



# ***Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church***

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February 23, 2020  
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary  
Transfiguration of the Lord

# 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

### **Education**

### **Professionals Gathering**

11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall

### **The Pastoral Care of John Calvin**

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

Fairest Lord Jesus  
Tintinnabulators

arr. Bill Ingram

## WELCOME

Franklyn C. Pottorff

## † CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The glory of God transfigures the everyday!

**All: The light of God transfigures familiar faces!**

One: At the heights of our worship, may God's  
Presence shine through the commonplace.

**All: At the depths of our pain and struggle, may God's  
Presence give us courage and peace.**

One: May God's light, shining in the face of Christ, illumine all our days.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## † HYMN 189

O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair

DEO GRACIAS

## CALL TO CONFESSION

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

Glorious God, it is good to be here with you – in the comfort of this sanctuary,  
among friends, assured of your grace and love for us.

How tempted we are to abide in what feels safe and familiar.

How hesitant we are to venture forth into the unknown.

As Christ turned his eyes from the mountaintop to the valley,  
turn our eyes toward places we shudder to go –

places where people struggle with brokenness and pain,  
dark places where we might bear your love and light.

Transfigure us, so we might represent your kingdom well.

Until the new day dawns and the morning star rises in our hearts,  
sustain us by your presence and your power.

*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

Leigh DeVries

## 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

Exodus 24:12-18 (*p. 70 in pew Bible*)

Brian K. Ballard

## ANTHEM

O Nata Lux  
Sanctuary Choir

Morten Lauridsen

O born light of light, Jesus, redeemer of the world, mercifully deem worthy and accept the praises and prayers of your supplicants. Thou who once deigned to be clothed in flesh for the sake of the lost ones, grant us to be made members of your holy body.

## SECOND LESSON

Matthew 17:1-9 (*p. 18 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

**One:** The Word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

## SERMON

*Overwhelmed*

Agnes W. Norfleet

† HYMN 156

Sing of God Made Manifest

SALZBURG



# RESPONSE TO THE WORD

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

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.  
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:  
preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,  
teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,  
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,  
eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,  
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.  
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,  
Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain  
and giving his life for the sins of the world.  
God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life,  
breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

~ from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

## 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

Transfiguration  
Sanctuary Choir

Craig Phillips

O burning mountain, O chosen sun, O perfect moon, O fathomless well, O unattainable height, O unattainable light, O clearness beyond all measure, O wisdom without end, O mercy without all limit, O strength beyond resistance, O crown of all majesty, all creation humbly sings your praise: Bright stars, high mountains, depths of the seas, rushing waters, all these break into song at heaven's proclamation: This is my Son, my beloved, My chosen One. Alleluia!

*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.

† *Please stand, if able.*

† **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Brian K. Ballard

† **HYMN 190**

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

GENEVA

† **BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE**

Agnes W. Norfleet

**POSTLUDE**

Litanies

Jehan Alain

## **Worship Notes**

### **SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
Dr. Agnes W. Barksdale

### **GREETING AND HOSTING**

Members of Session

### **PLAYING THE CARILLON**

Jonathan Jones

### **BULLETIN COVER**

Sanctuary photograph by Dave Tavani

## **Announcement**

**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](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations. [FranklynPottorff@bmpc.org](mailto:FranklynPottorff@bmpc.org).

## **Today**

**DIGGING DEEPER.** Today and Sundays, 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 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](mailto:barbhheaton@gmail.com).

**FILLING THE WELL.** Sundays at 8:45 a.m., Converse House Parlor. New study begins today on Lori Erickson’s *Near the Exit*. Led by the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick, class is sponsored by the BMPC Presbyterian Women and is open to women of all ages. [PeggyHerman@hotmail.com](mailto:PeggyHerman@hotmail.com).

**CARILLON TOUR.** 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.** 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.** 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.

**YOUTH SABBATH.** 6:00-7:30 p.m., Loft. 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.

## ***This Week***

### **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.

**BIBLE FROM SCRATCH.** Thurs., Feb. 27, 7:00 p.m., Loft. Led by the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick, we explore both the basic content and interpretive practices of reading and following scripture.

**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.

## ***Next Sunday***

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

## ***Season of Lent***

**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 progress and succeed in education beyond 12th grade.



## **Upcoming**

**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 online: [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations. [MaryRichards@bmpc.org](mailto: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](mailto:KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org).

**THE GEOGRAPHY OF THE GOSPELS.** Sun., March 15, 11:15 a.m., Chapel. Dr. Joshua Yoder guides us through the itinerant ministry of Jesus Christ as described in the four Gospels. Learn more about the religious and political significance of the places Jesus visited, with a special focus on locations that our choir will explore on their Middle East tour this summer.

## **Summer Youth 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](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations. [MaryRichards@bmpc.org](mailto: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, so 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](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations. [MaryRichards@bmpc.org](mailto: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](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations. [MaryRichards@bmpc.org](mailto:MaryRichards@bmpc.org).

## **Caring & Sharing**

**HOW MUCH DOES A MONTHLY CASSEROLE BLITZ COST?** The Hunger Committee and numerous volunteers prepare the casseroles which cost approximately \$1,200 each month. If you are unable to volunteer, perhaps you could contribute to help cover the cost of the supplies! Use the white envelopes in the pew holders or mark "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](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations.

## **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, February 23**

- 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 Care  
Filling the Well, Converse House Parlor  
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  
Carillon Tour, Sanctuary Choir Loft  
11:15 a.m. The Pastoral Care of John Calvin, Chapel  
Education Professionals Gathering, Congregational Hall  
2:00 p.m. Officer Training, Converse House Parlor  
6:00 p.m. Youth Sabbath (Grades 6-12), Loft

### **Monday, February 24**

*No scheduled activities.*

## **Tuesday, February 25**

- 9:00 a.m. Repose Yoga, Gymnasium
- 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
- 1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
- 2:30 p.m. Parkinson's Support Group, Congregational Hall
- 6:45 p.m. Tutoring, Congregational Hall

## **Wednesday, February 26**

- 8:00 a.m. Lenten Labyrinth, Children's Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Congregational Hall
- Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor
- 5:30 p.m. **Ash Wednesday Worship, Chapel**
- Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft
- 7:30 p.m. **Ash Wednesday Worship, Chapel**

## **Thursday, February 27**

- 8:00 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. Book Study - *Learning to Walk in the Dark*, Converse House Parlor
- Artists' Gathering, Fine Arts Center
- 7:00 p.m. Bible from Scratch, Loft
- Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
- Sanctuary Choir and Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Fine Arts Center

## **Friday, February 28**

- 8:00 a.m. Lenten Labyrinth, Children's Chapel
- 4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Gloucester Room and Witherspoon Parlor

## **Saturday, February 29**

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 8:00 a.m. Lenten Labyrinth, Children's Chapel

## **Sunday, March 1**

- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
- 10:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Children's Choir, Youth Chorale, and Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Sanctuary**
- The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
- Worship Together Sunday for Children & Youth in Grades 3 - 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

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