

### Sunday, March 7, 2021 Third Sunday in Lent

#### WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

and we grow c You set before us but we are dra You call us to atte but we indulge Our ways are not our thoughts c Forgive us when Disturb our comp for a more frui Be patient, we pr in the hope of We ask this in the and the Good S	lo not ascend to your thoughts. we fall short of your claim upon our lives. placency and quicken our desire tful life. ay, as we amend who we are, becoming who you intend us to be. e name of the Gate to new life,	
HYMN 802	The King of Love My Shepherd Is	ST. COLUMBA
SCRIPTURE LESSON	John 10:1-11	Agnes W. Norfleet
SERMON	I Am the Gate & Shepherd Third in Lenten Series: Who Do You Say That I Am	Agnes W. Norfleet ?

### ANTHEM

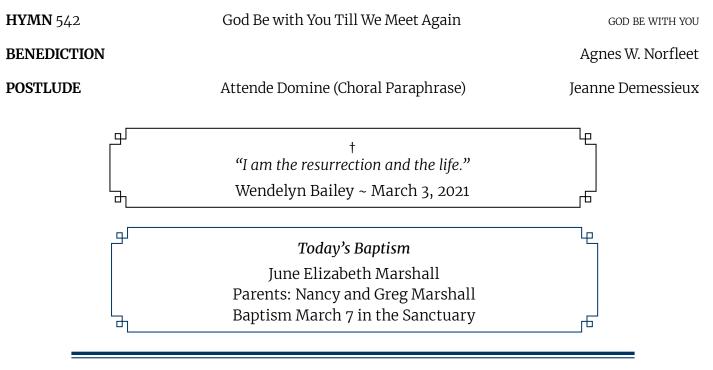
The Call Sanctuary Choir Staff Singers Kenneth Jennings

Come my way, my truth, my life: such a way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all strife; such a life as killeth death. Come my light, my feast, my strength: such a light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in length; such a strength as makes his guest. Come my joy, my love, my heart: such a joy as none can move; such a love as none can part; such a heart as joys in love. Come my way, my truth, my life.

### CALL TO OFFERING PASTORAL PRAYER 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.

Rachel Pedersen



## Announcement

**COVID-19 RESOURCES.** The Caring Ministries team has compiled various resources to help you continue navigating the COVID-19 pandemic. Resources include vaccination and testing information by county; crisis and peer-support lines; support group information; and ways to receive food, financial, legal and healthcare assistance. All this information is on a new <u>COVID-19 Resource</u> page under the Caring Ministries section of the BMPC website.

## Season of Lent

**2021 LENTEN DEVOTIONAL.** Copies of this year's Devotional may be picked up outside the main entrance of the BMPC Chapel. You also may access the Devotional <u>online</u> or you may <u>sign up</u> to receive each day's reflection via email throughout the Lenten season. Written by the pastors, staff and members of the congregation on selected texts from the Apostle Paul, the Devotional will help us consider what it means to be disciples of Christ, both as individuals and as a community. <u>RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org</u>.

**EASTER LILY DONATION DEADLINE THIS SUNDAY.** Contributions may be given in three categories for listing in in the Easter Sunday bulletin: "In memory of," "In honor of," or "In celebration of (marriage, retirement, birth, baptism)." Monies received are used year-round for our floral decorations and Deacons' Flower Ministry. You may fill out an <u>online donation form</u>, or pick up a printed copy of the form in a bin outside the BMPC Chapel entrance. **Donation deadline is this Sun., March 7.** <u>Sarah Miciek</u>

**LIVESTREAMED SERVICES DURING LENT.** BMPC will continue livestreaming Lenten Vesper Services on Wednesdays, March 10, 17 and 24 at 7:00 p.m. You are invited to view these services via <u>BMPC's Facebook page</u>, the <u>BMPC YouTube channel</u> or the <u>livestream page</u> on the church website.

## This Sunday

**BEING DISCIPLES, BECOMING COMMUNITY.** Sundays through March 21, 11:15 a.m. via Zoom conference call. Using the Pauline texts featured in our 2021 Lenten Devotional, this class will explore the ways the Apostle Paul describes the essentials of Christian Discipleship as well as characteristics of the Christian community. Dr. Joshua Yoder is teaching this class, and details about it, including the Zoom link, may be found on our website <u>here</u>.

# <u>This Week</u>

**FACEBOOK LIVE CONCERT SERIES.** Join us as we broadcast live concerts via <u>BMPC's Facebook</u> <u>page</u> on Tuesdays at noon. Our next concert on March 9 will feature Anna Kislitsyna, harpsichord. <u>Download program</u>. <u>Stephanie Speakman</u>.

**NEW CLASS: THE RETURN OF THE PRODIGAL SON.** Tuesdays through March 30 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom conference call. Henri Nouwen's classic book, *The Return of the Prodigal Son: A Story of Homecoming*, is a compelling reflection on our human condition and God's remarkable ability to forgive, challenge and love. Join Patricia Danzon, BMPC member and spiritual director for the Middleton Center, in a five-week study of this classic work. Books are available for class participants. For more information (including the Zoom link) and to register, contact <u>Patricia Danzon</u> directly.

## Upcoming

**TACKLING FAMILY HISTORY PROJECTS.** Mon., March 15 at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom conference call. Join Clémence Scouten, founder of Memoirs & More, to learn how to tackle family history projects. From archiving to genealogy to storytelling, Clémence will walk through different kinds of family history projects to show you how to take each one head on! <u>Monica Devane</u>.

**GROWING TOGETHER: FOOD, FAITH AND JUSTICE.** Mon., March 15, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom conference call. You are invited to join a conversation among 10 interfaith congregations in Lower Merion as we consider the possibility of collaborating on a community garden project that would help address food insecurity locally and regionally as well as give us opportunities to work alongside our neighbors. Contact <u>RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org</u> for more information. To participate you must pre-register: <u>www.tinyurl.com/growtog</u>.