

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2010, 8:00 A.M., CHAPEL

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*“Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering,
persevere in prayer.”*

Romans 12:12

Order of Worship

As we gather for worship, some prepare by greeting each other with words of peace, others with meditation and prayer. Please be respectful of how those around you prepare. Kindly refrain from taking photos or videos and please silence cell phones.

Prayer cards may be filled out and brought forward during communion.



PRELUDE Andante Flor Peeters

CALL TO WORSHIP Susan Sytsma Bratt

† **HYMN 138** Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! NICAEA

COMMON CONFSSION (*in unison*) Susan Sytsma Bratt

Holy God, you are always more ready to listen than we are to pray. Hear us as we come before you, opening our hearts and minds to your loving and gracious judgment. We lay before you our arrogance and selfishness. But most of all we confess our lack of trust in your devotion and constancy. Day after day we listen to the voices of the world urging divisiveness, hatred, and bitterness, while we ignore the words of truth and justice spoken by your faithful servants. Forgive us and fill us with your spirit of hope that we may become signs of reconciling light and love. Forgive us and help us to trust in your steadfast love on our own behalf. All this we ask in the name of your love incarnate, Jesus Christ. Amen.

(A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

FIRST LESSON Psalm 105:1-6 (page 556) Dave Callans

SECOND LESSON Romans 12:9-12 (page 162) Susan Rice

One: The Word of the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *Living in Response to God's Grace* Susan Rice

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER Susan Sytsma Bratt

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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.

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 Deep Within David Haas

**THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
AND COMMON PRAYER** Susan Rice

† **HYMN 379** My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less SOLID ROCK

BENEDICTION Susan Rice

POSTLUDE Andante Espressivo Flor Peeters

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❖ Worship Notes ❖

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IN MEMORIUM

William G. Berlinger, Jr. ~ February 1, 2010



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



ELDER DAVE CALLANS 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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“In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: “Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.”

Isaiah 6:1-3

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PRELUDE Choral Joseph Jongen

CALL TO WORSHIP Elizabeth Lovell

† **HYMN 274** O God of Earth and Space LEONI

COMMON CONFSSION (*in unison*) Elizabeth Lovell

O God, you call us to become pilgrims, to follow you in a journey of faith. We would find it easier to follow when not so much is at stake. But you promise that you will be with us and that our needs will be met. We cling to possessions, trusting in them for security. You lead us into unfamiliar places, asking that we trust in your will. O God, your way is challenging when we choose to be complacent. You make great demands; we are anxious and uncertain. Have mercy upon us and forgive our hesitant steps toward the promise. Amen.

(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) Susan Rice

† **SENDING HYMN (9:30)** Go now, Children, with our Blessing

(See Worship notes section for Sending Hymn)

FIRST LESSON I Corinthians 15:1-11 (page 176) Susan Rice (9:30)
Susan Sytsma Bratt (11:00)

ANTHEM I See the Morning Breaking Alleluia Singers Allen Pote

I see the morning breaking through the valleys and the hills. I see the morning breaking as I go, as I go. I see the morning breaking through the valleys and the hills, and I'm goin' home to Jesus, bless my soul, bless my soul. I feel the fresh wind blowing through the valleys and the hills. I feel the fresh wind blowing as I go, as I go. I feel the fresh wind blowing through the valleys and the hills, and I'm goin' home to Jesus, bless my soul, bless my soul. I hear the people stirring through the valleys and the hills. I hear the people stirring as I go, as I go. I hear the people stirring through the valleys and the hills, and I'm goin' home to Jesus, bless my soul, bless my soul. O, bless my soul.

OUR COMMON LIFE AND MINISTRY

Susan Rice (9:30)
Susan Sytsma Bratt (11:00)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM In the Year King Uzziah Died
David McKay Williams

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple. Above it stood the seraphim: each one had six wings; With twain he covered his face, with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory. And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke. Then said I, Woe is me! For I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts. Then flew one of the seraphim, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar; And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips, and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin is purged. Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I, send me.

† **DOXOLOGY** (*Hymnal 592*)

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.

SECOND LESSON Luke 5:1-11 (page 62) James Carter

One: This is the Word of the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON “Gone Fishing” James Carter

† **HYMN 269** O God of Bethel, by Whose Hand DUNDEE

COMMON PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Kit Schooley (9:30)
Rob McClellan (11:00)

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POSTLUDE “Grand Jeu” from Suite on the 2nd Tone
Pierre DuMage

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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
 pre-sence of God be with you, and give you peace.

USHERS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

9:30 service	11:00 am
Morris Kay	Frank Mechura
Ed Wood	George Shafer
Louise Burnstein	Robert Breading
Rick Ware	Lee Moses
Peter Craig	Jay Stetzer
Scott Zelov	Connie Harrington
John Birmingham	Jim Smith
Jim Crutchfield	Frank Szabo
Tom Willcox	Paula Szabo
Don Chase	Robert Woodcock
Bob Walter	
Charne Walter	
Jim Carter	
Paul Rogers	
Kevin Roller	
Frank Marcucci	
Gee Smith	
Jeff Snyder	
Bob Platz	

PARKERS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

Morris Kay
 Ted Madara
 Keith Brinks
 Gary Wu
 Steve Ryan
 Tom Gadsden
 Erik Shay
 Pete Haldy
 Henry Rohrer
 Michael Ziegler

Large print resources and wireless hearing aids are available at both services. Ask an usher for assistance.

† IN MEMORIUM

William G. Berlinger, Jr. ~ February 1, 2010



The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Carter Edmonds



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 backs may be placed in the offering plates.



BRIAN MIDDLETON 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.

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

IN THE COURT: *Fire in the Soul: A Prayer Book for the Later Years* by Richard Lyon Morgan. Discerning God's call at retirement, mentoring the next generation, and facing loss and death are addressed in this book. \$10. 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, Sunday, February 14, 10:30 a.m. "Love so Amazing." Be a sweetheart and come for coffee, homemade baked goods and conversation. To contribute a baked item contact librarian Kat MacMurray at 610-935-7582.

Adult Sunday Classes

Today, one at 8:00 a.m., one at 9:30 a.m., one 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 is written by a former diplomat, graduate of Yale Divinity School, and host for the Sunday morning program "Speaking of Faith" on NPR. Tippett helps to bridge the gap between differing religious ideals, provides a rich resource for our spirit, and guides us through our most important modern confusions. This book discussion began in January and will continue in February.

ADULT AND HIGH SCHOOL CLASS: SEX AND SALVATION. 9:30 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Led by Dr. Jon Pahl. Topic: Can a Homophobe Be Saved?

ONE CLASS ONE CHURCH – THEOLOGIAN-IN-RESIDENCE LECTURE:

GREEN CHRISTIANITY: THE NEW ECO-CHURCHES. 11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. Dr. Mark Wallace. This is the last lecture in our 2010 TIR series. Even if you missed the previous two lectures, be sure to join us for this one!

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 will continue 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. Sundays, 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. Sundays, 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 all 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. Sundays, 11:00 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Led by Donna Barrickman and Tim and Jeanne 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. In this class we will read the Lectionary passages and consider themes of temptation, atonement, and grace.

Adult Weekday Classes

2ND WEDNESDAY: SCIENCE AND SPIRIT LECTURE IN CONJUNCTION WITH METANEXUS INSTITUTE. February 10, 7:30 p.m., Congregational Hall. Teilhard's China Years lecture by Kathleen Duffy, SSJ, Professor of Physics at Chestnut Hill College. How did Jesuit paleontologist Pierre Teilhard de Chardin sustain his spirit under the burden of long years of exile and rejection by church authorities? Our speaker will explore the clues to Teilhard's spiritual depth and what it can teach us about our own.

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

WEDNESDAY POTLUCK SUPPER GROUP (ON CHOIR PRACTICE DAYS). 2nd, 3rd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, 5:30 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor and Gloucester Room. Join other families to share a meal you bring, do homework and build community. Questions: Kikimc@verizon.net.

SATURDAYS AT ST. BARNABAS. Saturday, February 13, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Mission opportunity for families at St. Barnabas Mission, a transition shelter for women and their children. Adults and children ages 3 and older visit the children for activities and snacks. Meet at the BMPC parking lot. Info: Genevieve.McCormack@gmail.com.

FAMILY FUN FRIDAY. February 26, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Movie Night! 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.

Middleton Center

WALKING THE LABYRINTH IN PRAYER. Thursday, February 11, 2:00 – 8:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Join others in this ancient symbol and prayer form. Quiet music will play and a printed prayer reflection will be available.

SEARCHING FOR STILL WATERS--AN EXPLORATION OF LOSS AND GRIEF. Saturday, February 13, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m., Middleton Center. Ongoing support group for those coping with the loss of a loved one, whether recent or many years ago. Led by David Reed and Mary Joan Walheim. No cost. New and previous group members welcome.

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. January 24 to 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 CAFÉ: 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. Savor time with God and enjoy friendships through Bible study, worship and fellowship. Led by the Rev. Susan Rice, ext. 8810. Sign up by February 12 with check made out to PW-BMPC for \$20 and send to Louise Burnstein, 449 W. Montgomery Avenue, #201, Haverford, PA 19041.

PW Y-GROUP MEETING. Tuesday, February 9, 9:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Join us for a lively, informative discussion with Lisa Corcoran from Family Forum. She will be speaking about "scream-free parenting". This is a meeting you won't want to miss! Contact Megan Forgie at 610-520-8850 for childcare reservations, if needed.

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, will share 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. For more information call 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.

Youth

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.

MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS SMALL Group will be meeting from 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. after the Middle School pizza lunch. LindseyEvans@bmpc.org

MIDDLE SCHOOL PIZZA LUNCH TODAY, 12:00-1:00 p.m. After Sunday school please join us for worship followed by pizza in the crypt. Girls should stay afterwards for Small Group Ministry.

Caring and Serving

Hunger Task Force

"SOUPER BOWL" SUNDAY, TODAY. BMPC Hunger Task Force members are collecting canned soups and other foods to support winter food services at Philadelphia area emergency food cupboards during both services. Items needed include: soup, stew, tuna fish, canned meats, peanut butter, beans, pasta and meat sauce. Don't forget formula or baby food for young children. No opened boxes, please.

HUNGER TASK FORCE MEMBERS AND CHURCH SCHOOL SECOND GRADERS will be making casseroles today for Philadelphia homeless shelters after the Children's Moment.

CASSEROLE BLITZ: Saturday, February 20, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Join the Hunger Task Force for the first Blitz of 2010. Can't

cook but want to help? Help us deliver. Can't drive but want to help? Don't forget the hunger envelope! Contact: [Linda Webster, WebsterL@email.chop.edu](mailto:LindaWebster,WebsterL@email.chop.edu)

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. For more information contact Rick Hamilton at rhamilto@brynmawr.edu.



WELCOME TO BMPC! We want to support you in your journey to better understand and trust the God who is revealed to us in Christ. We invite you to explore anything of interest to you here and make a habit of worshiping with us. Please stop at the Welcome Center to the left of the main church entrance if you are a newcomer, have questions, or would like more information about our programs and ministries. All are invited to join us for fellowship in the lobby of the Education Building (10:30 a.m.) or the Court of the Ministries Center following worship services.

This is a large church and it is easy to feel a little lost. If you need assistance, ask an usher or anyone wearing a nametag. Nursery care with electronic pagers is available in our Education Building.

BMPC ON-LINE: Visit our website, www.bmpc.org, to check the church calendar, listen to sermons, and get news and updates. To subscribe to our weekly BMPC Enews, contact LydiaHaas@bmpc.org.

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 through this search process. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

HOSPITAL INFORMATION. Due to current privacy laws, it is more difficult for the pastors to know when our members have been admitted to the hospital. Please call us if you are hospitalized or make us aware of anyone you know who is in the hospital. Also, let us know if and when you volunteer at any of our local hospitals. Please call the church office, 610-525-2821, with this information.

Lent Begins February 17

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES. February 17, 5:30– 6:00 p.m., and 7:30– 8:30 p.m., Chapel. Earlier service, designed with children in mind but open to all, features songs, short readings and a brief explanation of the symbols of Ash Wednesday. Information: CarolynBeitmann@bmpc.org or ext. 8812.

ASH WEDNESDAY SUPPER. February 17, 6:00– 7:15 p.m., Congregational Hall, for all who attend either the 5:30 or 7:30 p.m. worship services. Suggested dinner donation \$5 per person / \$15 per family. RSVP by noon on February 17: Jane Wilber, ext. 8813 or Childrensandfamily@bmpc.org.

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?” Congregational Hall. Led by the Rev. Dr. James Carter. Join us during Lent as we ask “Who is Jesus and why does he matter in our lives today?” We will use William Placher’s book *Jesus the Savior* as a starting point for discussion.

7:40 p.m. Compline Service, Sanctuary, Wednesdays during Lent. This year during Lent we encourage you to take time out of your busy schedules for this special weekly service. The night prayer of Compline is not only spiritual but also practical, as 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 starts, the church bells begin to clang, and then an unseen choir begins to sing... Childcare is provided for all ages during class and Compline Service.

Weekly Calendar: February 7, 2010 – February 14, 2010

Sunday, February 7

- 8:00 a.m. Adult Class: *Speaking of Faith*, book discussion, Conference Rm.
- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel.
- 9:30 a.m. BLINK: K-5th graders begin worship with families in Sanctuary.
- 9:30 a.m. Adult and High School Class: Sex & Salvation, Witherspoon Parlor.
- 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. Worship, Sanctuary.
- 9:30 a.m. Confirmation Class (8th graders), Congregational Hall.
- 9:30 a.m. Middle School Sunday School, Crypt.
- 9:45 a.m. K-2nd grade classes meet in Education Building.
- 9:45 a.m. 3rd-5th graders remain in worship for the entire hour.
- 11:00 a.m. Art-at-11 for age 3 and older, Room 201, Education Building.
- 11:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary.
- 11:00 a.m. Theologian-in-Residence, Dr. Mark Wallace, Congregational Hall.
- 12:00 p.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center.
- 12:00 p.m. Middle School Pizza Lunch, Crypt.
- 12:00 p.m. Educational Caring Initiative, Gloucester Room.
- 1:00 p.m. Middle School Girls Small Group, Crypt.

Monday, February 8

- 9:30 a.m. Cardio Fitness, Gymnasium. Carol Haldy, 610-525-6765.
- 7:00 p.m. Membership Council Meeting, Converse House Library and Parlor.
- 7:30 p.m. Homeless Task Force Meeting, Conference Room.

Tuesday, February 9

- 7:00 a.m. Stewardship Committee, Conference Room.
- 9:10 a.m. Yoga for Life, Gym. kcgagnier@verizon.net or 610-952-0622.
- 9:15 a.m. Y-Group Meetings, Gloucester Room/Witherspoon Parlor.
- 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium.
- 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.
- 6:15 p.m. APNC for Sr. Adults & Pastoral Care, Fullerton Room.
- 6:30 p.m. Session Meeting with New Members, Congregational Hall.
- 6:50 p.m. Tutoring Program, Education Building Lobby.
- 7:00 p.m. Session Meeting, Congregational Hall.
- 7:30 p.m. Career Counseling, Conference Room.

Wednesday, February 10

- 9:00 a.m. Senior Adult Walking Group, Back Parking Lot.
- 9:30 a.m. Cardio Fitness, Gymnasium. Carol Haldy, 610-525-6765.
- 9:30 a.m. Senior Men’s Discussion Group, Converse House Parlor and Library.
- 10:00 a.m. Women’s Coffee Cup Bible Study, Witherspoon Parlor.
- 4:00 p.m. Homework Room, Gloucester Room.
- 4:15 p.m. Carol Choir, Fine Arts Center.

- 4:15 p.m. Alleluia Singers, Fine Arts Center.
- 5:15 p.m. Alleluia Ringers, Fine Arts Center.
- 5:15 p.m. Jubilate Ringers, Sanctuary.
- 6:30 p.m. Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center.
- 6:50 p.m. Tutoring Program, Education Building Lobby.
- 7:30 p.m. Science and Spirit Lecture Series, Congregational Hall.
- 7:30 p.m. High School Bible Study, Lindsey’s House.

Thursday, February 11

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer Group, Chapel. Jeanne LeBuhn, 610-688-6984.
- 11:00 a.m. Torah Study, Main Line Reform Temple.
- 2:00 p.m. Walking the Labyrinth in Prayer, Congregational Hall.
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium.
- 7:00 p.m. Senior Choir Extended Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center.
- 9:15 p.m. Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Fine Arts Center.

Friday, February 12

- 9:30 a.m. Cardio Fitness, Gymnasium. Carol Haldy, 610-525-6765.
- 9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center.

Saturday, February 13

- 7:00 a.m. BMPC Men’s Group, Converse House Parlor and Library.

Sunday, February 14

8:00 a.m. Worship with communion in the Chapel. The Rev. Sherri Hausser will preach.

9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship with Senior Choir in the Sanctuary. The Rev. Sherri Hausser 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 Rm.
- 9:30 a.m. Worship with Communion, Sanctuary.
- 9:30 a.m. Middle School Sunday School, Crypt.
- 9:30 a.m. High School Sunday School, Loft.
- 9:30 a.m. Confirmation Class (8th graders), Congregational Hall.
- 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.
- 9:45 a.m. K-2nd grade classes meet in Education Building.
- 10:30 a.m. Snacks in the Stacks, Converse House Library.
- 11:00 a.m. Art-at-11 for age 3 and older, Room 201, Education Building.
- 11:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Sanctuary.
- 12:00 p.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center Main Room.
- 12:15 p.m. APNC for Sr. Adults & Pastoral Care, Pastors Conference Room.