



## Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, June 21, 2026

10:00 a.m., Sanctuary



# Gathering of God's People

Please note that online worshippers join the livestream at 9:50 a.m.

We invite you to prepare for worship in quiet reflection.

## PRELUDE

Reverie

William Grant Still

In Quiet Mood

Florence Price

James Kealey, organist

## WELCOME

Andy Greenhow

Please stand, if able.

## CALL TO WORSHIP

One Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous.

**All We will praise the Lord!**

One Sing to the Lord a new song.

**All We will praise the Lord!**

One For the Lord has done great things.

**All We will praise the Lord!**

One Let us worship God.

1 God is call-ing through the whis-per of the Spir - it's deep-est sighs,  
 2 God is call-ing through the voic - es of our neigh-bors' ur - gent prayers,  
 3 God is call-ing through the mu - sic of sub-lime and hu - man arts,

through the thrill of sud - den beau - ties that can catch us by sur - prise.  
 through their long - ing for re - demp - tion and for res - cue from de - spair.  
 through the hymns of earth and an - gels, and the car - ols of our hearts.

Flash of light - ning, crash of thun - der; hush of still - ness, rush of won - der:  
 Place of hurt or face of need - ing; stri - dent cry or si - lent plead - ing:  
 Lift of joy and gift of sing - ing; days and nights our prais - es bring - ing:

God is call - ing—can you hear? God is call - ing—can you hear?  
 God is call - ing—can you hear? God is call - ing—can you hear?  
 God is call - ing—and we hear! God is call - ing—and we hear!

## CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All**      **God of our ancestors, you have remained faithful to us from generation to generation, but we have broken our promises. We hear your plans for us and we laugh in disbelief. We test your patience and question your providence. Forgive us we pray. Recreate us as your people and restore us to your image. Continue to bless us and let us be a blessing for others. Keep us in your mercy, and cover us with your grace.**

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### PASSING OF THE PEACE

**One**      The peace of Christ be with you.

**All**      **And also with you.**

Please stand, if able.

## SUNG RESPONSE    Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of three staves of music with lyrics underneath. The first staff starts with a common rest and contains the lyrics: "Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly". The second staff starts with a common rest and contains the lyrics: "Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now; and ev - er shall be,". The third staff starts with a common rest and contains the lyrics: "world with - out end. A - men, a - men." The music is simple and melodic, using quarter and eighth notes.

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly

6  
Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now; and ev - er shall be,

11  
world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

# Proclamation of the Word

## CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

Following the Children's Moment, children K - grade 3 depart for their Sunday School classes.

## SENDING HYMN Go Now, Children, with our Blessing

Go now, chil-dren with our blessing, to love and serve the Lord. May God  
5 Bless you, May God guard you, May the light of God shine u - pon you, and may  
9 God be gracious to you. May the presence of God be with you. May the  
13 pre - sence of God be with you, and give you peace.

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Andy Greenhow

## FIRST LESSON Psalm 86:1-10

(Old Testament pg. 544 in pew Bible)

Incline your ear, O Lord, and answer me, for I am poor and needy. Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you; save your servant who trusts in you. You are my God; be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all day long. Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you. Give ear, O Lord,

to my prayer; listen to my cry of supplication. In the day of my trouble I call on you, for you will answer me. There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

(Old Testament pg. 17 in pew Bible)

The child grew and was weaned, and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, “Cast out this slave woman with her son, for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac.” The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, “Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring.” So Abraham rose early in the morning and took bread and a skin of water and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed and wandered about in the wilderness of

Beer-sheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot, for she said, “Do not let me look on the death of the child.” And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy, and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven and said to her, “What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid, for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.” Then God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. She went and filled the skin with water and gave the boy a drink. God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran, and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

**One** The Word of the Lord.

**All** **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *Moral Imagination*

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

Please stand, if able.

# Response to the Word

HYMN 825 Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

SWING LOW

*Refrain*

Swing low, sweet char - i - ot, com - ing for to car - ry me home.

The musical notation for the Refrain consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 2/4 time signature. The bottom staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The melody is simple and rhythmic, with lyrics written below the notes.

Swing low, sweet char - i - ot, com - ing for to car - ry me home. *Fine*

The musical notation for the Fine consists of two staves, similar to the Refrain. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef, both in Bb and 2/4. The melody concludes with a double bar line and a repeat sign. The word 'Fine' is written above the final note of the top staff.

1 I looked o-ver Jor-dan, and what did I see com - ing for to car - ry me home?  
2 If you get there be - fore I do, com - ing for to car - ry me home,  
3 The bright - est day that ev - er I saw, com - ing for to car - ry me home,  
4 I'm some - times up and some - times down, com - ing for to car - ry me home,

The musical notation for the verses consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef, both in Bb and 2/4. The melody is consistent with the Refrain. The lyrics are written below the notes, with line numbers 1 through 4.

A band of an - gels com - ing af - ter me, com - ing for to car - ry me home. O,  
tell all my friends I'm com - ing too, com - ing for to car - ry me home. O,  
when Je - sus washed my sins a - way, com - ing for to car - ry me home. O,  
but still my soul feels heav - en - ly bound, com - ing for to car - ry me home. O,

*to Refrain*

The musical notation for the bridge consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef, both in Bb and 2/4. The melody is consistent with the Refrain. The lyrics are written below the notes. The phrase 'to Refrain' is written above the final note of the top staff.



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise God, all creatures here be-low; praise  
 5 God a-bove, ye heaven-ly host, praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Melanie Hardison

HYMN 317 In Christ There Is No East or West

MC KEE

1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no  
 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev-ery-where their high com-  
 3 Join hands, dis-ci-ples of the faith, what-e'er your  
 4 In Christ now meet both east and west; in him meet  
 south or north, but one great fel-low-  
 mu-nion find; his ser-vice is the  
 race may be. All chil-dren of the  
 south and north. All Christ-ly souls are  
 ship of love through-out the whole wide earth.  
 gold-en cord close-bind-ing hu-man-kind.  
 liv-ing God are sure-ly kin to me.  
 one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

POSTLUDE Improvisation on "We Shall Overcome"

Carl Haywood

James Kealey, organist

## Worship & Music Notes

### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Roberta Hollingshead.

### PLAYING THE CARILLON

Nancy Lawrence Hill

### BULLETIN COVER

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# WELCOME TO BRYN MAWR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome to Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church during this season after Pentecost, when we are reminded that the Holy Spirit continues to guide, sustain, and renew the church. In these summer weeks, we gather to worship, reflect, and grow together in faith, trusting that God is at work in every season of our lives.

Whether you are a longtime member, returning after time away, or visiting with us for the first time, we are glad you are here. Through worship, fellowship, and service, we seek to follow Christ with faithfulness and joy. May our time together today deepen your sense of God's presence and strengthen our shared calling as Christ's disciples in the world.



John M. Willingham  
Interim Senior Pastor

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## 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 following the worship service. All of our programs, ministries, and opportunities for mission are open to everyone. Learn more at [bmpc.org](http://bmpc.org)

## T-COIL HEARING LOOP AVAILABLE

BMPC's Sanctuary and Congregational Hall are equipped with a T-Coil hearing loop system to enhance sound clarity for those with hearing aids or cochlear implants with a telecoil ("T" setting). Portable receiver units are also available in the Sanctuary upon request. We hope this technology enriches your worship experience!

## CHILDCARE ON SUNDAY

Childcare is available on Sundays from 7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for children ages six months and older. Please contact the Rev. Rachel Pedersen, [RachelPedersen@bmpc.org](mailto:RachelPedersen@bmpc.org) or Childcare Coordinator Erika Henry, [childcare@bmpc.org](mailto:childcare@bmpc.org) with any questions.

## LIVESTREAMED CHURCH SERVICES

Our Sunday 10:00 a.m. service is livestreamed and can be viewed at [www.bmpc.org/live](http://www.bmpc.org/live) or on our YouTube channel. A recording of the service will also be available on our Past Services website page and Vimeo channel starting Monday. If you are attending in person and prefer not to be on camera, please speak with an usher who will seat you in an area off camera.

# Announcements

## TODAY

**Digging Deeper – Hearing the Message of Ecclesiastes.** Sundays, June 7–28, 8:45 a.m., Gloucester Room. Explore Ecclesiastes with Christopher J. H. Wright’s “Hearing the Message of Ecclesiastes.” This class engages life’s hardest questions—meaning, injustice, work, and time—through Qoheleth’s searching voice. Together, we’ll embrace faithful uncertainty, honest reflection, and a deeper trust in God’s goodness amid life’s unresolved tensions and enduring mysteries. This class will be led by Dr. Joshua Yoder. Reserve a book and sign up for the class at [bit.ly/BMPCBookpickup](http://bit.ly/BMPCBookpickup)

**Lemonade on the Lawn.** Sundays, June 14 – Sept. 6, 11:15 a.m., Front Lawn. This summer, join us for Lemonade on the Lawn in place of the Atrium Café. We’ll gather outside for lemonade, refreshments, and fellowship after the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Rain location: Atrium.

## UPCOMING & ONGOING

### **There’s Still Time to Share Your Voice!**

Thank you to everyone who has already completed the Mission Study Survey. Your thoughtful responses are helping us build a clearer picture of who we are as a congregation and where God may be leading us next. Because we would like to hear from as many members as possible, we have extended the survey deadline to June 30. The survey is anonymous and takes about 15 minutes to complete. As we

prepare to call our next Senior Pastor, every perspective helps. We hope you’ll take this opportunity to share your perspective. [bit.ly/MissionStudySurvey](http://bit.ly/MissionStudySurvey)

**Summer Choir.** Sundays starting June 21, 9:00 a.m., Choir Loft. All singers ages 12+ are invited to join Summer Choir! Come any Sunday at 9:00 a.m. for a brief rehearsal, then sing at the 10:00 a.m. service. We sing one anthem, hymns, and a closing response - no robes, no sign-up, no long-term commitment. Come lend your voice and help lead worship!

**Daniel Carroll: Competition Recital.** Fri., June 26, 6:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Join us for a special informal recital featuring BMPC Organ Scholar Daniel Carroll as he presents a program of organ improvisations. The recital is free and open to the public.

**Nurturing New Life: Playground Playdates.** Fri., July 10, 9:15 a.m., Ed. Bldg. Playground. (Rain location: Gym.) Summer is a great time to connect, play, and explore! Join us at 9:15 a.m. in the Education Building for a story and activity before playtime outside. We’ll have space set up for babies and toddlers, and the playground available for older siblings. Sign up at [bit.ly/NurturingNewLife](http://bit.ly/NurturingNewLife) Contact: [ColleenCatania@bmpc.org](mailto:ColleenCatania@bmpc.org)

### **4th-7th Grade Water Balloon Event**

Wed., July 8, 3:00 p.m., Front Lawn. Rising 4th-7th graders, join us on the front lawn for a water balloon fight! Sign up at [bit.ly/4th7thWaterBalloons](http://bit.ly/4th7thWaterBalloons)

## CARING AND SHARING

**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 shelves outside Fullerton and in the Atrium. 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.

**Gemma Backpack and School Supply Collection.** Drop off by Sun., Aug. 2, Narthex. Help children served by Gemma Services start the school year strong by participating in our Backpack and School Supply Collection! You can donate a “completed backpack” filled with supplies or purchase individual items from our Amazon list: [bit.ly/GemmaBackpacks2026](https://bit.ly/GemmaBackpacks2026) A complete backpack checklist can be found at [bmpc.org/BackpackCollection](https://bmpc.org/BackpackCollection) Contact: [MaryRichards@bmpc.org](mailto:MaryRichards@bmpc.org)

**Hunger Doesn't Take a Break in the Summer!** Needs remain steady throughout the year, even when giving slows during the summer. A gift of \$1,000 can help provide a replacement freezer for one of our partner organizations. Your generosity helps our partners continue serving neighbors in need. Donate in the pew envelopes or at [onrealm.org/bmpc/give/hunger](https://onrealm.org/bmpc/give/hunger)

**Serve Dinner at the Ardmore Food Pantry.** The Ardmore Food Pantry offers a community meal on Monday evenings during pantry hours. On the second Monday of each month, they serve BMPC Hunger Casseroles. Two to three volunteers from BMPC are needed on those Monday nights to serve dinner from 5:15 to 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in volunteering for one month or on a regular basis, sign up at [bit.ly/AFPDinner](https://bit.ly/AFPDinner) Contact: [JenniferMcArthur@bmpc.org](mailto:JenniferMcArthur@bmpc.org)

**BMPC Meal Train.** Join us in this caring ministry that provides meal support to congregants in times of need. This act of caring has been described as an actual lifeline for some of our recipients. If you are interested in periodically making (or purchasing) and delivering a meal, please contact BMPC Deacon Kara Udicious at [udicious@comcast.net](mailto:udicious@comcast.net)

**BMPC Prayer Partners 2026-2027.** Prayer Partners commit to praying for a small group of students throughout an academic year. Prayer Partners may also connect with students through post cards and special events. This ministry serves more than 500 children and youth. Would you like to continue as a Prayer Partner or start as one? Please sign up at [bit.ly/PrayerPartner2026](https://bit.ly/PrayerPartner2026) so we can plan for our 2026-2027 prayer partner team. Contact: [MaryRichards@bmpc.org](mailto:MaryRichards@bmpc.org)

# Calendar

## SUNDAY, JUNE 21

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare (infant - age 5), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101
- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
- 8:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Cannon Room
- 8:45 a.m. Digging Deeper, Gloucester Room
- 9:00 a.m. Summer Choir Rehearsal, Choir Loft
- 9:55 a.m. Sunday School (Ages 3 and 4), and Pre-K, Ed. Bldg.
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Families (Rising Gr. 4-12), Sanctuary
- 10:00 a.m. **Worship, Sanctuary and Livestreamed**
- 10:15 a.m. Summer Sunday School (Rising K-Gr. 3), Ed. Bldg.
- 11:15 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn, Front Lawn
- 11:15 a.m. Dynamic Watercolors: Domenic DiStefano, Gallery
- 11:15 a.m. Vacation Bible Camp Volunteer Training, Congregational Hall
- 4:00 p.m. Vacation Bible Camp Kickoff, Congregational Hall

## MONDAY, JUNE 22

- 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible Camp, all campus
- 7:00 p.m. Equity and Racial Justice Committee Meeting, virtual
- 7:30 p.m. Fit4Mom, Gymnasium

## TUESDAY, JUNE 23

- 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible Camp, all campus
- 11:30 a.m. Parkinson's Support Group, Converse House Parlor

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24

- 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible Camp, all campus

## THURSDAY, JUNE 25

- 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible Camp, all campus

## FRIDAY, JUNE 26

- 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible Camp, all campus
- 5:00 p.m. Rogel/Heinicke Wedding Rehearsal, Chapel
- 6:00 p.m. Daniel Carroll Competition Recital, Sanctuary

SATURDAY, JUNE 27

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

11:00 a.m. **Sally Nelson Memorial Service, Sanctuary**

4:00 p.m. **Rogel/Heinicke Wedding, Chapel**

SUNDAY, JUNE 28

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

10:00 a.m. **Worship, Sanctuary and Livestreamed**

The Rev. Dr. John Willingham will preach.

## Giving

Your generosity can make a profound difference at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church. Join us in spreading love and hope by giving at [bit.ly/BMPCGiveOnline](https://bit.ly/BMPCGiveOnline) or simply scan the QR code to the right. Every donation, no matter the size, fuels our mission to create a more faithful, just, and compassionate community. Together, let's make a lasting impact!



**Sanctuary Flower Donations.** Openings are available throughout the year for donors who wish to give flowers in memory of or in honor of loved ones. After Sunday services, our Deacons deliver small arrangements of the flowers to homebound church members. For more information, contact [SusanThorkelson@mac.com](mailto:SusanThorkelson@mac.com)



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Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children & Family Ministry

James Kealey, Director of Music & Fine Arts

Daniel Carroll, Organ Scholar