

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Sunday, April 2, 2023 | 8:00 a.m., Chapel

Palm/Passion 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 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 10:00 a.m. 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 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 Schedule

Age 2 – K

9:45 a.m., Meet in Ed. Bldg.

Grades 1-5

9:45 a.m., Meet in Chapel

Palm Sunday Parade

Age 2 – Grade 5

10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

10:15 a.m., Return to

Sunday School

Youth Gathering

10:00 a.m., Gymnasium

Celebrating Ten Years with the Rev. Dr. Norfleet

11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall

“Passages from Dark to Light” Art Exhibit

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

Art Gallery, Ministries Center

Evening Worship

5:00 p.m., Sanctuary

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Rejoice greatly, shout aloud! Your Savior comes to you;

All: Triumphant and victorious is he,

One: Humble and riding on a donkey.

All: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

One: Hosanna in the highest!

† HYMN 196

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

Congregation is invited to wave palm branches in celebration.

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Merciful God, as we enter this Holy Week, we turn our hearts toward the kingdom, the power, and the glory offered to us in the life and death of Jesus Christ. Forgive us for trusting human powers rather than your holy power, and for our resistance to follow in humility. As we worship at the foot of the cross in awe and wonder, may we show forth your suffering love for the sake of the world.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SUNG RESPONSE

Be still and know that I am God

PSALM 46

Sung twice.

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the sung response. The first staff is in treble clef, key of D major (indicated by two sharps), and 4/4 time. The melody consists of quarter notes: D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C5, D5. The lyrics 'Be still and know that I am God.' are written below the notes. The second staff is also in treble clef, key of D major, and 4/4 time. The melody consists of quarter notes: D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C5, D5. The lyrics 'Be still and know that I am God.' are written below the notes. The two staves are identical.

† Please stand, if able.

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Pam Haynes Walsh

FIRST LESSON Psalm 118:21-29 (*pg. 565 in pew Bible*)

SECOND LESSON Matthew 21:1-11 (*pg. 23 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

SERMON *Thine is the Kingdom*
Lenten Series on the Lord's Prayer

Agnes W. Norfleet

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

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

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

† **HYMN 310**

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

ST. THOMAS

† **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.”

Susan R. Joseph ~ March 23, 2023

WORSHIP NOTES

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in celebration of 10 years of pastoral leadership by the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Pam Haynes Walsh, Elder

USHERING

Keith Brinks

BULLETIN COVER

The Lord's Prayer Windows, BMPC Sanctuary
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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 and Sanctuary Choir,

Sanctuary and Livestream. The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach, concluding the Lord's Prayer Sermon Series with "Amen."

Good Friday, April 7

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

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

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE. “Then the people rejoiced because they had offered so willingly, for they made their offering to the Lord with a whole heart.” - Chronicles 29:9. Thank you to everyone, who with a loving heart, has made a pledge to our 2023 Stewardship Campaign. We are grateful for your gifts and are strengthened by your support. As we approach the end of our campaign, pledges stand at 94 percent of our goal. If you have not yet made a pledge this year, we ask that you prayerfully consider your participation. Every pledge counts! You can complete a pledge card in the pews and drop it in the offering plate, mail your pledge card from home, or pledge online at www.bmpc.org/giving. Thank you!

Today

CELEBRATING TEN YEARS. 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. We will celebrate the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet’s decade of service as our pastor this morning. Join us for fellowship, refreshments, and an opportunity to share our gratitude.

This Week

LENTEN ORGAN RECITAL SERIES. Tues., April 4, noon, Chapel. All are invited to listen to the artistry of Emily Dawn Amos during our final recital on the Chapel organ. For information: MFA@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 information: MFA@bmpc.org

Upcoming

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

"RETURN OF THE RIVER." Sun., April 16, 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. As we prepare to celebrate Earth Day, join us to view the documentary "Return of the River," which explores an inspiring story of the Klallam tribe restoring the Elwha River and its ecosystem in Washington State by breaking down the Glines Canyon Dam. The Klallam people relied heavily on the river for their main food source, so when the dam was built, it left them powerless and starving. Almost 100 years later, the Klallam people fought to get the dam removed, and it is the largest dam removal in U.S. history.
AliciaFranklin@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 may 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 Ygroupbmpc@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 information: RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org

SLAVERY AND PUBLIC SPACE. Thurs., April 20, 7:00 p.m., via Zoom. All are invited to attend this free event to learn more about the Main Line's history of slavery. Hosted by the CommUNITY Breakfast Collaborative, Colin McCrossan, Villanova Scholar in Residence, will discuss local public spaces where Black people were once enslaved. To register, visit: <http://communitybreakfast.weebly.com>

YOUTH SERVICE RETREAT. Sat., April 22. All Youth are invited to participate in our first-ever service day with A Common Youth Initiative! We'll learn together why we as Christians engage in social justice issues and serve in various ways around Philadelphia. Spots are limited, so please sign up online:

<https://bit.ly/YouthServiceRetreatPhilly>. Cost is \$25 with scholarships available. For information, contact youth program coordinator Shayla Jordan: SJordan@bmpc.org

"THE WORLD BELOVED: A BLUEGRASS MASS." Sun., April 30, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary. Composer Carol Barnett and librettist Marisha Chamberlain combined efforts to create "The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass." The result is a brilliant and exhilarating blend of the classical mass, modern choral sophistication, insightful poetry, and traditional bluegrass instrumentation. Featuring the renowned bluegrass band "Monroe Crossing." For information: MFA@bmpc.org

Caring and Sharing

CASSEROLE BLITZ. Sat., April 15, 8:30 a.m., Ministries Center Kitchen. Join us to make casseroles and friends at the Hunger Committee's Casserole Blitz! Enjoy this family activity (children over age 5) as you get to know BMPC folks you haven't met before and support a good cause while working with others to prepare casseroles for area shelters. Spring dates: May 20 and June 10. RSVP: <https://bit.ly/casserole-rsvp>.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY PHILADELPHIA. Looking for a meaningful way to volunteer? Habitat for Humanity Philadelphia welcomes you! Habitat works alongside volunteers throughout the year toward a vision of a city where everyone has a decent place to live, and we invite you to help provide shelter for others. For more information, please contact Joe Tatum, Volunteer Manager, at volunteer@habitatphiladelphia.org or call 215-765-6000, ext. 10.

Calendar

Sunday, April 2

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.	Digging Deeper, Gloucester Room
9:00	a.m.	Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
		Sunday School, Virtual
9:45	a.m.	Age 2 – K, Meet in Ed. Bldg.
		Grades 1 – 5, Meet in Chapel
10:00	a.m.	Age 2 - Grades 5, Palm Sunday Parade, Sanctuary
		Palm Sunday Processional in Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary, and Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org
		Youth Gathering, Gymnasium
10:15	a.m.	After Children's Moment, children return to classrooms for Sunday School, Ed. Bldg.
		Lenten Story Path Labyrinth, Children's Chapel
11:15	a.m.	Tenth Anniversary Celebration for the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet, Congregational Hall
5:00	p.m.	Evening Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, April 3

10:00	a.m.	Great Decisions, Virtual
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Tuesday, April 4

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
7:00	p.m.	Deacons' Meeting, Fullerton Room

Wednesday, April 5

10:00 a.m. Coffee Cup Bible Study, Cannon Room and Virtual
Yoga206 Bone Boost Class, Gymnasium
4:45 p.m. Wednesdays Together, Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center

Thursday, April 6

8:00 a.m. Holy Week Labyrinth Walk, Gymnasium
2:00 p.m. **Alice Nacey Memorial Service, Chapel**
5:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Simple Supper, Congregational Hall
5:30 p.m. **Family Maundy Thursday Service with Communion, Chapel**
7:30 p.m. **Maundy Thursday Worship with Communion
and Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary**

Friday, April 7

8:00 a.m. Holy Week Labyrinth Walk, Gymnasium
10:00 a.m. Senior Adult Council Meeting, Virtual
12:00 p.m. **Good Friday Worship Service, Chapel**
7:30 p.m. **Good Friday Worship Service, Sanctuary**

Saturday, April 8

7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
10:00 a.m. Little Easter and Easter Egg Hunt, Ed. Bldg Lobby/Playground

Sunday, April 9

6:30 a.m. **Easter Sunrise Service, Front Lawn**
9:30 a.m. **Easter Sunday Worship, Sanctuary and Livestream**
11:00 a.m. **Easter Sunday Worship, Sanctuary**
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

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

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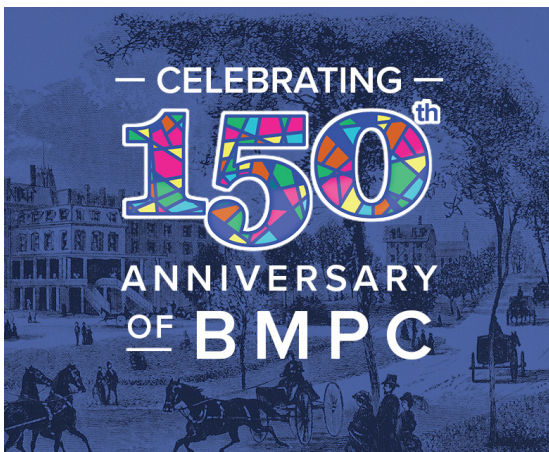
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