



Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

January 5, 2020
8:00 a.m., Chapel
Epiphany of the Lord

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

Sunday Morning

Discussion Group

8:45 a.m., Congregational Hall

Filling the Well

8:45 a.m., Converse House
Parlor

Art @ 9

Ages 3 - Grade 5

8:45 a.m., Conference Room

10:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

Sunday School for

Age 2 to Grade 3

Worship Together Sunday for

Grades 4 - 12

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 coffee and fellowship in the Gymnasium after the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

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

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Grace to you and peace in this new year.

**All: We will praise God who has blessed us in
Christ with every spiritual blessing.**

One: In Christ we have obtained an inheritance.

All: We have been redeemed as God's own people!

† HYMN 143

Angels from the Realms of Glory

REGENT SQUARE

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the Light of the World,
to reveal your love for all people.

We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light.

We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice;
we do not strive for peace.

In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, that forgiven and renewed,
we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

On - those who sit in - dark ness the sun be-gins to rise, - the - dawn ing - of for
give - ness up on the sin ner's eyes. God - guides the - feet of pil grims a
long the paths of peace. O - bless our God and Sav - iour with songs that nev er cease!

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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Heewon Chang

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 60:1-6 (*p. 690 in pew Bible*)

Heewon Chang

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 2:1-12 (*p. 23 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Following a Star

Agnes W. Norfleet

† **HYMN 150**

As With Gladness Men of Old

DIX

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 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

Agnes W. Norfleet

† **HYMN 152** What Star is This, with Beams so Bright

PUER NOBIS
NASCITUR

† **SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

POSTLUDE

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
James R. and Anna H. Affleck
Walter B. and Roberta Bastow
W. Barton Bastow

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Elder Heewon Chang

USHERING

Tom Hays

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"I am the resurrection and the life."

Mary "Wendy" Reardon ~ Dec. 29, 2019

Mildred Kossmann ~ Dec. 30, 2019

Announcements

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING. Sun., Jan. 19, following the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service. The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for the purpose of electing church officers (Elders, Deacons and Trustees) and members of the 2020 Nominating Committee, and for approving 2020 Pastoral Terms of Call. MonicaDevane@bmpc.org.

INVITATION TO JOIN SANCTUARY FLOWER TEAM. We have openings for new volunteers to join our team on Sunday mornings after the 10:00 a.m. Service, to create small flower arrangements for Deacons to deliver to members. If interested, contact MonicaDevane@bmpc.org.

BATTERY RECYCLING. When you are changing batteries on Christmas decorations and gifts, bring the discarded ones to the Ministries Center. Our Environmental Justice Committee disposes of batteries in a safe and environmentally-friendly way. Container is on the bottom shelf of the bookshelf next to the Reception Desk.

ORGAN RECORDING FOR SALE. Renowned organist Aaron Tan, a student of Jeffrey Brillhart, recorded a CD on our Rieger organ, and we have them for sale for \$15 each. The CD includes works by Jongen, Demessieux, Bonnal, Tchaikovsky, Karg-Elert, Bizet and Vierne. Cash payments or checks payable to Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church are accepted. Contact StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org to purchase.

Today

SUNDAY MORNING DISCUSSION GROUP. Today and Sundays, Jan. 12 and 19, 8:45 a.m., Congregational Hall. The Rev. Dr. Paul MacMurray leads a study of the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7), one of Jesus' most important teachings.

EVERY FAMILY IS A STORY. 11:15 a.m., Chapel. The Rev. Debra Sutton, Middleton Center counselor and trauma specialist, leads us through a Family Systems approach to the Rev. Dr. Serene Jones' memoir, *Call It Grace*. Dr. Jones is our Theologian-in-Residence on Jan. 25 and 26, and her presentation is part of our celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Middleton Counseling Center.

This Week

FAMILY CAREGIVER DEMENTIA WORKSHOP. The Main Line Adult Day Center hosts its fifth annual Family Caregiver Dementia Workshop on Sat., Jan. 11 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. This free workshop provides a forum for individuals to learn new strategies for helping their relatives with dementia: making the home safer, resources for acquiring adaptive equipment, and strategies to promote participation in activities. Light lunch included. Space is limited; registration required. LizDyke@mladc.com.

Next Sunday

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. SPEAKER: THE REV. DR. CHARLES H. HOWARD. Sun., Jan. 12, 11:15 a.m., Chapel. Dr. Howard, Chaplain at the University of Pennsylvania, is the editor of *The Souls of Poor Folk*, which explores new ways of considering homelessness and poverty; *The Awe and The Awful*, a poetry collection and Lenten Devotional; *Black Theology as Mass Movement*, a call to theologians to expand the reach of their theological work; and *Pond River Ocean Rain*, a small book about going deeper with a big God.

Upcoming

Y-GROUP MEETING. Tues., Jan. 14, 9:15-11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. Spirituality in Family Life. Abby Pottorff, ygroupbmpc@gmail.com.

HOLY LEISURE. Fri., Jan. 17, 6:00-9:00 p.m., home of Barbara Cobb, Wayne. Join old and new friends for a potluck dinner and fellowship. The Rev. Margaret Somerville, Associate Pastor of Gladwyne Presbyterian Church, hosts our discussion, "Hold, Hands, Opening Hearts & Minds." Register: <http://bit.ly/HolyLeisureJan2020> and include your food or drink contribution.

HIGH SCHOOL SABBATH RETREAT. Fri., Jan. 24 - Sun., Jan. 26, North Bay Adventure Camp, Md., offers a weekend where youth can enjoy hiking, zip lines, small group fellowship, and worship together. Cost: \$299. Feel free to invite friends! Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. Scholarship assistance readily available for all trips and events. MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

BMPC WELCOMES THE REV. DR. SERENE JONES. Sat. and Sun., Jan. 25 and Jan. 26. In honor of the leadership of David and Ruth Watermulder, our Adult Education Committee has invited the Rev. Dr. Jones, President of Union Theological Seminary, to be our Theologian-In-Residence. She is presenting a lecture, "Theology is a Place," on Jan. 25 at 10:00 a.m. in Congregational Hall. Coffee and light refreshments available at 9:30 a.m. The Middleton Center Anniversary Luncheon follows at 11:30 a.m. (Luncheon reservation requested: KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org). On the 26th, Dr. Jones preaches at the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and presents a lecture, "Theology is a Story," at 11:15 a.m. in Congregational Hall.

Caring & Sharing

CASSEROLE BLITZ. Sat., Jan. 18, 8:30 a.m., Ministries Center Kitchen. Join the Hunger Committee in preparing meals for area shelters. Bring your family and friends (children must be over 4 years old) for a rewarding Saturday morning! Register with Sandie Nicholson, sandiekev@verizon.net.

COLD WEATHER IS UPON US! COLLECTION OF WINTER CLOTHES. In January we are collecting winter coats for Broad Street Ministry, and hats, gloves and scarves for children who attend the Tutoring Program. Donations may be placed in the collection bins located near the entrance to the Ministries Center.

THANK YOU. Your donations of frozen turkeys, hams and non-perishable food are *greatly* appreciated. During the past six weeks, the BMPC Hunger Committee distributed more than 50 turkeys and hams through our partner organizations. We continue to collect and distribute non-perishable food as well as funds donated through the Hunger Fund envelopes in the pews. Food scarcity persists in our community, and your ongoing support of the church's hunger ministry is much appreciated.

This Week's Calendar

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

Today, January 5

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare, Fullerton Room
8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
8:45 a.m. Filling the Well, Converse House Parlor
Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Congregational Hall
Art @ 9, Conference Room
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary**
Sunday School for age 2, Gloucester Room
Sunday School for age 3, Witherspoon Parlor
Sunday School for Pre-K, Middleton Center, Rm. 200
Grades K - 3 Begin Worship in the Sanctuary
Worship Together Sunday for Grades 4 - 12
10:15 a.m. Sunday School for Grade K, Middleton Center, Rm. 202
Sunday School for Grades 1 & 2, Congregational Hall
Sunday School for Grade 3, Middleton Center, Rm. 301
11:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship in the Gym, Gymnasium
Choir Tour Committee Meeting, Fine Arts Center
11:15 a.m. Every Family is a Story, Chapel
11:30 a.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center

Monday, January 6

No scheduled activities.

Tuesday, January 7

- 9:00 a.m. Repose Yoga, Gymnasium
10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
6:45 p.m. Tutoring, Congregational Hall

Wednesday, January 8

- 10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Congregational Hall
Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor
10:30 a.m. Horizons Bible Study, Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom
4:45 p.m. Wednesdays Together (Grades K-5), Fine Arts Center
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
5:45 p.m. Youth Chorale (Grades 6-12), Fine Arts Center
6:30 p.m. Property Committee Meeting, Converse House Parlor
7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft
Worldwide Ministries Committee Meeting

Thursday, January 9

- 9:15 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Fine Arts Center
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
Sanctuary Choir and Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Fine Arts Center

Friday, January 10

No scheduled activities.

Saturday, January 11

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Mens' Group, Converse House Parlor
9:00 a.m. Family Caregivers Dementia Workshop, Congregational Hall

Sunday, January 12

- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary**
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
Sunday School for age 2 - Grade 12.

Renovations Update

Daytime Traffic Patterns: Each weekday from 7:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., the driveway between the Chapel and the Sanctuary will be *one way*, with cars exiting onto Montgomery Avenue. This adjustment allows for the safe movement of children from the Weekday School during drop-off and pick-up. Please use the driveway between the Ministries Center and the Sanctuary to enter the campus from Montgomery Avenue during these weekday hours.

For more renovation updates, please visit us at:
www.bmpc.org/welcome/renovation-updates

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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