

Sunday, October 25, 2020

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Brian K. Ballard

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER (*in unison*)

Author of Life, Living Word, Holy Breath,
we have stumbled through this week
and groped our way back to this place.
Illumine the steps before us,
and write your word on our hearts.
That the shadows we cast might witness to your love,
in the name of the One who came in love. Amen.

HYMN 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 5:12-16

Franklyn C. Pottorff

SERMON

Casting Shadows

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ANTHEM

Flight Song
Sanctuary Choir Staff Singers

Kim André Arnesen

All we are, we have found in song: you have drawn this song from us. Songs of lives unfolding fly overhead, cry overhead: longing, rising from the song within. Moving like the rise and fall of wings, hands that shape our calling voice on the edge of answers you've heard our cry, you've known our cry: music's fierce compassion flows from you. The night is restless with the sounds we hear, is broken, shaken by the cries of pain: for this is music's inner voice, saying, yes, we hear you, all you who cry aloud, and we will fly, answering you: so our lives sing, sing, wild we will fly, wild in spirit we will fly. Like a feather falling from the wing, fragile as a human voice, afraid, uncertain, alive to love, we sing as love, afraid, uncertain, yet our flight begins as song.

CALL TO OFFERING

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

PASTORAL PRAYER 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.

MINISTRY MOMENT

Elliot & MaryJeanette Dee

HYMN 687

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

BENEDICTION

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This Sunday

SUNDAY DISCUSSION GROUP. 9:00 a.m., via Zoom conference call. A discussion of *In His Steps* by Charles Monroe Sheldon, led by the Rev. Dr. Paul MacMurray. [Click here](#) for more information about the class. For the Zoom link, contact [Rebecca Kirkpatrick](#).

FILLING THE WELL. 9:00 a.m., via Zoom conference call. This Sunday class for women is a space for conversation, learning and mutual support. This fall we are discussing the Enneagram, a personality typology that helps us consider not just our actions but the motivations behind them. [Click here](#) for more information about the class. For the Zoom link, contact [Rebecca Kirkpatrick](#).

DIGGING DEEPER. 9:00 a.m. Six-week study of *The Power of God and the gods of Power* by Daniel L. Magliore. [Rev. Franklyn Pottorff](#)

TOILETRIES FOR THE HOMELESS. 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., BMPC Campus. Children and youth are collecting toiletry items for Broad Street Ministry, our mission partner that helps people struggling with homelessness. Drive in and drop off your donations between the Sanctuary and the Chapel! Are you wondering about ideal contributions? Unopened/sealed travel-size soaps, shampoos and conditioners, razors, toothpaste, toothbrushes, lotions, deodorants, floss, mouthwash, travel-size tissue packets, nail clippers, feminine hygiene products, hand sanitizers, reusable and washable face masks and hand warmers.

THE GREAT MIGRATION AND THE MAIN LINE. 2:00 p.m. via Zoom conference call. Craig Bailey, Villanova historian, discusses the stories and history of the local African American community on the Main Line. This webinar is presented in partnership with Bethel AME Church of Ardmore. For the Zoom link and more information, check out the [webinar page](#) on our website.

FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE. 4:00 p.m., Front Lawn. Wearing masks and practicing physical distancing, this 30-minute worship service is designed to enable families to participate in worship together. Be sure to bring a blanket or chair to sit on. We will announce by 2:00 p.m. if the service must be cancelled due to inclement weather.

This Week

CHAPEL OPEN TO MEMBERS FOR INDIVIDUAL PRAYER. BMPC members are welcome to pray silently in the Chapel on Tuesdays from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. and Thursdays from 1:00 - 5:30 p.m. You are invited to sign in when you enter the Chapel, leaving your contact information. Prayer guides are available to lead your devotion and to mark your seat as having been occupied when you leave. Masks and social distancing required!

YOGA CLASSES. Yoga is still accessible and more important than ever! Karen Gagnier is offering her BMPC donation class again, but outdoors. Classes continue on Tues., Oct. 27 at 9:30 a.m. at Maybrook Mansion, [325 Penn Rd., Wynnewood](#). This class supports BMPC's Hunger Ministries. If an outdoor session is not for you, on-demand classes are available at [Movementrxstudio.com](#). Contact [Karen](#) or 610-952-0622.

TAI CHI CLASSES. Improve your balance, regain serenity, join friends! Class meets virtually every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. via Zoom. For information and to sign up, contact Rich McKenzie, teacher at BMPC for 16 years, at rmcktaichi@yahoo.com or 610-873-0604.

FACEBOOK LIVE CONCERT SERIES. Join us as we continue to broadcast live concerts via [BMPC's Facebook page](#) on Tuesdays at noon. Our next concert on Oct. 27 features Edward Landin Senn, keyboard. [Stephanie Speakman](#).

FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP. Every Friday at 11:00 a.m. via Zoom conference call. All senior adults are invited to this time of informal fellowship and conversation. The format is similar to the fellowship hour following Sunday worship. You will be able to catch up with old friends and meet new ones. Stay for a few minutes or for the entire hour, whatever works best with your schedule. For the Zoom link, contact [Brian Ballard](#).

Next Sunday

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY VIRTUAL WORSHIP SERVICE. At this service we will remember by name the members of our congregation who have died in the past year. The service also will include a performance of J.S. Bach's magnificent motet, Jesu, meine Freude ("Jesus, my Joy"). Communion will be celebrated; so please join the service at home prepared with your own elements.

OUTDOOR LABYRINTH WALK. 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Front Lawn. On this day of remembrance, you are invited to walk the path of the labyrinth. A welcome table will be at the entrance to the labyrinth to greet you and offer guided meditations. Masks and social distancing are required.

Upcoming

WOMEN IN THE BIBLE. Sundays, Nov. 8-22 and Dec. 6, 11:15 a.m., via Zoom Conference Call. The names and stories of women in scripture often have been neglected — left out of the lectionary and absent from our conversations about biblical models of faith. During these four weeks we will explore the themes and significance of eight biblical women. Taken in pairs, these women introduce the practice of reading and understanding women in the Bible; they give us tools for reading and interpreting the whole of scripture. For more details on this class taught by the [Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick](#), and for the Zoom link, check out the [class page](#).

Caring and Sharing

BMPC HUNGER FUND. BMPC Hunger Ministries has continued its support of local food pantries during the pandemic, thanks to the generosity of BMPC members. We know that the need to support the food insecure in Greater Philadelphia will continue for months and years to come. Please give today via our [online giving page](#) or mail a check to BMPC, 625 Montgomery Ave., Bryn Mawr, PA 19010, with Hunger Fund written on the memo line of your check.