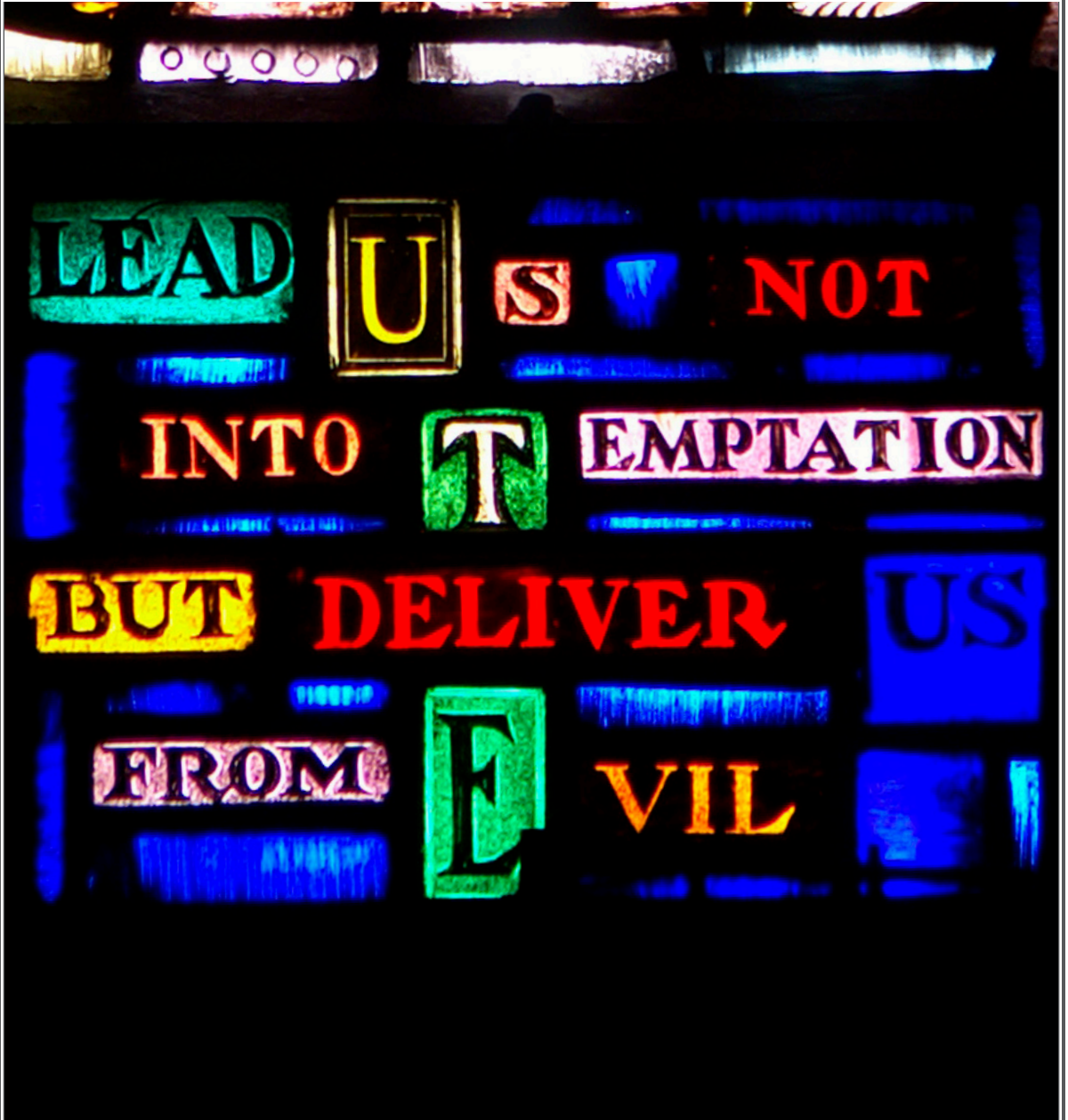


Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 26, 2023 | 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Fifth Sunday in Lent



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

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 Monday.

CHILDCARE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Childcare is available on Sundays from 7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 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 (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., Atrium

Modern Prayer Traditions

11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room

“Passages from Dark to Light” Art Exhibit

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

Art Gallery, Ministries Center

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE Variations on “Jesu, Dulcis Memoria” Jessica French

INTROIT “Kyrie Eleison” from Missa Dorica Richard Webster

Lord have mercy; Christ have mercy; Lord have mercy.

WELCOME Rebecca Kirkpatrick

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: I lift up my eyes to the hills — from where will my help come?

All: My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

One: God will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

All: God who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

† **HYMN 816** If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

God of majesty, we lift our hearts to you, acknowledging that we have disobeyed your laws and commandments. We have been led astray by temptation and we have sinned. Have mercy upon us according to your grace; heal us, restore us, shine your light into the path before us. Be glorified in us and through us; that with gladness of heart we may testify of your merciful kindness and steadfast love to us, through Jesus Christ, our saving Lord.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

During the Sung Response, children are invited to come forward for the Children's Moment.

SUNG RESPONSE Be still and know that I am God PSALM 46

Sung twice.

Be still and know that I am God.

Be still and know that I am God.

† Please stand, if able.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

SENDING HYMN Go Now, Children, with Our Blessing

Go now children with our blessing, to love and serve the Lord. May God Bless you, May God guard you, May the light of God shine upon you, and May God be gracious to you, May the presence of God be with you. May the presence of God be with you, and give you peace.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Brian K. Ballard

FIRST LESSON James 1:12-18 (*pg. 229 in pew Bible*)

ANTHEM

Thy Will Be Done

Jessica French

World Premiere, in memory of Al Willoughby

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, for ever, and ever. Amen.

SECOND LESSON Luke 22:39-46 (*pg. 87 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Deliver Us from Evil
Lenten Series on the Lord's Prayer

Agnes W. Norfleet

† HYMN 220

Go to Dark Gethsemane

REDHEAD 76

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(in unison)*

Franklyn C. Pottorff

Q. What does the sixth petition mean?

A. **“And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one” means: By ourselves we are too weak to hold our own even for a moment. And our sworn enemies — the devil, the world, and our own flesh — never stop attacking us.**

And so, Lord, uphold us and make us strong with the strength of your Holy Spirit, so that we may not go down to defeat in this spiritual struggle, but may firmly resist our enemies until we finally win the complete victory.

~ The Heidelberg Catechism, 1563

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

Litany to the Holy Spirit

Peter Hurford

In the hour of my distress when temptations me oppress, and when I my sins confess, sweet Spirit, comfort me! When I lie within my bed, sick in heart and sick in head, and with doubts discomfited, sweet Spirit, comfort me! When the house doth sigh and weep, and the world is drowned with sleep, yet mine eyes the watch do keep, sweet Spirit, comfort me!

*Please fill in the Friendship Pad at the end of your pew;
pass it down your row and back again.*

† DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

Brian K. Ballard

† HYMN 32

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

ELLACOMBE

† **BENEDICTION**

Agnes W. Norfleet

POSTLUDE

Allegro from “Concerto in A minor”

J.S. Bach

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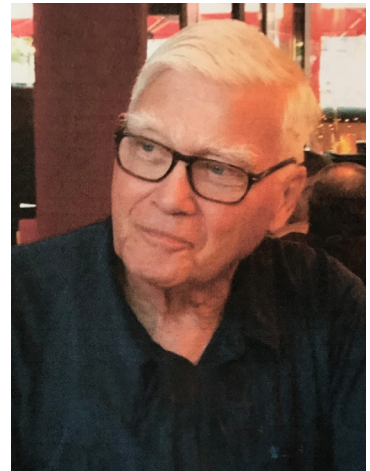
“I am the resurrection and the life.”

Casey Brown ~ March 18, 2023

Music Notes

Based in Seattle, Jessica French is an award-winning composer specializing in choral music, both sacred and secular. Her works have been commissioned and performed by various ensembles including the St. Olaf Cantorei and many choirs in the Pacific Northwest. This past July she was commissioned by the American Guild of Organists to compose two separate works for its 2022 National Convention in Seattle. Jessica has a rare ability called synesthesia, in which various senses are linked to one another, mainly in the form of colors associated with notes, timbres, and words.

“Thy Will Be Done” is a setting of the Lord’s Prayer written for BMPC’s Sanctuary Choir in loving memory of its longtime member Al Willoughby. Al was a leader of the bass section and loved music by Bach, Buxtehude and Mozart, and he also became one of the church’s carillonneurs after the installation of the carillon in 2005.



WORSHIP NOTES

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Alden F. Tucker and Jeffrey Alden Tucker

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Brian Middleton

BULLETIN COVER

The Lord's Prayer Windows, BMPC Sanctuary
Willet Stained Glass Studios 1965

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday, April 6

8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Labyrinth Walk, Gymnasium

5:30 p.m. Family Service with Communion, Chapel

6:00 p.m. Simple Supper, Congregational Hall. Freewill offering.

7:30 p.m. Worship with Communion, Sanctuary and Livestream

Good Friday, April 7

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon Labyrinth Walk, Gymnasium

12:00 noon Service led by BMPC Youth, Chapel

7:30 p.m. In observance of Good Friday, the Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers will present Anthony Mosakowski's setting of the St. John Passion entitled

"The Passion for Good Friday."

Easter Sunday, April 9

6:30 a.m., Sunrise Service, Front Lawn

9:30 and 11:00 a.m., Worship with Choir and Easter Brass in the Sanctuary and Livestream (9:30 a.m. only). The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.

Announcement

SANCTUARY FLOWER DONATIONS. Openings are available on Sundays, April 23 and 30, for donors who wish to give flowers in memory of or in honor of loved ones. Later, our Deacons deliver small arrangements of the Sanctuary flowers to homebound church members. If you would like to donate flowers for a Sunday Worship Service, contact Natalie Hoepp at bmpcflowers@gmail.com

Today

MODERN PRAYER TRADITIONS. 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. Traditions around Christian prayer and worship practices have evolved over two centuries, but some traditions and texts have continued to be meaningful for believers of all traditions. This class will consider the origins of prayers like the Prayer of St. Francis, and prayer practices such as those created by Ignatius of Loyola, as well as modern prayers that have been meaningful for generations of Christians, like the Serenity Prayer. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick will lead this conversation.

PASSAGES FROM DARK TO LIGHT. Today through Sun., May 21. Art Gallery. An exhibition of paintings by Reena Milner Brooks, based upon her mother's experience of surviving the Holocaust in a German concentration camp, opens today. Mrs. Brooks will be in the gallery this morning to meet church members. The gallery is open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 9:00 a.m. to noon on Sunday.

This Week

LENTEN ORGAN RECITAL SERIES. Tuesdays through April 4, noon, Chapel. All are invited to gather weekly in the Chapel to enjoy brief recitals on the Chapel organ. On March 28, we invite you to listen to the artistry of Tyrone Whiting. For the recital schedule, visit <https://www.bmpc.org/concerts>. For information about the concert series, please contact MFA@bmpc.org

QUIET PRAYER IN LENT. Wed., March 29, 7:00 - 7:45 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Amidst the busyness of the Lenten season, this is a time for contemplative guided prayer which will include Scripture readings, space for reflection, and a time of communal silence. Deacons will lead these sessions. KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE.

Thurs., March 30, 8:45 a.m. departure. Join us for a trip to the National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington, D.C. This is the only national museum devoted exclusively to the documentation of African American life, history and culture. Bus departs back parking lot at 8:45 a.m. and returns to BMPC by early evening. AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org. Register online: https://bit.ly/NMAAH_Trip

Next Sunday

CELEBRATING TEN YEARS. Sun., April 2, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. On Palm Sunday we will celebrate the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet's decade of service as our pastor. Join us in Congregational Hall for fellowship, refreshments, and an opportunity to share our gratitude.

Upcoming

VACATION BIBLE CAMP 2023. Building the Kingdom! Mon., June 19 - Fri., June 23, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., for ages three years to fifth grade. Campers must be at least four years old by May 1, 2023 to register. The Three's program is closed due to maximum capacity. Cost is \$50 per camper: <https://bit.ly/BMPCVBC2023>
MaryRichards@bmpc.org

VACATION BIBLE CAMP VOLUNTEER. Mon., June 19 - Fri., June 23, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. This summer we will welcome over 100 children to take part in Vacation Bible Camp and we need YOU to make camp special for each one. You can volunteer to help with a specific station (like games), work with a small group, or help "behind the scenes." Register here: <https://bit.ly/VBCVolunteerRegistration>
MaryRichards@bmpc.org

THE PASSION FOR GOOD FRIDAY. Fri., April 7, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary. All are invited to hear the Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers in their a cappella performance of the St. John Passion, scored by local composer Anthony Mosakowski. It features the passion narrative sung in English with Old Testament scriptural echoes and prophetic references sung simultaneously. For more information, please contact MFA@bmpc.org

SACRED THREADS: LEARNING TO WALK IN THE DARK. Thursdays, April 13, 20, 27 and May 4, 7:00-8:15 p.m., via Zoom. Sacred Threads is a gathering open to all who are curious about the threads that knit our faith together. Barbara Brown Taylor's book, *Learning to Walk in the Dark*, will be used as a guide, and the Rev. Betty Wright-Riggins, Middleton Center spiritual director, will lead these sessions.
KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org

Y-GROUP BOOK DISCUSSION. Mon., April 17, 7:00 p.m., Converse House Parlor. Y-Group (mothers and caregivers for young children) offers a book selection for this spring: *Wearing God: Clothing, Laughter, Fire, and Other Overlooked Ways of Meeting God* by Lauren Winner. You can purchase a copy at your bookstore or online, borrow one of the two copies available in the church library, or borrow the ebook with your library's Hoopla app. Come for snacks and fellowship at 7:00 p.m. and a book discussion at 7:30 p.m. Contact Ygroupbmpe@gmail.com for more information or to be added to the distribution list.

DELIVERED OUT OF EMPIRE. Mondays, April 17 and 24, and May 1, 7:00 p.m., Cannon Room. Join Rabbi David Straus and the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick for a three-week exploration of the Book of Exodus using Walter Bruggemann's new book, *Delivered Out of Empire*. In addition to discussing the significance of the Exodus story as a movement of liberation, the class also will look at how Exodus is interpreted in various ways in the Jewish and Christian traditions, especially around Jewish Passover practices. To reserve a copy of the book: <https://bit.ly/BMPCBookpickup> For class information: RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpe.org

Calendar

Sunday, March 26

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 Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary, and Livestreamed Service on www.bmpe.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
		Lenten Story Path Labyrinth, Children's Chapel
11:15	a.m.	Modern Prayer Traditions, Fullerton Room

Monday, March 27

No Events Scheduled.

Tuesday, March 28

9:00	a.m.	RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
10:00	a.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center
10:30	a.m.	Tai Chi, Gymnasium and Virtual
12:00	p.m.	Lenten Organ Recital Series, Chapel
1:00	p.m.	Dance for Parkinson's Class, Gymnasium
2:30	p.m.	Parkinson's Support Group, Cannon Room

Wednesday, March 29

10:00	a.m.	Coffee Cup Bible Study, Virtual Yoga206 Bone Boost, Gymnasium
4:45	p.m.	Wednesdays Together, Sanctuary
5:30	p.m.	Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
5:45	p.m.	Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
6:30	p.m.	Handbell Ensemble, Fine Arts Center
7:00	p.m.	Worldwide Ministries Committee Meeting, Virtual Quiet Prayer for Lent, Witherspoon Parlor Student Serve, Gymnasium

Thursday, March 30

9:30	a.m.	Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
11:00	a.m.	Artists' Gathering, Fine Arts Center
7:00	p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center

Friday, March 31

No Events Scheduled.

Saturday, April 1

7:00	a.m.	Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
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Sunday, April 2

8:00	a.m.	Worship with Communion, Chapel
10:00	a.m.	Palm Sunday Processional in Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary, and Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
11:15	a.m.	Tenth Anniversary celebration for the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet, Congregational Hall

Worship Staff

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Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education & Mission

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