

'Blessed are
the poor in spirit,

*for theirs is
the kingdom of heaven.*

MATTHEW 5:3

***Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church***

March 10, 2019
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
First Sunday in Lent

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

Age 2 - PreK Classes

10:00 a.m., Education Building

Grades K - 3 Classes

10:00 a.m., Worship in Sanctuary
10:15 a.m., Education Building

Grades 4 - 5 Classes

Worship Together Sunday
in Sanctuary

Grades 6 -12

Youth Gathering
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., Gym
Connection Groups
10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.,
Ministries Center

One Book One Church

After Ten Years with
Dr. Victoria Barnett
11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall

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 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. Today, **Grades K-3** 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.

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GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

Kyrie eleison; Christe eleison

J.S. Bach

WELCOME

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: The season of Lent sets us on a journey.

All: The journey begins in the wilderness.

One: We follow the way of Jesus, who faced trials, trouble, temptation, and testing.

All: Like Jesus, we are not alone. The Holy Spirit is with us.

One: Our call is to trust in God alone, to do God's will in all things.

All: God's Word is on our lips.

† **HYMN 167**

Forty Days and Forty Nights

AUS DER TIEFE RUFE ICH

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

O God, you know us better than we know ourselves.

Forgive us when we fail to trust in you and
when we fall to temptation.

Forgive us when we choose our ease and comfort
over your demanding claims upon us and upon the world.

Forgive our turning from you,
when we settle for less than the abundant generosity you intend.

Forgive us, we pray, and hear us as we call to you.

Show us your salvation. In Christ's name we pray.

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 3 depart for their Sunday School classes.



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.

FIRST LESSON

Matthew 5:1-12 (*p. 4 in pew Bible*)

Andrew H. Mann, Jr.

ANTHEM

Neighbors
Sanctuary Choir

Austin Lovelace

Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you. Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, master who acts as a slave to them. Neighbors are rich and poor, black and white, nearby and far away. These are the ones we should serve, the ones we should love. All are neighbors to us and to you, Jesu. Loving puts us on our knees, serving as though we are slaves. This is the way we should live with you.

SECOND LESSON

Luke 13:10-17 (*p. 76 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit

Agnes W. Norfleet

† HYMN 509

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

HOLY MANNA

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

OFFERING

Andrew H. Mann, Jr.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Beatitudes
Sanctuary Choir

Paul Mealor

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. Blessed are the peace-makers: for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you. Amen.

*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.

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Franklyn C. Pottorff

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

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

As the bread and cup are distributed, you are invited to take the bread and cup, then pass it to your neighbor in the pew. Gluten and casein-free bread is available in the small container located on each plate.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION Selections from *First Suite* Louis Marchand

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

† **HYMN 731** Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm REPTON

† **BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE** Agnes W. Norfleet

POSTLUDE Paean Craig Phillips

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Mr. and Mrs. Thornton G. Smith

GREETING AND HOSTING

Members of our Worship Committee

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Brian Middleton

LENTEN SERMON SERIES ON THE BEATITUDES

The Beatitudes serve as a kind of charter for life in the Kingdom of God. Jesus embodies each blessing, and invites us to follow his way of life as we journey with him toward the cross.

Announcements

EASTER LILY DONATIONS DUE MARCH 31. Contributions may be given in three category listings in the Easter Sunday bulletin: “In memory of,” “In honor of,” or “In celebration of the... (marriage, retirement, birth, baptism, etc.) of.” Donation forms are available in the Ministries Center, in the back of the Sanctuary, or at www.bmpc.org. Monies received are used to provide floral decoration in BMPC and materials for the Deacons’ flower ministry. SarahMiciek@bmpc.org.

ANTI-RACISM WORK. If you want to be added to an e-mail list to receive information about the work of our BMPC Anti-Racism Taskforce and future opportunities for conversation and study on this issue, contact CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org.

ART EXHIBIT: THERAPEUTIC ARTS PROGRAM (TAP) FROM THEVILLAGE. On display through today. This colorful and moving exhibit features art of various media by children and youth benefitting from vital programs and services offered by theVillage, a BMPC mission partner. TheVillage serves as a safe haven and a caring, therapeutic center where children, youth and families affected by serious societal problems reside or participate in therapeutic programs.

INTERGENERATIONAL MISSION TRIP TO DURHAM, NC. July 14- 20. This year’s intergenerational mission trip to North Carolina includes mission-minded adults from the congregation at large, middle schoolers (grades 6-8) serving along with a parent or guardian, and high schoolers (grades 9-12). Farm Church is a Presbyterian congregation that meets on a farm and leverages the resources of that farm to address food insecurity in their local community. Register now: \$900. Full and partial scholarships available for all youth. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

CAMP KIRKWOOD. Aug. 4-10. Our annual weeklong summer camp is a sleep-away experience in the Poconos. This vibrant camp tradition is spearheaded by a caring team of BMPC staff and volunteer leaders. Camp provides an 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 supportive environment. This year’s worship theme, “I.D.R.E.A.M.,” reflects on the camp experience through the lens of our current list of core values: Inclusion, Discipleship, Responsibility, Engagement, Affirmation and Mission. Register now: \$499. Full and partial scholarships available for all youth. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

Today

CARILLON TOURS. 11:00 a.m., Choir Loft. Come see the instrument that welcomes you to worship and leads you out. Meet in the Choir Loft following the postlude to climb the tower stairs and see the bells.

ONE BOOK ONE CHURCH. 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. We welcome Dr. Victoria Barnett to lead us in a conversation on her recently published companion essay to Dietrich Bonhoeffer's *After Ten Years: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Our Times*. Coffee and refreshments will be served. Copies of *After Ten Years* available at the door for \$5.00.

CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRY COUNCIL ANNUAL PLANNING MEETING. 11:30 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 204. Help the Children and Family Ministry Council plan an exciting year of ministry with children and families at BMPC. This meeting helps us plan for the 2019-2020 program year. This is an opportunity to learn and become involved. A light lunch is provided. Register: MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

This Week

Y-GROUP MEETING. Tues., March 12, 9:15 - 11:00 a.m., Ed. Bldg. Join us for a morning of purposeful fellowship, writing cards of encouragement and preparing goody bags for middle school girls from North Philadelphia attending a career seminar at St. Raymond's School. Sarah Reiner, Ygroupbmpc@gmail.com.

LENTEN EVENING PRAYERS. Wednesdays, March 13, 20, 27, April 3, and 10. Gather in the Chapel at 7:00 p.m. for a simple service of music, prayer, scripture and silence led by the pastors.

CASSEROLE BLITZ. Sat., March 16, 8:30 a.m. Volunteers are welcome, including parents and children over the age of 4. Bring your own apron or wear clothes appropriate for kitchen work. Register: Sandie Nicholson, sandiekev@verizon.net.

Upcoming

THE THEOLOGICAL LEGACY OF BONHOEFFER. Sun., March 17, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Come hear about the theological legacy of Bonhoeffer with Dr. Katie Day, professor of Church and Society at United Lutheran Seminary.

THOMAS LLOYD'S "BONHOEFFER." Sun., March 17, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. The Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers present a groundbreaking oratorio featuring the writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Tickets: \$20 for adults; \$5 for students with ID. Reception to follow featuring the opening of the women's craft art exhibit.

Y-GROUP BOOK CLUB MEETING. Mon., March 18, 6:30 p.m., Converse House Parlor. During the season of Lent, we join together in fellowship to learn a "new" prayer practice called Praying in Color. This is a guided, creative "doodling and coloring" exercise inspired by Sybil MacBeth's work, *Praying in Color*. No artistic talent required; all materials are supplied. We discuss prayer, share prayer concerns, and practice a new tool for praying in the future. Abby Pottorff, Ygroupbmpc@gmail.com.

URBAN SUBURBAN BOOK GROUP. Tues., March 19, noon, Converse House Parlor. Discussion of *The Book Club* by Mary Alice Monroe. Bring your lunch and join the discussion with members of BMPC and Overbrook Presbyterian. Be prepared for the April 16 discussion of *After Ten Years: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Our Times* by Victoria Barnett. JoanneHanna3@comcast.net.

DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE. Tues., March 19, 1:30 p.m., Fullerton Room. We will discuss *The Lightkeeper's Daughters: A Novel*, by Jean E. Pendziwol. Set on the shores of the Great Lakes, Pendziwol tells the story of family, identity, and art involving a decades-old mystery. Light refreshments served. Eric Johnson, erichorjohnson@gmail.com.

GREAT DECISIONS. Tues., March 19, 2:30 p.m. Rosemont Presbyterian Village, Auditorium. Join us to discuss Refugees and Global Migration: How countries, including the United States, are reacting to migration. Marilyn Irwin, marirwin@aol.com.

“ANGST” DOCUMENTARY. Tues., March 19, 7:00 p.m., Main Line Reform Temple, 410 Montgomery Ave., Wynnewood. Parents of youth ages 10 and up are invited to watch this award-winning documentary on teen anxiety. A discussion facilitated by Minding Your Mind representatives follows the screening. Register: AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

BONHOEFFER: AN ECUMENICAL YOUTH PASTOR. Sun., March 24, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Bonhoeffer's extensive service as a youth pastor and his ability to form ecumenical partnerships were central to his identity and critical to his influence on the church of his day. The Rev. David B. Smith explores these formative elements of Bonhoeffer's witness and consider their relevance for the church today.

ORGAN RECITAL: DARYL ROBINSON. Sun., March 31, 2:00 p.m. Daryl Robinson has earned critical acclaim as a solo and collaborative artist, praised for his compelling performances and unique depth of interpretative skill. Daryl was winner of both First Prize and Audience Prize at the 2012 American Guild of Organists National Young Artist Competition. Tickets: \$10 for adults; \$5 for students with ID. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org.

50-YEAR MEMBER BRUNCH. Sun., April 7, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. If you joined BMPC in or before 1969, our Senior Adult Council invites you to a brunch in your honor. Family members and friends are encouraged to attend at a cost of \$8 per person; there is no charge for 50- and 50+ year members. All are welcome to celebrate and share memories. RSVP by March 28. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP. Mon., June 17 - Fri., June 21, BMPC Campus. VBC begins with a kickoff on Sun., June 16. This year, help recreate the Israelites' adventure through the wilderness. Registration is open now through June 1. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. Calling all volunteers! MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

This Week's Calendar

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call the church office, or contact communications@bmpc.org.*

Today, March 10

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
8:45 a.m. Filling the Well (for women), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 104
Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Conference Room
Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 201
Digging Deeper Bible Study, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 205
9:00 a.m. Sanctuary Choir Call Time, Sanctuary Choir Loft
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary**
Sunday School for age 2 - PreK, Ed. Bldg.
Grades 4-5 Worship Together Sunday in Sanctuary
Grades K - 3 begin worship in the Sanctuary
Youth Gathering (Grades 6 - 12), Gymnasium
10:15 a.m. Sunday School for Grades K - 3, Ed. Bldg.
10:30 a.m. Connections Groups (Grades 6-12), Ministries Center
11:00 a.m. Carillon Tours, Sanctuary Choir Loft
Cafe in the Court, Ministries Center
11:15 a.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
11:15 a.m. One Book One Church, Congregational Hall
11:30 a.m. Children & Family Ministry Council Meeting, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 204
5:00 p.m. Middle School & High School Sunday Night Fellowship, Loft

Monday, March 11

- 9:00 a.m. Lenten Labyrinth, Children's Chapel
6:00 p.m. Foundation Board Meeting, Conference Room
6:30 p.m. Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101 & 102
7:00 p.m. Discover BMPC, Fullerton Room
Peacemaking Committee Meeting, Gloucester Room

Tuesday, March 12

- 9:00 a.m. Repose Yoga, Gymnasium
Lenten Labyrinth, Children's Chapel
9:15 a.m. Y-Group Meeting, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
10:00 a.m. *Grateful: Transformative Power of Giving Thanks*
Book Discussion, Fullerton Room
10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
2:00 p.m. Parkinson's Support Group, Gloucester Room
6:45 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.
7:00 p.m. Session Meeting, Gloucester Room

Wednesday, March 13

- 9:00 a.m. Lenten Labyrinth, Children's Chapel
10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room
Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor
4:45 p.m. Wednesdays Together (grades K-5), Fine Arts Center
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
5:45 p.m. Youth Chorale (grades 6-12), Fine Arts Center
6:30 p.m. Property Committee Meeting, Conference Room
7:00 p.m. Lenten Evening Prayers, Chapel
Student Serve, Loft
Middleton Center Council Meeting, Gloucester Room
Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers - men only with orchestra, Fine Arts Center

Thursday, March 14

- 9:00 a.m. Lenten Labyrinth, Children's Chapel
9:15 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center
Boy Scouts Troop 19, Gymnasium
8:15 p.m. Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers - men only, Fine Arts Center

Friday, March 15

- 9:00 a.m. Lenten Labyrinth, Children's Chapel
4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Ed. Bldg.

Saturday, March 16

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
9:30 a.m. Bonhoeffer concert dress rehearsal, Fine Arts Center
10:00 a.m. BMPC Community Orchestra, Fine Arts Center

Sunday, March 17

- 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 12.

Worship Staff

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