



***Bryn Mawr  
Presbyterian Church***

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December 30, 2018  
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary  
First Sunday after Christmas

# WELCOME TO BMPC

## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

### **Childcare (infant - age 5)**

7:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Education Building, Rm. 102

### **10:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary**

#### **Grades K -12**

Holiday Worship Together  
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

**NEW HERE?** We give thanks that you are joining us as we worship God this morning. We invite you to stop by 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!

**JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP.** Stop by the Ministries Center Court for a cup of coffee between 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. and for refreshments and fellowship after the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Families with young children are invited to gather for refreshments in the Education Building Lobby after Sunday School.

**TO ASSIST YOU DURING WORSHIP.** Large print bulletins, back pillows and hearing assistance devices are available; ask an usher. Children's bulletins with crayons may be found near the main entrance.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL.** We are pleased to offer education opportunities for all ages, listed in this bulletin. **Grades K-5** worship with their families in the Sanctuary before being dismissed to Sunday School. If this is your first Sunday, please accompany your child to the Education Building.

Subscribe to our BMPC eNews by adding your email address to the Fellowship Register. For additional information about today's schedule, see the calendar at the back of this bulletin.

[www.BMPC.org](http://www.BMPC.org)

# GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

**PRELUDE**

Les Bergers

Angela Kraft Cross

**WELCOME**

Andrew H. Mann, Jr.

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Praise the Lord from the heavens and in the heights!

**All: Praise God, sun and moon and shining stars!**

One: For God commanded and they were created.

**All: God established them forever and ever.**

One: Young men and women alike, old and young together,

**All: Let them praise the name of the Lord!**

† **HYMN 134**

Joy to the World

ANTIOCH

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

God of the manger,

you sent the Savior into our broken world,

to show what power there is in love.

He continues to be born, even in us,

yet we crowd him out, offering him little room.

Our frenzied lives cause us to overlook his face,

in the cries of our neighbor and the groans of creation.

Forgive our dulled senses and restore our sight.

Slow down our hurried living,

that we might be witnesses to your good news,

and proclaim your extravagant love,

through Jesus our Savior.

*A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.*

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

† **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.*

# PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

## CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

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

*During the Sending Hymn, children K - Grade 5 depart for their Sunday School classes.*



## FIRST LESSON      Colossians 3:12-17 (*p. 201 in pew Bible*)

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

## ANTHEM

Psallite  
Sanctuary Choir

Michael Praetorius

Sing your psalms to Christ, the only begotten Son of God, sing your psalms to the Redeemer. A small Child lies in the manger. All the blessed angels serve Him and sing to Him. Sing your psalms to Christ, the only begotten Son of God, sing your psalms to the Redeemer.

## SECOND LESSON      Luke 2:41-52 (*p. 59 in pew Bible*)

Franklyn C. Pottorff

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

*Family Drama*

Franklyn C. Pottorff

† HYMN 132

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

IN DULCI JUBILO

# RESPONSE TO THE WORD

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

Rachel Pedersen

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

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

## OFFERING AND OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Little Drummer Boy

Sanctuary Choir

arr. Harry Simeone

'Come,' they told me, 'our newborn King to see; our finest gifts we bring to lay before the King; so to honor Him when we come.' Baby Jesu, I am a poor boy too; I have no gift to bring that's fit to give our King. Shall I play for you on my drum? Mary nodded, the ox and lamb kept time; I played my drum for Him; I played my best for Him. Then He smiled at me; me and my drum.

*Please fill in the Fellowship Register at the end of your pew;  
pass it down your row and back again.*

## † 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.

†	<b>PRAYER OF DEDICATION</b>		Rebecca Kirkpatrick
†	<b>HYMN 119</b>	Hark! The Herald Angels Sing	MENDELSSOHN
†	<b>BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE</b>		Franklyn C. Pottorff
	<b>POSTLUDE</b>	Joy to the World	Pamela Decker

**Worship Notes**

**GREETING**  
BMPC Ushers

## Announcements

**ART EXHIBIT: SUPPOSED REALITIES.** Through Sun., Jan. 27. Artist Richard Watson of Bryn Mawr was born and raised in North Carolina where he developed his artistic abilities before training at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts. He describes his creativity as “supported by memories of the past and suggested realities.” StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org.

**ONE BOOK ONE CHURCH.** *After Ten Years – Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Our Times* by Dr. Victoria Barnett of Washington, D.C., a renowned Bonhoeffer scholar as well as director of the United States Holocaust Museum’s programs on Ethics, Religion, and the Holocaust. Dr. Barnett leads us in a discussion of her book on Sun., March 10. Cost: \$5 in Book Center.

## This Week

**HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY.** Wed., Jan. 2, 10:30 a.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom. The Rev. Drew Mann leads our study of *God’s Promise: I Am with You* by Amy Poling Sutherland, Chapter 5. Joyce Malott, okf405@gmail.com.

## Upcoming

**CELTIC SPIRITUALITY.** Sundays, Jan. 6-20, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Dr. Patricia Danzon leads this course about the distinctive aspects of Celtic spirituality, its origins, evolution and lessons for our times. Basic text *Listening to the Heartbeat of God: A Celtic Spirituality* by J. Philip Newell is available in the Book Center.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS RESUME.** Wed., Jan. 9, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Dinner served until 6:45 p.m. Cost: \$8 adults; \$5 children/students.

**MEET ARTIST RICHARD WATSON.** Wed., Jan. 9, 7:00 p.m., Ministries Center. Meet artist Richard Watson at a “Walk and Talk” through his current exhibit *Supposed Realities*. Learn about inspirations for his diverse artwork and how his artistic and musical talents have been propelled by his spirituality, political activism and teaching, and also expressed through mural art in numerous Philadelphia churches. Jean Wolf, jeanwolf@gmail.com.

**HIGH SCHOOL SNOW RETREAT.** Sat., Jan. 19-21, 2019, Camp Kirkwood, Poconos. A weekend away at Camp Kirkwood where you can enjoy a hike, snowtubing, small group fellowship, Sunday morning worship and time to explore the surrounding area. Cost: \$275. Register online at [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations. Scholarship assistance available for all trips and events. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

**DAVID BILLINGS PRESENTATION.** Wed., Jan. 23, 7:00 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Billings will discuss his book, *Deep Denial: The Persistence of White Supremacy in United States History and Life*.



**CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS.** Wed., Jan 24, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick leads the discussion about how the basic traditions of Christianity connect with our personal faith.

**DEACONS ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE.** Mon., Jan. 28, 2:00-7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Volunteers are needed to donate blood and to assist with scheduling appointments. Sherri Shields, 610-449-3351 or ShieldsS1@email.chop.edu.

## **Caring & Sharing**

**CASSEROLE BLITZ.** Sat., Jan. 19, 8:30 a.m., Ministries Center. All are welcome, including children over 4, to prepare food casseroles for Philadelphia area food cupboards. Contact Sandie Nicholson, sandiekev@verizon.net, to register and/or be added to the casserole mailing list.

**COLD WEATHER IS HERE.** Help those who are outside by contributing to the collection for Broad Street Ministry during the month of January. Men's thermal underwear, gloves, hats, and scarves are urgently needed. Collection bins are located in the Ministries Center and Education Building.

**WORLDWIDE MINISTRIES GRANTS.** Deadline: Feb. 27. Criteria and application at [www.bmpc.org/ministries/mission/grants](http://www.bmpc.org/ministries/mission/grants).

## **This Week's Calendar**

*For more information, visit our website at [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org), call the church office, or contact [communications@bmpc.org](mailto:communications@bmpc.org).*

### **Today, December 30**

7:45 a.m. Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102  
8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**  
9:00 a.m. Sanctuary Choir Call Time, Sanctuary Choir Loft  
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary**  
Holiday Worship Together for Children & Youth in Grades K - 12  
11:00 a.m. Café in the Court, Ministries Center

### **Monday, December 31 - Tuesday, January 1**

**Church Campus Closed beginning at 5:00 p.m. on Monday:**

*For pastoral emergencies, call 610-525-2821.*



### **Wednesday, January 2**

- 10:30 a.m. Horizons Bible Study, Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom  
11:00 a.m. Rhett R. Austell, III Memorial Service, Chapel  
7:00 p.m. Worldwide Ministries Committee Meeting, Fullerton Room

### **Thursday, January 3**

- 9:15 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium  
10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room  
6:00 p.m. Refugee Support Committee, Gloucester Room  
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center  
Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium  
8:15 p.m. Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Fine Arts Center

### **Friday, January 4**

*No scheduled activities.*

### **Saturday, January 5**

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor  
10:00 a.m. Community Orchestra, Fine Arts Center

### **Sunday, January 6**

- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**  
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary**  
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.  
Sunday School for age 2 - Grade 3.  
Worship Together Sunday for Children & Youth in Grades 4 - 12.

## LOCAL MISSION PARTNERS

**Arch Street Preschool** – [www.archstreetpreschool.org](http://www.archstreetpreschool.org)  
Creating a space for Christian play with a diverse group of children ages 2-5 years.

**Artwell** – [www.theArtWell.org](http://www.theArtWell.org)  
Bearing witness to the way arts can transform students in Philadelphia public schools.

**Broad Street Ministry** – [www.broadstreetministry.org](http://www.broadstreetministry.org)  
Supporting radical hospitality to build communities.

**Central Presbyterian Church of Norristown** – [www.centralpresweb.org](http://www.centralpresweb.org)  
Serving the Latino Community through Bible studies.

**Chester Eastside Ministries** – [www.chestereastside.org](http://www.chestereastside.org)  
After-school programs for the whole child, including the parents.

**Habitat for Humanity** – [www.habitatphiladelphia.org](http://www.habitatphiladelphia.org)  
Critical repair program and new home construction.

**Interfaith Center of Greater Philadelphia** – [www.interfaithcenterpa.org](http://www.interfaithcenterpa.org)  
Walking the Walk program for students in West Philadelphia.

**Kirkwood-Brainerd Camp** – [www.kirkwoodcamp.org](http://www.kirkwoodcamp.org)  
Scholarships for children who could not otherwise afford camp.

**The Christian Association** – [www.upennca.org](http://www.upennca.org)  
A campus ministry serving students who attend the University of Pennsylvania.

**The Village** – [www.village1877.org](http://www.village1877.org)  
Support for emergency needs for community-based programs in Southwest Philadelphia.

**The Welcome Church** – [www.thewelcomechurch.org](http://www.thewelcomechurch.org)  
Programs for women experiencing homelessness in Philadelphia.

**Turning Points (FAST)** – [www.turningpointsforchildren.org](http://www.turningpointsforchildren.org)  
Families and Schools Together, an early intervention/prevention program.

**United Community Clinic** – [www.unitedcommunityclinic.com](http://www.unitedcommunityclinic.com)  
Serving patients with no health insurance in the East Parkside Community.

**Urban Tree Connection** – [www.urbantreeconnection.org](http://www.urbantreeconnection.org)  
Support for urban gardens and community building in Philadelphia.

**WePAC** – [www.wepac.org](http://www.wepac.org)  
Reopening and staffing public school libraries throughout Philadelphia.

**West Kensington Ministry** – [www.westkensingtonministry.com](http://www.westkensingtonministry.com)  
Providing a spiritual foundation for people in the midst of poverty and violence.

## INTERNATIONAL AND NATIONAL MISSION PARTNERS

**Beyond Borders** – [www.beyondborders.net](http://www.beyondborders.net) A Child Protection Program for children in Haiti with a focus on stopping the practice of enslaving children and supporting child rights activists.

**Casa Materna** – [www.casamaternaanasayre.com](http://www.casamaternaanasayre.com) Providing a full time practical nurse to visit villages in impoverished areas of Alta Verapaz counties of Guatemala.

**Chain Collaborative** - [www.thechaincollaborative.org](http://www.thechaincollaborative.org) Assisting small-scale coffee farmers in Southwestern Uganda with the challenges of economic development.

**Emmanuel Hospital Association** – [www.eha-health.org](http://www.eha-health.org) A geriatric care cum hospice and respite home facility care for the Chinchpada Hospital in remote Maharashtra.

**Faith In Practice** – [www.faithinpractice.org](http://www.faithinpractice.org) A referral program in Guatemala to bring patients from remote areas into surgical centers as efficiently and effectively as possible.

**Forman Christian College** – [www.friendsofforman.org](http://www.friendsofforman.org) Scholarships for women from outside the Punjab Province for disadvantaged students to get a quality education in Pakistan.

**Haiti Partners** - <https://haitipartners.org/> Papermaking project - committed to teaching and nurturing entrepreneurship and sustainability through the Children's Academy.

**Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary** – [www.smithseminary.org](http://www.smithseminary.org) Trainings providing individuals and small groups opportunities to develop ministry skills in organizations.

**Medical Benevolence** – [www.mbfoundation.org](http://www.mbfoundation.org) Regional Manager to serve the health care ministries for indigenous church partners throughout Africa.

**Near East School of Theology** – [www.theonest.edu.lb](http://www.theonest.edu.lb) To renovate current dormitory rooms following the Lebanese War - enhancing the local economy and building self-sufficiency.

**Nurturing Minds** – [www.nurturingmindsinafrica.org](http://www.nurturingmindsinafrica.org) Scholarships for SEGA Girls School graduates to continue their education and stay on track to create a life beyond poverty.

**Presbyterian World Mission** - [www.presbyterianmission.org](http://www.presbyterianmission.org)  
Elmarie and Scott Parker serving in Lebanon Jed and Jenny Koball serving in Peru. Cathy Chang and Juan Lopez serving in Asia.

**Rabbis for Human Rights** – [www.Rhr.org.il/eng](http://www.Rhr.org.il/eng) Provide ordinary Israelis of all religions, ethnicities and socio-economic groups with a platform for open respectful dialogue.

**RiseMalawi Ministries** - <http://urbanpromiseinternational.org/our-ministries-malawi/malawirisemalawi> The Safe Water project includes the drilling of 65 wells. Urban Mosaic - [www.urban-mosaic.net](http://www.urban-mosaic.net) Construction of a community center that will offer trainings, classes, sports, library, daycare center, health center and faith groups.

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## ***Worship Staff***

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**Agnes W. Norfleet**, Pastor

**Rebecca Kirkpatrick**, Associate Pastor for Adult Education & Mission

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**Rachel Pedersen**, Associate Pastor for Children & Family Ministry

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