



# *Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church*

November 17, 2019  
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary  
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

# WELCOME TO BMPC

## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

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

7:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Fullerton Room, Ministries Center

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

#### **Age 2 - PreK Classes**

10:00 a.m., Ministries Center

#### **Grades K - 5 Classes**

10:00 a.m., Worship in Sanctuary

10:15 a.m., Ministries Center

#### **Grades 6 -12**

10:00 a.m., Gymnasium

10:30 a.m., Connection Groups

#### **Advent Gift Market**

11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall

### **Ordination & Installation of Leigh DeVries**

4:00 p.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 coffee between 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. and join us for Coffee and Fellowship in Congregational Hall after the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

**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 Ministries Center.

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

Homage to Pachelbel  
Gentle Praise  
Tintinnabulators

arr. Michael W. Joy  
Michael W. Joy

## WELCOME

Brian K. Ballard

## † CALL TO WORSHIP

One: In the morning light, may we glimpse God's image deep within us,

**All: The threads of eternal glory woven within us.**

One: May we catch the mystery of the human community  
fashioned in God's likeness,

**All: And recall God's love for us: deeper than knowing,  
more enduring than time.**

One: Let us respond to God's call to us with our whole heart;

**All: With our whole life we worship God  
in the sanctuary of praise and adoration.**

## † HYMN 826

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

## CALL TO CONFESSION

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

Loving and Forgiving God,  
you have made all of us in your own image and likeness,  
and yet we fail to love ourselves fully.

We build barriers which divide us, one from another,  
and which deny your image and likeness in others.

Help us live as people called to follow in your way,  
who trust your power to reconcile us to you and to each other.

Show us with forgiveness, and open our hearts and hands  
to the new life of unity and peace you intend for us,  
and for the human family.

*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.*



Go now, child-ren with our blessing, to love and serve the Lord. May God  
Bless you, May God guard you, May the light of God shine u-pon you, and may  
God be gra-cious to you. May the pre-sence of God be with you. May the  
pre-sence of God be with you, and give you peace.

## FIRST LESSON

Psalm 133 (*p. 575 in pew Bible*)

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

## ANTHEM

O Taste and See  
Sanctuary Choir

Ralph Vaughan Williams

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blest are they who trust in him.

## SECOND LESSON     James 4:1, 11-12; 5:7-16 (*p. 230 in pew Bible*)     Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

*When Kindred Live in Unity*

Agnes W. Norfleet

† HYMN 693

Though I May Speak

GIFT OF LOVE

# 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;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

## 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.

## MINISTRY MOMENT

*Advent Gift Market*

Cameron Liggett

## OFFERING

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Sing to the Lord

Craig Phillips

Sanctuary Choir

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things. With his right hand and his holy arm has he won for himself the victory. The Lord has made known his victory; his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations. He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice and sing. Sing to the Lord with the harp and the voice of song. With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the King, the Lord. Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, the lands and those who dwell therein. Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth. In righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity.

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

†	<b>DOXOLOGY</b>		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 170</b>	You Walk along Our Shoreline	WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN
†	<b>BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE</b>		Agnes W. Norfleet
	<b>POSTLUDE</b>	Festival Piece	Craig Phillips

## *Worship Notes*

### **SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
Pinkie Hamilton

### **GREETING**

Members of our Sanctuary Choir

### **PLAYING THE CARILLON**

Paul McConnell and Rob Mygatt

### **BULLETIN COVER**

*Te Deum* ~ Photo by Bill Kemmerer

## Announcements

**BRYN MAWR GIVES: STEWARDSHIP 2020.** Thank you to those who have sent in their pledges! Did you know that one of the main reasons we ask for pledge commitments is so that we can best allocate those resources for the upcoming budget year? It allows us to continue to support the many mission, outreach, educational and spiritual programs we provide and partner with here at BMPC. Thank you!

**LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME?** Consider learning more about being in community here by attending our “Discover BMPC” orientation classes on Mondays, Nov. 25 and Dec. 2 at 7:00 p.m. in the Ministries Center. These two classes provide an opportunity to become acquainted, ask questions, and learn more about our church, our Presbyterian heritage, and our mission. Inquirers welcome, and childcare available with advance notice. Register online at [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations. [FranklynPottorff@bmpc.org](mailto:FranklynPottorff@bmpc.org).

**CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS.** Contributions may be given in three categories for listing in the Christmas Eve bulletin: “In memory of,” “In honor of,” or “In celebration of (marriage, retirement, birth, baptism).” Forms are available in the Ministries Center, in the back of the Sanctuary, or at [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org). Monies received are used year-round for our floral decorations and Deacons’ flower ministry. Deadline: Sun., Nov. 24.

**DO YOU LOVE BOOKS?** Volunteers are needed for the Converse House Library! Shelving, sorting, etc. can be done at whatever time suits your schedule. Kat MacMurray, [katrmac2@icloud.com](mailto:katrmac2@icloud.com).

## Today

**ADVENT GIFT MARKET.** 11:00-12:30 p.m., Congregational Hall. Join us for the opening Market Festival where representatives from the various committees and councils are available to answer questions about their chosen mission projects. AGM representatives are taking orders on successive Sundays in the gymnasium. Orders also may be placed online at <http://bit.ly/2019AdventGiftMarket>.

**CARING CORNER.** Social Worker Renee Malnak will be available to speak with church members during the Advent Gift Market Festival in Congregational Hall, and Parish Nurse Carol Cherry will offer blood pressure screenings at the Refugee Support Committee table.

**ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF OUR NEW ASSOCIATE PASTOR.** 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Leigh DeVries, Associate Pastor for Youth & Their Families, is to be ordained and installed in a special worship service. Reception follows in Congregational Hall.

## This Week

**URBAN SUBURBAN BOOK GROUP.** Tues., Nov. 19, noon, Converse House Parlor. Discussion of *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. [JoanneHanna3@comcast.net](mailto:JoanneHanna3@comcast.net).

**DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE.** Tues., Nov. 19, 2:00-4:00 p.m., Converse House Parlor. Please note new time and location. Join us as we discuss this award-winning novel, *The Remains of the Day*, by Nobel Prize winner Kazuo Ishiguro. Light refreshments served. Ericthorjohnson@gmail.com.

**GREAT DECISIONS.** Tues., Nov. 19, 2:30 p.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Entertainment Center. Discuss the war on drugs, immigration, and trade issues that have pressured the United States and Mexico Partnership. Marilyn Irwin, marirwin@aol.com.

**FAMILY FUN FRIDAY.** Fri., Nov. 22, 5:30 p.m., Congregational Hall. Families are invited to a showing of “The Polar Express” and a pizza dinner. Children may wear pajamas and bring blankets. If you prefer gluten-free pizza, please let us know when you respond. Suggested donation: \$5 per person or \$20 cap per family. Register: MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

## *Next Sunday*

**EVERYTHING YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT RELIGION BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK.** Sun., Nov. 24, 11:15 a.m., Chapel. The Rev. Dr. Paul MacMurray leads an informal conversation on the basics of Christian theology, the Bible and tradition, based on questions that participants bring to the class.

## *Upcoming*

**ANNUAL THANKSGIVING PANCAKE BREAKFAST.** Thurs., Nov. 28, 8:30-11:30 a.m., Congregational Hall. Join us for “Pancakes for a Purpose,” and enjoy fellowship and food at this annual event. All proceeds (\$5 per person) support the youth mission projects and trips.

**ADVENT CRAFT WORKSHOP.** Sun., Dec. 1, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Families are invited to a festive event to create craft projects that help prepare for the Advent season. Join us for hands-on fun and fellowship for all ages! MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

**THE PROPHETS IN ADVENT.** Sundays, Dec. 1-15, 11:15 a.m., Chapel. Dr. Tim Horner, Assistant Professor of Center for Peace and Justice Education at Villanova University, offers three classes on the Season of Advent and how the prophets called for justice then and now.

**ADVENT HARPSICORD RECITALS.** Tuesdays, Dec. 3, 10 and 17, 12:00 p.m. Temple University harpsichord students Silvanio Reis and Anna Kislitsyna, and their professor, Joyce Lindorff, perform 30-minute recitals on BMPC’s William Dowd Memorial Harpsichord. A free-will offering supports the Village, one of BMPC’s mission partners making great strides to promote the healing of the spirits of children, families, and communities broken by violence, neglect, addiction, poverty, mental illness, racism, and other serious societal problems.

**EVENINGS OF QUIET PRAYER.** Wednesdays, Dec. 4 and 11, 6:00-6:45 p.m, the Middleton Center, Rm. 202, second floor of Converse House. Join us for two evenings of gentle prayer, candlelight and thoughtful conversation. Patricia Danzon, spiritual director, along with the Rev. Brian Ballard and Deacon David Heaton, facilitate prayers, readings, contemplative music and a time of sharing. BBallard@bmpc.org.

**BIBLE FROM SCRATCH.** Thurs., Dec. 5, 7:00 p.m., Loft. Led by the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick. If you're ready to think about scripture in new and creative ways, this class is for you.

**GATHERING OF MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS.** Sun., Dec. 8, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. The BMPC Mission Council invites all medical professionals, including those who are retired, for a brainstorming session on how the church might engage in medical mission and outreach to our local community. This is part of a larger conversation on what mission and outreach might look like in our newly-renovated spaces. A light lunch follows. Please RSVP to CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org to confirm attendance.

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT: MAGNIFICAT.** Sun., Dec. 8, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Celebrate the Christmas season with all BMPC choirs, accompanied by the Brandywine Brass. This concert also features works by Anton Bruckner, Paul Halley, Gerald Finzi, Franz Biebl, Elizabeth Poston, William Dawson as well as congregational carol singing. A free-will offering supports Prevention Point Philadelphia, a nonprofit organization working to fight the opioid crisis by providing harm-reduction services in the Philadelphia area.

**PRIME TIME ADVENT PARTY FOR SINGLES AND COUPLES AGE 50+.** Sun., Dec. 8, 6:00-8:00 p.m., New location: Merion Tribute House (directions to be mailed). Register by Dec. 4 online at [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations or with a check for \$18 per person that includes heavy hors d'oeuvres and beverages. attn: Monica Devane.

## ***Caring & Sharing***

**TURKEY AND HAM COLLECTION.** Frozen turkeys and hams may be contributed for distribution by the Hunger Committee during November. Freezer is located next to the food cupboard near the elevators in the Ministries Center.

**CHRISTMAS ANGELS.** Share the spirit of Christmas by adopting a family or sponsoring a child (five to eight gifts per child). To contact Betty Wu: [bmpcangels@gmail.com](mailto:bmpcangels@gmail.com), stop by the Angel Trees in the Ministries Center, or sign up online: <http://bit.ly/2019BMPCAngels>. Gifts are due by Sun., Dec. 8.

**CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING.** Supporting past, present and future leaders! A Presbyterian tradition since the 1930s, this Offering distributes gifts equally to the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions and to Presbyterian-related schools and colleges that serve communities of color. The Assistance Program provides critical financial support to church workers and their families. Look for offering envelopes in the pew holders on Dec. 15 and 22, or note “Christmas Joy” on the memo line of your check.

**FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED.** Donations have been *low*, and the need is *great*. Place donations in baskets in the Narthex or in the food cupboard in the hallway next to the elevators in the Ministries Center. Financial donations may be made using Hunger Envelopes in the pew holders or by noting “Hunger” on the memo line of your check.

## **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, November 17**

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare, Fullerton Room
- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
- 8:45 a.m. Digging Deeper, Main Line Adult Day Center, First Floor Living Room  
Filling the Well, Converse House Parlor  
Art @ 9, Conference Room
- 10:00 a.m. **Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary**  
Sunday School for age 2, Gloucester Room  
Sunday School for age 3, Witherspoon Parlor  
Sunday School for Pre-K, Middleton Center, Rm. 200  
Grades K - 5 Begin Worship in the Sanctuary  
Youth Gathering (Grades 6-12), Gymnasium
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School for Grade K, Middleton Center, Rm. 202  
Sunday School for Grades 1 & 2, Congregational Hall  
Sunday School for Grade 3, Middleton Center, Rm. 301  
Sunday School for Grades 4-5, Converse House Parlor
- 10:30 a.m. Grades 6 & 7 Connection Group, Main Line Adult Day Center  
Grade 8 Confirmation, Loft  
Grades 9 & 10 Connection Group, Gymnasium Stage  
Grades 11 & 12 Connection Group, Pastors’ Conference Room
- 11:00 a.m. Advent Gift Market, Congregational Hall
- 4:00 p.m. **Ordination & Installation of Leigh Devries, Sanctuary**

### **Monday, November 18**

- 6:00 p.m. IT Committee Meeting, Converse House Parlor

## **Tuesday, November 19**

- 9:00 a.m. Repose Yoga, Gymnasium  
10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium  
12:00 p.m. Urban Suburban Book Group, Converse House Parlor  
1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium  
2:00 p.m. Dimensions in Literature, Converse House Parlor  
2:30 p.m. Great Decisions, Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom  
6:45 p.m. Tutoring, Congregational Hall

## **Wednesday, November 20**

- 8:00 a.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting, Converse House Parlor  
10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Congregational Hall  
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  
7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft  
Outreach Committee Meeting, Event is Off Campus

## **Thursday, November 21**

- 9:15 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium  
9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center  
10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Fine Arts Center  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium  
Hunger Committee Meeting, Converse House Parlor  
Sanctuary Choir and Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Fine Arts Center

## **Friday, November 22**

- 4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Gloucester Room and Witherspoon Parlor  
5:30 p.m. Family Fun Friday: "The Polar Express," Congregational Hall

## **Saturday, November 23**

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Mens' Group, Converse House Parlor  
10:00 a.m. Searching for Still Waters Bereavement Group, Middleton Center, Rm. 202

## **Sunday, November 24**

- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**  
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary**  
The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick will preach.  
Sunday School for age 2 - Grade 12.

## Renovations Update

**DAYTIME Traffic Patterns:** Each weekday from 7:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., the driveway between the Chapel and the Sanctuary will be *one way*, with cars exiting onto Montgomery Avenue. This adjustment allows for the safe movement of children from the Weekday School during drop-off and pick-up. Please use the driveway between the Ministries Center and the Sanctuary to enter the campus from Montgomery Avenue during these weekday hours.

For more renovation updates, please visit us at:  
[www.bmpc.org/welcome/renovation-updates](http://www.bmpc.org/welcome/renovation-updates)

*This box will be updated regularly to keep you informed about how the renovation process is impacting our ministries and programs.*



## Worship Staff

**Agnes W. Norfleet**, Pastor

**Brian K. Ballard**, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care & Senior Adults

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