



***Bryn Mawr  
Presbyterian Church***

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January 3, 2016  
8:00 a.m., Chapel  
Second Sunday after Christmas

# **Welcome to BMPC**

*Lord, Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.*

**NEW HERE?** Please sign the Fellowship Register at the end of your pew and introduce yourself to a pastor after the service. Our programs are open to all and we invite you to participate according to your interests. Questions? Contact [DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org](mailto:DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org), ext. 8809.

## **TODAY'S SCHEDULE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH:**

**Holiday Worship Together:** age 2 - grade 12 (no Sunday School or Youth Gathering until next week)

**Childcare:** infants - age 5; 7:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102

**GETTING CONNECTED.** Please fill out the Fellowship Register as indicated during worship to let us know that you were here, to provide or update your contact information, and to identify yourself to others in your row so that you may greet each other after worship.

**JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP.** Stop by the Ministries Center Court for coffee between 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. and for refreshments and fellowship after the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

*As we gather for worship, please silence your cell phone and prepare your heart and mind for the worship of God.*



# GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

Rachel Pedersen

*Please fill in the Fellowship Register at the end of your pew.*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Blessed be the name of the Lord!

**All: From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

One: The Lord is high above all nations;  
God's glory is above the heavens.

**All: Yet God lifts up the lowly and humble in heart.**

One: Then let us look to the Lord and be glad!

**All: We will rejoice and give thanks for God's mighty works.**

One: Let us worship God.

† HYMN 108

Of the Father's Love Begotten

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Merciful God,

we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will,

we have broken your law,

we have rebelled against your love.

We have not loved our neighbors,

and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray.

Free us for joyful obedience; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† *Please stand, if able.*

## 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

Sally Nelson

### FIRST LESSON Psalm 147:12-20 (*p. 582 in pew Bible*)

Sally Nelson

### SECOND LESSON Jeremiah 31:7-14 (*p. 734 in pew Bible*)

Kellen A. Smith

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

*Mercy Multiplied*

Kellen A. Smith

### † HYMN 112

On Christmas Night All Christians Sing

SUSSEX CAROL

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

## SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*You are invited to come forward, using the center aisle, to partake of the Lord's Supper by intinction (dipping a piece of bread in 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 morning offering to the offering plates 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 (*in unison*)

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.

### THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

#### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Kellen A. Smith

† HYMN 132

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

IN DULCI JUBILO

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

#### POSTLUDE

## *Worship Notes*

### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

are given to the glory of God in loving memory of

Heather Miller Cox

Otto Finkbeiner

David Stewart Hanna

Mary Pancoast Reeve

Edward Bingham Miller

Elvin J. Stoltzfus

### GREETING AND HOSTING

Members of our ushering team

### PLAYING THE CARILLON

Rob Mygatt

### ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Deacon Sally Nelson

## Announcements

**ART EXHIBIT - CRAFTS, ART, AND CULTURE OF BOTSWANA.** On view and for sale in the Ministries Center through Sun., Jan. 24. Sales support the artists. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

**DAILY DEVOTIONALS.** At our Book Center in the Ministries Center Court you will find daily reading books for 2016. Stop by following worship and on weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; the key is at the Reception Desk. Kat MacMurray, KatRMac2@gmail.com.

## This Week

**HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY.** Wed., Jan. 6, 10:30 a.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom. The Rev. Richard Wohlschlaeger leads our study of *Come to the Waters* by Judy Record Fletcher, Chapter 5. Joyce Malott, okf405@erols.com.

**VISIT FROM MISSION CO-WORKER CATHY CHANG.** Wed., Jan. 6, noon - 1:00 p.m., Congregational Hall (brown bag lunch), or 5:30 - 6:30 p.m., Wed. Night Dinner, Congregational Hall (a table will be reserved for conversations with Cathy). The Rev. Cathy Chang will serve as a PC (USA) mission co-worker in the Philippines in 2016. Learn about her work, which will focus on human trafficking, both fighting the practice and working with victims. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

**SmokeFREE SMOKING CESSATION CLASS.** Begins Fri., Jan. 8, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. Ready to quit smoking? Attend Main Line Health's free six session smoking cessation program. Participants may be eligible to receive up to six weeks of free nicotine replacement therapy (patch, gum, lozenges) and must attend at least one of the first two sessions to continue with the course. Register: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

## Upcoming

**LIFE TRANSITIONS.** Sundays, Jan. 10 - 24, 11:15 a.m. Witherspoon Parlor. Pat Danzon, Spiritual Director at the Middleton Center, discusses the distinctions between "change" and "transitions" and the Biblical stories of journey and spiritual writings and practices relevant to life transitions. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

**SOUTH KOREA TOUR INFO MEETING.** Sun., Jan. 10, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. The Sanctuary Choir will tour South Korea in late June/early July of 2017, when we will share our music, build relationships with Presbyterian communities, and engage in meaningful outreach. Come to our info meeting to learn about how you can join our Sanctuary Choir members for this experience. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

**Y-GROUP CASSEROLE BLITZ.** Tues., Jan. 12, 9:15 a.m., Main Kitchen. Prepare casseroles for the homeless and make crispy treats for the students from our BMPC tutoring program. Childcare available. GabySnyder@yahoo.com.

**HIGH SCHOOL SNOW RETREAT.** Jan. 16-18, Poconos. It's time for a weekend away! Our winter getaway offers snow games, tubing, great meals, worship, and an opportunity to serve together on MLK Jr. Day. Cost: \$299. Register online at [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

## ***Middleton Center Programs***

The Middleton Center is accessed via our Ministries Center. For more information contact [info@middletoncenter.org](mailto:info@middletoncenter.org), 610-525-0766.

**WALK THE LABYRINTH IN PRAYER.** Tues., Jan. 5, 11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Experience this ancient symbol and prayer form. Last walk of the evening begins at 7:15 p.m.

**SEARCHING FOR STILL WATERS: AN EXPLORATION OF LOSS AND GRIEF.** Sat., Jan. 9, 10:00-11:30 a.m., Converse House Parlor. On-going support group for those coping with the loss of a loved one, whether recent or many years ago.

**WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT DIVORCE.** Sat., Jan. 9, 9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m., Middleton Center. A "Second Saturday" workshop to offer financial, emotional and legal advice from qualified professionals. \$20/person.

**PARENT GROUP FOR FAMILIES WITH TRANSGENDER CHILDREN.** Tues., Jan. 12, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Middleton Center. Confidential support group to meet other parents of transgender or questioning children. \$25/person - \$40/couple.

**OPERATION HOME AND HEALING.** Tuesday, Jan. 12, 19, 26, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Three part program for veterans and family members/partners. Registration required (see email above).

**THE REPRESENTATION PROJECT FILM SERIES.** Thursday, Jan. 14 & 21, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., Bryn Mawr Film Institute.

- Part I, Jan. 14, "The Mask You Live In." Explores cultural influences in the way boys are raised to be men in today's society.
- Part II, Jan. 21, "Miss Representation." Exposes how mainstream media contribute to the under-representation of women in positions of power and influence in America.

Tickets are available through The Bryn Mawr Film Institute. [info@middletoncenter.org](mailto:info@middletoncenter.org), 610-525-0766.

## ***Save the Date***

**INTERFAITH TU B'SHEVAT SEDER.** Fri., Jan. 22, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. Gather on this rooted, creative, mystical, musical, Jewish and environmental holy day and celebrate the New Year of the Trees with a ceremonial Seder dinner. Courtenay Willcox, [mcwillcox@gmail.com](mailto:mcwillcox@gmail.com)



**MLK CONGREGATION-WIDE DAY OF SERVICE.** Sat., Jan. 23, 8:30 a.m., meet in the Ministries Center. Choose between projects in the BMPC Education Building, weatherization in Philadelphia with Habitat for Humanity, assisting seniors in the Bryn Mawr community with ElderNet, or a Casserole Blitz. Register at [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org) > Calendar > Open Registrations or [CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org](mailto:CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org), ext. 8819.

**SUPPORT SYRIAN REFUGEES.** Sun., Jan. 24, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Our congregation continues its discernment and education regarding the sponsorship of Syrian refugee families. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick and members who have been working with Lutheran Children and Family Services will explain the logistics of refugee support and how we can help this work of hospitality and welcome. [RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org](mailto:RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org), ext. 8818.

**YOUTH OUTING: PHILADELPHIA 76'ERS GAME.** Sat., Jan. 30, 5:00 p.m., Wells Fargo Center. Meet Pastor Kellen at the Wells Fargo Center for an action packed NBA game as the Sixers take on the World Champion Golden State Warriors. Limited tickets available. \$25. Register: [AmyBauer@bmpc.org](mailto:AmyBauer@bmpc.org), ext. 8821.

**YOUTH SUMMER TRIPS EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION.** Deadline for early bird pricing is January 31. For more information about the High School Mission Trip to Peru, the Middle School Urban Plunge in NYC, or Camp Kirkwood 2016, search "Summer Camps and Mission Trips" at [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org). [AmyBauer@bmpc.org](mailto:AmyBauer@bmpc.org), ext. 8821.

**DEACONS' ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE.** Mon., Feb. 1, 1:00 - 7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Volunteers are needed to donate blood and to assist with scheduling appointments. Bill Matthai, [william.matthai@uphs.upenn.edu](mailto:william.matthai@uphs.upenn.edu), 610-668-1842.

## ***Caring & Sharing***

**SUPPORT OUR TUTORING STUDENTS.** Hats, gloves, scarves, and school supplies are needed for students from the William Dick School who attend our tutoring program. Place items in the collection bins in the Ministries Center and Ed. Building through January. [CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org](mailto:CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org), ext. 8819.

**SERVE WITH OUR PASTORAL CARE TEAM.** Provide rides for older adults, meals to those recuperating, prayer shawls for those in need of prayer, or visits to the homebound. [LorieBenovic@bmpc.org](mailto:LorieBenovic@bmpc.org) or ext. 8833.

### **HELP FIGHT HUNGER.**

- Contribute to the white hunger envelopes in the pews to provide food for emergency food cupboards, homeless shelters, and hunger relief organizations.
- Bring non-perishable food items to worship each Sunday to help stock local emergency food cupboards.

**SHARE HOSPITAL INFORMATION.** Current privacy laws make it more difficult for our pastors to know when BMPC members have been admitted to a hospital. Please call the church office at 610-525-2821 if you or anyone you know is hospitalized.

**NEED A RIDE?** We can help you with some of your transportation needs. For rides to medical appointments call Lorie Benovic, ext 8833.

**SUPPORT OUR TROOPS.** Please pray for all who remain in harm's way. If you have a loved one serving in the Armed Forces, contact Janney Ryan, janneyryan610@gmail.com.

## ***This Week's Calendar***

***For more information visit our website at [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org), call the church office, or contact [communications@bmpc.org](mailto:communications@bmpc.org).***

### **Today, January 3, 2015**

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

10:00 a.m. Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary  
The Rev. Kellen Smith will preach.

7:45 a.m. Childcare for infants - age 5, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102 (to 12:30 p.m.)

10:00 a.m. Holiday Worship Together for age 2 - grade 12.  
No Sunday School or Youth Gathering.

11:00 a.m. Cafe in the Court

11:15 a.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center

### **Monday, January 4, 2015**

9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

4:00 p.m. Environmental Justice Committee Meeting, Conference Room

### **Tuesday, January 5, 2015**

8:30 a.m. Tuesday Morning Study Group, Converse House Parlor

9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium

10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium

11:00 a.m. Labyrinth Walk, Congregational Hall

4:30 p.m. Upward Basketball Practice, Gymnasium

6:30 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.

7:00 p.m. Deacons' Meeting, Witherspoon Parlor

### **Wednesday, January 6, 2015**

- 9:00 a.m. Walk for Life: Walk More, Live Better!; meet in main parking lot
- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room
- 10:30 a.m. Horizons Bible Study, Rosemont Presbyterian Village
- 12:00 p.m. Cathy Chang Visit, Congregational Hall
- 4:45 p.m. Wednesday Together Program,
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall  
Dinner with Cathy Chang to 6:30 p.m., Congregational Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
- 7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft
- 7:00 p.m. Music and Fine Arts Council Meeting, Conference Room  
Worldwide Ministries Council Meeting, Fullerton Room

### **Thursday, January 7, 2015**

- 10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center
- 7:30 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 19, Gymnasium

### **Friday, January 8, 2016**

- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
- 2:00 p.m. smokeFree Smoking Cessation Class, Gloucester Room
- 4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Ed. Bldg.

### **Saturday, January 9, 2016**

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. Second Saturday Divorce Support Group, Middleton Center
- 10:00 a.m. Bereavement Group, Converse House Parlor

### **Sunday, January 10, 2016**

- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion and Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary  
The Rev. Richard Wohlschlaeger will preach.  
Sunday School for age 2 - grade 12.

## ***Worship Staff***

**Agnes W. Norfleet**, Pastor

**Rebecca Kirkpatrick**, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Mission

**Rachel Pedersen**, Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry

**Kellen A. Smith**, Associate Pastor for Youth, Their Families and College Ministries

**Richard Wohlschlaeger**, Interim Associate Pastor for Senior Adults & Pastoral Care

**Jeffrey Brillhart**, Director of Music and Fine Arts

**Edward L. Landin**, Assistant Director of Music

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