

Sunday, October 4, 2020

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

We gather around your word and at your table, O God, with Christians from around the world today. You call us to be one body, united by one faith, one Lord, one baptism. And yet we are a fractured church amid a broken world. We cannot see beyond differences that divide us, and we tear one another down instead of building each other up. Even while we are apart from one another, knead us together as into one loaf. Fill our cups to overflow with love. Unite us in mission and service so that we may be instruments of your peace in the world, as followers of Jesus Christ, your gift to the world you so love. Amen.

HYMN 317

In Christ There is No East or West

MC KEE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 1:26-2:3

Agnes W. Norfleet

SERMON

Coming to the Table – The Countercultural Vision of the Bible
World Communion Sunday 2020

Jean-Luc Krieg

ANTHEM

Salmo 150
Sanctuary Choir Staff Singers

Ernani Aguiar

Praise the Lord in his sacred places, praise him in the firmament of his power. Praise him for his mighty acts, praise him according to his excellent greatness. Praise him with the sound of the trumpet, praise him with the psaltery and the harp. Praise him with the timbrel and the dance, praise him with strings and pipes. Praise him with high-sounding cymbals, praise him with cymbals of joy. Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

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
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

HYMN 499	Bread of the World in Mercy Broken	RENDEZ A DIEU
BENEDICTION		Agnes W. Norfleet
POSTLUDE	Fanfare on In Christ there is No East or West	Matthew H. Corl

Announcement

GUEST PREACHER JEAN-LUC KRIEG, URBAN MOSAIC. On World Communion Sun., Oct. 4, we welcome Jean-Luc Krieg, founding director of Urban Mosaic. BMPC has partnered with Urban Mosaic since 2015 when the organization received the Richard Shaul Award for Mission to help support their work of building up communities and especially community leaders in the urban slum communities around Mexico City. Since 2015 three delegations of adults and youth from our church have traveled to learn and serve in partnership with Urban Mosaic. On this World Communion Sunday, we give thanks for the ways that our partnerships in mission allow us to be active participants in the global Church. For more information on Urban Mosaic, [click here](#).

This Sunday

PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING. This Offering enables the Presbyterian Church to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of conflict and injustice across the world. As a congregation, we keep 25 percent of this Offering to support the work of our Peacemaking Committee and their partnership with Mothers In Charge, a support community for women who have lost children to gun violence. The remaining funds are used by the PC (USA) to advocate for peace and justice in cultures of violence, including our own, through collaborative projects of education and Christian witness. Give [online](#) or mail a check to BMPC with Peace and Global Witness Offering noted on the memo line.

SUNDAY DISCUSSION GROUP. 9:00 a.m., via Zoom conference call. A discussion of *In His Steps* by Charles Monroe Sheldon led by the Rev. Dr. Paul MacMurray. [Click here](#) for more information about the class. For the Zoom link, contact [Rebecca Kirkpatrick](#).

FILLING THE WELL. 9:00 a.m., via Zoom conference call. This Sunday class for women is a space for conversation, learning and mutual support. This fall we are discussing the Enneagram, a personality typology that helps us consider not just our actions but the motivations behind them. [Click here](#) for more information about the class. For the Zoom link, contact [Rebecca Kirkpatrick](#).

DIGGING DEEPER. Begins Sun., Oct. 4, 9:00 a.m. Six-week study of *The Power of God and the gods of Power* by Daniel L. Migliore. Contact the [Rev. Franklyn Pottorff](#) for the book.

JEWISH JESUS TO GENTILE CHURCH: THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHRISTIAN IDENTITY. Sundays through Oct. 11, 11:15 a.m. via Zoom conference call. Join Dr. Joshua Yoder in an exploration of the so-called “parting of the ways” between Judaism and Christianity through the first and second centuries. For a full description of the class, helpful class resources, and the Zoom link, [click here](#).

FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE. Sundays through Nov. 1, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary Lawn. Wearing masks and practicing physical distancing, this 30-minute worship service is designed families to participate in worship together. Be sure to bring a blanket to sit on. *We will announce by 2:00 p.m. if the service is cancelled due to inclement weather.*

This Week

CHAPEL OPEN TO MEMBERS FOR INDIVIDUAL PRAYER. BMPC members are welcome to pray silently in the Chapel on Tuesdays from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. and Thursdays from 2:00 - 5:30 p.m. The organ will be played by Music and Fine Arts staff on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. You are invited to sign in, leaving your contact information. Prayer guides are available to lead your devotion and to mark your seat as occupied when you leave. Masks and social distancing required!

YOGA CLASSES RESUME. Yoga is still accessible and more important than ever! Karen Gagnier is offering her BMPC donation class again, but outdoors. Classes continue on Tues., Oct. 6 at 9:30 a.m. at Maybrook Mansion, [325 Penn Rd., Wynnewood](#). This class will continue to support BMPC's Hunger Ministries. If an outdoor session is not for you, on-demand classes are available at [Movementrxstudio.com](#). Contact [Karen](#) or 610-952-0622.

TAI CHI CLASSES BEGIN. Improve your balance, regain serenity, join friends! Class meets virtually every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. via Zoom. For information and to sign up, contact Rich McKenzie, teacher at BMPC for 16 years, at rmcktaichi@yahoo.com or 610-873-0604.

FACEBOOK LIVE CONCERT SERIES. Join us as we broadcast live concerts via [BMPC's Facebook page](#) on Tuesdays at noon beginning on Oct. 6. The first concert features Jeffrey Brillhart, harpsichord, with Elizabeth Thompson and Branson Yeast, cello. [Stephanie Speakman](#).

RACIAL JUSTICE VIGIL. Wed., Oct. 7, 4:45-5:45 p.m., BMPC Front Lawn. Our wider interfaith community is gathering weekly to raise our voices as advocates for racial justice. BMPC is hosting the Oct. 7 vigil which begins and ends with prayer. In between, we will stand for about 30 minutes along Montgomery Avenue, holding signs and publicly showing our desire for racial justice. Please bring handheld signs with peaceful messages advocating for racial justice. You are welcome to bring a chair if you need one. *Masks must be worn and friendly social distancing must be maintained during the vigil.*

FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP. Every Friday beginning Sept. 18 at 11:00 a.m., via Zoom conference call. All senior adults are invited to this time of informal fellowship and conversation. The format will be similar to the fellowship hour following worship. You will be able to catch up with old friends and meet new ones. Stay for a few minutes or for the entire hour, whatever works best with your schedule. For the Zoom link, contact [Brian Ballard](#).

Next Sunday

FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE AND BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS. Front Lawn. Wearing masks and practicing physical distancing, all are welcome to bring family pets to receive a blessing at this service. Be sure to bring a blanket or chair to sit on. *We will announce by 2:00 p.m. if the service is cancelled due to inclement weather.*

Upcoming

FLU SHOTS. Wed., Oct. 14, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., BMPC Campus. Main Line Health is providing flu shots for anyone age 19 and older. The high-dose vaccine for seniors will not be offered. Masks are required, and physical distancing will be in effect. **Registration required.** Contact [Carol Cherry](#) who will assign you a timeslot.

HOLY LEISURE. Fri., Oct. 16, 6:00 p.m., via Zoom conference call. Speaker: Debra Sutton, PhD, MDiv, MFT. Topic: What is a fun event that starts with G? Game Night! A night of laughter, lists, and leisure. RSVP by Oct. 13 to Janet White, JanetW298@verizon.net.

MAIN LINE HISTORY THROUGH AN ANTI-RACIST LENS. Sun., Oct. 18, 2:00 p.m., via Zoom conference call. First session: The Story of Enslaved People on the Main Line. Executive Director Bruce Gill of Harriton House shares the history and legacy of one of the northern most slave plantations in the United States.

Second session: The Great Migration and the Main Line. Sun., Oct. 25, 2:00 p.m. Craig Bailey, Villanova historian, discusses the stories and history of the local African American community on the Main Line. These webinars are presented in partnership with Bethel AME Church of Ardmore. For information on both webinars, including the Zoom links, click [here](#).

Caring and Sharing

BMPC HUNGER FUND. BMPC Hunger Ministries have continued supporting local food pantries throughout the pandemic, thanks to the generosity of our members. We know the need to support the food insecure in Greater Philadelphia will continue for months and years to come. Please give today via our [online giving page](#) or mail a check to BMPC, 625 Montgomery Ave., Bryn Mawr, PA 19010, with Hunger Fund written on the memo line of your check.