00 p.m. Senior Choir Extended Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center.
- 9:15 p.m. Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Fine Arts Center.

Friday, February 19

- 9:30 a.m. Cardio Fitness, Carol Haldy, 610-525-6765, Gymnasium.
- 9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center Main Room.
- 6:00 p.m. PW Sweet Life Cafe: Women's Retreat 2010, Ministries Center.
- 6:00 p.m. High School Girls Retreat, Lindsey's house.

Saturday, February 20

- 7:00 a.m. BMPC Men's Group, Converse House Parlor and Library.
- 8:30 a.m. Hunger Task Force Casserole Blitz, Main Kitchen.
- 9:00 a.m. PW Sweet Life Cafe: Women's Retreat 2010, Ministries Center.
- 9:30 a.m. Dress Rehearsal for Handbell Vespers, Sanctuary.

Sunday, February 21

8:00 a.m. *Worship with communion in the Chapel.*
The Rev. Elizabeth Lovell will preach.

9:30 and 11:00 a.m. *Worship with Senior Choir in the Sanctuary.*
The Rev. Dr. James Carter will preach.
Childcare for infants and toddlers, Education Building, 8:15 a.m.- 12:15 p.m.

- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel.
- 8:00 a.m. Adult Class: *Speaking of Faith* Book Discussion, Conference Room.
- 9:30 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary.
- 9:30 a.m. BLINK: K-5th graders begin worship with families in Sanctuary.
- 9:30 a.m. Adult Class: Living with an Open Heart: Waking Up to God's Presence in Our Lives, Witherspoon Parlor.
- 9:30 a.m. Adult Class: *Soul Survivor* Book Discussion, Conference Room.
- 9:30 a.m. Church School, Rainbows (age 2 by 9/1/09) - Lambs (age 4 by 9/1/09), Education Building.
- 9:30 a.m. Nurturing Faith with Your Youth, Gloucester Room.
- 9:45 a.m. K-2nd grade classes meet in Education Building.
- 9:45 a.m. 3rd-5th graders, Jesus Teaches, Week 5, Education Building.
- 11:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary.
- 11:00 a.m. Adult Class: Bible Study - The Acts of the Apostles, Conference Room.
- 11:00 a.m. Adult Class: Pausing on the Road to Jerusalem, Witherspoon Parlor.
- 11:00 a.m. Art-at-11 for age 3 and older, Room 201, Education Building.
- 4:00 p.m. Lenten Handbell Vespers, Sanctuary.
- 5:00 p.m. Officer Training Event, Congregational Hall.
- 5:30 p.m. Art Exhibit Reception, Court, Conference Room.