

Sunday, May 30, 2021

Trinity Sunday

WELCOME Franklyn C. Pottorff

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

In the beginning, when God drew a circle on One:

the face of the deep,

All: Wisdom was there rejoicing, delighting

in the human race.

In the beginning was the Word, with God, One:

and the Word was God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, All:

full of grace and truth.

One: In every time and place, God's love is poured into our hearts

through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Blessed are you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit! All:

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Triune God,

within your own life there is mutuality, equality and unity in diversity.

Though we are made in your image,

we confess that we distort the triune life.

Instead of seeking mutual welfare and the common good, we seek our own gain.

Instead of living in equality, justice and respect,

we construct systems that are unjust.

We devise ways to elevate ourselves over others,

and disrespectful thoughts, words and actions

still surface in us.

We allow differences to divide us and lead to brokenness.

Holy God, forgive us.

Restore in us, and in our life together,

the divine image you intend.

Make us tender in mutuality.

Make us generous in equality.

Make us grateful in diversity.

We pray to be one with you and one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

FIRST LESSON Psalm 29 Franklyn C. Pottroff

ANTHEM I Will Not Leave You Comfortless William Byrd

Sanctuary Choir Staff Singers

I will not leave you comfortless: Alleluia. I will come again to you: Alleluia. And your heart shall rejoice: Alleluia.

SECOND LESSON John 3:1–21 Rebecca Kirkpatrick

SERMON How Can These Things Be? Rebecca Kirkpatrick

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)

Rachel Pedersen

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

~ The Apostles' Creed

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rachel Pedersen

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

HYMN 760 Bring Many Names WESTCHASE

BENEDICTION Rebecca Kirkpatrick

POSTLUDE

Announcements

LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME? Consider learning more about being in community here by attending our virtual "Discover BMPC" orientation classes on Mondays, June 7 and 14, at 7:00 p.m. These two classes will give you the opportunity to learn about our denomination, our Reformed tradition, and our sense of Christian ministry. Inquirers welcome. <u>FranklynPottorff@bmpc.org</u>.

SUMMER MESSENGER. Copies of the summer issue of the Messenger are available in a bin outside the Chapel entrance.

WEEKLY WATERING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. BMPC is blessed with a beautiful campus with lovely landscaping and planters. Our sprinkler system helps maintain the landscaping, but we need volunteers to water the planters around campus. Please contact Marnie Bowen if you can help with this endeavor during the summer. Marniepb1963@qmail.com or 610-291-8457.

This Week

A MATTER OF BALANCE. This award-winning fall prevention program for older adults is now being offered online through Main Line Health. A nine-session program is being presented on Tuesdays and Thursdays, June 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24 and 29, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. No charge. To register, send an email to <u>kanem@mlhs.org</u>.

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.

INTERFAITH RACIAL JUSTICE VIGILS RESUME. Tues., June 1, 5:30–6:30 p.m., Old Haverford Friends Meeting, 235 East Eagle Road, Havertown. Faith communities in the Lower Merion area are hosting a series of prayer vigils on Tuesdays through June 22. For more information and the vigil schedule, visit http://bit.lv/Interfaith-Racial-Justice-Vigils Contact: RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org.

Next Sunday

LIVESTREAMED WORSHIP SERVICE. BMPC will begin livestreaming the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service on Sun., June 6. You are invited to view these services via BMPC's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/brynmawrpres, the BMPC YouTube channel: www.youtube.com/user/brynmawrpres or the livestream page on the church website: www.bmpc.org/livestream.

Upcoming

YOGA CLASS. BMPC is hosting a new Gentle Hatha Yoga class on campus. Rosa Giletti brings more than 45 years of experience to her students. This six-week class will be held on Mondays at 4:30 p.m. Remaining dates: June 7, 14, 21 and 28. Contact Rosa at 267-644-9685 for class details.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP. This year we will journey with Elijah deep into the wilderness to see where God meets us! Rising fourth to sixth graders will assist with camp from June 21–25, and rising PreK-Kindergarten students and rising first to third graders will attend camp from June 23–25. For more details and registration information, http://bit.ly/VBC-2021. Volunteers needed!
Contact: MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

JOHNSONBURG WEEKEND PLUNGE FOR MIDDLE SCHOOLERS. July 9–11. Rising fifth to seventh graders are invited, along with their parents, to experience camp during a weekend of worship, play and service! It'll be a great opportunity for parents and middle schoolers to get a feel for our fantastic summer camp! Sign up here: http://bit.ly/Jburg-Plunge. Scholarships available. Contact: MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

BMPC YOUTH CAMP AT JOHNSONBURG. Aug. 1–4. For rising sixth to 12th graders, our vibrant camp tradition is spearheaded by a team of BMPC staff and volunteer leaders. Camp provides a fabulous opportunity for youth at all levels of church involvement to build lifelong relationships, experience the joy of the outdoors, and ask bold questions about life and faith in a safe and supportive environment. Sign up here: http://bit.ly/Jburg-Camp. Scholarships available. Contact: MaryRichards@bmpc.org.