

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church Sunday, June 13, 2021 | 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary Third Sunday after Pentecost



WELCOME

NEW HERE?

We give thanks that you are joining us as we worship God this morning. We invite you to stop and say hello to one of our pastors in the Narthex following the Worship Service. All of our programs, ministries, and opportunities for mission are open to everyone. Come join us!

NO PRE-REGISTRATION OR CHECK-IN REQUIRED TO ATTEND SERVICES.

Per the CDC, masks are optional if you have been fully vaccinated for two weeks or more. Please maintain physical distance inside, and be mindful that we are an intergenerational community and that COVID vaccines are not available to children under 12 at this time.

LIVESTREAM CHURCH SERVICES.

Beginning today, Sunday Worship Services will be available to watch live at 10:00 a.m. on our live-streaming page (<u>www.bmpc.org/livestream</u>). For your convenience, the service will be posted on our Worship Services page on the following day.

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER.

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Today's Schedule

Worship, Sanctuary 10:00 a.m.

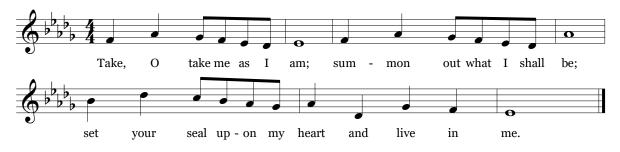
Family Worship Service 4:00 p.m., Front Lawn

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE	Meditation Ken Yukl	
WELCOME		Franklyn C. Pottorff
CALL TO WO	DRSHIP	
One:	It is good to give thanks to the Lord,	
	to sing praises to God's name,	
All:	To declare God's steadfast love in the morning, and God's faithfulness by night.	
One:	At the works of God's hands, we sing for joy!	
All:	God is our rock. Let us sing to the Lord!	
HYMN 5	God the Sculptor of the Mountains	JENNINGS-HOUSTON
CALL TO CONFESSION		Franklyn C. Pottorff
AND PRAYE	R OF CONFESSION (in unison)	
We gath	er for worship, O God, to enjoy Christian community	7:
to	rejoice in your presence among us,	
to	lift the prayers of our hearts,	
ar	nd to hear a word from on high.	
Yet some	etimes we forget that worship also	
se	nds us into the world to be disciples of Jesus Christ.	
Forgive	us when we fail to carry our faith into the week,	
to	see the signs of your kingdom all around us,	
ar	nd to live the good news of the gospel.	
May our	praise in this place transform us to be instruments	of your grace.
	A moment of silence for personal reflection and confe	ssion.
ASSURANCI	E OF PARDON	

RESPONSE

Take, O Take Me As I Am



PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

FIRST LESSON ANTHEM Ezekiel 17:22-24 (p. 784 in pew Bible) A Gaelic Blessing Siddhartha Misra, soloist Franklyn C. Pottorff A Gaelic Blessing

Deep peace of the running wave to you. Deep peace of the flowing air to you. Deep peace of the quiet earth to you. Deep peace of the shining stars to you. Deep peace of the gentle night to you. Moon and stars pour their healing light on you. Deep peace of Christ, the light of the world to you. Deep peace of Christ to you.

SECOND LESSONMark 4:26-34 (p. 38 in pew Bible)Agnes W. NorfleetOne:The Word of the Lord.All:Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Scattered Seeds

Agnes W. Norfleet

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

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

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.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

HYMN 714	God of the Fertile Fields	ITALIAN HYMN
BENEDICTION AND	CHORAL RESPONSE	Agnes W. Norfleet
POSTLUDE	Prelude in F minor	J.S. Bach

WORSHIP NOTES

BULLETIN COVER

Parable window in the Sanctuary.

2021 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Sarah Adams Caleb Silvergleid Thomas Lautenbach William Lautenbach Madeline Briddell Jacob Stacey Leo Cieri **Emma Maloney** Sage Torrisi Tori Meiler Trenton Davis **Owin Vanderver** Kat Dee Olivia Walsh Meredith Meyer **Catherine Mottes Ruth Engelman Paige Wilder** Olivia Fuller Ashton Odiorne **Brian Williams** Sydney Odiorne Joshua Gallia Enya Xiang Seneker Zelov Katherine Hattersley Andrew Parente Lily Haupt **Emily Peetros** Paige Zimmerman **Miles Pride** Andrew Koban Payne Amanda Sheward Gabriel Lapinski

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Announcements

CHURCH OFFICER NOMINATIONS. Submit your recommendations by Sept. 30 for Elders, Deacons, Trustees and Nominating Committee Members-at-Large for 2021-2022 via the nominating forms found here: <u>http://bit.ly/nominating-form-2021</u>. Candidates must be church members for at least two years, faithfully participate in the worship and program life of the church, and regularly contribute to the church.

SANCTUARY FLOWER DONATIONS. While our Worship Committee looks for a new Sunday Flower Coordinator, we are grateful to the volunteers who have provided beautiful greenery and flowers inside and outside of our Sanctuary this spring. Now that we are gathering for in-person worship in the Sanctuary, we have spots available for donors who would like to give flowers in memory or honor of loved ones. If you wish to donate flowers for a Sunday worship service, contact Lauren Ellis, *LEllis@bmpc.org*.

SUMMER PODCAST. Join us for a second season of the BMPC Summer Podcast, a limited podcast series during this time when we are slowly coming back together as a church. Subscribe to the podcast via Apple Podcast, Google Podcast and Spotify, or listen to episodes online: <u>https://bit.ly/SummerPodcast</u>.

WEEKLY WATERING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. BMPC is blessed with a beautiful campus with lovely landscaping and planters. Our sprinkler system helps maintain the landscaping, but we need volunteers to water the planters around campus. Please contact Marnie Bowen if you can help with this endeavor during the summer. <u>Marniepb1963@gmail.com</u> or 610-291-8457.

SUMMER MESSENGER. Copies of the summer issue of the Messenger are available in a bin outside the Chapel entrance.

This Week

YOGA CLASS. BMPC is hosting a new Gentle Hatha Yoga class on campus. Rosa Giletti brings more than 45 years of experience to her students. Class are held on Mondays at 4:30 p.m. Remaining dates: June 14, 21, 28, July 12, 19, 26. Contact Rosa at 267-644-9685 for class details.

TAI CHI CLASSES. Improve your balance, regain serenity, join friends! Class meets virtually every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. via Zoom. For information and to sign up, contact Rich McKenzie, teacher at BMPC for 16 years, at <u>mcktaichi@yahoo.com</u> or 610-873-0604.

INTERFAITH RACIAL JUSTICE VIGILS. Tues., June 15, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Bethel AME Church of Ardmore, 163 Sheldon Lane, Ardmore. Faith communities in the Lower Merion area are hosting a series of prayer vigils on Tuesdays through June 22. For more information and the vigil schedule, visit

http://bit.ly/Interfaith-Racial-Justice-Vigils. Contact: RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org.

NEW EXHIBIT AT THE PRESBYTERIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY. Fri., June 18, open from 3:00 - 7:00 p.m., 425 Lombard St., Philadelphia. Building Knowledge and Breaking Barriers: an archives-based learning project of the Presbyterian Historical Society and the Community College of Philadelphia. Join your fellow BMPC members for a special private opening of this new and innovative exhibit at PHS which includes stories of the Black Presbyterian Church, an exploration of abolition and revolution, and the history of Christian mission in Japan. Join us anytime from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. to view the exhibit with staff and your fellow church members. For more information about the exhibit: <u>http://BKBBphilly.org/exhibit</u>

Next Sunday

DIALOGUE AND DRINKS. Sundays, June 20 and 27 and July 11 and 18, 4:30 - 6:00 p.m., Foederer House patio. BMPC pastors will lead informal conversations with neighboring clergy members as we explore one another's traditions, our community life, and the ways that BMPC is partnering with these congregations. On June 20, we welcome the Rev. Carolyn C. Cavaness, pastor of Bethel AME Church in Ardmore, a congregation that has been a faithful partner in many of our local ministries.

Other clergy members joining us are the Rev. Sean Lanigan, rector at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Ardmore who has helped organize the anti-racial violence vigils in Lower Merion (June 27); Rabbi Geri Newburge who will become the new senior rabbi at Main Line Reform Temple (July 11); and the Rev. Christopher Holland, pastor, New Spirit Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, and executive director of The Common Place, an organization that offers holistic care to children and families in Southwest Philadelphia (July 18).

The availability of refreshments for these gatherings will be based on current COVID protocols. All are welcome to bring their own drinks, alcoholic or non-alcoholic. Space is limited to 30 attendees, and pre-registration is required. Register for the following dates:

June 20: <u>http://bit.ly/DialogueDrinks-June20</u> July 11: <u>https://bit.ly/DialogueDrinks-July11</u> June 27: <u>http://bit.ly/DialogueDrinks-June27</u> July 18: <u>http://bit.ly/DialogueDrinks-July18</u>

Upcoming

ANTI-RACISM SUMMER SCHOOL. This summer we are launching an online platform to help members follow the important journey of anti-racism. You are invited to share resources with one another, engage in challenging conversations, and to respond to new video trainings from a leading national anti-racism training organization. All of our online reflections and conversations will be asynchronous, meaning that you are invited to participate when you can throughout the summer via a private online forum. For questions or more information, contact the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick at

RKirkpatrick@bmpc.org. For registration, visit http://bitly.ws/dMFU

VACATION BIBLE CAMP. This year we will journey with Elijah deep into the wilderness to see where God meets us! Rising fourth to sixth graders will assist with camp from June 21-25, and rising PreK-Kindergarten students and rising first to third graders will attend camp from June 23-25. For more details and registration information,

http://bit.ly/VBC-2021. Volunteers needed! Contact: MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

JOHNSONBURG WEEKEND PLUNGE FOR MIDDLE SCHOOLERS. July 9-11. Rising fifth to eighth graders are invited, along with their parents, to experience camp during a weekend of worship, play and service! This is a great opportunity for parents and middle schoolers to get a feel for our fantastic summer camp! Sign up here: <u>http://bit.ly/Jburg-Plunge</u>. Scholarships available. Contact: <u>MaryRichards@bmpc.org</u>.

BMPC YOUTH CAMP AT JOHNSONBURG. Aug. 1-4. For rising sixth to 12th graders, our vibrant camp tradition is spearheaded by a team of BMPC staff and volunteer leaders. Camp provides a fabulous opportunity for youth at all levels of church involvement to build lifelong relationships, experience the joy of the outdoors, and ask bold questions about life and faith in a safe and supportive environment. Sign up here: <u>http://bit.ly/jburg-camp</u>. Scholarships available. Contact: <u>MaryRichards@bmpc.org</u>.

Calendar

Sunday, June 13, 2021

8:30	a.m.	Digging Deeper, Virtual
		Filling the Well, Virtual
		Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Virtual
10:00	a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary or Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org
4:00	p.m.	Family Worship Service, Front Lawn

Monday, June 14, 2021

4:00	p.m.	Environmental Justice Committee, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 203
7:00	p.m.	Discover BMPC, Virtual

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

5:30	p.m.	Racial Justice Vigil, Bethel AME Church of Ardmore
		163 Sheldon Lane, Ardmore

Wednesday, June 16, 2021

7:00 p.m. Trustees' Meeting, Virtual

Thursday, June 17, 2021

No events scheduled.

Friday, June 18, 2021

No events scheduled.

Saturday, June 19, 2021

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Children's Library
- 11:00 a.m. Carol M. Pyle Memorial Service, Sanctuary or Livestream

Sunday, June 20, 2021

10:00	a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary or Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org
		The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

Brian K. Ballard, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care & Senior Adults
Leigh DeVries, Associate Pastor for Youth & Their Families
Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education & Mission
Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children & Family Ministry
Franklyn C. Pottorff, Associate Pastor for Congregational Life & Stewardship
Jeffrey Brillhart, Director of Music & Fine Arts
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