

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Sunday, November 13, 2022 | 8:00 a.m., Chapel

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost



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 following the Worship Service. All of our programs, ministries, and opportunities for mission are open to everyone. Come join us!

COVID-19 GUIDELINES

Masks are optional inside church buildings, although masks may be required in some areas of the Education Building. Please maintain physical distance inside, and be mindful that we are an intergenerational community and while COVID vaccines are available for children as young as six months (Pfizer), some children may not have been vaccinated.

LIVESTREAMED CHURCH SERVICES

In addition to in-person worship, the 10:00 Sunday Worship Service is available to watch on our livestreaming page:

www.bmpc.org/livestream. For your convenience, the service also will be posted on our Worship Services page on Monday.

CHILDCARE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Childcare is available on Sundays from 7:45 a.m. to noon for children ages six months and older. See Sunday School class information on this page. Please contact 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 (infant - age 5)

7:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101

Worship with Sanctuary Choir

10:00 a.m.

Sunday School Classes

Age 2 - PreK

10:00 a.m., Ed. Bldg.

Grades K - 5

10:00 a.m., Worship in Sanctuary

10:15 a.m., Ed. Bldg.

Youth Gathering

10:00 a.m., Gymnasium

Atrium Café

11:00 a.m.

Coffee and Fellowship, Atrium

Journey to the Middle East Photo Exhibit

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.,

Art Gallery, Ministries Center

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Franklyn C. Pottorff

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Let us love one another because love is from God.

All: Everyone who loves is born of God.

One: Whoever does not love does not know God,

All: For God is love.

One: Since God loves us so much,

All: We ought to love one another.

† HYMN 401

Here in This Place

GATHER US IN

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SUNG RESPONSE Hear the Good News of Salvation

Hear the good news of salvation: Jesus died to show God's love.

Such great kindness! Such great mercy! Come to us from heaven above.

Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin!

How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Bill Matthai

FIRST LESSON 1 Corinthians 12:12-18, 27-31 (*p. 174 in the pew Bible*)

SECOND LESSON 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 (*p. 175 in the pew Bible*) Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Love

Agnes W. Norfleet

Defining Words of Faith Series

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Franklyn C. Pottorff

You are invited to come forward, using the center aisle, to partake of the Lord's Supper by intinction (dipping a piece of bread into the cup); return to your seat using the side aisle.

Gluten- and casein-free elements are on the center table.

You are invited to bring your offering when you come forward.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION AND 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 OF DEDICATION

Agnes W. Norfleet

MINISTRY MOMENT

Advent Gift Market

Mary French

† HYMN 693 Though I May Speak

GIFT OF LOVE

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

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“I am the resurrection and the life.”

Audrey Ingram ~ November 5, 2022

WORSHIP NOTES

RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AT 10:00 A.M.

Penelope Linda Grimes
Daughter of Kathryn Bergsteinsson & David Grimes
Charlotte Irene, Emma Victoria, & Isabella Anne Peterson
Daughters of Verenece & Matthew Peterson

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in honor of the 35th anniversary of the ordination of the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet and the 20th anniversary of the ordination of the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick

BULLETIN COVER

Photo by Dave Tavani

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Elder Bill Matthai

USHERING

Deacon Brian Kerr

Announcements

BMPC 150TH FOCUS GROUPS. We invite you to sign up for a moderated 90-minute small group conversation to delve deeper into who we are as a church, our mission, and vision for the future as we prepare to celebrate BMPC's 150th anniversary in 2023. If you have not yet participated in a focus group, our final one will held on Wed., Nov. 16 at 7:30 p.m. Please register by Mon., Nov. 14 by emailing LizEllis@bmpc.org.

CELEBRATING THE CREATIVITY OF OUR MEMBERS. The Visual Arts Committee invites members to exhibit their artwork in our gallery. The "Members Only" exhibit will run from Nov. 20, 2022 until Jan. 22, 2023. Applications to show artwork will be accepted through today. For more information, contact Patti Hallowell, Augustehallowell@mac.com.

ADVENT GIFT MARKET. Sun., Nov. 20, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Join us for the opening Market Festival of our annual alternative giving program. Representatives from committees and councils will be present to answer questions about the chosen mission projects. AGM representatives will be in the Atrium after worship on successive Sundays to take your orders. Orders also may be placed online: www.brynmawragm.com beginning Nov. 13.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS. Contributions may be given in three categories for listings 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 Sanctuary, or online: www.bmpc.org/flower-donations. Monies received are used year-round for our floral decorations and Deacons’ flower ministry. Deadline: Sun., Dec. 4. SarahMiciek@bmpc.org.

Today

JOURNEY TO THE MIDDLE EAST. 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Art Gallery, Ministries Center. The photo exhibit by Bill Kemmerer of the recent BMPC Choir tour to the Holy Land closes today, so stop by before or after worship to see his wonderful photos.

CARILLON TOUR. 11:00 a.m., Choir Loft. Come see the instrument that welcomes you to worship and then leads you out after services. Meet in the Choir Loft following the postlude to climb the tower stairs and see the bells. If you have keyboard skills and would like to take lessons with one of our carillonneurs, or if you are interested in becoming one of our carillonneurs, please send an email to MFA@bmpc.org.

EXPERIENCE INTERFAITH PHILADELPHIA. 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. Staff from Interfaith Philadelphia, including Sara Zebowitz, director of institutional advancement, will give an overview of the work that Interfaith Philadelphia does and highlight the ways that BMPC has partnered with the organization, including being a recipient of this year’s Eugene C. Bay Fund for Urban Ministry to support their work with youth. Their staff will lead us in a hands-on understanding of what it means to be in conversation across traditions, experiences, and worldviews.

Y-GROUP: STOCKING DECORATING FOR GEMMA SERVICES. 4:00 p.m., Ed. Bldg. Art Room. Crafters and non-crafters alike are welcome to come help make stockings to benefit Gemma Services!

This Week

MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT SEMINAR. Tues., Nov. 15, 10:00 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Do you have a Medicare drug plan? There are significant changes in the pricing of many drug plans for 2023, so it's important to see what drug plan is best for you next year. Louisa Mygatt, a certified volunteer Medicare counselor with Delaware County PA Medicare MEDI, will explain the process of doing a "plan comparison" on the Medicare website. Even if your current plan is great, doing a comparison is helpful because the financial savings could be significant.

THE BEATITUDES THROUGH THE AGES. Thursday, Nov. 17, 7:00 p.m., Cannon Room. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick teaches this three-week evening Bible Study, drawing upon Rebekah Eklunds' exploration of how the Beatitudes have affected readers across differing eras and contexts. Participants will receive relevant printed excerpts from Eklund's book for this class. AliciaFranklin@bmipc.org.

OSTEOPOROSIS & YOGA. Fri., Nov. 18, 10:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. The Senior Adult Council and Caring Ministries invites all to attend this hands-on presentation by Dr. Lauren Rosen from Main Line Health and Abby Contract, a local yoga instructor. This presentation includes information and practical demonstrations about how yoga can help address osteoporosis. Please bring a yoga mat if you have one. If not, a mat will be provided. Free and open to the public. MonicaDevane@bmipc.org.

POLAR EXPRESS MOVIE NIGHT. Fri., Nov. 18, 6:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Join us for a movie night with pizza, popcorn, and hot chocolate! Please RSVP to MaryRichards@bmipc.org with number of adults and children attending, and any food allergies or considerations.

Upcoming

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING PANCAKE BREAKFAST. Thurs., Nov. 24, 8:30-11:30 a.m., Congregational Hall. Join us for the return of the annual Thanksgiving Pancake Breakfast hosted by BMPC Youth Ministry. All are invited to enjoy fellowship and all-you-can-eat pancakes! Cost: \$5 per person, \$20 per family. Proceeds support Youth Ministry. Youth volunteers needed; contact LeighDeVries@bmipc.org for more details.

MARTIN E.P. SELIGMAN'S *THE HOPE CIRCUIT*. Fri., Dec. 2, 12:30 p.m., Congregational Hall. Join one of the brightest minds and most influential psychologists of our time, Martin Seligman, for an open Q&A about his book, *The Hope Circuit: A Psychologist's Journey from Helplessness to Optimism*. The book is a required reading and can be found on Amazon. The event is hosted by Main Line School Night and is complimentary to BMPC members. To register, call 610-687-0460. AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org.

Caring and Sharing

TURKEY COLLECTION. Frozen turkeys may be contributed for distribution by the Hunger Committee during November, but donations must be received by Sun., Nov. 20. Turkeys may be dropped off at the Ministries Center and placed in any of the freezers downstairs. AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org.

Calendar

Sunday, November 13

7:45	a.m.	Childcare (Birth-Kindergarten), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101
8:00	a.m.	Worship with Communion, Chapel
8:30	a.m.	Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Cannon Room
8:45	a.m.	Filling the Well, Ed. Bldg., Children's Library Digging Deeper, Gloucester Room
9:00	a.m.	Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102 Sunday School, Virtual
10:00	a.m.	Sunday School Ages 2, 3, and Pre-K, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101 Worship with Baptism & Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary, and Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org Youth Gathering, Gymnasium
10:15	a.m.	Sunday School K - 5th Grade, Ed. Bldg.
11:00	a.m.	Atrium Café, Atrium Family Fellowship, Ed. Bldg. Lobby Carillon Tour, Sanctuary Choir Loft
11:15	a.m.	150th Vision Committee Focus Group, Cannon, Gloucester Rooms Interfaith Philadelphia with Sara Zebowitz, Fullerton Room
4:00	p.m.	Y-Group Stockings for Gemma, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102
6:30	p.m.	Glow-in-the-Dark Capture the Flag, Gymnasium

Monday, November 14

4:00	p.m.	Environmental Justice Committee Meeting, Cannon Room
6:00	p.m.	Foundation Board Meeting, Cannon Room
7:00	p.m.	Peacemaking Committee Meeting, Gloucester Room
8:00	p.m.	150th Vision Committee Focus Group, Virtual

Tuesday, November 15

8:30	a.m.	Tuesday Morning Study Group, Converse House Parlor RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
10:00	a.m.	Medicare Open Enrollment Seminar, Witherspoon Parlor Adult Choir Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center
10:30	a.m.	Tai Chi, Gymnasium and Virtual
12:00	p.m.	Urban Suburban Book Club, Cannon Room
1:00	p.m.	Dance for Parkinson's Class, Gymnasium
5:00	p.m.	Tutoring Program, Ed. Bldg.
6:00	p.m.	Joint Meeting of Session and Trustees, Congregational Hall

Wednesday, November 16

10:00	a.m.	Coffee Cup Bible Study, Cannon Room Yoga206 Bone Boost, Gymnasium Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor & Library
4:45	p.m.	Wednesdays Together, Sanctuary
5:30	p.m.	Wednesday Night Dinners, Congregational Hall
5:45	p.m.	Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
6:30	p.m.	Handbell Ensemble, Fine Arts Center
7:00	p.m.	Mission Council Meeting, Cannon Room Student Serve, Gymnasium
7:30	p.m.	150th Vision Committee Focus Group, Location TBA

Thursday, November 17

9:30	a.m.	Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
10:00	a.m.	Thursday Book Group, Virtual
11:00	a.m.	Artists' Gathering, Fine Arts Center
7:00	p.m.	Hunger Committee Meeting, Gloucester Room
		Thursday Evening Bible Study, Cannon Room
		Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center
7:30	p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium

Friday, November 18

10:00	a.m.	Osteoporosis and Yoga Presentation, Congregational Hall
1:00	p.m.	Maury Stewart Memorial Service, Sanctuary
6:00	p.m.	Family Movie Night: Polar Express, Congregational Hall

Saturday, November 19

7:00	a.m.	Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
11:00	a.m.	Mackay/Hopkins Wedding, Chapel

Sunday, November 20

8:00	a.m.	Worship with Communion, Chapel
10:00	a.m.	Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary, and Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org The Rev. Brian K. Ballard will preach.

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

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

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