

Worship

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Graham Ford

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 Jesus, I Will Never Leave Darmstadt

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Joan Laleike

Each petition concludes with the phrase "Lord, in your mercy."

The congregation responds with "Hear our prayer."

MUSICAL RESPONSE AND SENDING

All are invited to continue in a time of prayer and silence. You may wish to move to the children's chapel at this time for personal prayer, to light a candle, or to pray with a pastor. Please depart in silence as you feel led.



GO IN PEACE

† Those who are able, please stand.

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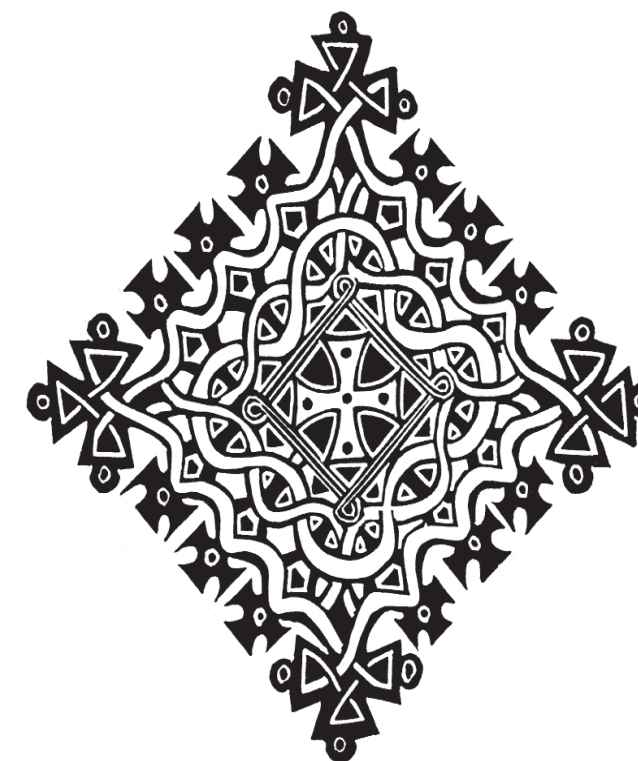


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SUNDAY, MARCH 14, 2010, 8:00 AM, CHAPEL

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT



"You feel that heart in there? My life became your life, like lighting one candle from another. Isn't that a mystery? I've thought about it many times. And yet you always did the opposite of what I hoped for, the exact opposite. So I tried not to hope for anything at all, except that we wouldn't lose you. So of course we did. That was the one hope I couldn't put aside."

—from Home

Order of

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 O How Great Is Thy Compassion Altdorf

CALL TO WORSHIP Graham Ford

† **HYMN 211** Lord, You Have Been Our Dwelling Place Canonbury

COMMON CONFSSION (*in unison*) Graham Ford

God of goings and comings, we confess that we have wandered away from you. At times, in ways physical and spiritual, we have distanced ourselves from one another and from you. At times, we have scoffed at the return of one of our lost sisters or brothers, rather than offering a welcoming embrace. Forgive us, gracious God. Lead us back to you. Lead us home.

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

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call
ans - wer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer.
Come and lis - ten to me. O

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Graham Ford

FIRST LESSON Joshua 5:9-12 Bob Holmes

SECOND LESSON Luke 15:11-32 Robert M. McClellan
One: The Word of the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *Lost* Robert M. McClellan

❖ Worship Notes ❖

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

9:30 SERVICE

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daughter of Melissa Anne Downs and Richard Scott Downs
and

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IN MEMORIUM

Philip D. Selim ~ March 2, 2010
Elizabeth Z. Lewis ~ March 7, 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 am service,
contact Phoebe Sheftel, Pasheftel@comcast.net
or 610-526-1802



JOAN LALEIKE

is offering the Prayers of the People.



ELDER BOB HOLMES

is reading the first lesson and assisting with communion.



EVIE HEKKING

is the usher for this morning's service.



One Great Hour of Sharing

“Do you love me? . . . feed my sheep.” The Gospel of John concludes with Jesus asking this question several times, each time encouraging Simon Peter to feed his sheep. It is in this question and answer that we see what it means to be disciples of Jesus Christ. For more than 60 years the Presbyterian Church (USA) has united to care for God's flock all over the world through the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. Through this offering, the refugee and the stranger have found food and safe shelter; those stunned by the aftermath of disasters have found relief and help in rebuilding; and communities seeking to take control of their future have found partners in development.

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Worship

and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.

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

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:00) James L. Carter

FIRST LESSON Joshua 5:9-12 Susan Rice (9:30)
Sherri Hausser (11:00)

ANTHEM Little Lamb Ralph Vaughan Williams
David Price, tenor
(See *Worship Notes* section for text)

OUR COMMON LIFE AND MINISTRY Susan Rice (9:30)
James L. Carter (11:00)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM My Song is Love Unknown Jonah Kliever
(See *Worship Notes* section for text)

† **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 15:11-32 Elizabeth Lovell
One: This is the Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *Returning Home* Elizabeth Lovell

† **HYMN** 324 Open My Eyes That I May See OPEN MY EYES

COMMON PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER James L. Carter
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† **HYMN** 540 God Be with You Till We Meet Again RANDOLPH

BENEDICTION AND SILENT PRAYER Elizabeth Lovell

POSTLUDE Ah, Jesus Dear Johannes Brahms

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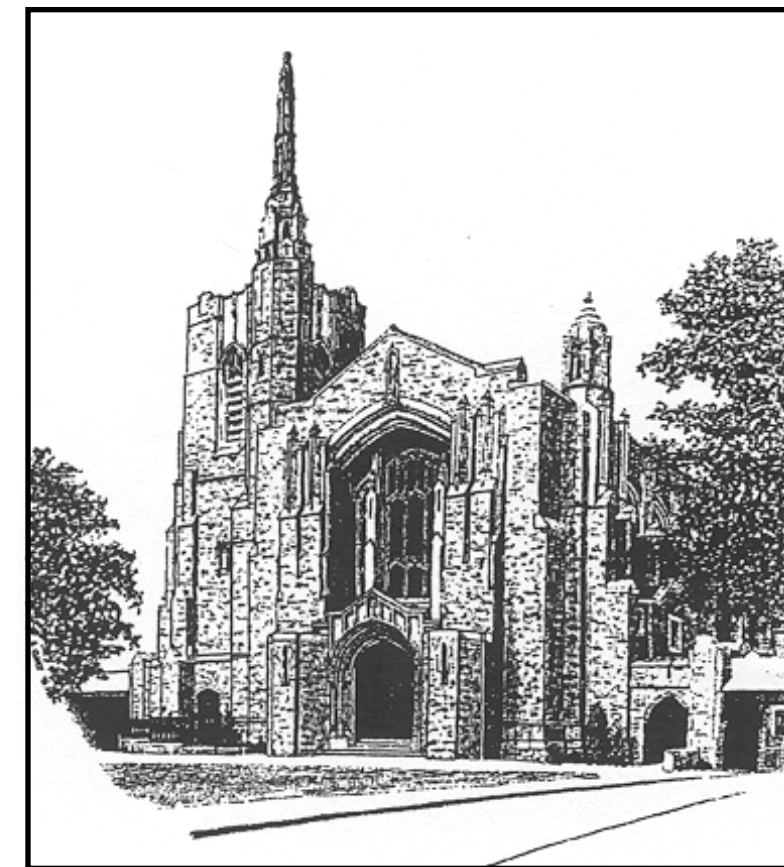
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~ Henri Nouwen in *The Return of the Prodigal Son*

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PRELUDE Variations sur un thème de Clement Jannequin Jehan Alain

CALL TO WORSHIP Kit Schooley (9:30)
Sherri Hausser (11:00)

Leader: We come to worship God in our need,

People: bringing with us the needs of the world.

Leader: We come to God, who comes to us in Jesus,

People: and who knows by experience what human life is like.

Leader: We come with our faith and with our doubts,

People: we come with our hopes and with our fears.

Leader: We come as we are because it is God who invites us to come,

People: and God has promised never to turn us away.

Leader: Let us worship God!

† **HYMN** 489 Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty UNSER HERRSCHER

COMMON CONFSSION (*in unison*) Kit Schooley (9:30)
Sherri Hausser (11:00)

God of mercy, you send Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to the cleansing waters of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

(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

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM James L. Carter

One: Members of the church: How will you fulfill your responsibility to assist these individuals to become faithful disciples of Jesus Christ?

All: We will welcome them into our lives and worship; we will support them with our love and prayers; we will provide for their nurture in this community of faith.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*in unison*) James L. Carter
assisted by Elders Valerie Craig (9:30) and Paul Bergsteinsson (11:00)

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,

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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.

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ANTHEM Little Lamb Ralph Vaughan Williams

David Price, tenor

Little Lamb, who made thee? Dost thou know who made thee? Gave thee life, and bid thee feed, By the stream and o'er the mead; Gave thee clothing of delight, Softest clothing woolly, bright; Gave thee such a tender voice, making all the vales rejoice? Little Lamb, who made thee? Dost thou know who made thee? Little Lamb, I'll tell thee, Little Lamb, I'll tell thee: He is callèd by thy name, For He calls Himself a Lamb. He is meek, and He is mild: He became a little child. I a child, and thou a lamb, We are callèd by His name. Little Lamb, God bless thee! Little Lamb, God bless thee!

OFFERTORY ANTHEM My Song is Love Unknown Jonah Kliewer

My song is love unknown, my savior's love to me. Love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be. O who am I that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die? He came from His blest throne, salvation to bestow; But men made strange and none the longed for Christ would know. But O my friend, my friend indeed, who at my need His life did spend. Here might I stay and sing. No story so divine; never was love, dear king, Never was grief like Thine. This is my friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend! My song is love unknown; my Savior's love to me.

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IN MEMORIUM

Philip D. Selim ~ March 2, 2010

Elizabeth Z. Lewis ~ March 7, 2010

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THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD
and in loving memory of
Elizabeth Neill and Samuel Alexander Jervis.

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HELPING HANDS ARE AVAILABLE

before the 11:00 am service every Sunday

in both the east and west driveways near the portico entrances
to greet those who may need assistance disembarking from vehicles.

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HUNGER ENVELOPES

are found in the pew racks and may be placed in the offering plates.

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BOB HOLMES

will be playing the carillon following the worship services.

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Special Events

“Malls R Us” – DOCUMENTARY FILM AT BRYN MAWR FILM INSTITUTE. Thursday, March 18, 7:30 pm, 834 West Lancaster Ave., Bryn Mawr. A powerful documentary on how mass consumption has shaped people’s lives. Dr. Jon Pahl, popular teacher at BMPC, is featured in the film along with shots of BMPC. Dr. Paul will lead a discussion immediately following the screening. Free will offering taken at the door.

SCIENCE AND SPIRIT LECTURE SERIES IN CONJUNCTION WITH METANEXUS INSTITUTE. Monday, March 22, 7:30 pm, Congregational Hall. *Teilhard’s China Years* presented 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.

CPR/AED CLASS for first-time learners or refreshers/updates. Saturday, March 20, 9:00 am-1:00 pm in Gloucester Room. Registrations: send \$45 check payable to BMPC, c/o Amy Bauer. Questions: kathykreider@bmpc.org or x8832.

Adult Education

THE ROAD TO DAYBREAK: A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY by Henri M. Nouwen. Nouwen’s intimate diary of his time at the L’Arche community in Trosly, France that changed his life forever and drew him “closer to the heart of God”, \$11. Available in The Book Center located in the Court of the Ministries Center, open Sundays following services and on weekdays, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm.

BMPC CONVERSE HOUSE LIBRARY. Visit our library any time the Ministries Center is open. Access by elevator or ramp to upper level. “Love the Lord your God with all your mind” . . . the perfect place for quiet meditation.

Adult Sunday Classes

SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES: One at 8:00 am, one at 9:30 am, two at 11:00 am.

Speaking of Faith by Krista Tippett BOOK DISCUSSION. 8:00 am, Conference Room. Led by the Rev. Dr. Paul MacMurray. 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. Each class is individual and it is not necessary to attend all classes. Books available at class.

SOUL SURVIVOR BOOK DISCUSSION. 9:30 am, Conference Room. Led by the Rev. Dr. Paul

MacMurray. Can reincarnation ever be a Christian concept? One family finds out when their two-year-old son recounts memories as a WWII fighter pilot. Book available at class and in The Book Center.

BIBLE STUDY: THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES. 11:00 am, Conference Room. Led by the Rev. Graham Ford. What do 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 am, 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

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

TORAH (OLD TESTAMENT) STUDY OF EZEKIEL. Thursdays, 11:00 am, 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](mailto:phoebeshettel@comcast.net) or 610-526-1802.

Children’s and Family Ministries

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSIONAL, March 28. Rainbow class – grade 5 gather by 9:05 am. Rainbows – Ks meet in classrooms, grades 1 – 5 meet in Chapel. Choir children meet in Fine Arts Center as directed.

PALM SUNDAY BRUNCH. March 28, 10:30 am, Congregational Hall, everyone welcome. Bring ready-to-eat food to share with 8 people: A-M fruit; N-Z breads, muffins, bagels. Also bring bag(s) of small wrapped chocolate and/or hard candies and mints for tray favors for residents at Broomall Presbyterian Village. RSVP: Childrensandfamily@bmpc.org.

REVISED DATES FOR VACATION BIBLE CAMP. Due to weather-related makeup days at the end of the school year, the 2010 VBC dates are June 27 to July 1 (*Sunday – Thursday*). Theme: Egypt, Joseph’s Journey from Prison to Palace. For questions, more information or to volunteer: VBC Director Marcy DeLOrefice, marcydelorefice@aol.com.

Middleton Center

TOOLS FOR LIVING WITH CANCER. Tuesday, March 16, 7:00 pm, Witherspoon Parlor. This month’s focus: nutrition with Sandra Mowry, author and cancer survivor. Drop-ins welcome, but reservations are requested; 610-525-0766.

WALKING THE LABYRINTH DURING HOLY WEEK. Congregational Hall. This ancient form of meditation provides opportunities to focus on the life, the death and the resurrection of Christ and His ongoing gifts of mercy, grace and peace for those who seek Him. The Labyrinth will be available for prayer and meditation on the following days: Wednesday, March 31, 6:00 - 8:00 pm Maundy Thursday, April 1, 8:00 am - 8:00 pm Good Friday, April 2, 8:00 am - Noon

FOR MORE INFORMATION about support groups, special events, counseling services or spiritual direction, contact Karen Dunkman: mail@middletoncenter.org, 610-525-0766 or visit our website: www.middletoncenter.org. All calls are confidential and scholarships are available.

Music and Fine Arts

SENIOR CHOIR PERFORMS MISSA GAIA. TODAY, March 14, 4:00 pm, Sanctuary. The Senior Choir and the Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia perform Paul Winter’s jazz choral work *Missa Gaia*, a celebration of earth which features recorded sounds of animals in nature and visual images projected on a screen. Following the concert, a reception will be held in the Ministries Center to honor the performers and celebrate the opening of a new art exhibit called “The Essential Experience.” Concert tickets: \$10 for adults; children under 18 free. Contact: StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org or x8836 or purchase from any choir member.

ART EXHIBIT. The Fine Arts exhibit opens today, March 14, with the art of Essential Experience. This mixed media exhibit features the work of professional and non-professional artists from the Philadelphia area who are graduates of the Essential Experience workshops. The art will be on view in the Conference Room and Witherspoon Parlor until April 5.

LENTEN MID-DAY ORGAN RECITALS. Join us Tuesdays in March at noon to hear local organists perform in our Sanctuary. Don’t miss the next recital in the series on March 16, which will feature Yale University student Benjamin Straley performing improvisations. Contact: StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org or x8836.

SPRING MUSICAL - NOYE’S FLUDDE! Saturday, April 24 at 7:00 pm and Sunday, April 25 at 4:00 pm. Ticket information coming soon.

Outreach

URBAN SUBURBAN BOOK GROUP. Tuesday, March 16, 7:00 pm, Witherspoon Parlor. This month’s selection, *Olive Kitteridge* by Elizabeth Strout, was named one of the best books of the year by *The Washington Post Book World*. “Strout animates the ordinary with astonishing force”- *The New Yorker*. Book available in The Book Center, \$10.

LOOKING FOR A VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY WHERE YOU’LL LEARN A NEW SKILL? A volunteer’s reaction to doing home repairs with The Other Carpenter in West Philadelphia was “I learned how to do something new!” No skills are required to assist in this rewarding work. Once a month, once a week or one time only – your help is needed and will be greatly appreciated. Contact David Heaton at dtocarpenter@verizon.net or 267-284-0310.

Presbyterian Women

PW COFFEE CUP BIBLE STUDY. Wednesday, March 17, 10:00 am, Witherspoon Parlor. Led by the Rev. Susan Rice.

PW CARING AND CRAFTS. Monday, March 15, 9:15 am, Gloucester Room. Knit and crochet items for those in need. Fellowship for women of all ages. Contact: [Maryalice Stoltzfus](mailto:MarylaliceStoltzfus), 610-527-3909.

PW DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE. Tuesday, March 16, 9:30 am, Witherspoon Parlor or 6:30 pm, Ministries Center Balcony. Discussion of *The Alchemist* by Paulo Coelho, led by Miriam Vosburgh. Snow date makeup for *Howard’s End*, Tuesday, March 30; discussion led by Laurie Gunther.

Y Group Book Club. Tuesday, March 16, 7:30 pm, hosted by Carol Lake, 876 Saratoga Road, Berwyn. We will discuss *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* by Steig Larsson. Please RSVP to Carol.lake@comcast.net if you plan to attend.

PW “GIFTS OF WOMEN.” Sunday, March 21, 9:30 and 11:00 am services. Past PW Moderators will be among those recognized as Presbyterian Women everywhere celebrate women’s contributions to the work of the church. Reception following both services in the Court of the Ministries Center.

PW PERSPECTIVES IN MUSIC. Monday, March 22, 1:30 pm, Fine Arts Center. Pianist and Peabody student Hanchien Lee returns with pieces from Frederic Chopin’s piano repertoire in celebration of the bicentenary of his birth. Join us for refreshments and fellowship. Contact: DeAnn Clancy, 610-525-8347.

Y GROUP NIGHT OUT. Monday, March 22, 7:30 pm, hosted by Peggy Hermann, 28 E Langhorne Ave, Havertown. Join us for an evening of socializing. Donations of career clothing will be collected for women in need through Career Wardrobe. Contact kristavaughan@yahoo.com if you wish to attend and/or did not get the “e-vite”.

PW GREAT DECISIONS. Tuesday, March 30, video at 12:45 pm, discussion at 1:15 pm, Presbyterian Village auditorium. From the booming sex trade in Eastern Europe to online fraud syndicates in Africa and drug cartels in Asia and Central America, crime is increasingly organized and globalized. How can countries protect citizens? Which groups can effectively combat this? Contact: [Marilyn Irwin](mailto:MarilynIrwin), 610-527-6500, x 233.

Senior Adults

SENIORS CLUB LUNCH. Wednesday, March 17, noon, Congregational Hall. Guest speaker: the Rev. Dr. Richard Streeter, retired pastor of Paoli Presbyterian Church. Topic: St. Patrick’s Day -- “Victory or Death.” Bring a brown bag lunch; coffee and sweets provided. Everyone welcome.

Caring and Sharing

Hunger Task Force

THANK YOU to all those who participated in our casserole blitz yesterday! With your help, we have delivered over 300 casseroles, surpassing this time last year. Yesterday, we made 150 more! We are off to a great start, and we thank you!

BABY SHOWER. Sponsored by the Hunger Task Force and Church School Children. Collecting baby formula, new and gently used baby clothing, and small baby gifts to present to new mothers at Turning Points for Children in West Philadelphia. Unwrapped items may be left in the baby crib display in the Education Building lobby through Sunday, March 21. Join us for refreshments in the Education Building lobby from 10:30 - 11:30 am on March 21.

WALK AGAINST HUNGER. Look for information describing how to participate in this year’s Walk Against Hunger on April 10 at 9:00 am at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Funds raised will provide hunger relief in needy Philadelphia communities.

Youth

HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY DURING LENT. March 3 - 24. Join Rob McClellan, Lindsey Evans and others from the congregation for the class, *Who Is Jesus Christ Today?*, led by Dr. Carter at 6:30 pm, followed by a Compline Service at 7:40 pm in the Sanctuary and devotions until 8:30 pm. LindseyEvans@bmpc.org.

YOUTH SUMMER TRIPS FOR RISING 6TH TO RISING 12TH GRADERS. High School Mission Trip to Cincinnati (July 3-11), Middle School Mission Trip and Conference (July 7-11), and Camp (August 15-21). Register by April 6. For more information about trips visit www.bmpc.org/youth.htm or contact LindseyEvans@bmpc.org.

INVITE THE BMPC YOUTH STAFF. Let Rob McLellan and Lindsey Evans know if you would like some moral support or a cheering section for an upcoming activity - a play, game, etc. Contact LindseyEvans@bmpc.org.

CONSIDER JOINING THE HUNGER TASK FORCE

Consider joining this committed, dedicated and enthusiastic group who believes that every person has a right to adequate food obtained with dignity. Our next meeting is Thursday, March 18, 7:00 pm, Ministries Center Conference Room. RSVP: [Linda Webster](mailto:LindaWebster), 215-753-8841 or websterl@email.chop.edu.

HUNGER ENVELOPES. Imagine a city -- our city of brotherly love -- that imprisons young teens for stealing food for their younger siblings! Imagine prison -- better than home! Imagine overcoming unbelievable obstacles to start and run a successful food shelter to ensure others have enough to eat! Your dollars directly support area food shelters. These situations are REAL! Please give generously to those in need.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help serve dinners at a West Philadelphia area soup kitchen from 5:45 to 7:00 pm 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@brynmawr.edu.

WEEKLY CALENDAR: MARCH 14-21, 2010

Sunday, March 14

8:00 am Adult Class: *Speaking of Faith* Book Discussion, Conference Room
8:00 am Worship with Communion, Chapel
9:30 am Worship with Baptism, Sanctuary
9:30 am BLINK: Grades K-5 begin worship with families in Sanctuary.
9:30 am Adult Class: *Soul Survivor* Discussion, Conference Room
9:30 am Church School, Rainbows (*age 2 by 9/1/09*) - Lambs (*age 4 by 9/1/09*), Education Building
9:30 am Confirmation Class (*8th Grade*), Congregational Hall
9:30 am High School Sunday School, Loft
9:30 am Middle School Sunday School, Crypt
9:45 am Grades K-5 classes meet in Education Building
11:00 am Worship with Baptism and Reception of New Members, Sanctuary
11:00 am Adult Class: Bible Study - Acts, Conference Room
11:00 am Adult Class: Pausing on the Road to Jerusalem, Witherspoon Parlor
11:00 am Art-at-11 for ages 3 and older, Room 201, Education Building
11:00 am Youth Ministries Focus Groups, Congregational Hall
12:00 pm Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
12:00 pm New Member Brunch, Converse House Parlor & Library
1:00 pm Educational Caring Initiative, Gloucester Room
2:00 pm Transition to High School, Congregational Hall
4:00 pm *Missa Gaia* Choral Concert, Sanctuary
5:30 pm Officer Training Event, Congregational Hall
5:30 pm Art Exhibit and Concert Reception, Court

Monday, March 15

9:15 am PW Caring & Crafts, Gloucester Room
9:30 am Cardio Fitness, Carol Haldy, 610-525-6765, Gym

Tuesday, March 16

8:30 am Morning Prayer Group, Chapel
9:10 am Yoga for Life, kcgagnier@verizon.net or 610-952-0622, Gym
9:30 am Daytime PW Dimensions in Literature, Witherspoon Parlor
10:30 am Tai Chi, Gym
12:00 pm Tuesday Noon Organ Recital, Sanctuary
1:30 pm Parkinson's Disease Support Group,
Gloucester Room and Witherspoon Parlor
6:30 pm Evening PW Dimensions in Literature, Ministries Center Balcony
6:50 pm Tutoring Program, Education Building Lobby
7:00 pm Peacemaking Task Force, Fullerton Room
7:00 pm Tools for Living with Cancer, Gloucester Room
7:00 pm Urban Suburban Book Group, Witherspoon Parlor
7:30 pm Children and Youth Ministries Christian Education Planning Team Meeting, Converse House Parlor and Library
7:30 pm Career Counseling, Congregational Hall, 610-525-0766

Wednesday, March 17

9:30 am Cardio Fitness, Carol Haldy, 610-525-6765, Gym
10:00 am Lay-Led Bible Study, Fullerton Room
10:00 am Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Witherspoon Parlor
12:00 pm Seniors Club Lunch, Congregational Hall
4:00 pm Homework Room, Gloucester Room
4:15 pm Carol Choir, Fine Arts Center
4:15 pm Alleluia Singers, Fine Arts Center
5:15 pm Alleluia Ringers, Fine Arts Center
5:15 pm Jubilate Ringers, Sanctuary
5:30 pm Lenten Series Dinner, Congregational Hall
6:00 pm Property Committee Meeting, Witherspoon Parlor
6:30 pm Lenten Series Class, "Who is Jesus Today?", Congregational Hall

6:30 pm Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
6:30 pm Lenten Series Childcare and Homework Room,
Rooms 101 & 102, Education Building
6:50 pm Tutoring Program, Education Building
7:00 pm Caregivers Support Group, Converse House Parlor and Library
7:30 pm High School Bible Study, Lindsey's House
7:40 pm Lenten Compline Service, Sanctuary
8:00 pm Senior Choir Vespers Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, March 18

8:30 am Morning Prayer Group, Chapel Meeting Room
9:15 am Yoga for Life, kcgagnier@verizon.net or 610-952-0622, Gym
9:30 am PW Coordinating Team, Conference Room
11:00 am Torah Study, Main Line Reform Temple
7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 19, Gym
7:00 pm Frontal Lobe Dementia Support Group Meeting, Gloucester Room
7:00 pm Senior Choir, Fine Arts Center
7:00 pm Hunger Task Force Monthly Meeting, Conference Room
7:30 pm "Malls R Us" Film Event at Bryn Mawr Film Institute,
834 West Lancaster Ave.
8:40 pm Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center

Friday, March 19

9:30 am Cardio Fitness, Carol Haldy, 610-525-6765, Gym
9:30 am Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center

Saturday, March 20

7:00 am BMPC Men's Group, Converse House Parlor and Library
9:00 am CPR/AED Class, Gloucester Room
11:00 am Senior Adult Council, Conference Room
12:00 pm Boy Scout Pack 110, Gym

Sunday, March 21

8:00 am *Worship with communion in the Chapel.*
The Rev. Elizabeth Lovell will preach.
9:30 & *Worship with Senior Choir in the Sanctuary.*
11:00 am *The Rev. Susan Rice will preach.*
Childcare for infants and toddlers, Education Building, 8:15 am- 12:15 pm

8:00 am Adult Class: *Speaking of Faith* Book Discussion, Conference Room
8:00 am Worship with Communion, Chapel
9:30 am Worship with "Celebrate the Gifts of Women", Sanctuary
9:30 am BLINK: Grades K-5 begin worship with families in Sanctuary.
9:30 am Nurturing Faith with Your Youth - Cancelled
9:30 am Church School, Rainbows (*age 2 by 9/1/09*) - Lambs (*age 4 by 9/1/09*), Education Building
9:30 am Confirmation Class (*8th Grade*), Congregational Hall
9:30 am High School Sunday School, Loft
9:30 am Middle School Sunday School, Crypt
9:45 am Grades K-5 classes meet in Education Building
10:30 am Baby Shower Reception for Turning Points, Education Building Lobby
11:00 am Worship with "Celebrate the Gifts of Women", Sanctuary
11:00 am Adult Class: Bible Study - Acts, Conference Room
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Our Common Life



WELCOME TO BMPC! We are a community of people from many faith backgrounds who come to be encouraged and challenged by God and one another. Learn more about us at the Welcome Center to the left of the main entrance, and join us for fellowship in the lobby of the Education Building (10:30 am) or the Court of the Ministries Center (10:30 am and noon). To find meaningful ways to participate or to inquire about membership, contact Donna Barrickman: DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org or x8809.

We want everyone to feel comfortable here. If you need assistance, ask an usher or anyone wearing a name tag. Nursery care with electronic pagers is available in our Education Building.

LENTEN SERIES WEDNESDAYS THROUGH MARCH 24

5:30 PM DINNER, CONGREGATIONAL HALL. Sign up at Reception Desk or email CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org. Family-friendly catered supper for all ages. \$5 per person, \$15 per family.

6:30 PM 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 PM LENTEN COMPLINE SERVICE, SANCTUARY. Take time out of your busy schedule 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 clang, and then an unseen choir sings.

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

EASTER LILY DONATIONS – The Flower Ministry is seeking donations for Easter Lilies in honor of, to celebrate, or to remember someone and to enhance the Sanctuary on Easter. Each name will be listed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Your donation of \$20 helps to defray the cost of flowers throughout the year. Donation forms must be received by Sunday, March 21, and are located in the Narthex and Ministry Center.

THE APNC FOR ASSOCIATE PASTOR FOR SENIOR ADULTS AND PASTORAL CARE is pleased to announce that they are ready to introduce to the congregation a candidate for this position. A special congregational meeting will be held at 12:00 noon on Sunday, April 11, 2010 for the sole purpose of electing this individual to be our next Associate Pastor. More details to follow. Please plan to attend.

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.

LEND A HAND ON SUNDAY MORNINGS. Greeters, parkers, ushers and Ministries Center Court hosts all help make BMPC a welcoming place. If you are willing to help with these ministries of hospitality, contact DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org or x8809.

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.