



Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, June 16, 2024

10:00 a.m., Sanctuary



Gathering of God's People

PRELUDE All Glory Be to God on High

J. S. Bach

WELCOME

Leigh DeVries

Please stand, if able.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One At all times I will bless the Lord,

All whose praise will ever be in my mouth.

One I will glory in the Lord;

All Let the humble hear and rejoice.

One Let us exalt the name of the Lord together.

All Let us worship God with songs of praise.

HYMN 620 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

CALL TO CONFESSION & PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All O God, you enter into the sadness, violence, and suffering of the world to bring us good news. As your followers, we confess our lack of willingness to go where you would lead us. You call us into your company, but we find companionship in lesser things. You invite us into risky places among the least, the lost, and the stranger, and we seek the safety and security of our own plans. You invite us to live in praise and devotion, but we become overwhelmed with anxiety and worry. We pray you will draw us to worship you in beauty and in truth, that in you alone we will find our life and hope.


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

NETTLETON



All the sins I have com-mit-ted, to my Sa-vior now I bring. I bow down with tears of an - guish; Christ for - gives and so I sing: Je-sus Christ, how much I love you! Je-sus Christ, you save from sin! How I love you! Look up - on me. Love me still and cleanse with - in.

Proclamation of the Word

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

SENDING HYMN Go Now, Children, with Our Blessing



Go now, child-ren with our bless-ing, to love and serve the Lord. May God Bless you, May God guard you, May the light of God shine u - pon you, and may God be gra-cious to you, May the pre-sence of God be with you, May the pre - sence of God be with you, and give you peace.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Leigh DeVries

FIRST LESSON Psalm 130

(pg. 573 in pew Bible)

SECOND LESSON Jonah 2:1-3:10
(pg. 860 in pew Bible)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One The Word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *Jonah and Repentant Nineveh*
All Creatures Great & Small Summer Series

Agnes W. Norfleet

Response to the Word

Please stand, if able.

HYMN 432 How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

REPTON

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Franklyn C. Pottorff

All 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.
But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation.
Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.
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

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Franklyn C. Pottorff

SUNG RESPONSE *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

DENNIS

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

All 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 *Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal*

arr. Alice Parker

Hark, I hear the harps eternal ringing on the farther shore, as I near those swollen waters, with their deep and solemn roar. Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, praise the Lamb, hallelujah, hallelujah, glory to the great I AM. And my soul though stained with sorrow, fading as the light of day, passes swiftly o'er those waters to the city far away. Souls have crossed before me, saintly, to that land of perfect rest; And I hear them singing faintly in the mansions of the blest.

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

Please stand, if able.

DOXOLOGY 606 Praise God, from whom all Blessings Flow 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 Franklyn C. Pottorff

HYMN 8 Eternal Father, Strong to Save MELITA

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE Agnes W. Norfleet

POSTLUDE Toccata on "How Firm a Foundation" Craig Phillips

Worship & Music Notes

WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS

Devon and Borys Bakum, Peg Gibb, Westy and Eddie Higgins,
Darian and George Leader, Bret Mulligan and Adrienne Lucas,
and Rianne and Jordan Wycoff

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of
Ralph and Kathryn Himmelberger.

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PLAYING THE CARILLON

Brian Middleton

WELCOME TO BRYN MAWR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome to Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, where we gather as a faith community to worship, grow, learn, and serve. As we come together this Sunday, we are reminded of our Creator's abundant grace and boundless love. Whether you are a longtime member, a first-time visitor, or somewhere in between, we extend a warm welcome to you. May our time together be filled with inspiration, fellowship, and a deepening of our connection with God and one another.



The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet
Senior Pastor

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. Learn more at bmpc.org

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 to 11:15 a.m. for children ages six months and older. Please contact the Rev. Rachel Pedersen, RachelPedersen@bmpc.org or Childcare Coordinator Erika Henry, childcare@bmpc.org with any questions.

Announcements

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Meeting. The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sun., Jun. 23, following 10 a.m. worship for the purposes of dissolving the pastoral relationship with the Rev. Leigh DeVries and to elect the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee for Pastoral Care.

Deacons' Annual Summer Blood Drive. Mon., Jul. 15, 2:00-7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Volunteers needed to donate blood; register online: <https://bit.ly/2024-Blood-Drive>. Contact MonicaDevane@bmipc.org

Church Officer Nominations. Please submit your recommendations by Sun., Sept. 15 for Elders, Deacons, Trustees, and Nominating Committee Members-at-Large for 2025-2026 via the nominating form: <https://bit.ly/BMPCNominationForm2025>. Paper copies of the nominating form are available in the Narthex and at the Reception Desk in the Ministries Center. Candidates must be members for at least two years, faithfully participate in the worship and program life of the church, and regularly contribute to the church.

BMPC Prayer Partners 2024-2025. We are so grateful to our Prayer Partners from this past year! Would you like to continue or start being a Prayer Partner? Please sign up so we can plan for our 2024-2025 prayer partner team! We will be making assignments in mid-July, so please respond as soon as possible: <https://bit.ly/PrayerPartner2024>. Contact MaryRichards@bmipc.org

TODAY

Summer Choir. Sun., Jun. 16 - Sept. 1, 9:00 a.m., Sanctuary Choir Loft. All singers ages 12+ are invited to come to church any Sunday at 9:00 a.m. for a short rehearsal in the choir loft, then stay and sing for the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Summer choir is simple (one anthem, hymns, and a closing response), and informal (no robes). No long-term commitment; no need to sign up in advance. All are welcome!

Digging Deeper-Devotional Classics. Sun., Jun. 16 – Jul. 28, 8:45 a.m., Gloucester Room. This Sunday morning Adult Education class will resume for six weeks this summer (skipping Jul. 7) to study Richard Foster's Devotional Classics. This collection includes excerpts from

the works of great spiritual writers of the past as well as contemporary spiritual leaders. Members of the class will take turns facilitating the discussion. Contact JenniferMcArthur@bmipc.org

Lessons in Light, Conversations on the Sanctuary Stained Glass. Sun., Jun. 16, 23, 30, 11:15 a.m., Sanctuary. We will spend three weeks looking closely at the five Sanctuary stained glass windows located in the Chancel and Transepts. The class will explore the design process, the theological and biblical details they illuminate, and the ways that the windows capture a particular moment in the church's history. This class will be taught by the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick.

UPCOMING

Sustaining Democracy: What We Owe The Other Side. We will welcome Dr. Robert Talise, our fall Community Forum speaker, on Mon., Sept. 30. Copies of his most recent book, *Sustaining Democracy: What We Owe the Other Side*, are available from the church now for those who would like to read it over the summer. In his book, Talise explores what it means to preserve democratic principles, what our obligations and values are as citizens of a democracy, and how we open ourselves to being in honest dialogue with those who hold differing political views from our own. Discounted

books can be ordered for \$10 online at <https://bit.ly/BMPCBookpickup>. Contact JenniferMcArthur@bmipc.org.

IN THE MINISTRIES CENTER

Seeking Freedom: Portraits of Mass Incarceration. May 5 through Sept. 1, Gallery. Several large portraits, created in batik, quilting, and embroidery by textile artist Carolyn Harper, form a dramatic exhibition that combines the portraits with texts written by the artist in collaboration with the sitters, telling the stories of these currently and formerly incarcerated people.

Pride Month Resources. During June a variety of books on topics related to LGBTQ+ inclusion in the world and the church are available on the Converse in the Court shelves in the Ministries Center. These resources are part of our Converse Library collection and are available to borrow. As we work to build a more inclusive world, may these resources help us increase our understanding, broaden our welcome, and deepen our faith in an expansive God.

CARING AND SHARING

Juneteenth Celebration on the Main Line. Sat., Jun. 22, 12:00-6:00 p.m., Vernon Young Playground, Ardmore. Join your neighbors and friends for a

local celebration of Juneteenth. The event will include music, food and community vendors, including a table hosted by BMPC volunteers sharing information about our congregation and work in the local community. Contact JenniferMcArthur@bmpc.org

Habitat For Humanity Philadelphia.

Sat., Aug. 10, 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., off campus. Looking for a meaningful way to volunteer? Habitat for Humanity Philadelphia welcomes you! Habitat works alongside volunteers toward a vision of a city where everyone has a decent place to live. We invite you to help provide shelter for others. Email JenniferMcArthur@bmpc.org to register. Limited spots available.

Sanctuary Flower Donations. Openings are available in June and July 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. Contact SusanThorkelson@mac.com

Support Our Local Refugee Efforts. The BMPC Refugee Support Committee continues in its work to support local families and individuals making a new home in our community and greater Philadelphia. Supporting refugees and asylum seekers means walking with them as they navigate legal, governmental, educational, and community resources. The Committee’s work also includes providing financial resources to supplement the limited government assistance they receive. If you would like to contribute financially to the work of the BMPC Refugee Support Committee, please donate by writing “Refugee Support” on the memo line of a check, or give a one-time or recurring gift online at <https://onrealm.org/bmpc/give/refugee>.

Calendar

SUNDAY, JUNE 16

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare (Birth-Kindergarten), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101
- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
- 8:45 a.m. Digging Deeper Summer Adult Ed. Class, Gloucester Room
- 9:00 a.m. “Seeking Freedom” Exhibit, Gallery
- 9:55 a.m. Sunday School Ages 3s and 4s, Ed. Bldg.

- 10:00 a.m. **Worship with Summer Choir, Sanctuary and Livestreamed**
Worship Together Sunday Grades 4-12
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School K-3rd Grade, Ed. Bldg., Rm 202
- 11:00 a.m. Atrium Cafe, Atrium
- 11:15 a.m. Lessons in Light Summer Class, Sanctuary
Vacation Bible Camp Volunteer Training, Cannon Room
- 4:00 p.m. Vacation Bible Camp Kick-off, Congregational Hall

MONDAY, JUNE 17

- 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible Camp, Campus wide
- 7:00 p.m. Hunger Committee Meeting, Cannon Room

TUESDAY, JUNE 18

- 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible Camp, Campus wide

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19

- 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible Camp, Campus wide
- 7:00 p.m. Trustees’ Meeting, Fullerton Room

THURSDAY, JUNE 20

- 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible Camp, Campus wide
- 11:00 a.m. Artists’ Gathering, Fine Arts Kitchen

FRIDAY, JUNE 21

- 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible Camp, Campus wide

SATURDAY, JUNE 22

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men’s Connection Group, Converse House Parlor
- 10:00 a.m. Searching for Still Waters Bereavement Group, Witherspoon Parlor

SUNDAY, JUNE 23

- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
- 10:00 a.m. **Worship with Summer Choir, Sanctuary and Livestreamed**
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
- 11:00 a.m. Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary

Giving

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