



***Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church***

October 2, 2016
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
World Communion Sunday

Welcome to BMPC

NEW HERE? We are pleased to have you with us as we gather to worship God. Our programs are open to all and you are invited to participate according to your interests. Questions? Stop at our information alcove to the left of the main exit or contact DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809 during the week.

TO ASSIST YOU DURING WORSHIP: Large print bulletins and hearing assistance devices are available; ask an usher. Children's bulletins with crayons may be found near the main entrance.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH:

Childcare: 7:45 - 12:30 p.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102

Children age 2 - PreK: 10:00 a.m. classes, Ed. Bldg.

Grades K - 3: 10:15 a.m., classes, Ed. Bldg.

If this is your first Sunday, please accompany your child to the Ed. Bldg.

Grades 4- 12: 10:00 a.m., Worship Together Sunday

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. To keep informed about our activities, subscribe to BMPC eNews by adding your email address to the Fellowship Register. Visit our homepage, www.bmpc.org, for links to ministry-specific newsletters and our Facebook and Instagram pages.

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP. Stop by the Ministries Center Court for a cup of coffee between 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. and for refreshments and fellowship after the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Families with young children are invited to gather for refreshments in the Education Building Lobby after Sunday School.

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

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

Improvisation
Écossaise
Tintinnabulators

Jeffrey Brillhart
Ludwig van Beethoven, arr. Sandra Eithun

**WELCOME
CALL TO WORSHIP**

Kellen A. Smith

Know that God is good. Know that God is good.

Know that God is good; God is good; God is good.

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One: I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

All: Sung response (above)

One: I sought the Lord and he answered me,
and delivered me from all my fears.

All: Sung response (above)

One: O taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are those who take refuge in him.

All: Sung response (above)

† **HYMN 637**

O Sing to the Lord

CANTAI AO SENHOR

**CALL TO CONFESSION AND
PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *(in unison)*

Philippines

Lord forgive us, for we are fragmented persons. We go many directions at once.
We seek opposite goals; we serve contradictory causes.
We mouth liberation; we live oppression.
We shout peace; we practice violence.
We shout justice; we walk injustice.
We preach love; we practice hate.
Through your compassion have mercy on us and make us whole.
Enable us to discern your voice among the dissonant voices.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† **GLORIA PATRI** *(in unison)*

(Hymnal 581)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the
beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

† *Please stand, if able.*

Children are invited to come forward for the Children's Moment

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ANTHEM

Bwana Asifiwe
Children's Choir and Youth Chorale

arr. Mark Burrows

Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord in the heavens. Praise the Lord for the Lord is good. Praise the Lord. Praise God's name. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty the king of creation. Oh, my soul praise him, for he is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near; join me in glad adoration! Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly forever adore him.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

SENDING MUSIC

Kulu Mele African Drum Ensemble

During the Sending Music, children grades K - 3 depart for their Sunday School classes.

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 55:1-13 (*p. 685 in pew Bible*)

Kellen A. Smith

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 11:25-30 (*p. 12 in pew Bible*)

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

SERMON

The Joyful Feast of the People of God

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church,
the unity of the communion of saints of the entire human family.
And we believe that that this unity of the people of God
must be manifest and active,
in that we love one another;
that we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another,
that we share one baptism together,
that we eat of one bread and drink of one cup together,
that we confess one name, one Lord, for one cause, with one hope,
which is the height and the breadth and the depth
and the love of Christ, forever and ever. Amen.

~ Adapted from Belhar Confession, South Africa, 1982

OFFERING

*Please fill in the Fellowship Register at the end of your pew;
pass it down your row and back again.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

This is My Song
Sanctuary Choir

Jeffrey Brillhart

This is my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for lands afar and mine. This is my home, the country where my heart is; here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine. But other hearts in other lands are beating with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine. This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's kingdoms: Thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done. Let Christ be lifted up till all shall serve him, and hearts unite and learn to live as one. O hear my prayer, thou God of all the nations; myself I give thee; let thy will be done.

† **DOXOLOGY** (*in unison*) (*Hymnal 606*)

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** Agnes W. Norfleet

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

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

As the bread from around the world and cup are distributed, you may partake individually in personal prayer. Gluten- and casein-free bread is available in the container located on each plate.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

Kaung'a Yachee
Sanctuary Choir (singing in Taita)

Boniface Mganga

We come humbly to pray and beseech you to help us and forgive us. Sin came into the world and brought us sickness and robbed us of peace. Sin has made us weak and separated us from God.

Bolo Jay, Mikar Jay Trad. Indian Communion Song
Michael Hogue, tenor; Cody Müller, bass

Sing my soul, sing to God, sing to God, hallelujah! Your love is boundless, wide as the ocean; fill my heart with your love; may I love you more. You shed your precious blood to give redemption; now that I am free from guilt, may I love you more. Let me daily sing of your love.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Richard Wohlschlaeger

† **HYMN** 509 All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly HOLY MANNA

*The Sanctuary Choir will sing the hymn once in Zulu.
The congregation will join in English for the second verse.*

† **BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE** Rebecca Kirkpatrick

POSTLUDE Toccata alla Rumba Andreas Willscher

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Dorothy G. and Francis L. Henderson
Deborah M. Henderson

CHAPEL GARDEN FLOWERS

Grafton D. Chase

THE COMMUNION TABLE CLOTH

was presented to Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church
by the Near East School of Theology (N.E.S.T) in Lebanon

GREETING AND HOSTING

Representatives of the Peacemaking Committee

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Brian Middleton

BULLETIN COVER

Journey with Jesus by He Qi (China)

Notes on the Service Music

Today, for World Communion Sunday, we present a variety of spiritual music from around the world. *Bwana Asifiwe* is a traditional Swahili melody that incorporates the hymn *Praise to the Lord the Almighty*. I composed *This is My Song* for the Sanctuary Choir's 1995 tour to Russia and Finland. It sets the familiar tune, *Finlandia*, and stresses the need for peace among all lands. Boniface Mganga, the late director of the Kenyan National Choir, arranged *Kaung'a Yachee* that comes to us from the Bantu tribe of Kenya. Mganga visited in the United States in 2001, guest-conducting the Sanctuary Choir and the Singing City Choir. *Bolo Jay, Mikar Jay* is a popular communion song from India. Finally, we are delighted to welcome two drummers from Philadelphia's Kule Mele African Drum Ensemble to our worship service. We invite you to enjoy their work on the front flagstones following the service.

~Jeffrey Brillhart

Today

WITHERSPOON FORUM: UNDERSTANDING CLIMATE CHANGE. 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Our Environmental Justice Committee hosts Dr. Sean O'Donnell, Professor of Biodiversity, Earth and Environmental Science at Drexel University, speaking on the science and ethics of climate change and how we respond as people of faith. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

CHILD & YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING. 11:15 a.m., Gloucester Room. Attend this session for our annual training, required for all who volunteer with children through grade 12 at BMPC. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS. 4:00 p.m., Front Lawn. Gather for fellowship, singing, scripture, prayers, and blessings of companion animals. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

Announcements

PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING. This offering begins today to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice across the world. Envelopes are located in the pew holders or write "Peace Offering" on the memo line of your check. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

MAKE THIS YOUR CHURCH HOME. We invite you to join our community of faith on Sun., Oct. 9, when we welcome new members at a breakfast meeting of Session. "Gathering with the Pastors" before and after 10:00 a.m. worship today is an opportunity to meet our pastoral staff, learn more about our church and ask questions (childcare available). DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

MISSION TRIP TO LEBANON. Our Worldwide Ministries Committee is sponsoring a trip to meet with the Synod of Syria and Lebanon as part of our ongoing partnership in education and relief with congregations there. Tentative dates are Feb. 12 – 22, 2017; space is limited. If you are interested in the trip, contact CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

SANCTUARY CHOIR OPEN AUDITIONS. Did you enjoy today's Sanctuary Choir anthem? If you would like to be a part of this group, attend open auditions in the choir loft from 11:00 – 11:30 a.m. today. No appointment necessary. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

VISUAL ARTS EXHIBIT. The Photo Exhibit of the Mission Trip to Peru and the purchase of infant and toddler handcrafted Peruvian clothing ends today. Buy at reduced prices. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

This Week

WALK THE LABYRINTH IN PRAYER. Tues., Oct. 4, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Children's Chapel. All ages welcome to experience a shorter walk using our "Story Path Labyrinth" in the side section of the Chapel. Instructions and a meditation provided; allow time for contemplation before and after walking. info@middletoncenter.org, 610-525-0766.

HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY. Wed., Oct. 5, 10:30 a.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom. The Rev. Richard Wohlschlaeger leads our study of *Who is Jesus? What a Difference a Lens Makes*, Ch. 2. Joyce Malott, Okf405@erols.com, 610-525-4469.

PETER DUBOIS ORGAN RECITAL. Sun., Oct. 9, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Peter DuBois is Director of Music and Organist at Third Presbyterian Church in Rochester, NY and the host of the renowned PBS radio show, "With Heart and Voice." Free-will offering. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

Upcoming

THEOLOGIAN IN RESIDENCE: THE REV. DR. DAVID GRAFTON.

Dr. Grafton, Professor of Islamic Studies and Christian-Muslim Relations at Hartford Seminary, speaks in Congregational Hall:

- Sun., Oct. 9, 11:15 a.m.: "What is Islam? The Pillars of Faith and Practice"
- Sat., Oct. 15, 9:00 a.m. - noon: "American Views of Islam: Current Social-Political Context" and "What Do American Muslims Believe about this Country?" Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations.
- Sun., Oct. 16, 11:15 a.m.: "The Variety of Pieties of Muslims"

DOING GOOD TOGETHER. Wed., Oct. 12, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Spend the day off from school in service! Students in grades 1 - 5 work with BMPC mission partners to help feed the hungry, care for the sick, and care for creation. Bring a sack lunch. Register by Sun., Oct. 9: MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

SINGING FOR LIFE OPEN HOUSE. Thurs., Oct. 13, 9:30 a.m., Fine Arts Center. BMPC's choir for older adults, Singing for Life, invites you to an open house. Come visit a rehearsal to see what we're all about, then join our members for refreshments. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

CONEXION MOSAICO PRESENTATION. Thurs., Oct. 13, 4:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Celebrate the 10th anniversary of our mission partner ConeXion Mosaico and its accomplishments in the urban slums of Mexico City. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

HOLY LEISURE FOR WOMEN. Fri., Oct. 14, 6:00-9:00 p.m., home of Barbara Cobb. Share a potluck dinner, fellowship and discussion led by the Rev. Debra Sutton. Topic: *Chatelaine Connection*. Register: Janet White, Janetw298@verizon.net.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINIATURE GOLF. Sun., Oct. 16, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Tee's Golf Center, Conshohocken. Youth in grades 6 - 8 are invited for an afternoon of fellowship, mini golf and pizza. Cost: \$15. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Cpen Registrations. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

WOMAN, MAN AND GOD IN MODERN ISLAM. Wed., Oct. 19, 6:30 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Dr. Theodore Friend discusses the life situations of women in Indonesia, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, and Turkey. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

Save the Date

PERSPECTIVES IN MUSIC, FEATURING SUZANNE DUPLANTIS. Sun., Oct. 23, 11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. Enjoy the golden years of life with songs of nostalgia performed by Suzanne DePlantis and accompanied by Laura Ward. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Cpen Registrations or with your check for \$15 for the brunch and program payable to BMPC by Wed., Oct. 19. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART TRIP. Sat., Oct. 29. See the exhibition *Jerusalem 1000-1400: Every People Under Heaven* which illuminates the key role that the Holy City played in shaping the art of the period from 1000 to 1400. Bus departs from our back parking lot at 8:45 a.m. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations; \$63 per person includes guided tour, bus, and snacks. Lunch on your own at the Met. Register: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, or ext. 8821.

Caring & Sharing

WORLD FOOD COLLECTION DAY. Sun., Oct. 16, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary Narthex. Our Hunger Committee collects canned and nonperishable food items to be delivered to area food cupboards and homeless shelters. Especially needed are protein sources such as tuna fish, peanut butter, or stew. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

LOCAL REFUGEE SUPPORT. Our Refugee Action Committee for Refugee Support is moving forward in its work to help sponsor a refugee family moving into our local community. Volunteers are needed to provide hospitality, transportation, educational support, employment advocacy, medical assistance and other tasks. If you want to support this work, contact Judy Sherry, judysherry1@gmail.com.

BE A “SECRET SAINT.” Sponsor one of our many students who are attending school away from home. Secret Saints let them know BMPC cares through packages, cards, and most importantly, prayers. Jane Wilber, Parent Coordinator, willbaway5@comcast.net.

This Week’s Calendar

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Today, October 2, 2016 - World Communion Sunday

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102
8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
8:45 a.m. Gathering with the Pastors / Membership Orientation, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 206
Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 201
Digging Deeper Bible Study, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 205
Filling the Well, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 104
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion and Choirs, Sanctuary**
Sunday School for ages 2 - 4, Ed. Bldg.
Grades K - 3 begin worship in the Sanctuary
10:15 a.m. Sunday School for Grades K - 3, Ed. Bldg.
11:00 a.m. Fellowship and Refreshments, Lawn or Ministries Center
Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg.
Sanctuary Choir Open Auditions, Sanctuary Choir Loft
Choir Photo Shoot, Sanctuary
11:15 a.m. Fullerton Bible Study: The Acts of the Apostles, Fullerton Room
Witherspoon Forum: Climate Change, Witherspoon Parlor
Gathering with the Pastors / Membership Orientation, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 206
Child and Youth Protection Training, Gloucester Room
Brunch with Confirmands & their parents, Pastor Kellen’s Manse
4:00 p.m. Blessing of the Animals, Front Lawn

Monday, October 3, 2016

- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

Tuesday, October 4, 2016

- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
Tuesday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg.
Labyrinth Walk, Children’s Chapel
10:15 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium

- 1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
- 2:00 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room and Witherspoon Parlor
- 4:00 p.m. Environmental Justice Committee Meeting, Conference Room
- 4:30 p.m. Upward Basketball Picture Night, Ministries Center Court
- 5:30 p.m. Upward Basketball Practice, Gymnasium
- 6:30 p.m. Congregational Care Council Meeting, Witherspoon Parlor
- 7:00 p.m. Nominating Committee Meeting, Fullerton Room
Deacons' Meeting, Witherspoon Parlor

Wednesday, October 5, 2016

- 9:00 a.m. Walk for Life: Walk More, Live Better!, meet at Main Parking Lot
Weekday School Parent Brunch, Congregational Hall
- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
- 10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Fullerton Room
- 10:30 a.m. Horizons Bible Study, Rosemont Presbyterian Ballroom
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
Upward Basketball Practice, Gymnasium
- 7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft
Worldwide Ministries Committee Meeting, Gloucester Room
Music and Fine Arts Council Meeting, Conference Room

Thursday, October 6, 2016

- 9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
- 10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
- 11:00 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center

Friday, October 7, 2016

- 8:30 a.m. Weekday School Book Fair, Congregational Hall
- 9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg.
- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

Saturday, October 8, 2016

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. Second Saturday Divorce Support Group, Witherspoon Parlor
Upward Basketball, Gymnasium
Bereavement Group, Converse House Parlor

Sunday, October 9, 2016

- 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

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

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