

# Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

July 23, 2017 8:00 a.m., Chapel 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

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WELCOME Mary Steege

### † CALL TO WORSHIP

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All: We are children of God, the family of faith.

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All: We belong to God who loves us and calls us God's own.

In life and death we belong to God.

#### HYMN 839

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

ASSURANCE

# CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

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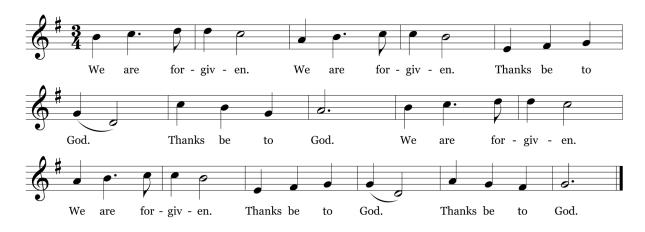
In Christ our brother and our Lord.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

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#### **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**



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## **HEARING THE WORD**

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Tod Guernsey** 

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## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

#### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Mary Steege

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 AND 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.

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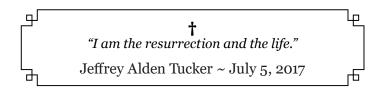
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The national average
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exceeds 7,500, more than twice the national average. Young people of color and/or with disabilities are at an increased risk for in-school discipline that creates a pipeline from school to prison.



Philadelphia is reported as high as 60% in the three years after being released. Individuals often lack access to employment, social services, and necessary support to become productive citizens.

# Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Mission

Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry

Franklyn C. Pottorff, Associate Pastor for Congregational Life and Stewardship

David B. Smith, Interim Director, Youth Ministry

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## † **GLORIA PATRI** (in unison)

Hymn 581

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Children are invited to come forward for the Children's Moment.

† Please stand, if able. Page 3

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

#### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

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

During the Sending Hymn, children depart for their Sunday School classes



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## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

## † **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (in unison)

Franklyn C. Pottorff

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;

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~ The Apostles' Creed

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#### OFFERING AND OFFERTORY ANTHEM

O For a Closer Walk Summer Choir Charles V. Stanford

O for a closer walk with God, a calm and heavenly frame, a light to shine upon the road that leads me to the Lamb! Return, O holy Dove, return, sweet messenger of rest! I hate the sins that made Thee mourn and drove Thee from my breast. So shall my walk be close with God, calm and serene my frame; So purer light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.

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† **DOXOLOGY** Hymn 606

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.

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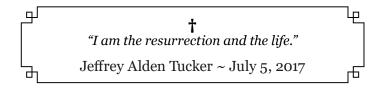
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68% and the Chester-Upland
School District reports a
graduation rate of 59%.
The national average
graduation rate is 83%.



exceeds 7,500, more than twice the national average. Young people of color and/or with disabilities are at an increased risk for in-school discipline that creates a pipeline from school to prison.



Philadelphia is reported as high as 60% in the three years after being released. Individuals often lack access to employment, social services, and necessary support to become productive citizens.

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