



***Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church***

July 9, 2017
8:00 a.m., Chapel
14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

WELCOME TO BMPC

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Childcare (infant - age 5)

7:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Education Building, Rm. 102

8:00 a.m. Worship, Chapel

10:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

Grades 4 - 12

Attend Worship
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Grades K - 3 Classes

10:15 a.m., Education Building

Summer Adult Education

11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor

NEW HERE? We are pleased that you are joining us as we worship God this morning. Information about our programs is available near the main entrance. We invite you to participate in any of our programs, ministries and mission opportunities, as they are open to all.

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 Lemonade on the Lawn after the 10:00 a.m. worship service (inclement weather location: Ministries Center Court).

TO ASSIST YOU DURING WORSHIP. Children's bulletins with crayons may be found near the main entrance. If you are unable to come forward for Communion, please let an usher or server know, and Communion will be brought to you.

Subscribe to our BMPC eNews by adding your email address to the Fellowship Register. For additional information about today's schedule, see the calendar at the back of this bulletin.

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GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Your decrees are wonderful, O God; therefore we keep them.

All: The unfolding of your words give light.

One: Turn to us and be gracious to us.

All: Keep our steps steady according to your promise.

One: Make your face shine upon your servants,

All: That we may learn to praise your name!

† HYMN 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Eternal God, we confess that we have tried to hide from you,
for we have done wrong.

You have given us abundance, but we hoard it from others.

We have turned from our neighbors,

ignored the groans of creation,

and passed by the poor, the hungry, and the oppressed.

We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you.

In your mercy, forgive us, O God.

Restore us to your way,

that we may follow the Savior into the needs of the world.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

We are for - giv - en. We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to
God. Thanks be to God. We are for - giv - en.
We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Sally Nelson

FIRST LESSON Romans 8:31-39 (*p. 158 in pew Bible*)

Sally Nelson

SECOND LESSON Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 (*p. 14 in Bible*)

Franklyn C. Pottorff

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

lower case religion

Franklyn C. Pottorff

† **HYMN** 767

Together We Serve

SAN ANSELMO

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

You are invited to come forward, using the center aisle, to partake of the Lord's Supper by intinction (dipping a piece of bread into 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 offering 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

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Franklyn C. Pottorff

† HYMN 307 God of Grace and God of Glory CWM RHONDDA

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

POSTLUDE

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in honor of our new Associate Pastors

Rev. Mary Steege

Rev. Franklyn C. Pottorff

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Deacon Sally Nelson

USHERING

Elder Tom Willcox

BULLETIN COVER

The Parable of the Treasure

When re-telling the parables, we use two-dimensional art rather than three-dimensional figures. This helps young children begin to differentiate between the stories that Jesus told and the life that Jesus lived. The parables are carefully presented. Each story is kept in a gold box, a reminder that these stories are a gift that Jesus gave his followers and a gift we still receive today.

Our summer sermon series is based upon the gospel stories of Jesus that we teach to our youngest children, in hopes that children in worship recognize them and the child in each of us recalls the foundational biblical witness for the life of faith.

THE MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION TEAM

Miles Bertrand

Max Cieri

Olivia Blusiewicz

Laine Koudelis

Quintin Bowers

Owen Yoder

Elizabeth Bufalino

MISSION TRIP LEADERS

Dominic Maquire Torie Miele Colleen Bertrand

Today

SUMMER ADULT EDUCATION. 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Today, the second of the two-part series with the Rev. Frank Pottorff: “Things Christians Say That Aren’t in the Bible.”

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL. Through Aug. 20, Ed. Bldg., 10:15 a.m. Our rising kindergartners – third graders help mission partners and learn about worship. If this is your first Sunday, please accompany your child to the Education Building.

SUMMER CHOIR. Through Sept. 3. All singers who can read music are invited to come to church on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. for a short rehearsal in the choir loft, then 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.

Announcements

MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION TRIP. Nine members of our church are heading to Broad Street Ministry today as they begin their weeklong mission trip where they engage their faith in educational service experiences related to prevalent social justice issues. Please keep this group in your prayers.

WALKWAY REPLACEMENT PROJECT. The flagstones on the walkway/patio in front of the Sanctuary are being replaced; work began on Mon., July 3. During construction, we ask that you enter the Sanctuary via the four side entrances.

A separate, temporary handicap-accessible walkway connecting to the existing handicap-accessible entrance provides access for people who use walkers or wheelchairs or those unable to walk up the steps to the side entrances. Buses and vans transporting church attendees from senior residences should use the west driveway (Ministries Center side) to provide access to the handicap-accessible walkway, with Helping Hands team members present to assist.

If you do not need to use the handicap-accessible entrance on Sunday mornings, please drive onto our campus via the east driveway (Chapel side) or side street entrances. This project is scheduled to be completed by Fri., Aug. 25. PeteDiRocco@bmpc.org, ext. 8844.

ARTISTS’ GATHERING EXHIBITION. The walls of the Conference Room and Witherspoon Parlor are covered with artworks by a community of local artists who gather every Thursday in Gloucester Room and turn it into a studio. They are pleased to share their creations with the congregation during the summer months for pleasure and for purchase. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

YOUTH SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION. Extend your summer fun from Aug. 6 – 12 at Camp Kirkwood 2017 in the Poconos for sixth to rising 12th graders. New lower price of \$499. Search “Summer Camps” at www.bmpc.org to register. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

Save the Date

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE. Mon., July 31, 2:00 – 7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Register to donate blood by visiting redcrossblood.org. Enter the sponsor keyword “Bryn Mawr Pres Church” on the Red Cross website to find our drive.

Caring & Sharing

HELP WITH SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL. Through Aug. 20, our rising kindergarteners - third graders help mission partners and learn about worship. Sign up to lead or help on one (or more!) Sundays from 10:15 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

WEEKEND GROCERY COLLECTION. Did you know that 10% of students in Lower Merion School District receive free or reduced-price lunch during the school year, indicating real need. Help us partner with Main Line Reform Temple to prepare weekend grocery bags given to local families this summer. Please bring the following donations to BMPC and place in the collection bins: instant oatmeal packs, shelf-stable milk boxes, macaroni and cheese, tuna pouches, granola bars, fruit cups, cereal. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

CANNED FOOD NEEDED. As summer approaches, food pantries receive fewer donations. Drop off high-protein canned goods (soups, peanut butter, stews, ravioli) in the Hunger Baskets near the Sanctuary entrance. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

BMPC LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. Love books? Our library in Converse House in the Ministries Center could use your help; choose your own hours. Pat Burgess, 610-664-3518.

PASTORAL CARE REQUESTS. In accordance with HIPAA requirements, hospitals no longer provide churches with patient information. If you would like a call or visit from a pastor, please contact us directly or request someone to contact us on your behalf. Call the church office at 610-525-2821.

This Week's Calendar

For more information, visit our website at www.bmpc.org, call the church office, or contact communications@bmpc.org.

Today, July 9

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
9:00 a.m. Summer Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary Choir Loft
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Baptisms and Summer Choir, Sanctuary**
Grades K - 3 begin worship in the Sanctuary
Worship Together Sunday for Children & Youth in grades 4 - 12
10:15 a.m. Sunday School for grades K - 3, Ed. Bldg.
11:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn (rain location: Ministries Center)
11:15 a.m. Summer Adult Education, Witherspoon Parlor
12:30 p.m. Middle School Mission Trip to Broad Street Ministry Departs

Monday, July 10

No scheduled activities.

Tuesday, July 11

- 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
5:30 p.m. Upward Basketball (Grades K - 6), Gymnasium
6:30 p.m. Upward Basketball (Grades 7 - 12), Gymnasium

Wednesday, July 12

No scheduled activities.

Thursday, July 13

- 10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
11:00 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
5:00 p.m. Gene Bay Fund Committee Meeting, Pastors Conference Room

Friday, July 14

No scheduled activities.

Saturday, July 15

No scheduled activities.

Sunday, July 16

- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Summer Choir, Sanctuary**
The Rev. Mary Steege will preach.
Sunday School for kindergarten - grade 3.

BACKPACK COLLECTION

Join our annual collection to provide backpacks and school supplies for children served by theVillage. All backpacks must be returned to the church by Aug. 6. Here are three ways you can help:

1. Create a complete backpack. Tags with the grade, gender and supplies needed can be found in the Ministries Center and at Lemonade on the Lawn.
2. Provide supplies: we need composition books, folders, pre-sharpened pencils, crayons (24 count), colored pencils (24 count), looseleaf paper and pencil boxes. Contact RachelPedersen@bmpc.org if you are interested in helping.
3. Shop online: Amazon has a wish list (<http://a.co/5WAeidP>) with needed supplies. Shop online and supplies are sent directly to the church.

Pre-K/ Kindergarten

- Backpack
- 5 Composition Books
- 5 Two-pocket folders
- 12 Pre-sharpened pencils
- 12 Pens (blue and black ink)
- 1 Large eraser
- 8 count “jumbo” crayons
- 24 count regular crayons
- 24 count colored pencils
- 2 Glue sticks
- 1 Pencil box
- 1 Ruler
- 1 Large box of tissues

Elementary

- Backpack
- 5 Composition Books
- 5 Two-pocket folders
- 12 Pre-sharpened pencils
- 12 Pens (blue and black ink)
- 1 Large eraser
- 24 count regular crayons
- 24 count colored pencils
- 2 Glue sticks
- 1 Pencil box
- 1 Ruler
- 1 Large box of tissues

Middle School/High School

- Backpack
- 5 Composition Books / Spiral Ring Notebooks
- 6 Two-pocket folders
- 12 Pre-sharpened pencils
- 12 Pens (blue and black ink)
- 1 Large eraser
- 24 count colored pencils
- 2 Glue sticks
- 1 Pencil box/ pencil bag
- 1 Ruler
- 1 Binder
- 1 set of dividers
- 1 pack college ruled loose leaf paper
- 1 pack graph paper
- 1 scientific calculator
- 1 pack paper reinforcements

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Mission

Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry

Franklyn C. Pottorff, Associate Pastor for Congregational Life and Stewardship

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