

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Sunday, August 6, 2023 | 8:00 a.m., Chapel

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost



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 Erika Henry 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 Summer Choir

10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Worship Together Sunday

Grades 4-12

10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Summer Sunday School

10:00 a.m.

Ages 3 and 4, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 106

Rising K-Grade 3 begin in

Worship

Stories Through 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: In this place, in this time of worship,

All: We feel the presence of God.

One: In our words, in our song,

All: We sing the beauty of God.

One: In each person, in each soul,

All: We see the face of God.

† HYMN 396 Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

HOLY MANNA

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

God of compassion, we have wrestled all night with worry instead of resting in you. We have asserted our own goodness instead of awakening to yours. We have turned away those hungry for your help instead of trusting you and feeding them from your limitless supply of blessings. Forgive us, heal us, and help us to hold on to you. We call upon you, for you will answer us.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Sung twice.

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high est!

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Tony Brown

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 17 (*pg. 496 in pew Bible*)

SECOND LESSON

Genesis 32:22-31 (*pg. 30 in pew Bible*)

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Wrestling with God

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

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

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

† HYMN 410 God is Calling Through the Whisper

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† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

WORSHIP NOTES

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in honor of
Jane and Jeff Wilber's 40th Wedding Anniversary

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Tony Brown, Deacon

USHERING

Keith Brinks

Announcements

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY. We are looking for volunteers to serve at our Reception Desk on the ground floor of the Ministries Center during weekdays. This position serves as a “Minister of First Impressions,” helping to answer phones and welcome guests who visit our campus or church offices. To learn more, contact LizEllis@bmipc.org

SANCTUARY FLOWER DONATIONS. Openings are available for Aug. 27 and Sept. 24 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 bmipcflowers@gmail.com

CHURCH OFFICER NOMINATIONS. Please submit your recommendations by Sun., Sept. 17 for Elders, Deacons, Trustees, and Nominating Committee Members-at-Large for 2023-2024 via the nominating form: <https://bit.ly/BMPCNominationForm>. Paper copies of the nominating form are available in the Narthex and at the Reception Desk in the Ministries Center. Candidates must be members for at least two years, faithfully participate in the worship and program life of the church, and regularly contribute to the church

Today

2023 BACKPACK AND SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION. Help children served by Gemma Services start school on the right foot! Bring completed backpacks to the Narthex in the Sanctuary by today, Sun., Aug. 6.

YOUTH CAMP AT MASSANETTA SPRINGS, VA. Sun., Aug. 6 - Fri., Aug. 11. Our rising sixth through 12th graders will be leaving for summer camp at Massanetta Springs today. Please keep the youth and adult volunteers in your prayers this week.

Upcoming

YOGA206 BONE BOOST CLASS. Begins Wed., Sept. 6, 9:30 a.m., Gymnasium. This is an all-levels mat and chair yoga class focusing on bone strength with safely-adapted poses. Geared to persons proactive about strengthening their bones due to diagnosed bone loss. Participants, age 50+, must be able to safely sit on and rise from a mat. Class runs through Oct. 18. Email YOGA206@icloud.com for registration information.

DANCE FOR PARKINSON'S CLASS. Begins Tues., Sept. 12, 1:00 p.m., Gymnasium. Our Dance for Parkinson's Disease (PD) class is open to those living with PD and their care partners. This session runs through Dec. 12. For more information, contact CarolCherry@bmpc.org or visit <https://bit.ly/BMPCFitness>

Calendar

Sunday, August 6

7:45 a.m. Childcare (Birth-Kindergarten), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101
8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
10:00 a.m. **Sunday Worship with Summer Choir,
Sanctuary and Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org**
Worship Together Sunday for Grades 4-12, Sanctuary
10:15 a.m. Summer Sunday School: Threes - Rising 3rd Graders,
Ed. Bldg., Rm. 202
11:00 a.m. Atrium Cafe, Atrium

Monday, August 7

No Events Scheduled.

Tuesday, August 8

10:30 a.m. Tai Chi (Hybrid), Gymnasium

Wednesday, August 9

No Events Scheduled.

Thursday, August 10

11:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Fine Arts Center

Friday, August 11

No Events Scheduled.

Saturday, August 12

7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
10:00 a.m. Searching For Still Waters Bereavement Group,
Converse House Parlor

Sunday, August 13

8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
10:00 a.m. **Sunday Worship with Summer Choir, Sanctuary and
Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org**
The Rev. Rachel Pedersen will preach.

Worldwide Ministries Partners

Each year the BMPC Worldwide Ministries Committee grants funding to national and international organizations supporting the education of children, youth and church leaders, investing in medical mission networks, and lifting up community leaders to support the work of justice and transformation. Below are the 2023 recipients along with a snapshot of their work.

Education

Haiti Partners - www.haitipartners.org

Improving educational culture and experiences for children in Haiti.

Nurturing Minds/Sega School - www.nurturingmindsinafrica.org

A boarding school for girls in Tanzania focused on providing quality education so that students can escape poverty and exploitation.

Pfunanane Ministries - www.pfunanane.org

A Christian school in South Africa providing quality education to students in PreK-7th grades.

Friends of Forman Christian College - www.friendsofforman.org

A Christian College located in Pakistan that provides liberal arts education to interfaith students.

Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary - www.jcsts.org

A historically Black institution in the United States focused on advancing communities of faith, justice and compassion through innovation in theological education.

Medical

Emmanuel Hospital Association - www.eha-health.org

Establishing a palliative care facility for Chinchpada Hospital which serves residents of Maharashtra, India.

Faith in Practice - www.faithinpractice.org

Developing a referral program for patients in need of surgery and other complex medical care in rural parts of Guatemala.

Medical Benevolence - www.mbfoundation.org

Creating a sustainable training program to meet the critical need for rural health clinics throughout Africa to practice and adhere to international standards of quality medical care.

Nabilala Community Development Clinic

Sustaining the Children Health Centre so it can continue providing necessary medical services to poor rural children and women in Uganda.

Social Justice

The Association for a More Just Society - www.asj-us.org

ASJ promotes peace and justice for the poor and marginalized in Honduras.

Beyond Borders - www.beyondborders.net

Working to prevent violence against women and girls and end child slavery in Haiti.

Presbyterian World Mission - www.presbyterianmission.org

Supporting our PC(USA) Mission Co-Workers in Lebanon, Syrian, the Philippines and Peru.

Rabbis for Human Rights - www.rhr.org.il/eng

Providing a platform for open and respectful dialogue as a means to promote social and economic justice within Israel and Palestine.

RiseMalawi - www.risemalawiministries.org

Providing a structured learning environment, including nutritious meals through their feeding program, for vulnerable children in rural Malawi.

Fundación Comunidad A.C. - www.comunidad.org.mx

Building sustainability for a community center that serves the poor and vulnerable in Mexico.

Support of organizations like these is possible because of your generous contributions through our annual Stewardship campaign. Thank you for your gifts. If you want to learn more about the work we do in mission around the world, please contact RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

Leigh DeVries, Associate Pastor for Youth & Their Families

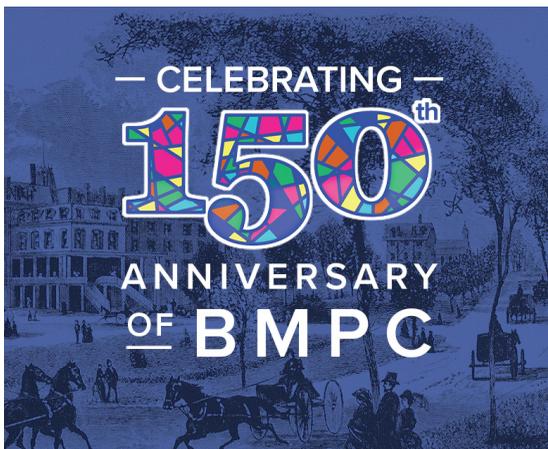
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