



Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

February 16, 2020
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Sixth 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

Coffee & Fellowship

11:00 a.m., Gymnasium

The Basics of Islam

11:15 a.m., Chapel

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 the Gymnasium 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

Bless the Lord, Oh My Soul

J.S. Bach

WELCOME

Rachel Pedersen

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Happy are those who walk in the way of the Lord,

All: Who seek after God with their whole heart.

One: We are called to keep God's precepts and directions;

All: Our eyes are fixed on all God's commandments.

One: Sing praises with an upright heart.

All: Let us learn the ways of God together.

† **HYMN 32**

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

ELLACOMBE

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

Holy God, we confess that we bow down before other gods;
we have turned our hearts away from you.

We have worshiped you with our lips,
but have dishonored you with our actions.

We have prayed for you to end the suffering in our world,
yet we have not practiced compassion and generosity toward others.

Our religion has become the source of quarreling and division
rather than a testimony to your grace.

Our worship of these other gods disorders our love of you and each other.

Forgive us, gracious God;

mend what is broken, that we may be one with you.

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 Deuteronomy 30:15-20 (*p. 186 in pew Bible*) Franklyn C. Pottorff

ANTHEM

Surge Illuminare
Sanctuary Choir

William Byrd

Shine forth in splendor, arise, Jerusalem, for thy light hath now appeared; the glory of God the Lord over thee hath arisen. Alleluia.

SECOND LESSON 1 Corinthians 3:1-9 (*p. 167 in pew Bible*) Brian K. Ballard

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

The Truth of Fact, The Truth of Feeling

Brian K. Ballard

† HYMN 688

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

MORECAMBE

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*in unison*)

Franklyn C. Pottorff

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ
has set the pattern for the church's mission.
Jesus' human life involves the church in the common life of all people.
Jesus' service to men and women
commits the church to work for every form of human well-being.
Jesus' suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering
so that it sees the face of Christ
in the faces of persons in every kind of need.
In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of His coming,
the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society
and of God's victory over all wrong.

~ from *The Confession of 1967*

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

My Song in the Night
Sanctuary Choir

Paul Christiansen

O Jesus My Savior, my song in the night, Come to us with Thy tender love,
my souls' delight. Unto Thee, O Lord in affliction I call, my comfort by day
and my song in the night. O why should I wander, an alien from Thee, or cry
in the desert Thy face to see, my comfort and joy, my soul's delight, O Jesus
Savior, my song in the night.

*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

† **HYMN 321**

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

† **BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE**

Brian K. Ballard

POSTLUDE

Prelude in a-minor

J.S. Bach

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Stephen Paul McConnell, DDS

GREETING AND HOSTING

Members of our Environmental Justice Committee

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Rob Mygatt

BULLETIN COVER

Sanctuary photograph by Dave Tavani

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"I am the resurrection and the life."

Alice L. Hansen ~ February 10, 2020

Announcements

LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME? Consider learning more about being in community here by attending our “Discover BMPC” orientation classes on Mondays, March 2 and March 16, 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: www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. FranklynPottorff@bmpc.org.

ADULT LEADERS NEEDED FOR TUESDAY TUTORING PROGRAM. Tuesdays through April, 6:45-8:00 p.m., Ministries Center. TutoringTuesday@gmail.com.

Today

THE BASICS OF THE ISLAMIC FAITH. 11:15 a.m., Chapel. Asheq Fazlullah, Islamic Chaplain at Villanova University and leader of interfaith initiatives in the Philadelphia area, introduces us to the basics of Islam as we seek to better understand our neighbors and connections among the world's religions.

THE REV DR. AGNES W. NORFLEET is serving as guest preacher at Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church in the City of New York today.

This Week

URBAN SUBURBAN BOOK GROUP. Tues., Feb. 18, noon, Converse House Parlor. Discussion of *Another Brooklyn* by Jacqueline Woodson. joannehanna3@comcast.net.

DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE. Tues., Feb. 18, 2:00 p.m., Converse House Parlor. Discussion of *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles, the story of a Russian aristocrat living under house arrest in a luxury hotel for more than 30 years. EricThorJohnson@gmail.com.

CASSEROLE BLITZ. Sat., Feb. 22, 8:30-10:30 a.m., Ministries Center Kitchen. Family-friendly event preparing casseroles for area food shelters (children must be at least four years old). RSVP: Sandie Nicholson, sandiekev@verizon.net.

Next Sunday

DIGGING DEEPER. Sundays, Feb. 23, March 1-29, 8:45 a.m., Main Line Adult Day Center Living Room. Eugene H. Peterson's book, *Eat This Book: A Conversation on the Art of Spiritual Reading*, will guide our conversations this winter as we consider that our approach to reading the Bible is just as important as what we encounter within it. The Rev. Franklyn Pottorff leads this class, and the book is available directly from him. Barbie Heaton, barbhheaton@gmail.com.

CARILLON TOUR. Sun., Feb. 23, 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.

THE PASTORAL CARE OF JOHN CALVIN. Sun., Feb. 23, 11:15 a.m., Chapel. Before he was a theologian or reformer, John Calvin was first and foremost a pastor. The Rev. Brian Ballard explores some of Calvin's letters and sermons to observe Calvin as a pastoral caregiver to those whom God entrusted to him.

GATHERING OF EDUCATION PROFESSIONALS. Sun., Feb. 23, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Our Mission Council invites education professionals, including those who are retired or currently not working in education, for a brainstorming session on how BMPC might engage in education-based mission and outreach within the community in our newly-renovated spaces. A light lunch will be served. RSVP to CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org if you are attending.

YOUTH SABBATH. Sun., Feb. 23, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Loft. Come join us for an evening of fellowship over dinner, followed by a discussion led by Youth Music Director Timothy Wotring about resting in God in the midst of our busy lives.

Season of Lent

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

5:30 p.m. Family Service in the Chapel with Imposition of Ashes.
The Rev. Rachel Pedersen preaching.

5:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner served in Congregational Hall.
Cost: \$8/adults, \$5/students and children. All welcome.

7:30 p.m. Service in the Chapel with Imposition of Ashes.
The Rev. Franklyn C. Pottorff preaching.

LABYRINTH. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, the small Story Path labyrinth is available for walking and quiet reflection in the Chapel weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

LENTEN EVENING PRAYERS. Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 1. Gather in the Chapel at 7:00 p.m. for a simple service of music, prayer, scripture and silence led by the pastors.

LENTEN CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA CONCERT. Sun., March 8, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. The BMPC Sanctuary Choir, Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, soloists, and The Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia will present works of Francis Poulenc, Maurice Duruflé, Arthur Honegger, and Lili Boulanger. Fifty percent of the free-will offering collected supports 12Plus, an organization that empowers students in underserved communities to succeed in education beyond 12th grade.

Upcoming

SHABBAT WITH YOUSEF BASHIR. Fri., Feb. 28, 8:00 p.m., Main Line Reform Temple, Wynnewood. Main Line Reform presents Shabbat with Yousef Bashir, author of *The Words of My Father: Love and Pain in Palestine*. After being shot by an Israeli soldier, Bashir, a Palestinian-American from the Gaza Strip, was saved by Israeli doctors. Learn about the ongoing Middle East conflict from this highly-respected author and advocate of Israeli-Palestinian peace.

CAMPUS RENOVATION PRESENTATION. Sun., March 1, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Join members of the Capital Campaign Continuation Committee, Renovation Committee and Voith & Mactavish Architects for a presentation outlining the progress of the Education Building renovations and upcoming plans for the renovation of the Ministries Center.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH LOCK-IN (GRADES 6-8). Fri., March 6, 5:00 p.m. - Sat., March 7, 9:00 a.m., Gymnasium. Cost: \$25, with scholarships available. Join other middle schoolers and adult leaders for an overnight event with games, fellowship and overall ridiculous shenanigans! Register: MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

THE REV. DEANNA HOLLAS, GUN VIOLENCE MINISTRY COORDINATOR. Sun., March 8, 11:15 a.m., Chapel. Rev. Hollas is the first pastor in the United States to be ordained specifically for the work of gun violence prevention. She shares the work that Presbyterians are doing around the country concerning this issue and helps us consider the work our congregation may be called to do in the future to prevent gun violence.

GETTING YOUR AFFAIRS IN ORDER. Sat., March 14, 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Congregational Hall. Join a panel of professionals to discuss end-of-life decision making. Notary and other resources are available. It is not too early to begin this process, and all are welcome to attend this free event. Reservations requested. KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org.

Save the Date

BMPC GOES TO BROADWAY: “TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD.” *Low ticket alert!* Wed., May 13, 8:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Join us for a matinee performance of Harper Lee’s Pulitzer Prize-winning play, “To Kill a Mockingbird,” in a new adaptation by Aaron Sorkin. Bus leaves parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and returns at approximately 6:30 p.m. \$100 includes ticket, snacks, driver tip; lunch on your own in NYC. Register online: www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations or mail a check payable to BMPC, attn: Amy Bauer.

Summer Programming

KIRKWOOD PLUNGE. June 12-14. This summer we are offering for the first time ever a Kirkwood Plunge event where rising fifth to rising seventh graders, along with their parents, can experience a weekend of worship, play and service at Camp Kirkwood! Pricing: \$150 per participant; \$250 maximum per family. Scholarships available. Register online: www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

YOUTH IMMERSION TRIP TO MEXICO CITY, MEXICO. July 12-18. Open to ninth to 12th graders. This immersion trip is a weeklong experience of engaging in the life of another, that one may be transformed to better understand and love self, creation (including humans), and God. Tiered pricing: \$999; \$1,250; \$1,500 with scholarships available. Registration deadline: April 6. Sign up online: www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

CAMP KIRKWOOD. Aug. 2-8. Rising sixth to rising 12th graders. Our annual weeklong summer camp is a sleep-away experience in the Poconos! 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 safe and supportive environment. Tiered pricing: \$350; \$400; \$550 with scholarships available. Register online: www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

Caring & Sharing

DONATE TO HUNGER COMMITTEE. Financial donations are used to purchase food for our monthly casserole blitzes and to fund area food shelters. Use the white Hunger envelopes in the pew holders or note “Hunger” on the memo line of your check.

UPCOMING SERVICE DAY. Sat., March 28, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Habitat at Oxford Green in Philadelphia. Register online: www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations.

This Week’s Calendar

***For more information, visit our website at www.bmpc.org,
call the church office, or contact communications@bmpc.org.***

Today, February 16

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare, Fullerton Room
- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
- 8:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Congregational Hall
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, Ministries Center
- 11:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship, Gymnasium
- 11:15 a.m. The Basics of Islam, Chapel
- 11:30 a.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
- 2:00 p.m. Officer Training, Converse House Parlor

Monday, February 17

No scheduled activities.

Tuesday, February 18

- 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
- 6:45 p.m. Tutoring, Congregational Hall

Wednesday, February 19

- 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
Child & Youth Protection Training, Converse House Parlor
Trustee Meeting, Fine Arts Center

Thursday, February 20

- 9:15 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
- 9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
- 10:00 a.m. Book Study - *Learning to Walk in the Dark*, Converse House Parlor
Artists' Gathering, Fine Arts Center
- 1:00 p.m. **Alice L. Hansen Memorial Service, Chapel**
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
Hunger Committee Meeting, Congregational Hall
Sanctuary Choir and Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Fine Arts Center

Friday, February 21

- 4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Gloucester Room and Witherspoon Parlor

Saturday, February 22

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Mens' Group, Converse House Parlor
- 8:30 a.m. Casserole Blitz, Congregational Hall
- 10:00 a.m. Searching for Still Waters Bereavement Group, Middleton Center, Rm. 202

Sunday, February 23

- 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.

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

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



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