

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Sunday, July 16, 2023 | 8:00 a.m., Chapel

Seventh 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!

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 Erika Henry at childcare@bmpc.org with any questions.

WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER

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Today's Schedule

Childcare (infant - age 5)

7:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101

Worship with Summer Choir

10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Worship Together Sunday Grades 4-12

10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Summer Sunday School

10:00 a.m.

Ages 3 and 4, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 106

Rising K-Grade 3 begin in
Worship

Reception for Brian Ballard

11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall

Stories Through Art Exhibit

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

Art Gallery, Ministries Center

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Brian K. Ballard

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, you are very great.

All: You set the earth on its foundations.

One: By the streams the birds of the air sing among the branches.

All: You cause plants to bring forth food from the earth.

One: You made the moon to mark the seasons;
the sun knows its time for setting.

All: People go out to their work and labor until the evening.

One: O Lord, how manifold are your works!

All: In wisdom you have made them all.

† HYMN 664

Morning Has Broken

BUNESSAN

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

You spoke, and there was light, O God. You breathed, and there was abundant, purposeful, joyous life. You planted seeds so that we have what we need to survive. You sowed your words of grace in our hearts so that we have what we need to thrive. Creator God, forgive us when we are too casual about your gifts or selfish with our lives. Breathe into us your Spirit that we may live each moment as your grateful and faithful children.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SUNG RESPONSE

Glory to God

GLORIA

Sung twice.

The musical notation is written on two staves in 6/8 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the response, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high est!

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Pam Haynes Walsh

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 55:10-13 (*pg. 686 in pew Bible*)

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 13:1-9; 18-23 (*pg. 13 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Seeds and Words

Agnes W. Norfleet

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Brian K. Ballard

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 395 Blessed Jesus, At Your Word

LIEBSTER JESU

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

WORSHIP NOTES

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jean C. Hemphill
and Mr. and Mrs. John W. Bickhart, Jr.

CHAPEL GARDEN FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
the Rev. Dr. David B. and Ruth G. Watermulder

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Pam Haynes Walsh, Elder

USHERING

Keith Brinks

GUEST MUSICIAN

Susan Ricci Rogel, Pianist

Announcements

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY. We are looking for volunteers to serve at our Reception Desk on the ground floor of the Ministries Center during weekdays. This position serves as a “Minister of First Impressions,” helping to answer phones and welcome guests who visit our campus or church offices. To learn more, contact LizEllis@bmmpc.org.

SANCTUARY FLOWER DONATIONS. Openings are available for July 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 bmmpcflowers@gmail.com

CONVERSE LIBRARY CARDS. On Sunday mornings following worship, library volunteers will be in the Atrium this summer to show you how to search the Converse Library catalog online and create your own card so you may check books out with ease. Need a card but won't be here this summer? Contact AliciaFranklin@bmmpc.org

Today

SUMMER ADULT EDUCATION: WHAT JESUS DID. 8:45 a.m., Gloucester Room. BMPC member David Heaton will lead a four-week conversation based on the classic book *What Jesus Did*, by Episcopal priest Theodore Parker Ferris. The book is a reflection on the most significant acts in the ministry of Jesus of Nazareth and how they shape our faith as Christian disciples. Class runs through July 30.

RECEPTION FOR THE REV. BRIAN BALLARD. 11:00. a.m., Congregational Hall. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship as we offer our well wishes to Brian and his family as his ministry comes to a close at BMPC.

This Week

DEACONS' ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE. Mon., July 17, 1:00-6:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Volunteers needed to donate blood; register online: <https://bit.ly/2023-Blood-Drive>. Contact Monica Devane at 610-520-8823 or MonicaDevane@bmipc.org

COLLECTION FOR NEW ARRIVALS TO PHILADELPHIA. As we continue partnering with West Kensington Ministry to assist newly-arriving immigrants in Philadelphia, donations for young families and their children are needed. BMPC is collecting diapers (any size); baby wipes and lotion; clothing for infants and toddlers; feminine hygiene products; and work shoes and sneakers (women's sizes 3 - 7 and men's sizes 6-8). Donations may be placed in the collection bin in the vestibule near the Radnor Street parking lot before July 17. If you wish to volunteer with WKM to help sort clothing and donations, please contact pastortoddgpc@comcast.net

2023 CARILLON CONCERT SERIES. Thursdays, July 20 and 27, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary Parking Lot. Come listen to some of the most talented carillonneurs from Europe and the Philadelphia area. On July 20, all are invited to enjoy the talents of carillonneur Annie Gao. A video screen will be set up outside the Atrium entrance so you can watch her play the carillon. Seating also will be provided. Contact mfa@bmipc.org

Next Sunday

ORGAN DEMONSTRATION. Sun., July 23, 11:15 a.m., Sanctuary. Explore BMPC's Orgelkids organ, a small interactive organ kit designed to allow people to see what really happens behind all those pipes, and then enjoy a brief performance of a narrated set of variations for the organ entitled "Piping at the Circus" by Margaret Vardell Sandresky (b. 1921). John T.K. Scherch (WRTI's Morning Host) will narrate, and Edward Landin Senn will demonstrate the organ. EdwardLandinSenn@bmpc.org

Upcoming

YOUTH CAMP AT MASSANETTA SPRINGS, VA. Sun., Aug. 6 - Fri., Aug. 11. Join us for our annual youth summer camp which is filled with fellowship, fun and faith! All rising sixth through 12th graders are invited to participate. The cost is \$650, and scholarships are available. Register online: <https://bit.ly/BMPCYouthCamp2023>
ShaylaJordan@bmpc.org

Caring and Sharing

2023 BACKPACK AND SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION. Help children served by Gemma Services start school on the right foot! Bring completed backpacks to the Narthex in the Sanctuary by Sun., Aug. 6. You may bring a "completed backpack" or help by purchasing individual supplies from our Amazon list: <https://amzn.to/3IYYOcq> or contact MaryRichards@bmpc.org for more information.

Calendar

Sunday, July 16

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| 7:45 | a.m. | Childcare (Birth-Kindergarten), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101 |
| 8:00 | a.m. | Worship with Communion, Chapel |
| 8:45 | a.m. | <i>What Jesus Did</i> , Gloucester Room |
| 10:00 | a.m. | Sunday Worship with Summer Choir, Sanctuary and Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org |
| | | Worship Together Sunday for Grades 4-12, Sanctuary |
| 10:15 | a.m. | Summer Sunday School Threes: Rising 3rd Graders, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 202 |
| 11:00 | a.m. | Reception for Brian Ballard, Congregational Hall |

Monday, July 17

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| 1:00 | p.m. | Deacons' Annual Blood Drive, Congregational Hall |
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Tuesday, July 18

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| 9:00 | a.m. | Joint Budget Management Committee, Virtual |
| 10:30 | a.m. | Tai Chi (Hybrid), Gymnasium |

Wednesday, July 19

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| 7:00 | p.m. | Trustees' Meeting, Fullerton Room |
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Thursday, July 20

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| 7:00 | p.m. | Carillon Concert Series, Sanctuary Parking Lot |
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Friday, July 21

No Events Scheduled.

Saturday, July 22

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| 10:00 | a.m. | Baptism Barbecue, Ed. Bldg. Lawn |
| | | Searching for Still Waters Bereavement Group, Converse House Parlor |

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| 8:00 | a.m. | Worship with Communion, Chapel |
| 10:00 | a.m. | Sunday Worship with Summer Choir, Sanctuary and Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org |
| | | The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach. |

Outreach Committee Partners

Each year the BMPC Outreach Committee grants funding to non-profits in Greater Philadelphia. Below are the 2023 recipients along with a snapshot of what they are doing to support vulnerable communities.

Broad Street Ministry - www.broadstreetministry.org

Providing radical hospitality to build communities among those in Center City Philadelphia experiencing chronic homelessness.

Chester Eastside - www.ceichester.org

Providing access to hunger safety-net programs, as well as programs for education, social services, and justice for families throughout Chester, Pennsylvania.

Families Forward - www.familiesforwardphilly.org

Providing comprehensive support services and operating the largest emergency shelter for families experiencing homelessness in Philadelphia.

Habitat for Humanity - www.habitatphiladelphia.org

Supporting their Critical Repair Program and New Home Construction in the city of Philadelphia.

Lutheran Settlement House - Jane Addams Place - www.lutheransettlement.org

Providing assistance in locating and obtaining independent housing, coordination of parenting education, employment, benefits, mental health services, addiction treatment, financial literacy and healthcare.

United Community Clinic - www.unitedcommunityclinic.com

Serving patients with no health insurance in the East Parkside Community of West Philadelphia.

Urban Tree Connection - www.urbantreeconnection.org

Building a neighborhood-rooted food and land system through community leadership development and land-based strategies in West Philadelphia.

Welcome Church - www.thewelcomechurch.org

An Evangelical Lutheran Church in America congregation that proclaims the hope and love of a gracious God to all people, especially to people experiencing homelessness.

Artwell - www.theArtWell.org

Bearing witness to the way arts can transform students in Philadelphia public schools.

Gemma Services - www.gemmaservices.org

Provides support and specialized services for children, teens, and families experiencing emotional and behavioral concerns throughout the Philadelphia region.

WePAC - www.wepac.org

Reopening and staffing public school libraries throughout Philadelphia.

Tree House Books - www.treehousebooks.org

Providing free books and literacy programs to families in Northern Philadelphia to grow and sustain a community of readers, writers, and thinkers.

The Common Place - www.thecommonplacephilly.org

Offering arts-based after-school enrichment programs, social services and community events to families in Southwest Philadelphia.

West Kensington Ministry - www.westkensingtonministry.com

Providing a spiritual foundation for people experiencing poverty and violence in the West Kensington neighborhood of Philadelphia.

Bethel Academy at Bethel AME Church in Ardmore - www.bethelacademy.net

Providing after-school academic support for students in our local community.

Central Presbyterian Church of Norristown - www.centralpresweb.org

Serving the Latino Community through worship, outreach and home Bible studies.

Beacon Church - www.thewordatbeacon.org

A neighborhood faith community located in the Kensington neighborhood of Philadelphia that strengthens its community, its children and neighbors, through faith, art and storytelling.

Support of organizations like these is possible because of your generous contributions through our annual Stewardship campaign. Thank you for your gifts. If you wish to learn more about the work we do in mission in Greater Philadelphia, please contact RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org

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