



## **Second Sunday of Advent**

Sunday, December 7, 2025

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

Sicilienne

Daniel Carroll, organist

Gabriel Fauré tr. Louis Robilliard

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Bells of Bryn Mawr

Douglas E. Wagner

## WELCOME

Rachel Pedersen

Please stand, if able.

## CALL TO WORSHIP

**One** Listen to the promise: The wolf shall live with the lamb.

**All** **The calf and lion will feed together.**

**One** The cow and bear shall graze.

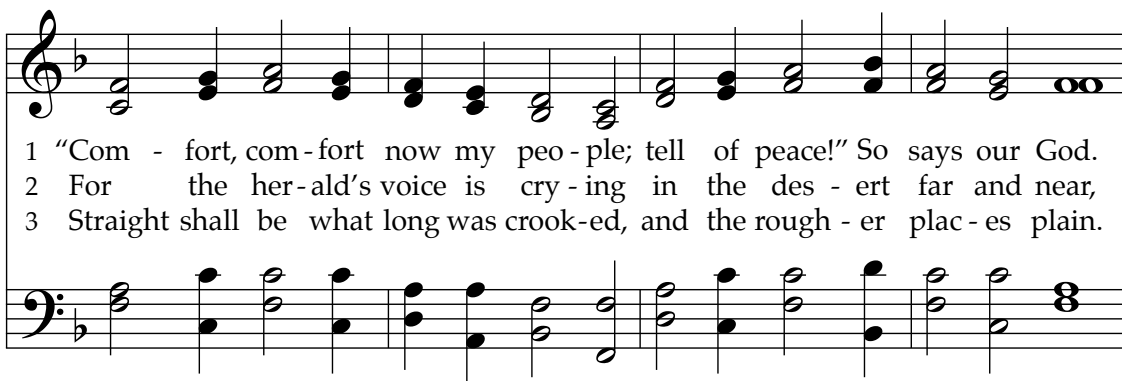
**All** **The lion shall eat straw like an ox.**

**One** A little child shall lead them.

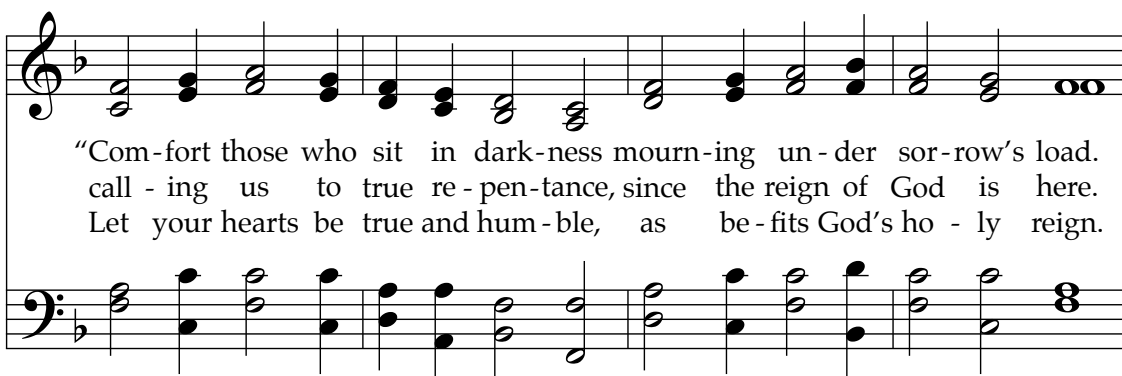
**All** **They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain.**

## HYMN 87 Comfort, Comfort Now My People

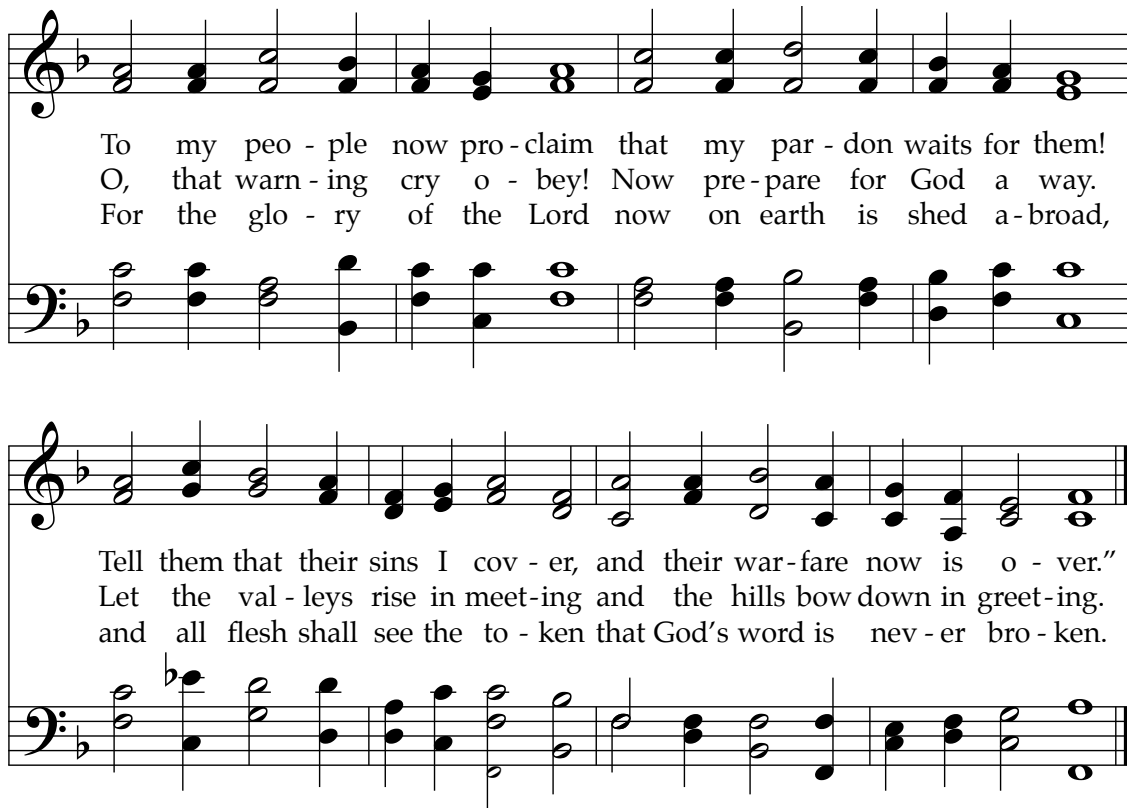
GENEVAN 42



1 "Com - fort, com-fort now my peo - ple; tell of peace!" So says our God.  
2 For the her-ald's voice is cry - ing in the des - ert far and near,  
3 Straight shall be what long was crook-ed, and the rough - er plac - es plain.



"Com-fort those who sit in dark-ness mourn-ing un-der sor-row's load.  
call - ing us to true re-pen-tance, since the reign of God is here.  
Let your hearts be true and hum-ble, as be-fits God's ho - ly reign.



To my peo - ple now pro - claim that my par - don waits for them!  
O, that warn - ing cry o - bey! Now pre - pare for God a way.  
For the glo - ry of the Lord now on earth is shed a - broad,  
Tell them that their sins I cov - er, and their war - fare now is o - ver."  
Let the val - leys rise in meet - ing and the hills bow down in greet - ing.  
and all flesh shall see the to - ken that God's word is nev - er bro - ken.

## ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Charles, Stephanie  
and Luke Moleski

- One** God of all things, we confess that we have acted in fear and harmed ourselves and our neighbors.
- All** **Give us hands to tend rather than to wound.**
- One** We confess that we have invested in power and strength without regard to others.
- All** **Come beside us and show us the ways of peace again.**
- One** We confess that we see the brokenness of a world divided and do nothing.
- All** **Be at work reconciling and restoring all things.**
- One** O Come, O Come Immanuel, hear our prayer and bring us peace again.  
A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

During the Sung Response, children are invited to come forward for the Children's Moment.

## SUNG RESPONSE



Re - jice! Re - jice! Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra-el.



# Proclamation of the Word

## CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

Following the Children's Moment, children K - grade 5 depart for their Sunday School classes.

## SENDING HYMN Go Now Children With Our Blessing



## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

## FIRST LESSON Matthew 3:1-12

(pg. 2 in pew Bible)

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight.'"

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region around the Jordan

were going out to him, and they were baptized by him in the River Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Therefore, bear fruit worthy of repentance, and do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor,' for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at

the root of the trees; therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. “I baptize you with water for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is more powerful than I, and I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He

will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

**ANTHEM** Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

Benjamin Boyle

Low, how a rose e'er blooming from tender stem hath sprung! Of Jesse's lineage coming as seers of old have sung. It came a blossom bright, amid the cold of winter when half spent was the night.

**SECOND LESSON** Isaiah 11:1-10

Melanie Hardison

(pg. 640 in pew Bible)

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see or decide by what his ears hear, but with righteousness he shall judge for the poor and decide with equity for the oppressed of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb; the leopard shall lie down with the kid; the calf and the lion will feed together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

**One** The Word of the Lord.

**All** Thanks be to God.

**SERMON** *Come On, Come On, Emmanuel*

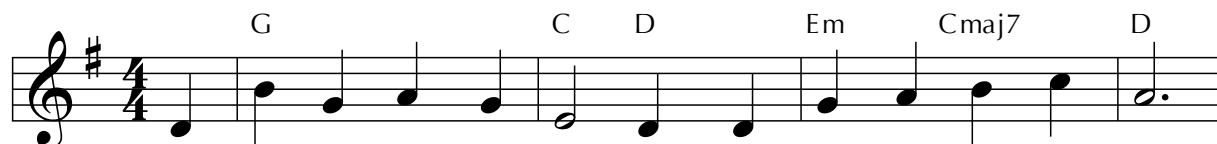
Melanie Hardison

# Response to the Word

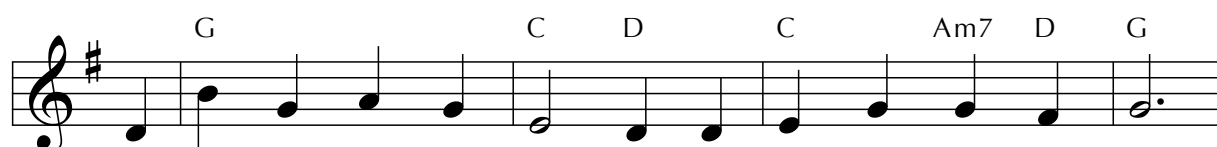
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## HYMN 378 We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom

MERLE'S TUNE



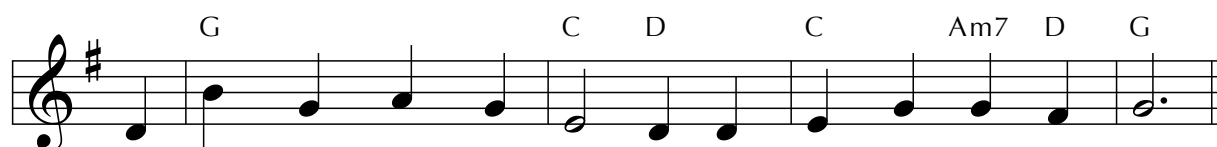
1 We wait the peace - ful king - dom, when wolf and lamb shall lie  
2 Where is the peace - ful king - dom? When will this new day start?  
3 When wars of des - o - la - tion and hate come to an end,  
4 That lit - tle child shall lead us to walk the cho - sen way,



in gen - tle - ness and friend - ship with - out a fear or sigh,  
We long for peace and com - fort to reign with - in each heart.  
when na - tion meets with na - tion and calls the oth - er "friend,"  
to share the peace - ful king - dom, to greet God's new - born day.



when li - on shall be graz - ing, when snake shall nev - er strike;  
Yet not in our lives on - ly, nor sim - ply in our home:  
still peace in all its full - ness will on - ly have be - gun:  
The child born in a sta - ble is sent to break our chains,



a lit - tle child shall lead us both strong and weak a - like.  
we pray that all cre - a - tion will one day find sha - lom.  
sha - lom for all cre - a - tion be - gins with jus - tice done.  
to bring through word and ta - ble the day when jus - tice reigns.

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

**All** In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of people long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

*~ from A Brief Statement of Faith*

## PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All** 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.

## INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM Song of the Baptist

Francis Patrick O'Brien

At the banks along the Jordan, crying out: "Prepare the way." Washing sinners in the waters, calling all to God's new day. Who is this in beggar's clothing, feasting on the desert's fare? Is creation's plan unfolding in the prophet's haunting stare? Could this be the blessed Messiah? Could this be the chosen One? No, this is the final herald preparing all to meet God's Son. "I baptize you here with water, but there is one whom you must seek; He baptizes in the Spirit, raising up the poor; the weak. Who will live this man's repentance? Who will walk his stony way? Who will leave their hurt behind them? Who will greet the dawning day? Who will dare shake up the people? Who will speak for silent tongues. Who will share the greatest mystery: God redeems us in a Son? Now we join with John the Baptist, we the heralds of this place. Now we speak for all the ages, every tongue, each class and race: "Lift your hearts and sing God's praises; Jesus Christ will come again. Maranatha, he is with us, faithful God until the end."

Please fill in the Friendship Pad at the end of your pew; pass it down your row and back again.

Please stand, if able.

## DOXOLOGY 606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

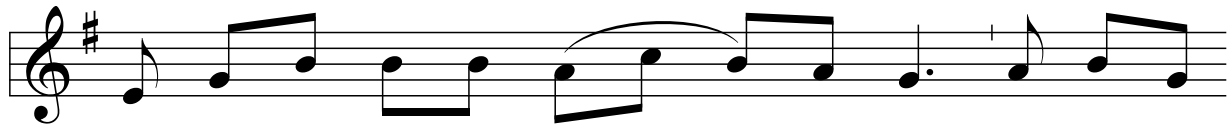
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

# PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

## HYMN 88 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

VENI EMMANUEL



1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som  
 2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest  
 3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy  
 4 O come, thou Root of Jes - se, free thine own from



cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile  
 all things might - i - ly: to us the path of knowl - edge  
 tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the  
 Sa - tan's tyr - an - ny; from depths of hell thy peo - ple



here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
 show; and teach us in her ways to go. Re-joice! Re-joice!  
 law in cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.  
 save and give them vic - tory o'er the grave.



Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

5 O come, thou Key of David, come,  
 and open wide our heavenly home;  
 make safe the way that leads on high,  
 and close the path to misery.  
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
 shall come to thee, O Israel.

6 O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer  
 our spirits by thine advent here;  
 disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
 and death's dark shadows put to flight.  
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
 shall come to thee, O Israel.

7 O come, Desire of nations, bind  
 all peoples in one heart and mind;  
 bid envy, strife, and discord cease;  
 fill the whole world with heaven's peace.  
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
 shall come to thee, O Israel.

## BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

Melanie Hardison

## POSTLUDE Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland

J. S. Bach

Jeffrey Brillhart, organist



# Worship Notes

## TODAY'S MUSIC

Within the framework of the liturgical year, we observe the major Christian feasts (Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, and so on), but within each of these seasons exists another framework that seeks to take us through the journey held within. This Sunday, we focus on John the Baptist, reflected in the music choices. Hymnody for the season of Advent frames the service, the central theme of John the Baptist held within the Hymn after the Sermon. The service is also framed between two settings of "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel," a hymn that walks through the various manifestations and descriptions of the Incarnate Christ; the first from the north end of the building by the Bells of Bryn Mawr, and finally from the south side of the building, as the organ leads us in our final hymn. Francis O'Brien's "Song of the Baptist" references the story of John the Baptist, as people deciphered if he was the Messiah, alongside a lovely setting of "Lo, how a rose" by the American composer, Benjamin C. S. Boyle, a work commissioned for The Crossing, one of the finest choral ensembles in the country, based here in Philadelphia.

- James Kealey, Co-Director of Music & Fine Arts

## PLAYING THE CARILLON

Brian Middleton

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# WELCOME TO BRYN MAWR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome to Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church as we journey through this sacred season of Advent—a time of waiting, watching, and preparing our hearts for the coming of Christ. In these weeks of hope, peace, joy, and love, we are invited to slow down, listen deeply, and look for God’s presence breaking into our lives and our world.

Whether you’re joining us regularly or worshipping here for the first time, we’re grateful for your presence. Through worship, fellowship, and service, may this season draw us closer to God and to one another as we journey toward the light of Christmas. Inside this bulletin, you’ll find ways to engage more fully in the life of our community.

— The Pastors of Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

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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 Worship 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

## CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

**Christmas Eve Family Service.** Wed., Dec. 24, 4:30 p.m., Sanctuary and Livestreamed. Family Service with Nativity Tableau and musical leadership by BMPC's Choristers, and the Bryn Mawr Festival Brass. The prelude begins at 4:15 p.m. Infant and toddler childcare available without reservations from 3:45-5:45 p.m. in the Education Building, Room 101. For those who prefer a quieter setting, Congregational Hall will be available as a remote viewing space for our 4:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Service.

**Christmas Eve Worship With Communion.** Wed., Dec. 24, 8:30 p.m., Sanctuary and Livestreamed. Carols and anthems led by BMPC's Sanctuary Choir with the Bryn Mawr Festival String Quartet. The Rev. Dr. John Willingham will preach. The prelude begins at 8:10 p.m.

**Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols.** Wed., Dec. 24, 11:00 p.m., Sanctuary. After several years of not gathering for worship late in the evening on Christmas Eve, the church will once again offer a candlelit service of Lessons and Carols at 11:00 p.m. This service will move us through scripture readings that tell the broad story of God's love for the world and the incarnation of the Christ Child. The prelude begins at 10:30 p.m.

## TODAY

### **Prologue to Epilogue: Considering the Musical Narrative of Advent & Christmas.**

Sun., Dec. 7, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Come explore how sacred music tells the story of Advent and Christmas—from anticipation to incarnation. We'll examine the musical selections and texts featured in this year's Christmas concert, uncovering the theological and emotional threads that run through the season's beloved works and carols. Join us for an opportunity to get to know James Kealey, who will transition into the role of Director of Music and Fine Arts this January.

**Live Nativity & Advent Workshop, followed by Evening Worship.** Sun., Dec. 7, 3:30 p.m., Front Lawn & Sanctuary. Families are invited to dress for the weather and experience the Christmas Story, meeting live animals and actors while creating ornaments and simple gifts to share. Evening worship and carol singing will follow at 4:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Volunteers needed! Contact [MaryRichards@bmpc.org](mailto:MaryRichards@bmpc.org)

**Bryn Mawr Gives Love. Stewardship 2026.** It is now six weeks since Dedication Sunday. We are pleased to report that we have received 336 pledges totaling \$2,002,823 (91% of our goal) as of November 30. We are very happy with our progress to date and thank you if you have already pledged! If you have

not yet pledged, please consider making a pledge online, by mail, or in the plate to help us reach our goal again this year.

## UPCOMING & ONGOING

**Advent Story Path Labyrinth.** Walking a labyrinth during the season of Advent provides a meaningful way to journey to Bethlehem. The small labyrinth is open daily during Advent, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.; Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.; and Sunday, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Contact [KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org](mailto:KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org)

**Advent Harpsichord Series.** Tuesdays, Dec. 9, 16, and 23, noon, Sanctuary. Take a midweek musical break this Advent with our Tuesday at Noon Harpsichord Series, featuring performances by John Walthausen, Silvanio Reis, Jeffrey Brillhart, and Gabriel Benton. Enjoy beautiful early and Baroque music on BMPC's exquisite 1966 William Dowd-built Robert Hauptfuhrer Memorial Harpsichord. Experience a peaceful and inspiring pause in the Sanctuary each Tuesday of Advent.

**Carols and Cocoa.** Wed., Dec. 10, 6:30 p.m., Congregational Hall. Join us for a festive evening of Christmas cheer! Come for Wednesday Night Dinner at 5:30 p.m. (regular dinner fee applies) or just come for caroling and cocoa at 6:30 p.m. We'll sing favorite Christmas carols—sacred and secular—while enjoying hot cocoa and cookies. Wear a festive sweater, bring cookies to share, and add your favorite carols to the song list! Sign-up sheets are available at Wednesday Night Dinner or online at [bit.ly/BMPCCarolsAndCocoa](http://bit.ly/BMPCCarolsAndCocoa) Contact [LizEllis@bmpc.org](mailto:LizEllis@bmpc.org)

**Rainbow Reindeer Games.** Sun., Dec. 14, 11:00 a.m., Gym & Front Lawn. Current 5th-12th graders are invited to participate in this fellowship event. We will provide pizza and play ridiculously fun games. Friends are welcome to join. Registration required: [bit.ly/RainbowRG2025](http://bit.ly/RainbowRG2025) Contact [AndyGreenhow@bmpc.org](mailto:AndyGreenhow@bmpc.org)

**The Rev. Melanie Hardison, Associate Pastor of Congregational Care.** Sun., Dec. 14, 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. Join us for a conversation about navigating major life transitions led by the Rev. Melanie Hardison. Melanie will present a framework for understanding and managing transitions, based on William Bridges's book *Transitions*, which she used to guide her transition from Kansas City to Bryn Mawr last summer. She will share stories from her own life and facilitate discussion on ways we can apply Bridges' framework to other types of life transitions.

**Prologue to Epilogue: Christmas Concert.** Sun., Dec. 14, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Join us for a new candlelit musical tradition at BMPC, inspired by the Lessons and Carols tradition. Through scripture, choral anthems, congregational carols, and brass-led music, this service offers a thoughtful retelling of the Advent and Christmas story—from ancient prophecy to Christ's birth—illuminating themes of longing, hope, and divine promise in the warm glow of our Sanctuary.

**Wee Christmas.** Wed., Dec. 17, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Designed for children ages 2–5 years and their families, this special retelling of the Christmas Story allows our youngest members to hear and participate in the story of Jesus' birth. Helpers are welcome! Contact [MaryRichards@bmpc.org](mailto:MaryRichards@bmpc.org)

**Longest Night Service.** Wed., Dec. 17, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary and Livestreamed. This contemplative worship service is for anyone yearning for comfort amid personal grief and hope for a more peaceful world. The Rev. Melanie Hardison and our new Interim Senior Pastor, the Rev. Dr. John Willingham, who begins his ministry with us that week, will co-lead the service. The service will include a brief meditation by Melanie accompanied by prayer, carol singing, special music and candle lighting, leading us through darkness toward healing and wholeness. Weather permitting, a candlelit labyrinth on the Front Lawn will welcome walkers from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

**Code Blue Volunteer Training.** Sun., Dec. 21, 11:30 a.m., Gloucester Room. For the month of January, BMPC will host a Code Blue Shelter to house up to five men sleeping outside in Lower Merion on the coldest nights. Volunteers will work in teams of two over two shifts each night the shelter is open: 8:30 p.m. - 1:30 a.m. and 1:30 a.m. - 6:30 a.m. Training will take place for anyone interested in learning more. To receive the link to sign up to volunteer, and if you have questions, please contact [JenniferMcArthur@bmpc.org](mailto:JenniferMcArthur@bmpc.org)

**Youth & Young Adult Pilgrimage to Taizé.** Sat., July 10 - Mon., July 20. Current Youth (Ages 15 years +) and Young Adults (Ages 20-30 years), are invited to a pilgrimage to the ecumenical monastic community at Taizé, France. Participants will have an opportunity to slow down, spend time in prayer and worship, and enjoy the company of young pilgrims from all over the world. Register by Wed., Dec. 31. Youth: [bit.ly/YouthTaize2026](https://bit.ly/YouthTaize2026) Young Adults: [bit.ly/YoungAdultTaize](https://bit.ly/YoungAdultTaize) Contact [AndyGreenhow@bmpc.org](mailto:AndyGreenhow@bmpc.org)

## CARING AND SHARING

**Casserole Blitz.** Sat., Dec. 13, 8:30 a.m., Congregational Hall. Join us for the Hunger Committee's Casserole Blitz — a fun, family-friendly event (for ages 5 and up) to make casseroles and new friends! Work alongside fellow BMPC members to prepare casseroles for area shelters and help feed neighbors in need. Next Blitz: Jan. 10. Sign up here: [bit.ly/Blitz-RSVP](https://bit.ly/Blitz-RSVP)

**Advent Giving to Mission.** Sundays through Dec. 21, 11:15 a.m., Atrium. AGM provides the opportunity to purchase alternative gifts at Christmas for friends and family in support of a wide variety of partners around the world. AGM representatives will be present in the Atrium before and after worship to place orders and answer questions about mission groups and their chosen projects. Orders may also be placed online at [www.BrynMawrAGM.com](http://www.BrynMawrAGM.com)

**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 [RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org](mailto:RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org)

**Sanctuary Flower Donations.** Openings are available in January and February 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. Contact [SusanThorkelson@mac.com](mailto:SusanThorkelson@mac.com)



# Calendar

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

- 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. Art@9, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
- 9:00 a.m. Member Perspectives Exhibit, Gallery
- 9:55 a.m. Sunday School Ages 2s, 3s, and Pre-K, Ed. Bldg.
- 10:00 a.m. Youth Gathering (Gr. 6-12), Gym Youth Lounge
- 10:00 a.m. **Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary & Livestreamed**
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School K-5th Grade, Ed. Bldg.
- 11:00 a.m. Family Fellowship, Ed. Bldg. Hall
- 11:00 a.m. Atrium Cafe, Atrium
- 11:00 a.m. Advent Labyrinth Walk, Children's Chapel
- 11:15 a.m. Prologue to Epilogue Class, Congregational Hall
- 1:00 p.m. Middle School retreat returns from Johnsonburg, Parking Lot
- 3:30 p.m. Live Nativity & Advent Workshop, Front Lawn
- 4:30 p.m. **Family Worship, Sanctuary**

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 8

- All Day Advent Labyrinth Walk, Children's Chapel
- 4:00 p.m. Environmental Justice Committee Meeting, Cannon Room
- 7:00 p.m. Anti-Racism Committee Meeting, Cannon Room
- 7:30 p.m. FIT4MOM DELCO, Gymnasium

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9

- All Day Advent Labyrinth Walk, Children's Chapel
- 9:00 a.m. Yoga for Life (hybrid), Gymnasium
- 10:30 a.m. TaiChi (hybrid), Gymnasium
- 12:00 p.m. Advent Harpsichord Recital, Sanctuary
- 1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
- 6:00 p.m. Bells of Bryn Mawr Rehearsal, Rehearsal Room
- 6:45 p.m. BMPC Tutoring Program, Ed. Bldg. Hall

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting, Fullerton Room

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10

All Day Advent Labyrinth Walk, Children's Chapel

10:00 a.m. Coffee Cup Bible Study, Cannon Room

10:00 a.m. Wednesday Men's Group, Converse House Parlor

4:30 p.m. Wednesday Connection Group, Converse House Parlor

4:30 p.m. Piano Class A, Fine Arts Center

5:00 p.m. Chorister Rehearsal, Rehearsal Room

5:00 p.m. Junior Chorister Rehearsal, Ed. Bldg. Hall

5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall

6:00 p.m. Piano Class B, Fine Arts Center

6:30 p.m. Carols and Cocoa, Congregational Hall

7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Gym Youth Lounge

7:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting, Fullerton Room

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11

All Day Advent Labyrinth Walk, Children's Chapel

9:30 a.m. Singing for Life Rehearsal, Rehearsal Room

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Rehearsal Room

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12

All Day Advent Labyrinth Walk, Children's Chapel

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

7:00 a.m. Fit4Mom, Gymnasium

7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Connection Group, Converse House Parlor

8:30 a.m. Casserole Blitz, Congregational Hall

9:00 a.m. Advent Labyrinth Walk, Children's Chapel

9:00 a.m. Sanctuary Choir Dress Rehearsal, Sanctuary

10:00 a.m. Searching for Still Waters Bereavement Group, Converse House Parlor

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

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

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

The Rev. Rachel Pedersen will preach.

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