

## Christ the King Sunday, November 22, 2020

### WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Agnes W. Norfleet

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING PRAYER *(in unison)*

Lord God,  
when we struggle to worship you as Lord,  
show us again the beauty and power of your rule.  
Teach us again that serving you is the path to true freedom.  
May your Holy Spirit strengthen us today,  
leading us to honor and worship you more deeply,  
not only with the words we sing  
but also with the lives we lead before your face,  
through Jesus, our reigning Lord. Amen.

<b>HYMN</b> 274	You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd	PICARDY
<b>SCRIPTURE LESSON</b>	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24	Brian K. Ballard
<b>SERMON</b>	<i>Remembering the Journey</i>	Brian K. Ballard
<b>ANTHEM</b>	Jubilate Deo Sanctuary Choir Staff Singers	Benjamin Britten

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness and come by his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord He is God; it is He that hath made us and not we ourselves; we are the sheep of His pasture. O go your way into His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto Him and speak good of His name. For the Lord is gracious, His mercy is everlasting and His truth endureth from generation to generation. 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.

### CALL TO OFFERING

Franklyn C. Pottorff

### 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

Donna Richards-Bank

<b>HYMN</b> 268	Crown Him with Many Crowns	DIADEMATA
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<b>BENEDICTION</b>		Brian K. Ballard
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<b>POSTLUDE</b>	Toccata on "How Firm a Foundation"	Craig Phillips
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## Announcements

**CELEBRATE WITH THE BMPC REFUGEE SUPPORT COMMITTEE.** For the past two years the BMPC Refugee Support Committee has walked alongside Aissata Kouyate and her two daughters as they have sought asylum in the United States. Aissata is originally from Guinea in Africa where she was subjected to gender-based violence. This week Aissata was granted asylum, and we celebrate with her family and all those who have supported them in countless ways. [Click here](#) to read about the ways the committee supported Aissata this spring at the start of the pandemic.

**LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME?** Consider learning more about being in community here by attending our “Discover BMPC” orientation classes on Mondays, Dec. 7 and 14 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom conference call. These two classes provide an opportunity to become acquainted, ask questions, and learn more about our church, our Presbyterian heritage, and our mission. Inquirers welcome. [FranklynPottorff@bmpc.org](mailto:FranklynPottorff@bmpc.org).

**ADVENT GIFT MARKET.** Although we cannot have an in-person Opening Day Market this year, you still may participate in this creative and meaningful gift-giving program. Orders for inserts and greeting cards may be placed via the AGM website — [www.BrynMawrAGM.com](http://www.BrynMawrAGM.com) — or by mailing/dropping off the order form enclosed in this year’s [catalog](#). Orders may be placed in the secure black mailbox immediately adjacent to the Radnor Street Parking lot. Filled orders may be picked up from a bin labeled “Advent Gift Market” outside the BMPC Chapel door. Donors will be notified when orders are ready, usually 1–2 days after receipt of the order; when requested, insert cards may be downloaded and printed from your home computer. Contact: [Marian Chitester](#).

**2020 ADVENT DEVOTIONAL AVAILABLE.** As we celebrate the seasons of Advent and Christmas, you are invited to use the Advent Devotional which includes scripture, at-home Advent candle-lighting liturgies, and daily reflections written by members of our congregation. You can access the devotional in the following ways: [download a PDF](#) of the devotional to print at home or read on your computer or mobile device; [sign up](#) to receive an email with the daily reflection; or pick up a printed copy of the devotional from the shelves outside the Chapel entrance. Contact [Rebecca Kirkpatrick](#).

**CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS.** Contributions may be given in three categories for listing in the Christmas Eve bulletin: “In memory of,” “In honor of,” or “In celebration of (marriage, retirement, birth, baptism).” Monies received are used year-round for our floral decorations and Deacons’ Flower Ministry. You may fill out an [online](#) donation form, or pick up a printed copy of the form in a bin outside the BMPC Chapel entrance. The deadline for donations is Sun., Dec. 6. If you need a copy of the form mailed to you, contact Sarah Miciek at 610-525-2821 or [SarahMiciek@bmpc.org](mailto:SarahMiciek@bmpc.org).

## This Sunday

**SUNDAY DISCUSSION GROUP.** 9:00 a.m., via Zoom conference call. The group is discussing Jemar Tisby’s book, *The Color of Compromise: The Truth about the American Church’s Complicity in Racism*. [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 an opportunity for conversation, learning and mutual support. The group has begun a conversation on Ben Myers’ book, *The Apostles’ Creed: A Guide to the Ancient Catechism*. [Click here](#) for more information about the class. For the Zoom link, contact [Rebecca Kirkpatrick](#).

**WOMEN IN THE BIBLE.** Today 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 classes 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](#).

## **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!

**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](mailto:rmcktaichi@yahoo.com) or 610-873-0604.

## **Next Sunday**

**ADVENT VESPER SERVICES.** BMPC will livestream Advent Vesper services beginning Sun., Nov. 29 at 4:00 p.m. You are invited to view these services via [BMPC's Facebook page](#), the [BMPC YouTube channel](#) or the [livestream page](#) on the church website.

## **Upcoming**

**RAINBOW REINDEER GAMES.** Sat., Dec. 5, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., Front Lawn. In celebration of the season of Advent, BMPC Youth Ministry is hosting the first-ever Rainbow Reindeer Games! We'll gather on the BMPC front lawn for an afternoon of color powder, games, and ridiculous shenanigans, all while each attendee wears a white hazmat suit, goggles, masks and gloves! Want to participate? [Sign up online](#). All youth (grades 6-12) are welcome; \$10 per person, with plenty of scholarships available! And, if for some reason we have to cancel, we'll postpone the event for the spring of 2021! [Mary Richards](#)

**CHRISTMAS ANGELS DRIVE-THRU DROP OFF.** You are invited to help make the holidays special for the young people served by Gemma Services (formerly theVillage) by bringing gift cards and unwrapped gifts to the Drive-thru Drop Off between the Sanctuary and Chapel on Sun., Dec. 6 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. [Click here](#) for gift card recommendations and gift suggestions. You also may drop off gift cards in BMPC's secure mailbox at the entrance facing the Radnor Street parking lot, or by appointment. Please note: *Delivery to Gemma's campus is by appointment only.* All gifts are due by Fri., Dec. 11. [Betty Wu](#)

**FACEBOOK LIVE CONCERT SERIES.** Join us as we continue to broadcast live concerts via [BMPC's Facebook page](#) on Tuesdays at noon. We will take a week off for Thanksgiving and resume on December 1 with four weeks of performances by Temple University harpsichordists. [Stephanie Speakman](#).

## *Caring and Sharing*

**BMPC HUNGER FUND — NO TURKEY COLLECTION.** Due to COVID-19 considerations, the BMPC Hunger Committee is not collecting turkeys this holiday season; instead, we ask that you contribute to the BMPC Hunger Fund. These funds will be used to help those in need during the holidays as well as throughout the year. BMPC Hunger Ministries have continued supporting local food pantries during the pandemic, thanks to the generosity of our 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.