

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 5, 2023 | 8:00 a.m., Chapel

Second Sunday in Lent



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 following the Worship Service. All of our programs, ministries, and opportunities for mission are open to everyone. Come join us!

LIVESTREAMED CHURCH SERVICES

In addition to in-person worship, the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service is available to watch on our livestreaming 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 7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 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 (infant - age 5)

7:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101

Worship with Sanctuary Choir

10:00 a.m.

Sunday School Classes

Age 2 - PreK

10:00 a.m., Ed. Bldg.

Grades K - 5

10:00 a.m., Worship in Sanctuary

10:15 a.m., Ed. Bldg.

Youth Gathering

10:00 a.m., Gymnasium

Atrium Café

11:00 a.m., Atrium

The Labyrinth -

Walking Prayer

11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room

“Chasing the Light” Art Exhibit

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Art Gallery, Ministries Center

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Franklyn C. Pottorff

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: May God judge the people with righteousness,

All: And the poor with justice.

One: May righteousness flourish and peace abound,

All: For God delivers the needy when they call.

One: God has compassion for the weak;

All: From oppression and violence God redeems our life.

† HYMN 375

Shall We Gather at the River

HANSON PLACE

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

God, your reign is marked by justice, mercy and peace.

You call us to be children and builders of your unique kingdom.

However, we fail to answer your call.

Keep us from being bound to the material stuff of life;

from listening to the voices that distract from your word;

from hesitating to take up the life you offer.

Forgive us and enable us to help usher in your kingdom on earth

as it is in heaven.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SUNG RESPONSE

Be still and know that I am God

PSALM 46

Sung twice.

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the sung response. The first staff is a treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, G4, F#4, E4, D4. The lyrics 'Be still and know that I am God.' are written below the notes. The second staff is also a treble clef with the same key signature. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, G4, F#4, E4, D4. The lyrics 'Be still and know that I am God.' are written below the notes. The second staff ends with a double bar line.

† Please stand, if able.

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Judy Frazier

FIRST LESSON Matthew 11:2-6 (*p. 11 in pew Bible*)

SECOND LESSON Revelation 7:13-17 (*pg. 250 in pew Bible*) Agnes W. Norfleet

SERMON *Thy Kingdom Come* Agnes W. Norfleet
Lenten Series on the Lord's Prayer

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Franklyn C. Pottorff

*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

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

Agnes W. Norfleet

† HYMN 351 All Who Love and Serve Your City

CHARLESTOWN

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

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“I am the resurrection and the life.”

Peter Joseph ~ February 25, 2023

Barbara Clarke ~ February 27, 2023

WORSHIP NOTES

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Sally Skillman Odiorne

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Judy French, Deacon

USHERING

Michelle LaFarge

BULLETIN COVER

The Lord's Prayer Windows, BMPC Sanctuary
Willet Stained Glass Studios 1965.

Announcements

DAILY LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET. Guide and enrich your journey through the 40 days of Lent using a devotional written by BMPC members, staff and ministry partners. Copies are available in church information racks in the Ministries Center and in the Narthex or you may access the devotional booklet on the Season of Lent page: www.bmpc.org > Welcome > The Season of Lent.

EASTER LILY DONATIONS. Contributions may be given in three categories for listing in the Easter Sunday 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 the Deacons’ Flower Ministry. You may fill out an online donation form, <https://bit.ly/FlowerFund2023>, or pick up a printed copy of the form in the Sanctuary or Ministries Center. The deadline for donations is Sun., March 19. If you need a copy of the form mailed to you, contact Sarah Miciek at 610-525-2821 or SarahMiciek@bmpc.org

SANCTUARY FLOWER DONATIONS. Openings are available on Sundays, March 19, April 26 and 30, for donors who wish to give flowers in memory of or in honor of loved ones. Later, our Deacons deliver small arrangements of the Sanctuary flowers to homebound church members. If you would like to donate flowers for a Sunday Worship Service, contact Natalie Hoepf at bmpcfowers@gmail.com

Today

THE LABYRINTH – WALKING PRAYER. Sun., March 5 at 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. Since the Middle Ages Christians have practiced walking prayer and meditation through the use of labyrinths, first as a substitute for religious pilgrimage and now as a method of creative and physical prayer. Anne Montgomery Schmid, BMPC member and Certified Labyrinth Facilitator, will guide participants through the history, practice and divine mystery of walking the labyrinth, with a focus on our Labyrinth Ministry at BMPC. Following the class, you will have the opportunity to walk our own Chartres Labyrinth in Congregational Hall. AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org

This Week

LENTEN ORGAN RECITAL SERIES. Tuesdays through April 4, noon, Chapel. All are invited to gather weekly in the Chapel to enjoy brief recitals on the Chapel organ. On Feb. 28 we invite you to listen to the artistry of Edward Landin Senn. For the recital schedule, visit <https://www.bmpc.org/concerts>. For information about the concert series, please contact MFA@bmpc.org

LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME? Mondays, March, 6 & 13, 7:00 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Consider learning more about being in community here by attending our “Discover BMPC” classes which will give you an opportunity to become acquainted, ask questions, and learn more about our church, our Presbyterian heritage, and our mission. Inquirers welcome. Contact the Rev. Frank Pottorff at 610-525-2821 or FrankPottorff@bmpc.org.

WALK THE LABYRINTH IN PRAYER. Tues., March 7, 11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Experience this ancient symbol and prayer form by walking our Chartres Labyrinth. During Lent the Story Path Labyrinth is available in the Chapel Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.; Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.; and Sunday, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org

HOWARD THURMAN: ESSENTIAL WRITINGS. Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m., via Zoom. Join Middleton Center Spiritual Director Patricia Danzon in an exploration of Howard Thurman's book, *Essential Writings*. Howard Thurman, minister, philosopher and civil rights activist, has been called "one of the greatest spiritual resources of this nation." This collection from his writings introduces us to the breadth and depth of his thinking. KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org

PASTOR'S BOOK GROUP – BEGIN AGAIN. Wed., March 8, 7:00 p.m., Fullerton Room. Join the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick for a discussion of Eddie S. Glaude Jr.'s book, *Begin Again: James Baldwin's America and Its Urgent Lessons*. Glaude finds hope and guidance in Baldwin, mixing biography with history, memoir, and analysis of our current moment to reveal the painful cycle of Black resistance and white retrenchment. Glaude is the James S. McDonnell Distinguished University Professor of African American Studies at Princeton University, and he will be our Community Forum speaker on Mon., May 8. To purchase a book, visit <https://bit.ly/BMPCBookpickup>

CEASEFIREPA TRAINING. Thurs., March 9, 7:00 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Arranged by the Rev. Carolyn Cavaness of Bethel AME and BMPC's Peacemaking Committee, CeaseFirePA is presenting an educational session to help gun violence prevention advocates develop the skills to effectively use their voices to demand change. To register, visit <https://bit.ly/CeaseFireTraining>

CHAPEL STAINED GLASS WINDOW TOUR. Fri., March 10, 10:00 a.m. The Senior Adult Council invites you to a guided tour of the stained glass windows in the Chapel, led by BMPC member Fred Fletcher. The tour is free and open to the public. MonicaDevane@bmpc.org

Next Sunday

THE BIBLICAL ORIGINS OF THE LORD'S PRAYER. Sun., March 12, 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. During this Season of Lent we will learn more about the biblical roots of the Lord's Prayer: how it fits within the Gospels; why it is translated differently in different traditions; and the ways that it connects to other prayer practices of Jesus of Nazareth as described in the New Testament. Dr. Joshua Yoder will lead this conversation. AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org

PANCAKES WITH PRAYER PARTNERS. Sun., March 12, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Children and Youth, did you know that you have a prayer partner praying for you? Families are invited to come after church on March 12 to enjoy a pancake breakfast and an opportunity to meet prayer partners! RSVPs are requested: MaryRichards@bmpc.org

OLIVIER LATRY IN CONCERT. Sun., March 12, 2:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Olivier Latry, an organist of the Cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris, will play compositions of Marcel Dupré, Louis Vierne, Richard Wagner, and Charles-Marie Widor. Half of the free-will offering from this concert will go toward the Cathedral of Notre Dame's restoration fund to support the rebuilding of the Cathedral following the tragic fire in 2019. For more information, please contact MFA@bmpc.org

Upcoming

QUIET PRAYER IN LENT. Wed., March 15, 22 and 29, 7:00 - 7:45 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Amidst the busyness of the Lenten season, this is a time for contemplative guided prayer which will include Scripture readings, space for reflection, and a time of communal silence. Deacons will lead these sessions. KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org

THE BIBLE'S INFLUENCE ON WORSHIP AND PRAYER. Sun., March 19, 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. This class will explore some of the clear biblical connections in our worship – such as the sacraments – along with the ways that we look to the Bible to help shape our worship values. The class will include a discussion about the ancient worship practices that are out of sync with our modern worship traditions. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick will lead this conversation. RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE. Thurs., March 30, 8:45 a.m. departure. Join us for a trip to the National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington, D.C. This is the only national museum devoted exclusively to the documentation of African American life, history

and culture. Bus departs back parking lot at 8:45 a.m. and returns to BMPC by early evening. AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org. Register online: https://bit.ly/NMAAH_Trip

VACATION BIBLE CAMP 2023: Building the Kingdom! Mon., June 19 - Fri., June 23, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., for ages three years to fifth grade. Campers must be at least four years old by May 1, 2023 to register. The Three's program is closed due to maximum capacity. Cost is \$50 per camper: <https://bit.ly/BMPCVBC2023>
MaryRichards@bmpc.org

VACATION BIBLE CAMP VOLUNTEER. Mon., June 19 - Fri., June 23, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. This summer we will welcome over 100 children to take part in Vacation Bible Camp and we need YOU to make camp special for each one. You can volunteer to help with a specific station (like games), work with a small group, or help “behind the scenes.” Register here: <https://bit.ly/VBCVolunteerRegistration>
MaryRichards@bmpc.org

Caring and Sharing

CASSEROLE BLITZ. Sat., March 18, 8:30 a.m., Ministries Center Kitchen. Join us to make casseroles and friends at the Hunger Committee's Casserole Blitz! Enjoy this family activity (children over age 5) as you get to know BMPC folks you haven't met before and support a good cause while working with others to prepare casseroles for area shelters. Spring dates: April 15, May 20, June 10. RSVP: <https://bit.ly/casserole-rsvp>

EARTHQUAKE RELIEF DONATIONS FOR SYRIA AND TURKEY. Our partners at the National Evangelical Synod of Syria and Lebanon are on the ground every day assisting communities recovering from the recent earthquake in the Middle East. Donations toward those efforts may be made directly to the church by putting “Earthquake Relief” on the memo line of your check. You also may give online using this link: <https://onrealm.org/bmpc/give/disaster>

Calendar

Sunday, March 5

7:45	a.m.	Childcare (Birth-Kindergarten), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101
8:00	a.m.	Worship with Communion, Chapel
8:30	a.m.	Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Cannon Room
8:45	a.m.	Filling the Well, Ed. Bldg., Children's Library
		Digging Deeper, Gloucester Room
9:00	a.m.	Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
		Sunday School, Virtual
10:00	a.m.	Sunday School Ages 2, 3, and Pre-K, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101
		Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary, and Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org
		Youth Gathering, Gymnasium
10:15	a.m.	Sunday School K - 5th Grade, Ed. Bldg.
11:00	a.m.	Atrium Café, Atrium
		Family Fellowship, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
		Lenten Story Path Labyrinth, Children's Chapel
11:15	a.m.	The Labyrinth - Walking Prayer, Fullerton Room
		Child and Youth Protection Training, Ed. Bldg. Rm. 204
1:30	p.m.	New Officer Training, Cannon and Gloucester Rooms
5:00	p.m.	Evening Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, March 6

10:00	a.m.	Great Decisions, Virtual
7:00	p.m.	Discover BMPC Class, Sanctuary

Tuesday, March 7

9:00	a.m.	RePose Yoga, Virtual
10:00	a.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center
10:30	a.m.	Tai Chi, Gymnasium and Virtual
12:00	p.m.	Lenten Organ Recital Series, Chapel
1:00	p.m.	Dance for Parkinson's Class, Gymnasium
7:00	p.m.	Howard Thurman: Essential Writing Book Group, Virtual
		Deacons' Meeting, Fullerton Room

Wednesday, March 8

10:00	a.m.	Coffee Cup Bible Study, Virtual Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor and Library Yoga206 Bone Boost, Gymnasium
4:45	p.m.	Wednesdays Together, Sanctuary
5:30	p.m.	Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
5:45	p.m.	Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
6:30	p.m.	Handbell Ensemble, Fine Arts Center Adult Education Council Meeting, Cannon Room Property Committee Meeting, Witherspoon Parlor
7:00	p.m.	Pastor's Book Group - <i>Begin Again</i> , Fullerton Room Student Serve, Gymnasium

Thursday, March 9

9:30	a.m.	Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
10:00	a.m.	Thursday Book Group, Virtual
11:00	a.m.	Artists' Gathering, Fine Arts Center
7:00	p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Chapel CeaseFirePA Training, Witherspoon Parlor

Friday, March 10

10:00	a.m.	Stained Glass Window Tour, Chapel
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Saturday, March 11

7:00	a.m.	Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
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Sunday, March 12

8:00	a.m.	Worship with Communion, Chapel
10:00	a.m.	Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary, and Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

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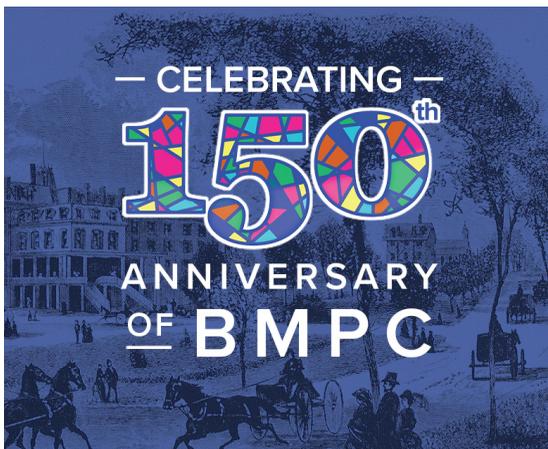
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