

# Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

May 29, 2016 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary 9th sunday in Ordinary Time

# Welcome to BMPC

Lord, Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

**NEW HERE?** We are grateful to have you join us as we gather to worship God. Our programs are open to all and you are welcome to participate according to your interests. Questions? Information is available in the alcove near the main Sanctuary entrance or contact DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

**TO ASSIST YOU DURING WORSHIP:** Large print bulletins and hearing assistance devices are available; ask an usher. Children's bulletins with crayons may be found near the main entrance.

**TODAY'S SCHEDULE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH: Childcare:** infants - age 5; 7:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102 **Grades K - 12**: 10:00 a.m., Holiday Worship Together, Sanctuary (Summer Sunday School for age 4 - rising 3rd graders begins June 12)

**GETTING CONNECTED.** Please fill out the Fellowship Register as indicated during worship to let us know that you were here, to provide or update your contact information, and to identify yourself

to others in your row so that you may greet each other after worship. Keep informed about our opportunities by subscribing to BMPC eNews and liking us on Facebook - links are on our homepage, www.bmpc.org.

**JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP.** Stop by the Ministries Center Court for coffee between 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. and join us for Lemonade on the Lawn after the 10:00 a.m. worship service (rain location: Ministries Center Court).

As we gather for worship, please silence your cell phone and prepare your heart and mind for the worship of God.



### **GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

PRELUDE

Adagio for Strings

Samuel Barber

#### WELCOME

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

#### † CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

- All: Sing to the Lord, bless God's name; Sing of our salvation day to day!
- One: Tell of God's amazing work among all the peoples.
- All: Join the oceans and the rivers as they shout their praise.
- One: Join the trees and the forests as they rejoice.
- All: Let all of creation praise the Lord!
- **HYMN** 694Great God of Every Blessing

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#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Forgive me Lord when my words are unkind, when my actions are cruel, when I ignore my neighbor and when I turn from you. Help me be better: to follow your Son, to help your people and to live out your love. Create in me a clean heart, Oh God, and renew a right spirit within me.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

#### \*† GLORIA PATRI (in unison)

*(Hymnal 581)* 

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.

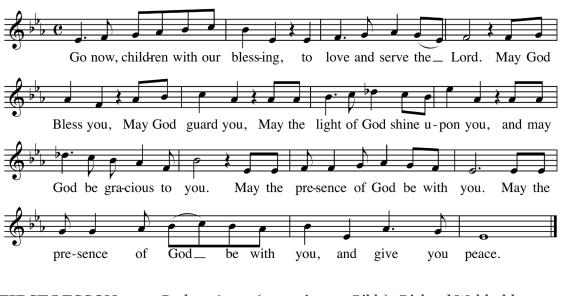
Children are invited to come forward for the Children's Moment.

### **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

#### **CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

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



### FIRST LESSON

Psalm 96:1-13 (p. 550 in pew Bible) Richard Wohlschlaeger

#### ANTHEM

God Be In My Head

John Rutter

God be in my head and in my understanding. God be in mine eyes and in my looking. God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in mine heart and in my thinking. God be at my end and in my departing.

SECOND LESSON	Luke 7:1-10 (p. 65 in pew Bible)	Rachel Pedersen
SERMON	Just a Word	Rachel Pedersen
HYMN 802	The King of Love My Shepherd Is	ST. COLUMBA

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### **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

#### † AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)

Richard Wohlschlaeger

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, 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.

~ The Apostles' Creed

E.E. Ferguson

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

#### OFFERING AND OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Two Shaker Songs ("Simple Gifts" and "I Will Bow")

'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free, 'tis the gift to come down where we ought to be, and when we find ourselves in the place just right, 'twill be in the valley of love and delight. When true simplicity is gained, to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed, to turn, turn will be our delight 'till by turning, turning we come round right. I will bow and be simple, I will bow and be free, I will bow and be humble, bow like the willow tree. I will bow, I will wear the easy yoke, I will bow and be broken, yea, I'll fall upon the rock. I will bow this is the token.

> Please fill in the Fellowship Register at the end of your pew; pass it down your row and back again.

# DOXOLOGY (in unison) (Hymnal 606) Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

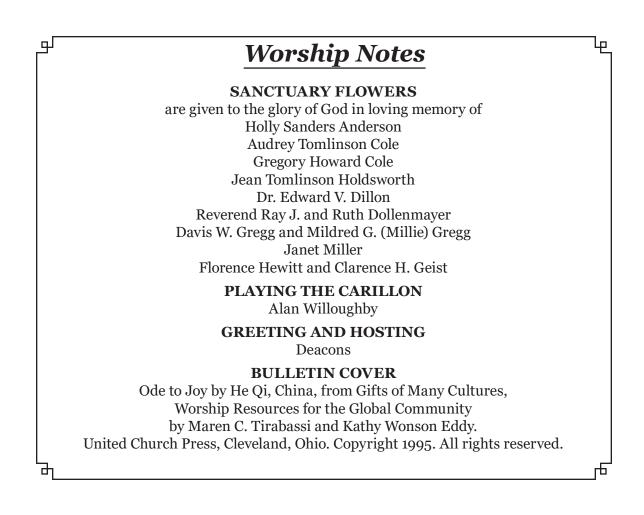
#### **† PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

- + HYMN 716 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending BEACH SPRING
- † **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Rachel Pedersen Jeffrey Brillhart



### Worship Notes

#### **TODAY'S PRELUDE**

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Thirty-five years after his death, Samuel Barber (1910-1981) remains one of the best-known and most-performed American composers of the 20th century. His *Adagio for Strings* has become a staple of elegiac music, an American anthem of loss and grief.

Barber naturally displayed his talent for composition early in life, composing an operetta (*The Rose Tree*) when he was only seven years old. At the tender age of fourteen, Barber attended the Curtis Institute of Music during the school's inaugural year 1924. He immediately gained the attention of the Institute's founder, Mary Curtis Bok, who became his patron and advocate.

He quickly gained international acclaim, and the young composer received many prizes and honors. In 1937, just four years after his graduation from the Curtis Institute, Barber's *Symphony in One Movement* was the first American work to be performed at the Salzburg Festival. He received two Pulitzer prizes, and he was the first American composer to be invited to the biennial Congress of Soviet Composers in Moscow in 1962.

Barber's *Adagio for Strings* has been his most enduring work, and many consider it to be the most popular, most frequently performed work of the 20th century. In 1938 it was premiered by Arturo Toscanini conducting the NBC Orchestra in a live radio broadcast. Millions of American listeners immediately identified with the piece—the United States was striving to recover from the Great Depression, and the threat of Nazi power was forcing Europe into another worldwide conflict. Many considered the premier of the *Adagio* to be the most crucial moment in American orchestral history because its fitting somberness realistically illustrated the outlook of an economically injured country facing the threat of another gruesome war. Over time, the *Adagio* has been performed during solemn moments in U.S. history as an expression of national grief: it was famously broadcast in 1945 after the announcement of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's death, and in 2001, was performed in remembrance of the victims of the September 11 attacks.

The transcribed score for the *Adagio for Strings*, with the melodies played by the hands and the countermelodies by the feet, creates a great unresolved harmonic tension that leaves the listener in emotional depths.

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# Announcements

**ASSOCIATE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE.** The APNC is continuing its work to identify candidates to serve as our Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care and Senior Adults, and our Associate Pastor for Congregational Life and Stewardship. The committee welcomes your input. If you would like to refer a potential candidate, please email information to APNC@bmpc.org.

**NOT A BMPC MEMBER?** We invite you to attend our orientation on Sun., June 5, or Tues., June 7, and then join our community of faith on Sun., June 12. Register: DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

**PROJECT HOME ART EXHIBIT.** Today is the last day to view our "Empowering the Homeless Through Art" exhibit on view in the Conference Room and Witherspoon Parlor. All artworks were created through the art program at Project Home, Philadelphia, and are available for purchase. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

**CONGREGATIONAL MIXED-MEDIA ART SHOW.** A new art show featuring works by church members and friends opens next Sun., June 5. Submission deadline is Tues., May 31; guidelines are on our BMPC website under "Visual Arts." StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

**SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL.** Sundays, June 12 - Aug. 21, Ed. Bldg. during 10:00 a.m. worship. Rising kindergartners - 3rd graders will help mission partners and learn more about worship; special activities will be available for our two- and three-year-olds in the nursery. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

**FAITH UNDER THREE.** Small groups are being formed for parents with children three years and under to build community with other church families with young children, have honest conversations about faith, and support one another. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

**SUMMER CHOIR.** Begins Sun., Jun. 19. All singers (ages 12 to adults) are invited to come to church any Sunday at 9:00 a.m. for a short rehearsal in the choir loft, then stay and sing for the 10:00 a.m. service. Summer choir is simple (one anthem and hymns), and informal (no robes). StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

**VACATION BIBLE CAMP.** Tues., June 21 to Fri., June 24, BMPC campus. Planning is underway for an exciting week when students age 3 - rising 5th graders grow in God's love, serve neighbors, and build a community together. To register: search "VBC" at www.bmpc. org. Interested in participating or helping? MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

**YOUTH SUMMER TRIPS REGISTRATION.** To sign up for our Middle School Urban Plunge in NYC or Camp Kirkwood 2016 for rising 6th - 12th grade, search "Summer Camps and Mission Trips" at www.bmpc.org. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

**SHARE IDEAS FOR CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL.** We're starting to plan for Fall 2016. Any thoughts about ways our children's Sunday school classes can build community and enjoy fellowship together? RachelPedersen@bmpc.org, ext. 8810.

**CONVERSE HOUSE LIBRARY.** Do you know how many authors are members of BMPC? Come to the Book Center in the Court and find out. Kat MacMurray, KatRMac2@ gmail.com.

# <u>This Week</u>

**HOLY LEISURE.** Fri., June 3, 6:00 p.m., home of Janet White in Villanova. Enjoy a potluck dinner, fellowship and discussion. Courtenay Willcox will be the speaker. Register: Janet White, janetw298@verizon.net, including your potluck donation.

# Upcoming

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY PREVIEW.** Sun., June 5, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. The 222 General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) will meet this June to act on issues of theology, advocacy and church life as well as major restructuring of the denomination. Join us for a preview of the business that will come before the assembly and learn how you can be connected during the meeting. RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org, ext. 8818.

**BEETHOVEN'S 9TH SYMPHONY.** Sun., June 12, 3:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Featuring our Sanctuary Choir, the Singing City Choir, and the National Music Festival Orchestra. Tickets: \$10/adult; \$5/student. Reception to follow featuring the artists from the congregational mixed media exhibit. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

# Caring & Sharing

**HELP FIGHT HUNGER.** Pick up a few items when you do your weekly shopping to bring to church on Sundays. Donation baskets are located in the Sanctuary and Chapel entrances. Dave Hastings, dhast99@yahoo.com.

**PROVIDE HOSPITAL INFORMATION.** Due to current privacy laws, it is more difficult for our pastors to know when BMPC members have been admitted to a hospital. Call the church office at 610-525-2821 if you or anyone you know is hospitalized. Also, let us know if and when you volunteer at any local hospitals.

### This Week's Calendar

# For more information, visit our website at www.bmpc.org, call the church office, or contact communications@bmpc.org.

#### Today, May 29, 2016

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare for infants age 5, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102 (to 12:30 p.m.)
- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel
- 8:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Conference Room
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary Holiday Worship Together for Grades K - 12, Sanctuary
- 11:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn (rain location: Ministries Center)

#### Monday, May 30, 2016

Church Office Closed: For pastoral emergencies, call 610-525-2821.

#### Tuesday, May 31, 2016

10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium Weekday School Growing Up Party, Sanctuary
1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium

#### Wednesday, June 1, 2016

- 9:00 a.m. Walk for Life: Walk More, Live Better!; meet in main parking lot
- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
- 7:00 p.m. Worldwide Ministries Council Meeting, Gloucester Room

#### Thursday, June 2, 2016

- 9:00 a.m. Property Vision Team Rehearsal, Congregational Hall
- 10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
- 7:00 p.m. Beethoven Choir Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center
- 7:30 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium

#### Friday, June 3, 2016

- 9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg.
- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
- 10:00 a.m. Children and Youth Protection Training, Gloucester Room
- 4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Ed. Bldg.
- 6:00 p.m. Holy Leisure, home of Janet White in Villanova

#### Saturday, June 4, 2016

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 8:30 a.m. Joint Meeting of Session & Trustees, Congregational Hall

#### Sunday, June 5, 2016

- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach Youth in Worship for grades K - 12

# Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Mission Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry Kellen A. Smith, Associate Pastor for Youth, Their Families and College Ministries Richard Wohlschlaeger, Interim Associate Pastor for Senior Adults & Pastoral Care Jeffrey Brillhart, Director of Music and Fine Arts Edward L. Landin, Assistant Director of Music

# **Contact Information**

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