

HOW TO STAY CONNECTED

One of the best ways to stay connected to BMPC during this time is to sign up for our Weekly eNews. When you sign up, you will receive an email on Thursday afternoons with information about upcoming activities and events. During this time of social distancing, those on the weekly eNews list also receive an email on Sunday at 10:00 a.m. with the link to the virtual worship service.

In addition to our Weekly eNews, we encourage you to sign up for our other ministry-specific e-newsletters. These emails are sent out monthly or bi-monthly, depending on the events that are happening in that ministry area.

To sign up, please visit:
<http://bit.ly/BMPCeNewsSignup>

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Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church



*Being the
Church While
We Are Apart*



YOUTH MINISTRY

This fall, the BMPC Youth Ministry will continue to work creatively to minister to youth and their families. On Sundays, youth will meet in Connection Groups sorted by grade and led by youth, staff and adult volunteers, including the Confirmation class of 2021. Youth also can volunteer at the 4:00 p.m. Outdoor Family Worship service, working as greeters, sound crew and liturgists.

On Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m., sixth to eighth graders are invited to Middle School Mid-Week Meet-Up via Zoom, an hour of fun, fellowship and learning together what it means to follow Jesus. Student Serve, our high school leadership group, will continue to meet, both virtually and potentially in person, weather permitting, on Wednesdays. During our monthly Youth Gatherings, teenagers will learn together about navigating faith in our anxious world and what it means to be faithful even in the midst of fear. For more information about these programs, or our youth ministry as a whole, feel free to contact Pastor Leigh at ldevries@bmpc.org.

Children and Family Ministry

FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE

Sundays, Sept. 13-Nov. 1, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary Lawn. Wearing masks and practicing physical distancing, this 30-minute worship service is designed for families to participate in worship together. Be sure to bring a blanket to sit on. *We will announce by 2:00 p.m. if the service is cancelled due to inclement weather.*

LEARN, SERVE, WORSHIP AND CONNECT!

We will learn in synchronous virtual Sunday School classes and following special @home studies. We will serve by joining our efforts with the larger congregation to help support mission partners near and far. We will worship online and outside, lifting our voices to praise God. We will connect in prayer for one another and in small groups.



Sneak peek:
Campus
Renovations



Memorial
Garden

CARING MINISTRIES

BMPC is here to support you during this ongoing season of separation. Pastors and Care Team staff are available to meet in person, over the phone, or via Zoom, for pastoral care and prayer. The Deacons continue to deliver groceries and medicine to those in need. The Middleton Counseling Center remains open and accepting new clients for anyone who may benefit from licensed, professional counseling.

If you or someone you know is in need, please do not hesitate to contact your church community for support and prayer: 610-525-2821.

A pastor is on call 24/7.



Music & Fine Arts

While we cannot host in-person concerts at the moment, the Music and Fine Arts program is pleased to announce an 11-week Facebook Live Concert Series that starts in October and runs through December. Held every Tuesday at 12:00 p.m., these concerts will feature musicians from the Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia, piano, organ and harpsichord. In June, we did a three-week pilot program with Facebook Live, and we're thrilled that nearly 5,000 people tuned in to hear our concerts! We see this as a wonderful opportunity to broaden and expand the reach of our Music and Fine Arts program.

OCTOBER 6

Jeffrey Brillhart, harpsichord, with Elizabeth Thompson and Branson Yeast, cello

OCTOBER 13

Edward Landin Senn, organ, with Barbara Prugh, trumpet

OCTOBER 20

Jeffrey Brillhart, piano, with Yoshihiko Nakano, viola, and Misoon Ghim, mezzo-soprano

OCTOBER 27

Edward Landin Senn, harpsichord

NOVEMBER 3

Jeffrey Brillhart, organ, with Luigi Mazzocchi, violin, Alex Shaw, percussion, and Patricio Acevedo, Venezuelan cuatro/guitar

NOVEMBER 10

Jeffrey Brillhart and Edward Landin Senn, organ and piano duets

NOVEMBER 17

Edward Landin Senn, organ

DECEMBER 1, 8, 15 AND 22

Temple University harpsichord students



Senior Adults

The safety and health of BMPC's Senior Adults is our primary concern. This fall, senior adult activities and classes will primarily be hosted online. This includes the Men's Discussion Group, Virtual "trips", and other special classes and events.

WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

Since the pandemic began, many members have expressed a desire to connect with friends they miss seeing every week. One way you can do this is through a new, informal time of fellowship, every Friday at

11:00 a.m. on Zoom. This one-hour time period will be reminiscent of a Sunday morning Fellowship Hour, with opportunities to speak with other members, meet new friends, and catch up with people you miss.

Contact the Rev. Brian Ballard (brianballard@bmpc.org) for more information on any of these opportunities. Additional activities and opportunities will be added throughout the fall.

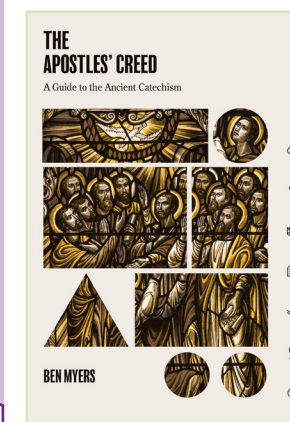
Adult Education

ADULT EDUCATION

This fall, all of our Adult Education, from Sunday morning to weekday classes, will take place on the Zoom platform. You can read about our upcoming classes, webinars and discussion groups at www.bmpc.org/adulteducation.

NEW SMALL GROUPS

Even though we are continuing as a Virtual Community this fall, we can still come together to strengthen existing relationships in our congregation and make new and meaningful connections. For six weeks this October and early November we are creating virtual Small Groups, especially for those who are looking for a place of connection this season. Led by members of the congregation, these



groups of approximately 10 people will meet weekly to check in, hold one another in prayer, and discuss Ben Meyers' book *The Apostle's Creed: A Guide to the Ancient Catechism*. The book is a beautiful and compelling meditation on the familiar words of the Creed that expands their meaning into the fullness of the experience of the Christian faith.

The project will end in November, with a larger gathering of all the small groups and the pastors to talk about the book, our strength as a community and the ways that our ancient faith supports us in being a modern church.

For more information on this project and to sign up to be placed in a Small Group, visit www.bmpc.org/smallgroups.