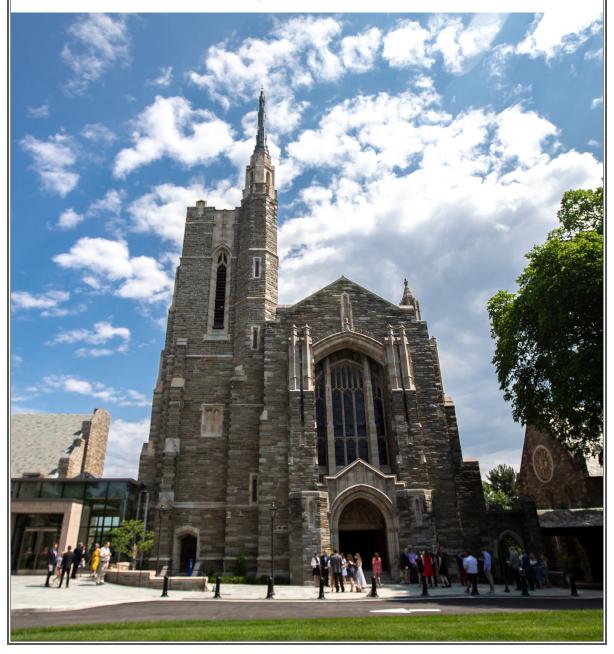
# Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Sunday, February 19, 2023 | 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary Transfiguration of the Lord



# WELCOME

#### **NEW HERE?**

We are pleased that you are joining us as we worship God this morning. We invite you to introduce yourself to one of our pastors in the Atrium following the Worship Service. All of our programs, ministries, and opportunities for mission are open to everyone. Come join us!

#### LIVESTREAMED CHURCH SERVICES

In addition to in-person worship, the Sunday Worship Services are available to watch live at 10:00 a.m. on our live-streaming page: <a href="https://www.bmpc.org/livestream">www.bmpc.org/livestream</a>. For your convenience, the service also will be posted on our Worship Services page on Monday.

#### CHILDCARE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Childcare is available on Sundays from 7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for children ages six months and older. See Sunday School class information on this page. Please contact Pastor Rachel, *RachelPedersen@bmpc.org* or Childcare Coordinator Rebecca Kellich at *childcare@bmpc.org* with any questions.

#### **WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER**

Subscribe to our BMPC eNews by visiting our website: www.bmpc.org.

## Today's Schedule

Childcare (infant - age 5)

7:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101

Worship with Sanctuary Choir

10:00 a.m.

Sunday School Classes Age 2 - PreK

10:00 a.m., Ed. Bldg.

Grades K - 5

10:00 a.m., Worship in Sanctuary 10:15 a.m., Ed. Bldg.

Youth in Worship

10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Atrium Café

11:00 a.m., Atrium

A Presbyterian Legacy of Advocacy

11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room

"Chasing the Light" Art Exhibit

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Art Gallery, Ministries Center

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

**PRELUDE** 

Chaconne in D minor Sylvia Ahramjian, violin J.S. Bach

#### WELCOME

Franklyn C. Pottorff

#### † CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The glory of God transfigures the everyday!

All: The light of God reveals wondrous mysteries.

One: At the heights of our worship, may God's presence

shine through the commonplace.

All: At the depths of our pain and struggle, may God's presence

give us courage and peace.

One: May God's light, shining in the face of Christ, illumine all our days.

#### † **HYMN** 190

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

**GENEVA** 

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

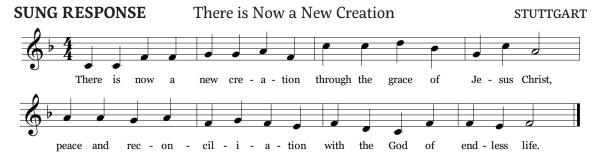
**AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (in unison)

God of compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we turn away, distracted by our own plans. We confess that we speak when we should listen, and cling to the ways of the world when we should harken to your will. Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Strengthen us in faith to embrace the mystery of the cross, and open our hearts to your transfiguring power. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

During the Sung Response, children are invited to come forward for the Children's Moment.



## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

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

Rachel Pedersen

**SENDING HYMN** Go Now, Children, with Our Blessing

Go now children with our blessing, to love and serve the Lord. May God Bless you, May God guard you, May the light of God shine upon you, and May God be gracious to you, May the presence of God be with you. May the presence of God be with you, and give you peace.

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Leigh DeVries

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 24:12-18 (p. 70 in pew Bible)

**ANTHEM** 

O Nata Lux

Charles Stanford

O Light born of Light, Jesus, redeemer of the world, accept our praises and prayers.

O you who once deigned to be hidden in flesh on behalf of the lost, grant us to be made members of your blessed body.

**SECOND LESSON** 

Matthew 17:1-9 (pg. 18 in pew Bible)

Agnes W. Norfleet

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

SERMON

Mystery on the Mountain

Agnes W. Norfleet

**HYMN** 215

What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE

## 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.

~ The Apostles' Creed

#### PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

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**

#### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

This Little Light of Mine

arr. Moses Hogan

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine. All through the night I'm gonna let it shine. All through the night I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine. My God gave it to me, Oh, children, I'm gonna let it shine, children. My God gave it to me, Lord, I'm gonna let it shine. My God gave it to me, Oh, children, I'm gonna let it shine. In my home, let it shine, All over the world, let it shine, let it shine, shine, shine, let it shine.

Please fill in the Friendship Pad at the end of your pew; pass it down your row and back again.

† **DOXOLOGY** OLD HUNDREDTH

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** Leigh DeVries

† **HYMN** 189 O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair DEO GRACIAS

† **BENEDICTION** Agnes W. Norfleet

**POSTLUDE** "Sortie" from Triptych for Transfiguration Richard Webster

## **WORSHIP NOTES**

#### PLAYING THE CARILLON

Paul McConnell

#### **BULLETIN COVER**

Photo by Dave Tavani

## **Announcements**

**DAILY LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET.** Guide and enrich your journey through the 40 days of Lent using a devotional written by BMPC members, staff and ministry partners. Copies are available in church information racks in the Ministries Center and in the Narthex or you may access the devotional on the Season of Lent page: www.bmpc.org > Welcome > The Season of Lent.

SANCTUARY FLOWER DONATIONS. Openings are available on Sundays, March 19 and 26, for donors who wish to give flowers in memory of or in honor of loved ones. Later, our Deacons deliver small arrangements of the Sanctuary flowers to homebound church members. If you would like to donate flowers for a Sunday Worship Service, contact Natalie Hoepp at <a href="mailto:bmpcflowers@gmail.com">bmpcflowers@gmail.com</a>

SURVEY INVITATION: DIVERSITY, EQUITY, BELONGING & INCLUSION. The BMPC Anti-Racism Taskforce, pastors, staff, and church officers are working closely with Freedom Road Consulting and Lisa Sharon Harper to help us thoughtfully engage on issues of Diversity, Equity, Belonging and Inclusion in all areas of our congregation. As a part of our ongoing efforts, we strongly encourage you to complete this brief survey on how the church is doing and what we should be doing in the area of DEBI. Please use this link to complete the 10-minute survey: <a href="https://bit.ly/BMPCDEBI RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org">https://bit.ly/BMPCDEBI RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org</a>

# <u>Today</u>

A PRESBYTERIAN LEGACY OF ADVOCACY. 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. Join us for a presentation by Dr. Dirk Smit, professor of Reformed Theology and Public Life at Princeton Theological Seminary, who has written extensively, in both English and Afrikaans, on the legacy of the Reformed tradition. Smit was one of the primary authors of the Belhar Confession which boldly declared the sinfulness of apartheid and was a call for justice, reconciliation and unity among all people. It recently was adopted as part of the PC (USA) Book of Confessions.

## This Week

**ASH WEDNESDAY**, **FEBRUARY 22**. 5:30 p.m. Family Service with Imposition of Ashes, Chapel and Livestream. The Rev. Rachel Pedersen will preach. 5:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner served in Congregational Hall. Cost: \$10 for adults, \$7 for children and students. 7:30 p.m. Service with Imposition of Ashes, Sanctuary and Livestream. The Rev. Leigh DeVries will preach.

MAIN LINE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: WINTER FEAST. Fri., Feb. 24, 8:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Featuring Dr. George Allen's "Winter People, Summer People," Camille Saint-Saens Symphony No. 3 in C minor (Edward Landin Senn, organist), and the winner of the James Deitz Memorial Young Artist Competition. For tickets, please visit: <a href="https://bit.ly/MLSOConcert">https://bit.ly/MLSOConcert</a>

# **Next Sunday**

**LUTHERAN SETTLEMENT HOUSE**. Sun., Feb. 26, 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. Lutheran Settlement House was founded in 1902 as part of the Settlement House Movement, an Industrial Revolution-era movement with the goal of bringing people from all socioeconomic backgrounds together. Today they do extensive work related to food insecurity, homelessness and domestic violence. LSH has received four grants from the Eugene C. Bay Fund for Urban Ministry. <u>AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org</u>

# **Upcoming**

HOWARD THURMAN: ESSENTIAL WRITINGS. Tuesdays beginning Feb. 28, 7:00 p.m., via Zoom. Join Middleton Center Spiritual Director Patricia Danzon in an exploration of Howard Thurman's book: Essential Writings. Howard Thurman, minister, philosopher and civil rights activist, has been called "one of the greatest spiritual resources of this nation." This selection from his writings will introduce us to the breadth and depth of his thinking. <a href="mailto:KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org">KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org</a>

INTERFAITH PHILADELPHIA & VALARIE KAUR. Thurs., March 2, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary. BMPC is honored to once again host Interfaith Philadelphia's annual Dare to Understand Awards honoring author, attorney and activist Valarie Kaur. Valarie will speak on topics in her book, *See No Stranger: A Memoir and Manifesto of Revolutionary Love*. This ticketed event is free and open to the public. Register online: <a href="https://bit.ly/ValarieKaur2023">https://bit.ly/ValarieKaur2023</a>

**GETTING YOUR AFFAIRS IN ORDER**. Sat., March 4, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Join a panel of professionals to discuss end-of-life decision-making. It is not too early to begin this process, and all are welcome to attend this free event. Reservations requested. <u>KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org</u>

THE LABYRINTH – WALKING PRAYER. Sun., March 5 at 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. Since the Middle Ages Christians have practiced walking prayer and meditation through the use of labyrinths first as a substitute for religious pilgrimage and now as a method of creative and physical prayer. Anne Montgomery Schmid, BMPC member and Certified Labyrinth Facilitator, will guide participants through the history, practice and divine mystery of walking the labyrinth with a focus on our Labyrinth Ministry at BMPC. Following the class, you will have the opportunity to walk our own Chartres Labyrinth in Congregational Hall. AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org

PASTOR'S BOOK GROUP – BEGIN AGAIN. Wed., March 8, 7:00 p.m., Fullerton Room. Join the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick for a discussion of Eddie S. Glaude Jr.'s book, Begin Again: James Baldwin's America and Its Urgent Lessons. Glaude finds hope and guidance in Baldwin as he mixes biography with history, memoir, and analysis of our current moment to reveal the painful cycle of Black resistance and white retrenchment. Glaude is the James S. McDonnell Distinguished University Professor of African American Studies at Princeton University, and he will be our Community Forum speaker on Mon., March 27. To purchase a book, visit <a href="https://bit.ly/BMPCBookpickup">https://bit.ly/BMPCBookpickup</a>

**OLIVIER LATRY IN CONCERT**. Sun., March 12, 2:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Olivier Latry, an organist of the Cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris, will play compositions of Marcel Dupré, Louis Vierne, Richard Wagner and Charles-Marie Widor. Half of the free-will offering from this concert will go toward the Cathedral of Notre Dame's restoration fund to support the rebuilding of the Cathedral following the tragic fire in 2019. For more information, please contact MFA@bmpc.org

#### NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE.

Thurs., March 30, 8:45 a.m. departure. Join us for a trip to the National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington, D.C. This is the only national museum devoted exclusively to the documentation of African American life, history and culture. Bus departs back parking lot at 8:45 a.m. and returns to BMPC by early evening. AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org. Register online: https://bit.ly/NMAAH\_Trip

# **Caring and Sharing**

**REFUGEE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**. The BMPC Refugee Support Team is seeking volunteers for its ongoing work with local refugee families. Opportunities include English language conversation practice, tutoring for elementary school children, employment mentoring, and transportation assistance. Families are located in Bryn Mawr, Ardmore and Overbrook. If you wish to become involved in this vital and rewarding work, contact RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org

**EARTHQUAKE RELIEF DONATIONS FOR SYRIA AND TURKEY.** Our partners at the National Evangelical Synod of Syria and Lebanon are on the ground every day assisting communities recovering from the recent earthquake in the Middle East. Donations toward those efforts may be made directly to the church by putting "Earthquake Relief" on the memo line of your check. You also may give online using this link: <a href="https://onrealm.org/bmpc/give/disaster">https://onrealm.org/bmpc/give/disaster</a>

# Calendar

Sunday,	<b>February</b>	19
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a.m.	Childcare (Birth-Kindergarten), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101
a.m.	Worship with Communion, Chapel
a.m.	Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Cannon Room
a.m.	Filling the Well, Ed. Bldg., Children's Library
a.m.	Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
	Sunday School, Virtual
a.m.	Sunday School Ages 2, 3, and Pre-K, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101
	Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary,
	and Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org
a.m.	Combined Sunday School - K - 5th Grade, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 202
a.m.	Atrium Café, Atrium
	Family Fellowship, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
a.m.	A Presbyterian Legacy of Advocacy, Fullerton Room
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# Monday, February 20 No Events Scheduled.

## Tuesday, February 21

9:00	a.m.	RePose Yoga, Virtual
10:00	a.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center
10:30	a.m.	Tai Chi, Gymnasium and Virtual
1:00	p.m.	Dance for Parkinson's Class, Gymnasium
7:00	p.m.	Stewardship Meeting, Gloucester Room

## Wednesday, February 22

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10:00	a.m.	Coffee Cup Bible Study, Virtual
		Yoga206 Bone Boost, Gymnasium
		Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor and Library
4:45	p.m.	Children's Choir Ash Wednesday Service Warm-Up, Chapel
5:30	p.m.	Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
		Family Ash Wednesday Service, Chapel
7:30	p.m.	Ash Wednesday Worship, Sanctuary

## Thursday, February 23

9:30	a.m.	Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
10:00	a.m.	Thursday Book Group, Virtual
11:00	a.m.	Artists' Gathering, Fine Arts Center
7:00	p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center

## Friday, February 24

No Events Scheduled.

## Saturday, February 25

7:00	a.m.	Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
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## Sunday, February 26

8:00	a.m.	Worship with Communion, Chapel
10:00	a.m.	Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary,
		and 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

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Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education & Mission

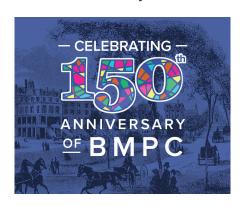
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