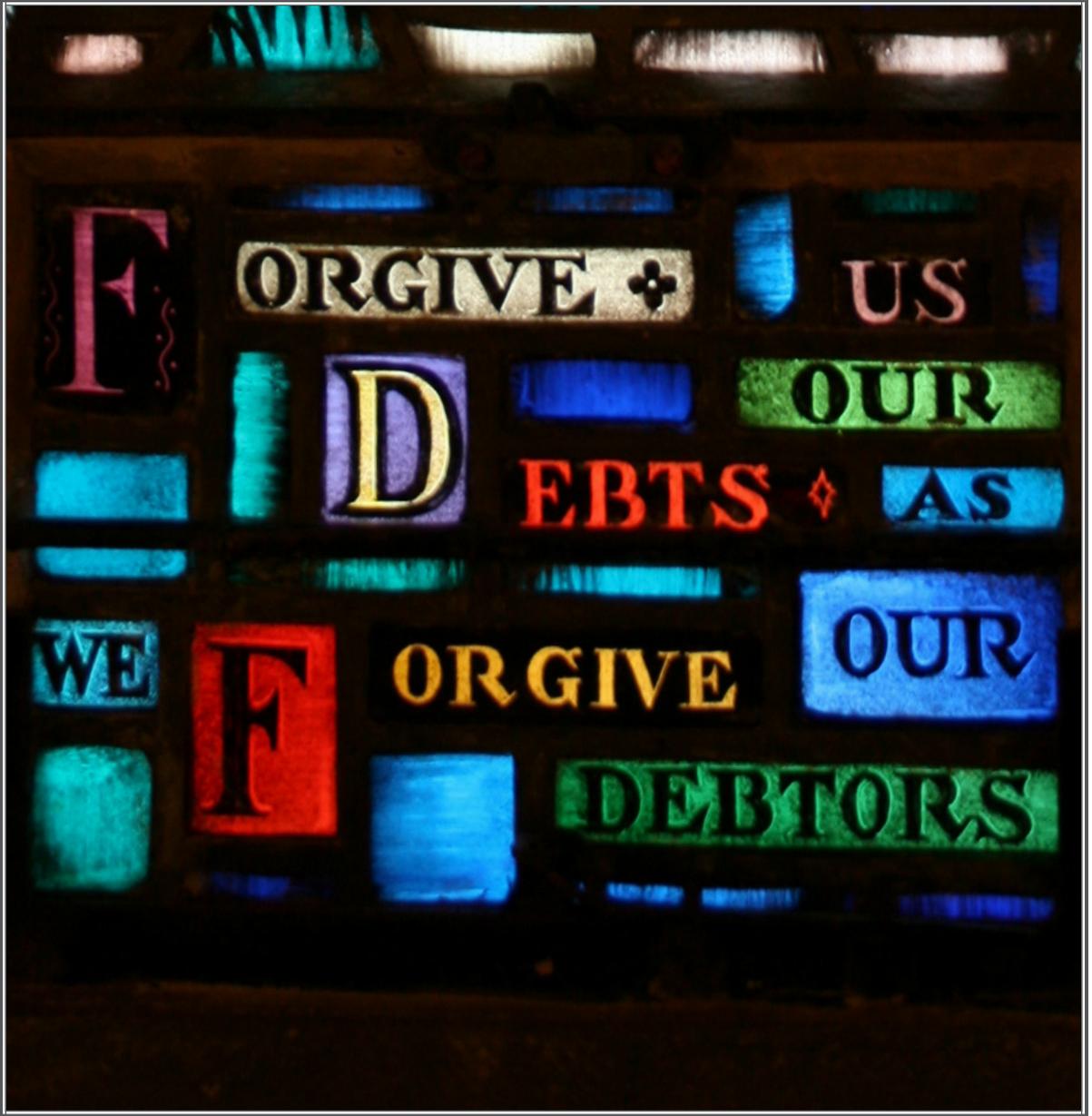


Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 19, 2023 | 8:00 a.m., Chapel

Fourth 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 Pastor Rachel, RachelPedersen@bmpc.org or 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 Bible's Influence on Worship & 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

Leigh DeVries

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

**All: Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

One: Let all who are faithful offer prayer to you;

All: You surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

One: Let us worship the God of grace who forgives our sins.

† HYMN 444

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

DETROIT

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Gracious God, we are people who long for your forgiveness.

We keep shameful deeds secret, but flaunt our occasional acts of virtue.

We see ourselves as blameless, but pass judgment on others.

We do not stand firmly enough with those who are vulnerable,
but step back, protecting ourselves.

Forgive us, we pray, that we may live more fruitful and faithful lives
through Jesus Christ.

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 in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, G4, F4, E4, D4. The lyrics 'Be still and know that I am God.' are written below the notes. The second staff continues the melody with a half note G4, a quarter note F4, a quarter note E4, a quarter note D4, a half note C4, and a final whole note G3. The lyrics 'Be still and know that I am God.' are written below the notes.

† Please stand, if able.

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Susan Daley-Gibson

FIRST LESSON Genesis 50:15-21 (*pg. 48 in pew Bible*)

SECOND LESSON Luke 6:37-38 (*pg. 65 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

SERMON *Forgive Us Our Debts*
Lenten Series on the Lord's Prayer

Agnes W. Norfleet

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Leigh DeVries

*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 649 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

AMAZING GRACE

† 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.”

M. Donald (Don) Wright ~ March 13, 2023

WORSHIP NOTES

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of
H. Palmer Woodcock and Joan Rieger Woodcock

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

New members received by Session today
and recognized during the 10:00 a.m. worship service:

Ged Deming
Natalie and Nate Dennis
Susanna and Craig Wiborg

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Susan Daley-Gibson, Elder

USHERING

Michelle LaFarge

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday, April 6

8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Labyrinth Walk, Gymnasium

5:30 p.m. Family Service with Communion, Chapel and Livestream

6:00 p.m. Simple Supper, Congregational Hall. Freewill offering.

7:30 p.m. Worship with Communion, Sanctuary and Livestream

Good Friday, April 7

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon Labyrinth Walk, Congregational Hall

12:00 noon Service led by BMPC Youth, Chapel

7:30 p.m. In observance of Good Friday, the Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers will present Anthony Mosakowski's setting of the St. John Passion entitled "The Passion for Good Friday."

Easter Sunday, April 9

6:30 a.m., Sunrise Service, Front Lawn

9:30 and 11:00 a.m., Worship with Choir and Easter Brass in the Sanctuary and Livestream (9:30 a.m. only). The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.

Announcement

SANCTUARY FLOWER DONATIONS DUE TODAY. Openings are available on Sundays, April 23 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 bmpcflowers@gmail.com

Today

THE BIBLE'S INFLUENCE ON WORSHIP AND PRAYER. 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.

EASTER LILY DONATIONS DUE TODAY. 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 today, Sun., March 19. Contact Sarah Miciek at 610-525-2821 or SarahMiciek@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 March 21, we invite you to listen to the artistry of our own Jeffrey Brillhart. For the recital schedule, visit <https://www.bmpc.org/concerts>. For information about the concert series, please contact MFA@bmpc.org

HOWARD THURMAN: ESSENTIAL WRITINGS. Tuesdays through March 21, 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

QUIET PRAYER IN LENT. Wed., March 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

Next Sunday

MODERN PRAYER TRADITIONS. Sun., March 26, 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. Traditions around Christian prayer and worship practices have evolved over two centuries; some traditions and texts have continued to be meaningful for believers of all traditions. This class will consider the origins of prayers like the Prayer of St. Francis, and prayer practices such as those created by Ignatius of Loyola, as well as modern prayers that have been meaningful for generations of Christians, like the Serenity Prayer. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick will lead this conversation. RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org

Upcoming

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

CELEBRATING TEN YEARS. On Palm Sunday, April 2, at 11:15 a.m. we will celebrate the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet's decade of service as our pastor. Join us in Congregational Hall for fellowship, refreshments, and an opportunity to share our gratitude.

THE PASSION FOR GOOD FRIDAY. Fri., April 7, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary. Please join the Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers to hear their a cappella performance of the St. John Passion, scored by local composer Anthony Mosakowski. It features the passion narrative sung in English with Old Testament scriptural echoes and prophetic references sung simultaneously. For more information, please contact MFA@bmperc.org

Caring and Sharing

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/bmperc/give/disaster>

Calendar

Sunday, March 19

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 New Member Breakfast, Congregational Hall
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.	Bible's Influence on Worship and Prayer, Fullerton Room

Monday, March 20

No Events Scheduled.

Tuesday, March 21

9:00	a.m.	RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
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: <i>Essential Writings</i> Book Group, Virtual Stewardship Meeting, Gloucester Room

Wednesday, March 22

10:00	a.m.	Coffee Cup Bible Study, Virtual Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor & 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
7:00	p.m.	Outreach Committee Meeting, Cannon Room Quiet Prayer for Lent, Witherspoon Parlor Student Serve, Gymnasium

Thursday, March 23

9:30	a.m.	Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
11:00	a.m.	Artists' Gathering, Fine Arts Center
7:00	p.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center

Friday, March 24

No Events Scheduled.

Saturday, March 25

7:00	a.m.	Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
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Sunday, March 26

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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Leigh DeVries, Associate Pastor for Youth & Their Families

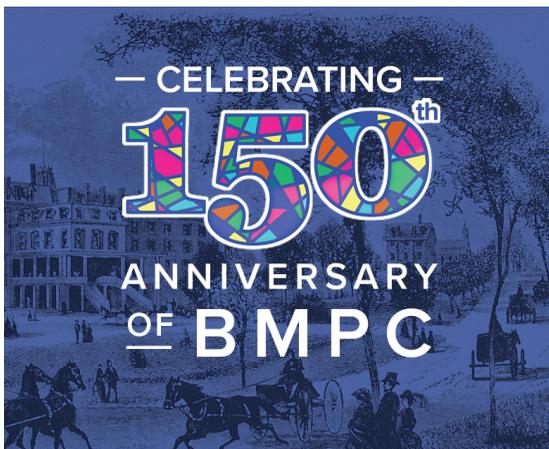
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Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children & Family Ministry

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