

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Sunday, January 16, 2022 | 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Second Sunday after Epiphany



WELCOME

NEW HERE?

We are pleased that you are joining us as we worship God this morning. We invite you to introduce yourself to one of our pastors outside the Sanctuary doors following the Worship Service. All of our programs, ministries, and opportunities for mission are open to everyone. Come join us!

COVID-19 GUIDELINES

Masks are required for both fully-vaccinated and unvaccinated people inside church buildings. Masks are not required for outdoor spaces. Please maintain physical distance inside, and be mindful that we are an intergenerational community and that while COVID vaccines are available for children ages five to 11, some children may not have been vaccinated.

LIVESTREAMED CHURCH SERVICES

In addition to in-person worship, the Sunday Worship Services are available to watch live at 10:00 a.m. on our live-streaming page: www.bmpc.org/livestream. For your convenience, the service also will be posted on our Worship Services page on Monday.

CHILDCARE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Childcare is available on Sundays from 8:00 a.m. to noon for children ages six months and older. See Sunday School class information on this page. Please contact Childcare Coordinator Rebecca Kellich at childcare@bmpc.org with any questions.

WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER

Subscribe to our BMPC eNews by visiting our website: www.bmpc.org.

Today's Schedule

Childcare

8:00 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102

Faith Under 5 Sunday School

Ages 2 to Grade K

8:30 a.m., Virtual

Sunday School

Grades 1 & 2

9:00 a.m., Virtual

Confirmation Class

9:00 a.m., Virtual

10:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

Worship Together Sunday

For Grades 3 - 12

10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Worship

2:00 p.m., Virtual

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

Little Melody and Hour of Peace

Florence B. Price

WELCOME

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We worship the God who inhabits our world and indwells our lives.

All: We need not look up to find God. We need only look around:

One: Within ourselves, beyond ourselves, into the eyes of another.

All: We need not listen for a distant thunder to find God,

One: We need only listen to the music of life, the words of children,

All: the questions of the curious, the rhythm of a heartbeat.

One: We worship the God who inhabits our world and who indwells our lives.

† HYMN 401

Here in This Place

GATHER US IN

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

God of justice, we confess that in the pursuit of our own dreams and desires, we have not always been civil, not always humane, not always right. Guided by your Spirit, we would like to change the world – make it a little simpler for people to feed, clothe, and shelter themselves as You intended them to do. Help us to be your witnesses, by fighting for better conditions, by crying out unceasingly for the rights of the workers, the poor, the destitute and the rights of the worthy and the unworthy poor, so that we can, with your help, change the world. Enlarge our hearts to love each other, to love our neighbor, and to love our enemy as our friend.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SUNG RESPONSE

With Steadfast Love

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PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

READING

“The Church on the Frontier of Racial Tension”

The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

FIRST LESSON

1 Corinthians 12:1-11 (*p. 174 in pew Bible*)

ANTHEM

Al Shlosa D’Varim

Allan E. Naplan

Sanctuary Choir

The world is sustained by three things, by truth, by justice, and by peace.

SECOND LESSON

Isaiah 62:1-5 (*pg. 692 in pew Bible*)

Carolyn C. Cavaness,

Pastor, Bethel AME Church, Ardmore

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

I Will Not Rest

Carolyn C. Cavaness

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HYMN 339

Lift Every Voice and Sing

LIFT EVERY VOICE

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*in unison*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church,
the unity of the communion of saints of the entire human family.

We believe that this unity of the people of God
must be manifest and active in our love for one another;
that we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another,
that we share one baptism together,
that we eat of one bread and drink of one cup together,
that we confess one name, one Lord, for one cause,
with one hope, which is the height and the breadth and the depth
and the love of Christ, forever and ever. Amen.

~ Adapted from *Belhar Confession*, South Africa, 1982

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.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Be the Change Sanctuary Choir

Marc Kaplan and Colin Britt

Be the change you want to see in the world, and change will come to you. Be the voice you want to hear in the world, and change will come to you. Be the light you want to shine in the world, and change will come to you.

† DOXOLOGY 606

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

Agnes W. Norfleet

† HYMN 379

We Shall Overcome

WE SHALL OVERCOME

† BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

Carolyn C. Cavaness

POSTLUDE

Marche Héroïque

Herbert Brewer

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Nancy McCahan ~ January 8, 2022

Richard (Dick) Nashner ~ January 8, 2022

Henry (Gene) Fisk ~ January 10, 2022

WORSHIP NOTES

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

To the glory of God, honoring the 76th wedding anniversary of James R. and Charlotte T. Rittenhouse. They remain forever in the hearts of their children and all who knew them.

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Brian Middleton

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Announcements

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING. A congregational meeting is called by the Session for next Sunday, January 23, after the 10:00 a.m. worship service. This is a brief meeting to elect church officers and vote on changes to pastors' terms of call. The meeting will be livestreamed at www.bmpc.org/livestream.

COVID-19 UPDATES. While we are continuing in-person worship, requiring masks and distancing in the Sanctuary, we are postponing some programs and transitioning others to virtual on a week-by-week basis. Each ministry area will communicate updates and changes.

SANCTUARY FLOWER DONATIONS. Openings currently are available for donors who wish to give flowers in memory of or in honor of loved ones. Our Deacons deliver small arrangements of flowers to homebound members. If you would like to donate flowers for a Sunday Worship Service, contact Natalie Hoepf at bmpcflowers@gmail.com.

SABBATICAL NEWS. Pastor Rachel Pedersen will be on Sabbatical until Feb. 14. During this extended time away from BMPC, Rachel will be working with educators across the country to develop and curate faith formation resources for teachers and parents. In her absence, Mary Richards and Katie Singh, Children and Family Ministry staff members, are available to answer questions about the ministry and its related programs.

Today

WELCOME TO THE REV. CAROLYN C. CAVANESS. Today we are honored to welcome the Rev. Carolyn C. Cavaness, pastor of Bethel AME Church of Ardmore, as our preacher this morning. Rev. Cavaness has served at Bethel for eight years and is a graduate of Union Theological Seminary in New York. Bethel AME and Rev. Cavaness have been essential partners with BMPC for several years as we have worked together to address systemic racism, food insecurity and educational equity in our local community.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMUNITY WORSHIP – NOW VIRTUAL. Today, 2:00 p.m., via Zoom. On this MLK holiday weekend, BMPC will host a virtual interfaith community worship service to commemorate the life and work of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and our commitment as a larger community to work toward justice and racial reconciliation. We will be joined by leaders, musicians and members from Bethel AME Church of Ardmore, Gladwyne Presbyterian Church, Beth David Reform Congregation, Old Haverford Friends Meeting, the Baha'i Community, and Or Zarua Congregation. To attend the service, please register via this link: <https://bit.ly/mlk-registration>. RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmppc.org.

A NEW CLASS: STORIES OF GOD. Today through Feb. 27, 1:00 p.m., via Zoom. Join BMPC member Paul Burgmayer in a seven-week exploration of John Shea's imaginative, challenging and thought-provoking book, *Stories of God*. Shea, a brilliant biblical storyteller and narrative theologian, argues that we are the story God tells. Our lives are the words that come from God's mouth. And the stories we tell one another in response are not incidental, but essential to our lives together. Read more about the class on our website. If you are interested in joining this lively conversation, email Paul at burgmayer@verizon.net.

This Week

CASSEROLE BLITZ. Sat., Jan. 22, 8:30 a.m., Ministries Center Kitchen. Make casseroles and friends! Get to know BMPC folks you haven't met before and support a good cause! Join the Hunger Committee in preparing casseroles for area shelters, and enjoy a family activity (children over age 5). Participants are required to be vaccinated, masked and to practice social distancing. RSVP here: <https://bit.ly/casserole-rsvp>

Upcoming

VIRTUAL ALZHEIMER'S COMMUNITY FORUM. Tues., Jan. 25, 6:00-7:30 p.m., via Zoom. Learn about Alzheimer's, dementia and memory loss. Sponsored by Main Line Health, Montgomery County Office of Social Services, Bethlehem Baptist Church and the Alzheimer's Association. Registration is requested at 800-272-3900 or <https://action.alz.org/mtg/78706862>.

RENOVATIONS DEDICATION. On Sun., Jan. 30, we will celebrate the completion of our new Atrium and other building renovations with a Service of Dedication during our 10:00 a.m. Worship Service, followed by an Open House and art exhibit of world-renowned painter Michael Bartmann in the Ministries Center Gallery. Having received our Certificate of Occupancy, furnishings are being added to the newly-renovated spaces. Please join us on Jan. 30 for this significant celebration in the life of our congregation.

ADULT EDUCATION OPEN HOUSE. Sun., Jan. 30, 11:15 a.m., Ministries Center. Join us in the newly-renovated Ministries Center space for an Adult Education Open House. Participants will be encouraged to walk through the newly-designed library and classrooms to learn more about these new meeting spaces, how to volunteer in the library, discuss opportunities to connect through adult education, and purchase deeply-discounted books from the Book Center. For more information, contact Alicia Franklin, afranklin@bmmpc.org.

Caring and Sharing

SUPPORT OUR LOCAL REFUGEE EFFORTS – CAR DONATION. The BMPC Refugee Support Committee continues to work closely with the Afghan refugee family living in Foerderer House. The committee is currently seeking a used car that can seat six people. If you have a car that you would consider donating, or if you can help share this need in the larger community, contact RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmmpc.org. If you wish to help by making a donation or participating in one-time volunteer opportunities such as driving, making meals or babysitting, you may use this link to sign up: <https://bit.ly/support-sepah>

Calendar

Sunday, January 16

8:00	a.m.	Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
8:30	a.m.	Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Virtual Filling the Well, Virtual Faith Under 5 Sunday School, Virtual (includes 2s, 3s, Pre K – K)
9:00	a.m.	Sunday School for Grades 1 & 2, Virtual Confirmation Class, Virtual
10:00	a.m.	Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary or Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org Worship Together Sunday for Grades 3 - 12
1:00	p.m.	<i>Stories of God</i> Adult Education Class, Virtual
2:00	p.m.	Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Worship, Virtual

Monday, January 17

No events scheduled.

Tuesday, January 18

8:30	a.m.	Tuesday Morning Study Group, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 204
9:00	a.m.	Repose Yoga, Virtual or Congregational Hall
10:30	a.m.	Tai Chi, Virtual or Congregational Hall
1:00	p.m.	Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Congregational Hall
5:00	p.m.	Mid-Week Meetup, Virtual
6:00	p.m.	Tutoring Program, Ed. Bldg. Lobby

Wednesday, January 19

10:00	a.m.	Coffee Cup Bible Study, Virtual
7:00	p.m.	Student Serve, Location to be Determined

Thursday, January 20

7:00	p.m.	Sanctuary Choir and Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Hybrid Hunger Committee Meeting, Virtual
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Friday, January 21

No events scheduled.

Saturday, January 22

7:00	a.m.	Saturday Morning Men's Group, Ed Bldg., Rm. 204 and Virtual
8:30	a.m.	Casserole Blitz, Congregational Hall & Main Kitchen

Sunday, January 23

10:00	a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary or Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
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Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

Brian K. Ballard, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care & Senior Adults

Leigh DeVries, Associate Pastor for Youth & Their Families

Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education & Mission

Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children & Family Ministry

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

Jeffrey Brillhart, Director of Music & Fine Arts

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