

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Sunday, October 31, 2021 | 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Dedication and Reformation Sunday



WELCOME

NEW HERE?

We are pleased that you are joining us as we worship God this morning. We invite you to introduce yourself to one of our pastors outside the Sanctuary doors following the Worship Service. All of our programs, ministries, and opportunities for mission are open to everyone. Come join us!

COVID-19 GUIDELINES

Given the rise in cases due to the Delta variant, masks are now required for both fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people inside church buildings. Masks are not required for outdoor spaces. Please maintain physical distance inside, and be mindful that we are an intergenerational community and that COVID vaccines are not available to children under 12 at this time.

LIVESTREAMED CHURCH SERVICES

In addition to in-person worship, the Sunday Worship Services are available to watch live at 10:00 a.m. on our live-streaming page: www.bmpc.org/livestream. For your convenience, the service also will be posted on our Worship Services page on the following day.

CHILDCARE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Childcare is available on Sundays from 8:00 a.m. to noon for children ages six months and older. See Sunday School class information on this page. Please contact Pastor Rachel, RachelPedersen@bmpc.org or Childcare Coordinator Rebecca Kellich at childcare@bmpc.org with any questions.

WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER

Subscribe to our BMPC eNews by visiting our website: www.bmpc.org.

Today's Schedule

Childcare

8:00 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102

10:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

Sunday School

Ages 2 to Grade 5
10:00 a.m., Ed. Bldg.

Youth Gathering & Confirmation Class

10:00 a.m., Foerderer House

Lemonade on the Lawn

11:00 a.m., Ed. Bldg. Lawn

Playground Fellowship

11:00 a.m., Playground

Update on the BMPC Sanctuary Choir Tour

11:15 a.m., Sanctuary

In case of rain, signs will direct you to an alternate location.

SUNG RESPONSE

Take, O Take Me As I Am

Take, O take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall be;
set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

FIRST LESSON

Deuteronomy 6:1-9 (*p. 163 in pew Bible*)

ANTHEM

The One Hundred Fiftieth Psalm

Howard Hanson

Sanctuary Choir

Praise ye the Lord. Praise God in his sanctuary. Praise him in the firmament. Praise him for his mighty acts. Praise him according to his excellent greatness. Praise him with the sound of the trumpet. Praise him with psaltery and harp. Praise him with the timbrel and dance. Praise him with stringed instruments and organs. Praise him upon the high-sounding cymbals. Let everything that hath breath praise him. Alleluia.

SECOND LESSON

Mark 12:28-34 (*pg. 49 in pew Bible*)

Franklyn C. Pottorff

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Enough

Franklyn C. Pottorff

† HYMN 694

Great God of Every Blessing

AURELIA

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*in unison*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

In sovereign love God created the world good

and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female,
of every race and people, to live as one community.

In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people
to bless all families of the earth.

Hearing their cry,
God delivered the children of Israel
from the house of bondage.
Loving us still,
God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.
Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,
God is faithful still.

~ from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

PASTORAL PRAYER 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.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Two Shaker Songs ("Simple Gifts" and "I Will Bow")
Sanctuary Choir arr. E.E. Ferguson

'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free, 'tis the gift to come down where we ought to be, and when we find ourselves in the place just right, 'twill be in the valley of love and delight. When true simplicity is gained, to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed, to turn, turn will be our delight 'till by turning, turning we come round right. I will bow and be simple, I will bow and be free, I will bow and be humble, bow like the willow tree. I will bow, I will wear the easy yoke, I will bow and be broken, yea, I'll fall upon the rock. I will bow this is the token.

† **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.

† **LITANY OF DEDICATION** Agnes W. Norfleet

One: Creator of all, the earth is yours,
the world and all who live in it.

**All: You have entrusted us with gifts –
time, talent, energy, money –
and asked us to use them to build your kingdom.
With thanks and praise we respond to your call.**

One: We bring these gifts, along with our pledges,
responding to your generosity.

**All: We offer ourselves; our lives, our hopes and fears,
our dollars, and hours, and promises.
We commit ourselves to work for your world,
to love and serve wherever you call.**

One: We ask your blessing on this, your church,
as we seek to follow you with heart, mind, and soul.

**All: Bless also these gifts, our investment in your future,
that they may multiply in faith, hope, and love. Amen.**

†	HYMN 744	Arise, Your Light Is Come!	FESTAL SONG
†	BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE		Franklyn C. Pottorff
	POSTLUDE	Fugue in D Major	J.S. Bach

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“I am the resurrection and the life.”
Ruth Watermulder ~ October 23, 2021

WORSHIP NOTES

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of
Daniel Mark Caesar, Matthew Joseph Hnatin, Jim and Adell Burdick

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Rob Mygatt

BULLETIN COVER

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Announcements

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS. Effective Mon., Nov. 1, the church office hours will be 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. This change is being made due to staff schedules. If a pastoral emergency arises outside of office hours, the church's voicemail system will direct callers to the number for our answering service which contacts the pastor on call.

DRIVEWAY CLOSURE. Temporary fencing has been put up along Montgomery Avenue, and the driveway between the Sanctuary and Chapel is expected to be closed to vehicles until the end of November. The Sanctuary, Chapel and Education Building will be accessible to pedestrians via the back parking lot. All vehicles must enter and exit the campus from Radnor Street; please follow directional signs.

SANCTUARY FLOWER DONATIONS. The Worship Committee is pleased to welcome Natalie Hoepf as our new Sunday Flower Coordinator. Spots are currently available for donors who wish to give flowers in memory or in honor of loved ones. If you would like to donate flowers for a Sunday Worship Service, contact Natalie at bmpcflowers@gmail.com.

Today

STEWARDSHIP 2022: GOD IS CALLING US. Today is Dedication Sunday! You are invited to bring your pledges and place them in the offering plates during worship, mail them to the church, or pledge online at www.bmpc.org/stewardship. We are grateful for your financial commitment because your gifts are critical to the continued success and strength of our church. Thank you!

UPDATE ON THE BMPC SANCTUARY CHOIR TOUR. Today, 11:15 a.m., Sanctuary. Join us as Jeffrey Brillhart, Director of Music and Fine Arts, and members of the tour committee share an update on the now 2022 Sanctuary Choir Tour to the Middle East. Spots on the tour still are available. We will hear about any changes in the itinerary since the pandemic delays. For tour information, visit <https://bit.ly/bmpc-concert-tour> or contact StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org.

This Week

ALL SAINTS DAY ROPE LABYRINTH WALK. Mon., Nov. 1, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. In honor of All Saints Day, you are invited to walk the rope labyrinth which will be set up outside in front of the Memorial Garden. Due to ongoing construction, all vehicles must enter and exit the campus from Radnor Street. Come to walk or simply sit on a bench and reflect. KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org.

REPOSE YOGA. Tuesdays, 9:00-10:15 a.m., Congregational Hall, and via Zoom. This mixed level yoga class uses evidence-based movement and breath exercises to strengthen, stretch and feel better! Suggested donation of \$10 supports the BMPC Hunger Committee. In-person students are required to be vaccinated for COVID-19 and wear masks. A virtual option is available. Contact instructor Karen Gagnier, 610-952-0622, karengagnier22@gmail.com.

DANCE FOR PARKINSON'S DISEASE (PD). Tuesdays through Dec. 15, 1:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Two professional dance instructors integrate movement from modern, ballet, tap, folk and social dancing to engage the minds and bodies of persons with PD and their care partners, creating an enjoyable social environment for artistic expression. Persons with PD pay \$5.00 per class; care partners attend for free. Masks and proof of vaccination required. Contact instructor Sharon Friedler for more information: 215-563-5701.

Next Sunday

IT'S TIME TO FALL BACK. Daylight Savings Time ends next Sunday, Nov. 7, so be sure to move your clocks back an hour before you go to bed the night before.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE. Sun., Nov. 7, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary. To observe All Saints Sunday, our Sanctuary Choir will present T. Tertius Noble's "Souls of the Righteous," Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Pie Jesu," Samuel Sebastian Wesley's "Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace," Jake Runestad's "Let My Love Be Heard," and the world premiere of David Bennett Thomas' "I Lift My Eyes."

HAVING HARD CONVERSATIONS ABOUT RACE WITH PEOPLE WE LOVE. Sun., Nov. 7, 11:15 a.m., Chapel. As the holidays approach, many of us dread the possibility of being with friends and family and not knowing what to do or say when complicated conversations arise around race and some of the current national conversations about race. Join us for a conversation with Anita Friday as we talk about the values we bring to our family gatherings, the values we honor when it comes to racial issues, and the best ways to talk about what can be a hard topic with the people we love.

AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org.

Upcoming

2021-2022 CONCERT SERIES. The BMPC Music and Fine Arts Department is planning its 2021-2022 concert series which will include an Advent Tuesday noon series featuring talented keyboard artists, a spring concert featuring the Sanctuary Choir on Sun., March 13, and a special musical offering for Good Friday. More information is available on the "Concerts" page of our website: www.bmpc.org/concerts. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org.

HOLY LEISURE. Fri., Nov. 12, 6:00 p.m., via Zoom. Carol Cherry leads our discussion of “All Will be Well. Using Your Gifts to Practice Your Faith.” RSVP online: <https://bit.ly/HolyLeisureNovember21-2021>. Contact Janet White at janetw298@verizon.net or 484-686-9507 for more information.

NEXT STEPS IN OUR CONGREGATIONAL ANTI-RACISM WORK. Sun., Nov. 14, 11:15 a.m., Chapel. The BMPC Anti-Racism Taskforce has been guiding us as a congregation through a variety of conversations around race since 2018. Whether you have been faithfully participating in these activities, have dipped in and out, or have not yet had a chance to be a part of this work, you are invited to join us for a larger conversation about how we will continue this work into the future. We hope you will come with stories of transformation in your own journey, questions about how our community can effect change, and ideas about where God is leading us next in this work. AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org.

Caring and Sharing

LAST CHANCE TO DONATE PERSONAL CARE ITEMS. We invite you to donate the following personal care items by Sun., Oct. 31 to support the new Community Hygiene Truck at Broad Street Ministry: underwear for adults (all sizes and types), socks, shampoo and conditioner (travel size), hand sanitizer, toothpaste (travel size), toothbrushes, body wash (travel size), soap (regular-sized bars), and body lotion (travel size). Please drop off new and unopened items in the collection bin outside the main entrance of the Main Line Adult Day Center. AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org.

SUPPORT OUR LOCAL REFUGEE EFFORTS. The BMPC Refugee Support Committee invites you to help resettle an Afghan refugee family in our local community this fall. Volunteers are needed to welcome and assist a family who will be moving into Foerderer House here on our BMPC campus this November. To volunteer to help with a variety of needs from education to job searching, food to long-term housing, sign up here: <https://bit.ly/refugee-volunteer-signup>. Furnishing and accessory donations may be made by contacting Bobbi Adair at bobbidadair@comcast.net. You also may help by purchasing new items from this Amazon Wish List: <https://bit.ly/family-wish-list>.

Calendar

Sunday, October 31

8:00	a.m.	Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
8:30	a.m.	Faith Under 5 Sunday School, Virtual Digging Deeper, Virtual Filling the Well, Virtual Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Virtual and Ed. Bldg., Rm 204
9:00	a.m.	Sunday School for Grades 1 & 2, Virtual
10:00	a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary or Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org Sunday School for ages 2 - 3, Ed. Bldg., Main Lobby Sunday School for PreK & K, Ed. Bldg., Porch Sunday School for Grades 1 & 2, Front Lawn Sunday School for Grade 3, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 202 and Virtual Sunday School for Grades 4 & 5, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 204 and Virtual Confirmation Class, Foerderer House, 2nd Floor Youth Gathering (Middle School and High School), Foerderer House
11:00	a.m.	Lemonade on the Lawn, Chapel Driveway Playground Fellowship, Ed. Bldg., Playground
11:15	a.m.	Update on the BMPC Sanctuary Choir Tour, Sanctuary
12:00	p.m.	Baptism Service

Monday, November 1

10:00	a.m.	Great Decisions, Virtual Rope Labyrinth Walk, Ed. Bldg. Lawn
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Tuesday, November 2

9:00	a.m.	Repose Yoga, Virtual or Congregational Hall
1:00	p.m.	Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Congregational Hall
5:00	p.m.	Mid-Week Meetup, Virtual
7:00	p.m.	Deacons' Meeting, Virtual

Wednesday, November 3

8:00	a.m.	Music and Fine Arts Council, Virtual
10:00	a.m.	Coffee Cup Bible Study, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 204
5:45	p.m.	Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
6:30	p.m.	Handbells, Fine Arts Center
7:00	p.m.	Worldwide Ministries Committee Meeting, Virtual Student Serve, Foerderer House Patio

Thursday, November 4

6:00	p.m.	Refugee Committee Meeting, Virtual
7:00	p.m.	Sanctuary Choir and Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Fine Arts Center

Friday, November 5

10:00	a.m.	Senior Adult Council, Virtual
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Saturday, November 6

7:00	a.m.	Saturday Morning Men's Group, Children's Library
9:30	a.m.	Sanctuary Choir, All Saints Sunday Dress Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Sunday, November 7

10:00	a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary or Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
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Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

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

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Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education & Mission

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