

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

May 24, 2015 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary Pentecost

Welcome to BMPC

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

NEW HERE? Stop by the information alcove near the main entrance to learn more about us or ask questions. We'd be glad to show you around and help you get acquainted with our programs and ministries. You are invited to participate according to your interests and we hope you will return often.

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 - 11:15 a.m., Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102

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

Grades K-5: 10:15 a.m., classes, Ed. Bldg.

(10:00-10:15 a.m. families worship together in the Sanctuary) *If this is your first Sunday, please accompany your child to the Chapel.*

Grades 6-12: 10:00 a.m., Youth in Worship



GET 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 one another after worship. To inquire about membership or other opportunities to enrich your life in faith, contact DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext 8809.

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP. Stop by the Ministries Center Court for a cup of coffee between 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. and join us for refreshments on the front lawn (weather permitting) at 11:00 a.m.

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

Plein jeu and Cromhorne en taille Jean-Adam Guilain **PRELUDE**

Rachel Pedersen WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, believers and faithful ones, sing your alleluias to God! One:

Praise God, who invades us with the rush of a mighty wind All: and fills us with fire.

Praise God, who out of love for us sent Jesus Christ to live among us. One:

All: Praise God, whose spirit is poured out upon all flesh so our sons and daughters might prophesy.

God reaches into our lives and claims us, calling us honored and loved. One:

Come, Holy Spirit, and find us in our wilderness. All: Lead us forth into the wonders of your love.

HYMN 128

On Pentecost They Gathered

MUNICH

CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Eternal God: your Spirit of truth has come upon us like a fresh and cleansing wind. Forgive our desire to cling to the past rather than embrace a new future, our tendency to reject your call rather than respond to new challenges, and our refusal to encounter your grace where we least expect it. Open our hearts to the gifts you offer in the accents of others and in the eternal presence of Christ, our Lord.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*† **GLORIA PATRI** (in unison)

(Humnal 579)

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.

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

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ANTHEM Spirit, Come! arr. Evelyn R. Larter

St. Andrew Boy Choir, St. Cecilia Girl Choir, Youth Chorale, and Harmony Choir Spirit, come, bring your Fire, all your people inspire. Holy wind, Holy fire, show the Savior's glory, tell the ancient story! Spirit, come in wind! Spirit, come in flame! Come in wind, come in

[†] Please stand, if able. * Ushers may seat latecomers.

flame, tell again the story! Spirit, come in the flame, to your people proclaim: Christ our God, man became, that we may inherit God the Holy Spirit. Spirit, come in wind! Spirit, come in flame! Come in wind, come in flame, tell again the story! Spirit, come, bring your Light! We would serve you aright. Through your gifts grant insight to your congregation, blessing ev'ry nation. Spirit, come in wind! Spirit, come in flame! Come in wind, come in flame, tell again the story! Holy One, Spirit blest, ever our welcome guest, be all honor addressed, endless praise be given to the Lord in heaven. Spirit, come in wind! Spirit, come in flame! Come in wind, come in flame, lead us on to glory!

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

SENDING HYMN Go now, Children, with our Blessing



FIRST LESSON

1 Corinthians 2:11-13 (p. 167 in pew Bible) Richard Wohlschlaeger

SECOND LESSON

Acts 2:1-21 (p. 119 in pew Bible)

Agnes W. Norfleet

SERMON

How Safe is Church?

Agnes W. Norfleet

† **HYMN** 319 Spirit

SPIRIT

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from A Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,

sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the only body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,

† Please stand, if able.

engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation. and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

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!"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

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

OFFERING AND

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Rejoice, The Year Upon Its Way

William H. Harris

Rejoice the year upon its way has brought again that blessed day when on the Church by Christ our Lord the Holy Spirit was outpoured. From out the heav'ns a rushing noise came like the tempest's sudden voice, and mingled with th' Apostle's prayer, proclaiming loud that God was there. Like quiv'ring tongues of light and flame, upon each one the Spirit came: Tongues, that the earth might hear their call, and fire, that love might burn in all. And so to all were spread abroad the wonders of the works of God; They knew the prophet's word fulfilled, and owned the gift which God had willed. Look down, most gracious God, this day upon thy people as they pray; And Christ the Lord upon us pour the Spirit's gift for evermore.

DOXOLOGY (in unison)

(Humnal 592)

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 Richard Wohlschlaeger

HYMN 435

We All Are One in Mission ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

Agnes W. Norfleet

POSTLUDE

Come, God, the Creator, Holy Ghost

J. S. Bach

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Holly Sanders Anderson
Audrey Tomlinson Cole
Gregory Howard Cole
Jean Tomlinson Holdsworth
David Cole
Edward V. Dillon
Ray J. and Ruth Dollenmayer
Davis W. Gregg and Mildred G. (Millie) Gregg
Janet Miller
Ralph F. Moriarity
Florence Hewitt and Clarence H. Geist

GREETING AND HOSTING FELLOWSHIP

are representatives of our Sanctuary Choir.

Join them at Lemonade on the Lawn (weather permitting) to enjoy refreshments and fellowship and to celebrate alto section leader Suzanne DuPlantis and her family, as Suzanne concludes her many years of work with our Sanctuary Choir on Sunday, June 7.

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Rob Mygatt

Announcements

INTRODUCING OUR ASSOCIATE PASTOR CANDIDATE. Information about the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Candidate for Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Mission, is available on church information tables and on our website. You may view a video prepared by the candidate in our Ministries Center Court today.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING. The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sun., May 31, following the 10:00 a.m. worship service, to act on a recommendation of the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee for Adult Education and Mission.

NOT A BMPC MEMBER? Learn more about this church, our Reformed tradition, and our sense of Christian ministry at our membership orientation on Sun., June 7, 8:45 -10:00 a.m. in the Education Building (childcare available). We look forward to welcoming new members to our community of faith on Sun., June 14. Register: DonnaBarrickman@bmpc.org, ext. 8809.

PENTECOST OFFERING. Your gift to the Pentecost Offering unites young people in Christ and inspires them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world. Envelopes are in the pew racks or indicate "Pentecost Offering" on the memo line of your check. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

HYMNAL DONATIONS CONTINUE. We are only half way there! Donations of \$20.00 per hymnal are being accepted until June 30 to fill our Sanctuary and Chapel with new volumes. You may give hymnals as gifts to the church, on behalf of your favorite ministry area, or to honor or memorialize family and friends on a bookplate. Visit the hymnal table on the front lawn (weather permitting) after the 10:00 a.m. service, order online via our website, or contact Susan R. Joseph, bibliothekarin@gmail.com.

ART EXHIBIT. "Russian Iconography, Its History and Art" is on display in the Ministries Center through May 31. View works by artists trained at the Prosopon School of Iconography and photographs of Russian Orthodox Christian churches by BMPC member Linda Madara.

SUMMER CHOIR. Begins Sun., Jun. 14. All singers (ages 12 to adults) are invited on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. for a short rehearsal in the choir loft, then to stay and sing for the 10:00 a.m. service. Summer choir is simple (one anthem and hymns), and informal (no robes). No long-term commitment, no need to sign up in advance. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL. Can you help this summer? Choose a date to share a story with our 2 and 3-year-olds in the nursery or help us worship together at our special chapel service for ages 4 - 10. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

CHILD AND YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING. Become a certified volunteer to work with children and youth. Required training dates will be offered in the coming weeks. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

REGISTER FOR YOUTH SUMMER TRIPS:

- **Middle School Urban Plunge in NYC**. July 26 31, for 6th to rising 8th graders. Cost: \$449. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.
- **Camp Kirkwood 2015**. August 9 15. For rising 6th to rising 12th graders. Join us for a week of fun, friends, and faith! Cost: \$599. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

SEWING MACHINE NEEDED. Beacon, one of our sister Presbyterian faith communities in the Kensington section of Philadelphia, is looking for a sewing machine for its after-school program. If you can donate one, contact Courtenay Willcox, 610-506-1708.

VISIT OUR BOOK CENTER. Located in the Ministries Center, our Book Center is open weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Purchase a perfect book for summer reading! You also may borrow books from our Converse House Library. Kat MacMurray, KatRMac2@gmail.com.

This Week

GREAT DECISIONS. Tues., May 26, 2:30 p.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Auditorium. Marilyn Irwin leads monthly discussions of global affairs based on the Foreign Policy Association briefing books and DVDs. This month: U.S. Policy toward Africa — How can U.S. policy live up to its promise and values while securing its interests in the region? Marilyn Irwin, marirwin@aol.com.

Y-GROUP BOOK DISCUSSION. Tues., May 26, 7:30 p.m., home of Judi Green, 624 South Devon Ave., Wayne. Mothers and caregivers of children of all ages are invited as Judi leads our discussion of *The Dinner* by Herman Kock. RSVP with your appetizer or beverage donation to judigreen1@aol.com, 610-525-1832.

COMMUNITY CLEAN UP. Sat., May 30, 8:45 a.m. –noon. Meet in the Court of the Ministries Center to carpool to help The Center for Returning Citizens with a community clean-up starting at 9:30 a.m. at the historic Second Baptist Church. Optional lunch and Bread for the World program follows at noon. Youth welcome. Return transport to BMPC available before or after lunch. Register at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations or Morris Kay at mmkay@sunocoinc.com.

FEED THE HUNGRY. Sat., May 30, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Carpool from BMPC to help prepare and serve lunch at "Our Brother's Place" homeless shelter for men. Pam Haynes Walsh, haynes-walsh@comcast.net or 610-667-0972.

Upcoming

LUNCH TO SUPPORT OUR YOUTH MISSION TRIP. Sun., May 31, following Congregational Meeting, Congregational Hall. Support our Dominican Republic Mission Team at a festive luncheon. Proceeds support the construction of a new church building in the Dominican Republic which our youth will help build. AmyBauer@bmpc. org, ext. 8821.

BMPC Online

BMPC ONLINE. Visit our website, www.bmpc.org, for updated information and our complete calendar, including open registrations. Under "News & Media," you'll find pastors' columns, archives of recorded sermons, and other church publications. Our "search box" on the top right of our home page should help you find what you need.

STAY UP-TO-DATE WITH ENEWS. Subscribe to our weekly BMPC eNews or to monthly ministry-specific newsletters by adding your email address to the fellowship register or by searching "subscribe to eNews" on bmpc.org.

SOCIAL MEDIA. "Like" us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/BrynMawrPC or "Follow" us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/BrynMawrPres.

WIRELESS NETWORK. We now have WiFi in all buildings on our campus.

Care & Concern:

FEEDING THE HUNGRY. Your contributions to the white hunger envelopes in the pews provide food for emergency food cupboards, homeless shelters, and hunger relief organizations.

PASTORAL CARE. If you (or someone you know in our community) are going through a difficult time, our Care Team is available for home and hospital visits and prayer. You may submit prayer requests on the cards found in the pew racks or visit www.bmpc.org/prayer. LorieBenovic@bmpc.org, ext. 8833.

GET INVOLVED. We offer volunteer opportunities through our local mission partners, Saturday Service Days, casserole blitzes, tutoring program, driving corps, knitting ministries and more. Visit "outreach" on our website or contact SueGibbons@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

This Week's Calendar

For more information visit our website at www.bmpc.org, call the church office (610-525-2821), or contact communications@bmpc.org.

Today, May 24, 2015

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

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

The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.

7:45 a.m. Childcare, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 102 (through 11:15 a.m.)

8:45 a.m. Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 201

Couples Bible Study, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 209

10:00 a.m. Sunday School ages 2, 3, &4, Ed. Bldg.

10:15 a.m. Sunday School K - 5th grade, Ed. Bldg.

11:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn (Parents pick up children in Ed. Bldg.)

11:15 a.m. Child and Youth Protection Training, Fullerton Room

Monday, May 25, 2015 - Memorial Day

Church Office Closed. For pastoral emergencies, call 610-525-2821

Tuesday, May 26, 2015

10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium

1:30 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room

2:30 p.m. Great Decisions, Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom

5:45 p.m. Weekday School Growing Up Party, Sanctuary

Wednesday, May 27, 2015

8:00 a.m. Weekday Contemplative Prayer Group, Chapel

9:00 a.m. Walk for Life: Walk More, Live Better!, meet in Main Parking Lot

9:30 a.m. DanceFit, Gymnasium

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

1:30 p.m. Boost Your Brain & Memory, Gloucester Room

Thursday, May 28, 2015

9:00 a.m. Thursday Morning Prayer Group, Chapel

9:30 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room

10:00 a.m. Memoir Writing Group, Fullerton Room

7:30 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium

Friday, May 29, 2015

9:30 a.m. DanceFit, Gymnasium

Saturday, May 30, 2015

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

8:45 a.m. Community Clean-Up Day, meet in Ministries Center Court

10:00 a.m. Serve Lunch at Our Brother's Place, meet in Ministries Center Court Vacation Bible Camp Volunteer Training, Fullerton Room

Sunday, May 31, 2015

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.

Grades 6 - 12 in worship with their families.

Sunday School for ages 2 - grade 5.

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

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 Landin, Assistant Director of Music

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Main Line Adult Day Center: 610-527-4220

The Middleton (Counseling) Center: 610-525-0766 • JoyceKrajian@bmpc.org

The Weekday School (Preschool): 610-525-2821, ext. 8840