

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

July 28, 2019 8:00 a.m., Chapel Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WELCOME TO BMPC

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Childcare (infant - age 5)

7:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Fullerton Room, Ministries Center

8:00 a.m. Worship, Chapel

Summer Choir Rehearsal

9:00 a.m., Sanctuary Choir Loft

10:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

Youth in Worship 10:15 a.m., Summer Sunday School, for Grades PreK - 3, in Gloucester Room, Ministries Center

11:15 a.m. Closing Ceremony

Closing Ceremony for the Education Building.

See calendar at back of bulletin for a complete schedule.

NEW HERE? We are pleased that you are joining us as we worship God this morning. Information about our programs is available near the main entrance. We invite you to participate in any of our programs, ministries and mission opportunities, as they are open to all.

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP. Stop by the Ministries Center Court for coffee between 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. and join us for Lemonade on the Lawn after the 10:00 a.m. worship service (rain location: Ministries Center Court).

TO ASSIST YOU DURING WORSHIP. Children's bulletins with crayons may be found near the main entrance. If you are unable to come forward for Communion, please let an usher or server know, and Communion will be brought to you.

Subscribe to our BMPC eNews by adding your email address to the Fellowship Register. For additional information about today's schedule, see the calendar at the back of this bulletin.

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GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME Rachel Pedersen

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth!

All: Seek, while the Lord may be found;

Call out, while our God is near.

One: Let the wicked forsake their ways and the unrighteous their thoughts.

All: That all may return to the Lord, who will have mercy.

One: And to our God, for God will abundantly pardon. Let us worship God!

† **HYMN** 307

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Awesome and compassionate God,

You have fully loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy,

but we have not fully loved you.

You constantly call us, but we rarely listen.

You ask us to love, but we walk away,

even from neighbors in need and from issues that are upsetting.

Wrapped in our own concerns,

we too often condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed,

as if those were our ways or even Your way.

God of powerful grace, as you come to us in mercy,

we repent in spirit and in truth.

We admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness

Sunday by Sunday, day by day,

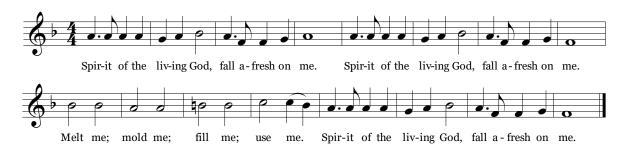
through Jesus Christ our sole hope and salvation.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† Please stand, if able. Page 3

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE



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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Patricia Danzon

FIRST LESSON

Joshua 24:1-15 (p. 215 in pew Bible)

Patricia Danzon

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 13 (p. 175 in pew Bible)

Paul G. Watermulder

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

SERMON

The Most Loving Place in Town

Paul G. Watermulder

† **HYMN** 738

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

MARYTON

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Rachel Pedersen

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

Paul G. Watermulder

† **HYMN** 697 Take My Life HENDON

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

POSTLUDE

† Please stand, if able. Page 5

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

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

PREACHING TODAY

The Rev. Dr. Paul G. Watermulder is the son of the Rev. Dr. David Watermulder, who served as senior pastor of BMPC from 1962-1986. Paul retired after serving as senior pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Burlingame, CA for over three decades.

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

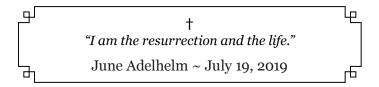
Deacon Patricia Danzon

USHERING

Elder Keith Brinks

BULLETIN COVER

Rose Window, BMPC Chapel



Announcements

SUMMER WEEKEND FOOD DONATIONS. BMPC is one of three food collection sites for the Community Partners of Lower Merion and Narberth, an organization that assists those in need during the summer months when food donations are at their lowest. Canned tuna, macaroni and cheese, granola bars, and applesauce cups are just a few of the items needed. Collection bins are in the Ministries Center.

HOW MANY BMPC AUTHORS? Through the years, our congregation has included a number of published authors. Do you know how many? Win a free book of your choice by guessing how many books have been written by BMPC authors are in the Book Center. Or win two free books by guessing how many books by BMPC authors are in the Converse House Library! Kat MacMurray, katrmac2@icloud.com.

Today

SUMMER PREACHING SERIES: CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH. Our series begins today with the Rev. Dr. Paul G. Watermulder preaching. We are welcoming four preachers who grew up calling BMPC home and have pursued ordination in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). The schedule for August is as follows: Graham Robinson, next Sunday, Aug. 4; M. Courtenay Willcox, Aug. 11; and Crawford Brubaker, Aug. 18.

SUMMER CHOIR. All singers are invited to come to church on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. for a short rehearsal in the choir loft, then stay and sing for the 10:00 a.m. service. Summer choir is simple (one anthem and hymns), and informal (no robes). No long-term commitment, no need to sign up in advance. This is a great opportunity to lend your voice to worship and give choir a try. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org.

Upcoming

CAMP KIRKWOOD. Aug. 4-10. Don't miss out on a fun and inspirational week at Camp Kirkwood! Leigh DeVries, our new Associate Pastor for Youth and Their Families, is leading a caring team of BMPC staff and volunteer leaders during this sleep-away experience in the Poconos. Bring a friend with you to Camp Kirkwood! Camp provides an opportunity for youth at all levels of church involvement to build lifelong relationships, experience the joy of the outdoors, and ask bold questions about life and faith in a supportive environment. Register now: \$499. Full and partial scholarships available for all youth. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

URBAN MOSAIC - CENTRO RENOVAR - MEXICO CITY, MEXICO. Oct. 12-19, 2019. BMPC has partnered with Urban Mosaic since they received the Richard Shaull Grant for Mission in 2014, working to support the most vulnerable communities near Mexico City. They have invited a small group of adults from BMPC (8-10 people) to help with light construction on Centro Renovar, a new retreat center that will be used as a training and respite location for community leaders. Cost: \$600 plus airfare. In order to proceed with this trip, we need to begin registration now! Please contact Rebecca Kirkpatrick if you are interested and would like more information. RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org.

Caring & Sharing

WILL A CHILD HAVE A GREAT START TO THE SCHOOL YEAR! Partnering with the Village, BMPC is providing more than 50 children in the foster care system with backpacks and school supplies to begin the new year. You can fill a backpack on your own; labels and lists are available in the Narthex. You also may purchase supplies through Amazon: http://bit.ly/BMPCBackpacks or you can contact Rachel Pedersen, Rachel Pedersen@bmpc.org, for a list of additional supplies needed. Backpacks need to be dropped off at the church by Mon., Aug. 5.

BATTERY RECYCLING. The Environmental Justice Committee covers the cost of sending batteries for recycling, so bring your dead batteries to the Ministries Center and put them in the container on the bottom shelf of the bookcase next to the Reception Desk. Hint: You can reduce your need to discard single-use batteries by purchasing rechargeable batteries. These can be used more than 1,000 times and recycled at no cost to you.

URGENT NEED FOR HUNGER DONATIONS. Baskets for donations of food are located in the Narthex. Donations tend to drop off in the summer when the need for food increases. High protein soups and canned goods are needed. To make financial donations to the Hunger Committee for the support of area food cupboards and shelters, use the white Hunger Envelopes in the pew holders or note "Hunger" on the memo line of your check.

This Week's Calendar

For more information, visit our website at www.bmpc.org, call the church office, or contact communications@bmpc.org.

Today, July 28

a.m.	Childcare, Fullerton Room
a.m.	Worship with Communion, Chapel
a.m.	Summer Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary Choir Loft
a.m.	Worship with Summer Choir, Sanctuary
	Grades PreK - 3 Begin Worship in the Sanctuary
	Worship Together Sunday for Children & Youth in Grades 4 - 12
a.m.	Summer Sunday School for Grades PreK - 3, Gloucester Room
a.m.	Lemonade on the Lawn, Front Lawn (Rain Location: Ministries Center Court)
	Caring Corner, Front Lawn
a.m.	Closing Ceremony for the Education Building
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Monday, July 29

No scheduled activities.

Tuesday, July 30

10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium

Wednesday, July 31

No scheduled activities.

Thursday, August 1

10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Fine Arts Center

Friday, August 2

No scheduled activities.

Saturday, August 3

No scheduled activities.

Sunday, August 4

8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel

10:00 a.m. Worship with Summer Choir, Sanctuary

The Rev. Graham Robinson will preach.

Summer Sunday School for Grades PreK - 3. Worship Together Sunday for Children & Youth in Grades 4 - 12.

Renovations Update

Fullerton Room, Gloucester Room, Witherspoon Parlor and the Conference Room in the Ministries Center are no longer available as meeting spaces.

Childcare takes place in Fullerton Room, and Summer Sunday School is in Gloucester Room.

June & July: Enabling work and preconstruction began in June.

August 1: Education Building closes for construction.

Parking directly behind the chapel will be limited on Sundays and unavailable during the week.

This box will be updated regularly to keep you informed about how the renovation process is impacting our ministries and programs.



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