Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Sunday, February 26, 2023 | 8:00 a.m., Chapel First Sunday in Lent



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 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 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service is available to watch on our livestreaming page:

www.bmpc.org/livestream. 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 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 Communion & 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 Gathering

10:00 a.m., Gymnasium

Atrium Café

11:00 a.m., Atrium

Lutheran Settlement House

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 AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME Brian K. Ballard

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord;

All: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

One: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving;

All: Let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise! One: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

All: And we are the people of God's pasture, and the sheep of God's hand.

† **HYMN** 50

Deep in the Shadows of the Past

SHEPHERDS' PIPES

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Eternal God, you are revealed to us by many powerful names, and yet we look for power in the wrong places. You come near to us as a loving parent to a child, and yet we doubt the closeness of your presence. You reconcile us to one another through Christ, and yet we look to earthly allegiances as markers of our identity. Forgive us, and restore us to our baptismal naming as children of God, and lead us more deeply into the ministry of reconciliation.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

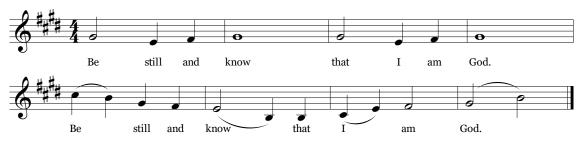
ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SUNG RESPONSE

Be still and know that I am God

PSALM 46

Sung twice.



[†] Please stand, if able.

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Mary French

FIRST LESSON Exodus 3:13-15 (p. 50 in pew Bible)

SECOND LESSON Matthew 6:7-13 (pg. 5 in pew Bible) Agnes W. Norfleet

SERMON Hallowed Be Thy Name Agnes W. Norfleet

Lenten Series on the Lord's Prayer

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Brian K. Ballard

You are invited to come forward, using the center aisle, to partake of the Lord's Supper by intinction (dipping a piece of bread into the cup); return to your seat using the side aisle.

Gluten- and casein-free elements are on the center table.

You are invited to bring your offering when you come forward.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

† **HYMN** 760 Bring Many Names

WESTCHASE

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

WORSHIP NOTES

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

In memory of Edward Joseph and Elizabeth Harper Gillespie; Russell Ennis and Jennie Branin Percy.

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Mary French, Elder

USHERING

Tom Willcox

BULLETIN COVER

The Lord's Prayer Windows, BMPC Santuary Willet Stained Glass Studios 1965.

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 booklet on the Season of Lent page: www.bmpc.org > Welcome > The Season of Lent.

EASTER LILY DONATIONS. Contributions may be given in three categories for listing 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 the Deacons' Flower Ministry. You may fill out an online donation form, https://bit.ly/FlowerFund2023, or pick up a printed copy of the form in the Sanctuary or Ministries Center. The deadline for donations is Sun., March 19. If you need a copy of the form mailed to you, contact Sarah Miciek at 610-525-2821 or SarahMiciek@bmpc.org

SANCTUARY FLOWER DONATIONS. Openings are available on Sundays, March 19, April 26 and 30, 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 bmpcflowers@gmail.com

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 these ongoing efforts, we strongly encourage you to complete a brief survey on the church's work in the area of DEBI and what we could be doing. Please use this link to complete the 10-minute survey: https://bit.ly/BMPCDEBI RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org

<u>Today</u>

LUTHERAN SETTLEMENT HOUSE. 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. AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org

This Week

LENTEN ORGAN RECITAL SERIES. Tuesdays through April 4, noon, Chapel. All are invited to gather weekly in the Chapel to enjoy brief recitals on the Chapel organ. On Feb. 28 we invite you to listen to the artistry of Edward Landin Senn. For the recital schedule, visit https://www.bmpc.org/concerts. For information about the concert series, please contact MFA@bmpc.org.

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 collection from his writings will introduce us to the breadth and depth of his thinking. <u>KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org</u>

QUIET PRAYER IN LENT. Wed., March 1, 15, 22 and 29, 7:00 - 7:45 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Amidst the busyness of the Lenten season, this is a time for contemplative guided prayer which will include Scripture readings, space for reflection, and a time of communal silence. Deacons will lead these sessions. <u>KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org</u>

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 ceremony 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: https://bit.ly/ValarieKaur2023

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>

<u>Next Sunday</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

Upcoming

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, mixing 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 https://bit.ly/BMPCBookpickup

THE BIBLICAL ORIGINS OF THE LORD'S PRAYER. Sun., March 12, 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. During this Season of Lent we will learn more about the biblical roots of the Lord's Prayer: how it fits within the Gospels; why it is translated differently in different traditions; and the ways that it connects to other prayer practices of Jesus of Nazareth as described in the New Testament. Dr. Joshua Yoder will lead this conversation. AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org

PANCAKES WITH PRAYER PARTNERS. Sun., March 12, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Children and Youth, did you know that you have a prayer partner praying for you? Families are invited to come after church on March 12 to enjoy a pancake breakfast and an opportunity to meet prayer partners! RSVPs are requested: MaryRichards@bmpc.org

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 <u>MFA@bmpc.org</u>

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

VACATION BIBLE CAMP 2023: Building the Kingdom! Mon., June 19 - Fri., June 23, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., for ages three years to fifth grade. Campers must be at least four years old by May 1, 2023 to register. The Three's program is closed due to maximum capacity. Cost is \$50 per camper: https://bit.ly/BMPCVBC2023 MaryRichards@bmpc.org

VACATION BIBLE CAMP VOLUNTEER. Mon., June 19 - Fri., June 23, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. This summer we will welcome over 100 children to take part in Vacation Bible Camp and we need YOU to make camp special for each one. You can volunteer to help with a specific station (like games), work with a small group, or help "behind the scenes." Register here: https://bit.ly/VBCVolunteerRegistration. MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

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: https://onrealm.org/bmpc/give/disaster

Calendar

Sunday,	February	26
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7:45	a.m.	Childcare (Birth-Kindergarten), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101		
8:00	a.m.	Worship with Communion, Chapel		
8:30	a.m.	Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Cannon Room		
8:45	a.m.	Filling the Well, Ed. Bldg., Children's Library		
		Digging Deeper, Gloucester Room		
9:00	a.m.	Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102		
		Sunday School, Virtual		
10:00	a.m.	Sunday School Ages 2, 3, and Pre-K, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101		
		Worship with Communion & Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary,		
		and Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org		
		Youth Gathering, Gymnasium		
10:15	a.m.	Sunday School K - 5th Grade, Ed. Bldg.		
11:00	a.m.	Atrium Café, Atrium		
		Family Fellowship, Ed. Bldg. Lobby		
11:15	a.m.	Lutheran Settlement House, Fullerton Room		
		Child and Youth Protection Training, Ed.Bldg. Rm. 204		
1:30	p.m.	New Officer Training, Cannon and Gloucester Rooms		
Monday, February 27				
		No Events Scheduled.		
Tuesday, February 28				

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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
12:00	p.m.	Lent Organ Recital Series, Chapel
1:00	p.m.	Dance for Parkinson's Class, Gymnasium
2:30	p.m.	Parkinson's Support Group, Cannon Room
7:00	p.m.	Howard Thurman: Essential Writing Book Group, Virtual

10:00	a.m.	Coffee Cup Bible Study, Virtual
		Yoga206 Bone Boost, Gymnasium
4:45	p.m.	Wednesdays Together, Sanctuary
5:30	p.m.	Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
5:45	p.m.	Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
6:30	p.m.	Handbell Ensemble, Fine Arts Center
7:00	p.m.	Quiet Prayer for Lent, Witherspoon Parlor
		Student Serve, Gymnasium
Thursda	ay, March 2	
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
6:00	p.m.	Refugee Support Committee Meeting, Witherspoon Parlor
7:00	p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Chapel
		Interfaith Philadelphia Dare to Understand Awards, Sanctuary
Friday, l	March 3	
10:00	a.m.	Senior Adult Council Zoom Meeting, Virtual
		World Day of Prayer, Witherspoon Parlor
Saturda	y, March 4	
7:00	a.m.	Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
9:00	a.m.	Getting Your Affairs in Order, Witherspoon Parlor
Sunday,	March 5	
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

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