



# ❖ Worship Notes ❖

This week we explore what it means to be a people who are formed by the Word. The Presbyterian Brief Statement of Faith (1983) explores what it means to be the Church in this description of the Holy Spirit:

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.  
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,  
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,  
and binds us together with all believers  
in the one body of Christ, the Church.  
The same Spirit  
who inspired the prophets and apostles  
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,  
engages us through the Word proclaimed,  
claims us in the waters of baptism,  
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,  
and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.  
In a broken and fearful world  
the Spirit gives us courage  
to pray without ceasing,  
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,  
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,  
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,  
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.  
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,  
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks  
and to live holy and joyful lives,  
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,  
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Let us be open to the Spirit working in our lives as people formed by the story of Scripture.

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are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
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**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



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may be placed in the offering plates.



**DEACON REES HUNT** is assisting with communion  
this morning.

**JOHN JENCHURA** 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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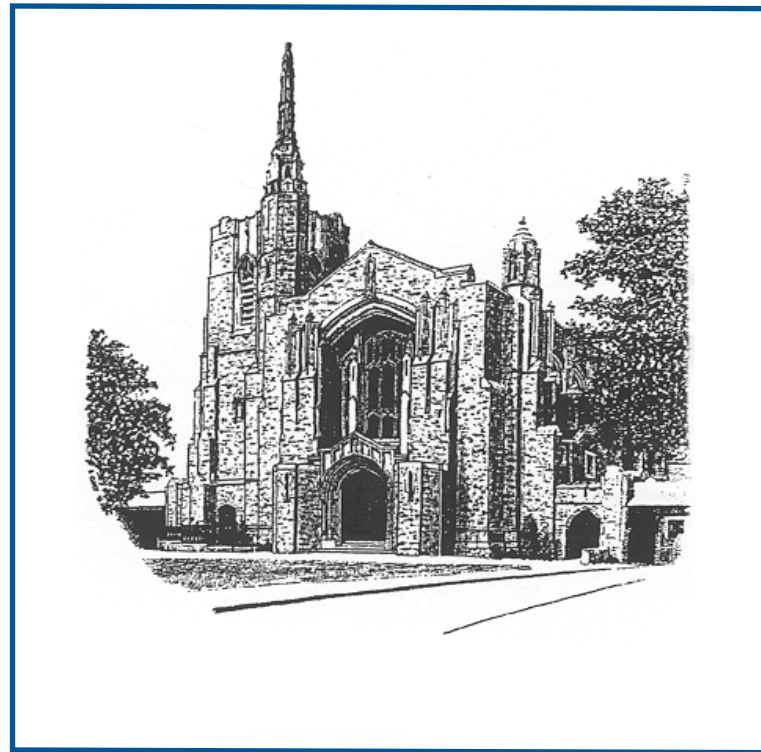
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# Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2010, 9:30 & 11:00 A.M., SANCTUARY  
3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*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.*



**PRELUDE** Allegro from Sonata III Felix Mendelssohn

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Susan Systma Bratt (9:30)  
Elizabeth Lovell (11:00)

† **HYMN 464** Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee **HYMN TO JOY**

**COMMON CONFESSION** (in unison)

Holy God, we hear your word of scripture, and too often we let it wash over us rather than through us. We listen half-heartedly rather than expecting to be encountered by your Spirit. Your word is given to both bless and confront us, to wake us up to who you expect us to be. But too often we miss recognizing the benefit of your presence with us, your prophetic, penetrating word spoken in our midst. Forgive us, we pray.

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

# Order of Worship

## 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** Robert McClellan

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** Robert McClellan

One: Members of the Church: How will you continue to fulfill your responsibility to assist Natalie in her life as a disciple of Jesus Christ?

**All: We will continue to welcome her into our life and worship; we will support her with our love and prayers; we will provide for her nurture in this community of faith.**

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**CONFIRMATION** Robert McClellan

† **SENDING HYMN** Go now, Children, with our Blessing

(See Worship notes section for Sending Hymn)

**FIRST LESSON** Luke 4:14-21(page 61) Robert McClellan(9:30)  
Kit Schooley(11:00)

**ANTHEM** Good News Jane Marshall

*And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up; and he went to the synagogue, as the prophet Isaiah. He opened the book and found the place where it was written: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to bring freedom to the oppressed, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.*

**Congregation joins in singing:** O for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of his grace! He breaks the power of cancelled sin, He sets the prisoner free; His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me. Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, Your loosened tongues employ; Ye blind, behold your Savior come; And leap, ye lame, for joy. Amen.

**OUR COMMON LIFE AND MINISTRY** James Carter ( 9:30)  
Kit Schooley (11:00)

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** When You Pass Through the Waters  
Paul D. Weber

*Thus says the LORD, who created you, O Jacob, who formed you, O Israel. Fear not, fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire, you shall not be burned; and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the LORD your God, I am the LORD your God, the Holy One, your Savior.*

† **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** Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 (pages 430-431)  
Susan Rice

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

**SERMON** Rejoice! Susan Rice

† **HYMN 438** Blest Be the Tie That Binds DENNIS

## COMMON PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

James Carter (9:30)

Elizabeth Lovell (11:00)

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.

† **HYMN 132** Come, Great God of All the Ages **(verses 1 & 4)**

ABBOT'S LEIGH

**BENEDICTION** Susan Rice

**POSTLUDE** Exultate Bryan Kelly

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

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This morning's opening hymn, "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee," is a marriage of a text written by Henry van Dyke in 1907 while he was a guest preacher at Williams College and the theme of the final movement of Beethoven's Symphony No. 9. Van Dyke's son told the story that his father "came down to breakfast one morning and placed the manuscript on the table before President James Garfield, saying: 'Here is a hymn for you. Your mountains were my inspiration. It must be sung to the music of Beethoven's Hymn to Joy' ". Thus it was published just two years later and first appeared in our denomination's song repertoire in The Hymnal 1933.

Van Dyke's ideal of hymn writing resonates today, over a century later. He wrote: "These verses are simple expressions of common Christian feelings and desires in this present time, hymns of today that may be sung together by people who know the thought of the age, and are not afraid that any truth of science will destroy religion, or any revolution on earth overthrow the kingdom of heaven." Therefore these are hymns of trust and joy and hope.

-- from Albert Edward Bailey, The Gospel in Hymns  
--JeffreyBrillhart



During the 9:30 a.m. service we celebrate confirmation of our fall class of 9th graders. Confirmation is an extension of baptism, a time to say "Yes" to what God has already done in naming and claiming us as God's own. For the congregation, it is an occasion to invite the Holy Spirit into the lives of youth who have chosen to be full participants in the life of this church. Today we are blessed to baptize one of our confirmands, Natalie Schade, allowing us to celebrate the entirety of this process in one worship service. For more information about confirmation, please contact the youth office.

## Go now, Children, with our Blessing

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Go now, child-ren with our bless-ing, to love and serve the Lord. May God Bless you, May God guard you, May the light of God shine u - pon you, and may God be gra-cious to you. May the pre-sence of God be with you. May the pre - sence of God be with you, and give you peace.



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**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.



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

## HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF : Reaching out to our Partners.

The news of the earthquake in Haiti has impacted Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church in a particular way. Our decade-long mission partnership with Beyond Borders connects us to this tragedy. Our partnership continues, and what Haiti needs most are our gifts of money and our prayers. If you would like to provide financial support, write a check payable to BMPC with "Haiti Relief" on the memo line. All contributions will go to our partners working in Haiti. Submit to the Finance Office: BMPC, 625 Montgomery Avenue, Bryn Mawr, PA 19010 or place in the offering plate on Sunday. If you have medical skills, Beyond Borders may be able to connect you to a group going to Haiti. Contact the Revs. Sherri Hausser or Susan Sytsma Bratt, sherrihausser@bmpc.org or susansytsmabratt@bmpc.org

~REVS. SHERRI HAUSSER AND SUSAN SYTSMA BRATT

## Confirmation Class 2010

Charlotte Anne Beever, Devon Jaleene Brown, Ian Donovan Callahan, Sara Kathryn Cheloha, Clara M. Davis, Harper Glenn Estey, Lindsay Freed, Kyle Harrison Gentner, Catherine Lewis Gregg, Grace Heard, Baird Howland, Joelle N. Khouri, Michael Ryan Kontra, Devon DeForest Lee, Charlotte Rose Matthai, Rebecca Christine Maz, Sarah Grace McCone, Katherine E. Merin, Susan Milliken, Brooke Morrison Pancoast, Daniel Lee Petrovitch, Natalie Lauren Schade, Jasmine Schlichting, Sarah Seabee, Lauren W. Sitarchuk, Virginia Small, Nathaniel Jeffrey Snyder, Jacob Richard Van Houten, Jennie M M Wilber, Katherine Kuan-Li Wu, Allison Marie Ziegler

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**BMPC ANNOUNCES A CALL 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, 2010 to CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

## Adult Education

### New Series of Classes

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

**RECOMMENDED BY THE REV. SUSAN RICE.** *When the Heart Waits: Spiritual Direction for Life's Sacred Questions* by Sue Monk Kidd. The author of *The Secret Life of Bees* wrote this inspiring autobiographical account of personal pain, spiritual awakening, and divine grace. \$8. Available in The Book Center located in the Ministries Center.

**PERIODICALS AVAILABLE IN THE CONVERSE HOUSE LIBRARY,** located in the Ministries Center (from Court area take elevator to library, or follow the ramp and signs.) Find *Christian Century*, *Christianity Today*, *Ministry Today*, *Presbyterian Outlook* and *The Journal of Presbyterian History* along with many others (no check-out procedure required.)

## Adult Sunday Classes

**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. Books available in class.

**PRAYING MY LIFE AND LIVING MY PRAYER.** 9:30 a.m., Conference Room, led by the Rev. Marcus Pomeroy, former pastor of Central Baptist Church, Wayne, and Spiritual Director at the Middleton Center. Explore how social justice and contemplative prayer are reflected in the lives of Jesus, Thomas Merton, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Dorothy Day and Archbishop Oscar Romero.

**SEX AND SALVATION.** 9:30 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Today: Guest Speakers Beth Stroud and Jason Glombicki: "Stories from Lived Experience." How have diverse Protestant communities engaged the current debates? Two witnesses – one United Methodist, one Lutheran – share their stories and engage your questions and discussion. Co-sponsored with Youth Ministries. January 31: Historical Guidance: The Gradual Disentangling of Sex and Social Domination.

## Adult Weekday Classes

**1ST WEDNESDAY: OVERVIEW OF THE NEW TESTAMENT.** Wednesday, February 3, 6:30 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. The Rev. Graham Ford will offer an overview of The Acts of the Apostles: In-depth study will be held on Sunday mornings February 21 to March 14, 11:00 a.m., in the Conference Room.

**2ND WEDNESDAY: SCIENCE AND SPIRIT LECTURE IN CONJUNCTION WITH METANEXUS INSTITUTE.** Wednesday, February 10, 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.

**THEOLOGIAN IN RESIDENCE LECTURE SERIES.** Wednesdays, January 27 and February 3, 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, February 7, 11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall, with "Green Christianity" speaker Dr. Mark I. Wallace from Swarthmore College. This series is an exercise in earth-centered, body-loving Christian faith, faith that values God in all things – every animal, rock, tree, body of water, and airy atmosphere that make up life on earth.

**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.

**INTERFAITH TU B'SHEVAT SEDER (NEW YEAR'S FOR TREES CELEBRATION).** Friday, January 29, 8:00 p.m., Main Line Reform Temple. Join people of many faiths as we partake of fruits of the earth. Come celebrate together our role as caretakers of God's creation.

## 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 will visit the children for activities and snacks. We'll meet at the BMPC parking lot. Info: Genevieve.McCormack@gmail.com.

## Middleton Center

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

## Music and Fine Arts

**FINE ARTS PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT.** From Alaska to Kenya, from Colorado to Florida, Bill and Caroline Kemmerer, BMPC choir members and Deacons, have traveled and photographed the unbelievable beauty of birds, wild animals, and lush landscapes. These incredible photos will be on exhibit in the Conference Room and Witherspoon Parlor of the Ministries Center from January 24 to February 21. Please join us at a reception for Bill and Caroline on Sunday, February 21 following the Lenten Handbell Vesper Service.

## Presbyterian Women

**PERSPECTIVES IN MUSIC.** Monday, January 25, 1:30 p.m., Fine Arts Center. James Batt, Associate Director of our Fine Arts Ministry, will perform on our Rieger Organ in the Sanctuary. Enjoy social time before the presentations on the fourth Monday of each month. Contact: DeAnn Clancy: 610-525-8347 or deannclancy@hotmail.com.

**COFFEE CUP BIBLE STUDY.** Weekly program for women led by the Rev. Susan Rice. **CANCELLED** for Wednesday, January 27, 10 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor.

**SWEET LIFE CAFÉ.** Women's Retreat 2010. The popular two-day retreat, hosted by Presbyterian Women, returns for women of all ages. Savor time with God and enjoy friendship through Bible study, worship and fellowship. Find anew the bread of life and its varied flavors as The Rev. Susan Rice leads this meaningful event. It opens with potluck supper on Friday, February 19, 6-9p.m. and continues on Saturday, February 20, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Congregational Hall. RSVP: No later than February 12 to Louise Burnstein, 449 W. Montgomery Ave, #201, Haverford, PA 19041. Check payable to BMPC-PW for \$20. Indicate side dish donation. Contact: The Rev. Susan Rice at 610-525-2821.

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

**CARING & CRAFTS.** Monday, January 25, 9:15 – 10:45 a.m., Gloucester Room. Join women of all ages who enjoy knitting, crocheting and good fellowship on the third Monday (normally) of the month. For information contact Maryalice Stoltzfus: 610-527-3909.

**GREAT DECISIONS.** Tuesday, January 26, 1:00 p.m., auditorium at Rosemont Presbyterian Village. Discuss the *Special Envoys* video. Will the Obama administration's reliance on special envoys increase the ability of the U.S. to deal with major international issues or complicate our diplomatic options? Contact: Marilyn Irwin, 610-527-6500, ext. 233.

**HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY.** Wednesday, February 3, 10:30 a.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom, led by the Rev. Dr. Kit Schooley and the Rev. Elizabeth Lovell. Text: *Joshua: A Journey of Faith* by Mary Mikhael. Contact: Joyce Malott, 610-525-4469 or ok405@erols.com

## Senior Adults

**PATHWAYS TO LEARNING.** Thursday, February 18, 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.

## Youth

**Confirmation Sunday.** Today, January 24, 9:30 a.m., Sanctuary. Our 9th grade confirmands will be received during worship, followed by a reception in Congregational Hall. Middle School youth will meet in the Sanctuary for special confirmation Youth in Worship. High School Sunday School will meet in Witherspoon Parlor for "Sex and Salvation" Adult Education class.

**SWELL,** a Sunday, youth-sponsored worship service. January 24, 6:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. All are welcome.

**HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS MOVIE DAY.** Saturday, February 6, join Lindsey for lunch and a movie! "Dear John." (PG-13). Time TBA. RSVP: LindseyEvans@bmpc.org.

## Opportunities To Help Others

**WEPAC HAS AN IMMEDIATE NEED FOR EDUCATIONAL BOARD GAMES:** gently-used games such as chess, checkers, vocabulary games or any other games helpful for youth. Leave by the book collection boxes in the Court or in the Education Building.

## Hunger Task Force

**CONSIDER JOINING THE HUNGER TASK FORCE.** This is a committed, dedicated and enthusiastic group that believes every person has a right to adequate food obtained with dignity. Our next meeting is Thursday, January 21, 7:00 p.m., Conference Room. RSVP: Linda Webster, 215-753-8841 or websterl@email.chop.edu.

**"SOUPER BOWL" SUNDAY.** February 7th: BMPC Youth and Hunger Task Force members will be collecting canned soups and other foods to support winter food services at Philadelphia area emergency food cupboards at both services on February 7. 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.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO SERVE LUNCH** at Our Brothers' Place. Saturday, January 30. Meet at 10:00 a.m., in the Court. To help, contact Becky Brinks, 610-446-0689.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO HELP SERVE DINNERS** at a West Philadelphia area soup kitchen. Please consider helping to serve dinners from 5:45 to 7:00

**MIDDLE SCHOOL PIZZA LUNCH,** Sunday, February 7, noon – 1 p.m. Come to Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. in the Crypt, then join Lindsey at the 11:00 a.m. worship service. After worship we'll eat pizza in the Crypt! Cost: \$5, RSVP: LindseyEvans@bmpc.org by February 4.

**HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS RETREAT.** Friday & 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.

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@brynawr.edu.

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

## Homeless Task Force

**IHN TRAINING** will be held on Saturday, February 6, 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. To attend or for further information, contact Sue White-Herchek at IHN, 610-277-0977.

**SUPPORTING OUR TROOPS!** We're happy to report that Staff Sergeant Patrick McKelvey, foster son of Ellen Anderson and Brandt Rudisill, is home safely from Iraq. Air Force Staff Sergeant Christian Craig, son of Peter and Valerie Craig is home from Afghanistan. Please continue to pray for Army Lt. Robert "Kirk" Ryan, son of Steve and Janney Ryan, both of whom are actively serving in Afghanistan, Army Cpl. Jeffrey Van Dusen, 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, please contact Louise Huber, 610-658-9651.



**WELCOME TO BMPC!** This congregation welcomes you no matter who you are, where you come from, or why you are here. We encourage you to make a habit of worshipping with us, and we invite you to participate in anything that interests you. Information is available at the Welcome Center to the left of the church entrance or contact Donna Barrickman, Membership Director by phone (610-525-2821 x-8809) or e-mail: DonnaBarrickman@BMPC.org.

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

**WE INVITE OUR GUESTS TO JOIN OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH.** Discover the enrichment and support that membership offers and let us help you make meaningful connections within our congregation. Plan to attend our orientation on Saturday, February 6, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Ministries Center, where you will meet some of our staff and learn about our sense of Christian ministry and Reformed tradition. Childcare is available with advance notice and lunch is included. Indicate your interest on the fellowship register when it is passed, at the Welcome Center to the left of the main entrance, or by contacting DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, x8809. After attending orientation, those who wish to join our church will be warmly welcomed by our Session on Tuesday evening, February 9, and received in worship on February 21.

**BMPC ON-LINE:** Visit our website, [www.bmpc.org](http://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.

### Today, January 24

- ◆ **8:00 a.m. Worship with communion in the Chapel.**  
The Rev. Graham Ford will preach.
- ◆ **9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship with Senior Choir in the Sanctuary.**  
The Rev. Susan Rice will preach.
- ◆ **9:30 a.m. Confirmation Service.**
- ◆ **9:30 a.m. Youth in Worship, Middle School students.**
- ◆ **9:30 a.m. Senior High School students Adult Education class, Witherspoon Parlor.**
- ◆ **10:30 a.m. Congregational Meeting** to elect new officers, Sanctuary.
- ◆ **Childcare** for infants and toddlers, Education Building, 8:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
- ◆ **Church School**, ages 2 – grade 5, 9:30 a.m., following **BLINK** (Ks – grade 5) in the Sanctuary.

**Support BMPC with your pledges. We are currently at 83% of our goal of \$2.5 million.**



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## Weekly Calendar: January 24, 2010 – January 31, 2010

### Sunday, January 24

- 8:00 a.m. Adult Class: *Speaking of Faith*, 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. BLINK: K – 5th graders begin worship with families in Sanctuary.  
9:30 a.m. Confirmands received during Worship.  
9:30 a.m. Adult Class: Praying my Life, Living my Prayer, Conference Room.  
9:30 a.m. Middle School Sunday School, Youth in Worship.  
9:30 a.m. Adult and High School Class: Sex and Salvation, Witherspoon Parlor.  
9:45 a.m. K – 2nd grade classes meet in Education Building.  
9:45 a.m. 3rd – 5th graders, *Jesus Teaches*, week 3, Education Building.  
10:30 a.m. Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary.  
10:45 a.m. Reception for Confirmands, Congregational Hall.  
11:00 a.m. Art-at-11 for ages 3 and older, Room 201, Education Building.  
12:00 p.m. Educational Caring Initiative, Gloucester Room.  
12:00 p.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center.  
6:00 p.m. SWELL, Congregational Hall.

### Monday, January 25

- 9:30 a.m. Cardio Fitness, Gym, Carol Haldy, 610-525-6765.  
9:45 a.m. Caring and Crafts, Gloucester Room (normally the third Monday of month).  
1:00 p.m. Deacons Annual Blood Drive, Congregational Hall.  
1:30 p.m. Perspectives in Music: James Batt organ recital, Fine Arts Center and Sanctuary.  
7:30 p.m. Nominating Committee, Fullerton Room.  
7:30 p.m. APNC for Youth, Witherspoon Parlor.

### Tuesday, January 26

- 9:10 a.m. Yoga for Life, [kcgagnier@verizon.net](mailto:kcgagnier@verizon.net) or 610-952-0622.  
10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gym. Kathy Kreider, 610-525-2821, ext. 8832.  
12:00 p.m. Preacher's Brown Bag Bible Study, Conference Room.  
1:00 p.m. Great Decisions: "Special Envoys," Rosemont Presbyterian Village auditorium.  
1:30 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room and Witherspoon Parlor.  
6:15 p.m. Joint meeting of Worldwide Ministries and Outreach Council, Gloucester Room.  
6:50 p.m. Tutoring Program, Education Building.  
7:00 p.m. Peacemaking Task Force, Conference Room.  
7:30 p.m. Career Counseling, Conference Room, 610-525-0766.

### Wednesday, January 27

- 7:30 a.m. Investment Committee, Conference Room.  
8:30 a.m. Pension Board, Conference Room.  
9:00 a.m. Senior Adult Walking Club, back parking lot (weather permitting), Kathy Kreider, 610-525-2821, ext. 8832.  
9:30 a.m. Senior Men's Discussion Group, Converse House Parlor and Library.

- 9:30 a.m. Cardio Fitness, Gym, Carol Haldy, 610-525-6765.  
10:00 a.m. Lay-led Bible Study, Fullerton Room.  
10:00 a.m. Coffee Cup Bible Study- Cancelled.  
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.  
7:00 p.m. Worship Committee, Conference Room.  
7:30 p.m. Theologian in Residence Lecture, Congregational Hall.  
7:30 p.m. High School Bible Study, Fine Arts Center.

### Thursday, January 28

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer Group, Chapel. Jeanne LeBuhn, 610-688-6984.  
9:15 a.m. Yoga for Life, Gym, [kcgagnier@verizon.net](mailto:kcgagnier@verizon.net) or 610-952-0622.  
11:00 a.m. Torah Study, Main Line Reform Temple.  
6:00 p.m. Senior Choir Officers Meeting, Fine Arts Center Kitchen.  
6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision, Converse House Parlor and Library.  
7:00 p.m. Senior Choir, Fine Arts Center.

### Friday, January 29

- 9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center.  
9:30 a.m. Cardio Fitness, Gym, Carol Haldy, 610-525-6765.  
8:00 p.m. Interfaith Tu B'Shevat Seder, Main Line Reform Temple.

### Saturday, January 30

- 7:00 a.m. BMPC Men's Group, Converse House Parlor.

### Sunday, January 31

*8:00 a.m. Worship with communion in the Chapel.*  
*The Rev. Graham Ford will preach.*  
*9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship with Senior Choir in the Sanctuary.*  
*The Rev. Dr. James Carter will preach.*  
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12:00 p.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center.  
12:00 p.m. Educational Caring Initiative, Gloucester Room.  
2:00 p.m. Walking the Walk Workshop for Alumni, Congregational Hall.  
6:00 p.m. Middle School Boys Small Group, Loft