

# Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

September 14, 2014 8:00 AM, Chapel 14th Sunday after Pentecost

# Welcome to BMPC

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As we gather for worship, please silence your cell phone and prepare your heart and mind for the worship of God.

### Worship Notes

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Today's bulletin cover is a pen and ink rendering of the Lord's Prayer on the wall in the Children's Chapel.

**†** "I am the resurrection and the life."

Elizabeth F. Johnson – August 27, 2014



### **GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME

Kellen A. Smith

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(A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.)

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**



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### **HEARING THE WORD**

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### Tom Willcox

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SERMON

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### **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

† HYMN 426

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CANONBURY

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### SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION AND 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 (in unison)

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.

#### THE COMMUNION

You are invited to come forward, using the center aisle, to partake of the Lord's Supper. Please break off a piece of bread, dip it in the cup and return to your seat, using the side aisle. If you prefer gluten- and caseinfree bread, please partake from the center table. If you desire to be served in your seat, please raise your hand to alert an usher.

### **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Agnes W. Norfleet

+ HYMN 422 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending BEACH SPRING

#### **† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you. All: And also with you.

### POSTLUDE

### Announcements

**ASSOCIATE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE OPEN FORUM.** Today, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. All are invited to share thoughts and ideas for the areas of adult education, outreach, and worldwide ministries. You also may provide feedback via the questionnaire at *www.bmpc.org* (search keyword: APNC).

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS.** Wednesdays, 5:30-7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall (food served until 6:45 p.m.) Cost: \$8 for adults; \$5 for children/students. New this year: watch for occasional special interest tables to connect those with common interests. To view upcoming fresh-ingredient menus by Chef Ruth, see the "Announcements" box on the homepage of *www.bmpc.org* or call the church office at 610-525-2821.

**SANCTUARY CHOIR.** This vibrant community of singers performs a repertoire that spans three centuries, several languages, and a variety of styles ranging from Baroque to Spirituals and Gospel. Ability to read music and some choral experience is helpful. Rehearsals are Thursdays from 7:00-9:00 p.m., September through May. To schedule a vocal interview with Jeffrey Brillhart, contact StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

**CHOIR SCHOOL REGISTRATION.** Our Fine Arts department offers choirs for kindergarten through Grade 12 and handbell choirs beginning in Grade 3. For more information or to register, contact StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

**SINGING FOR LIFE**, BMPC's choir for older adults (55+) focuses on stretching, breathing, and vocalizing. The group meets on Friday mornings from 9:30–10:45 a.m. beginning Oct. 3. All members of the community are welcome; \$60 participation fee per semester (scholarships available). For registration information, contact StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

**NEW CHURCH OFFICER NOMINATIONS.** Submit your recommendations by Sept. 30 for Elders, Deacons, Trustees and Nominating Committee Members-at-Large for 2014-2015 via the nominating forms found near the Sanctuary or Ministries Center entrances or online at *www.bmpc.org/nominatingform*. 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 budget. Elders and Deacons also are called upon to participate in worship services by serving communion. Contact: BradBaturka@comcast.net

**ART EXHIBIT.** Photographs taken during the Sanctuary Choir Tour to Germany this summer will be on exhibit in the Conference Room through Oct. 12. View the choir performing in historic churches and images of cities and homes of Bach, Handel, Martin Luther and others made famous during the Reformation. Reception today at 11:00 a.m. in the Conference Room.

**PRESBYTERIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY EVENT.** Sat., Sept. 20, 412 Pine St., Phila. Jazz worship at Old Pine Presbyterian Church, panel discussion about non-traditional ministries successes, and open house next door at Presbyterian Historical Society. More information: 215-928-3895

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS.** Sun. Oct. 5, 4:00 p.m., Front Lawn. Gather for fellowship, singing, scripture, prayers, and individual blessings of companion animals. All friendly creatures great and small are welcome, along with their human companions. "St Francis of Assisi" (the Rev. Dr. R. Charles Grant) will discuss our special relationship with God's creatures of the animal kingdom and the blessings we receive from them. An offering of food and supplies for local animal shelters will be received, and refreshments will be served. Contact: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821

**READ BANNED BOOKS.** What do Catch-22, Beloved, and Huck Finn have in common? Each was once banned for questionable content. During Banned Books Week (Sept 21-28), our Converse House Library celebrates the challenge of these and other controversial classics. Contact: Kat MacMurray, KatMac2@gmail.com

### Children, Youth, and their Families

**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL** for children age 2–grade 5 resumes today in the Education Building. The schedule is as follows (child must be the age indicated by 9/1/2014):

- Age 2, Room G3, 10:00 a.m.
- Age 3, Room G2, 10:00 a.m.
- Age 4, begin in Room 106; finish in Room 105
- Grades K-5 begin worship with their families in the Sanctuary. After the Children's Moment, the children go to the Education Building for the remainder of the hour (K–Room 106; Grade 1–Room 201; Grade 2–Room 210; Grade 3–Room 204; Grades 4 & 5–assigned rooms on the third floor).

**YOUTH GATHERING** for grades 6-12 resumes today in the Ministries Center. All students meet in the Gym at 10:00 a.m. for music led by the youth worship band and a teen-focused sermon. Students then break out into grade-specific teaching and small group conversation with caring adult leaders.

**KICK-OFF GATHERING FOR YOUTH & PARENTS.** Today, 11:15 a.m., Gym. Youth and their families are invited to gather with Pastor Kellen and the Youth Ministry Council to hear about our exciting programs and events for the upcoming year.

**GRADE 3 BREAKFAST AND BIBLE PRESENTATION.** Sun., Sept. 21. Following a family breakfast in Congregational Hall at 8:45 a.m., Bibles will be presented to 3rd graders during the Children's Moment at 10:00 a.m. worship in the Sanctuary. The Bibles are presented as a gift from a generous donation from the Catherine C. Miller Fund. RSVP by Sept. 15: RachelPedersen@bmpc.org, ext. 8810

**ART@9**. Sundays, 8:45-9:50 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Room 201. Class provides nurture, fellowship and craft/creative time for children age 3 to grade 5 whose parents are attending BMPC classes. Contact: RachelPedersen@bmpc.org, ext. 8810

**MENTOR A BMPC YOUTH.** This fall, we'll start a new "Lighthouse Program" for our youth in grades 6-12 that pairs them with a caring adult mentor in our congregation. Volunteers wanted. Contact: KellenSmith@bmpc.org, ext. 8822

### **BIBLE STUDIES AND BOOK DISCUSSIONS:**

- **Dimensions in Literature.** Tues., Sept. 16, 1:30 p.m., Fullerton Room, led by the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet. Discuss C.J. Sansom's *Dissolution*, the first of the Shardlake series of detective/murder mystery novels set in Tudor England. Contact: Eric Johnson, johnsone@cpenow.com
- Urban Suburban Book Group. Tues., Sept. 16, 7:00 p.m., Overbrook Presbyterian Church, 6376 City Ave., Philadelphia. Discuss *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt. Contact: Sherry.archer19@yahoo.com
- **Y-Group Book Discussion** *(for mothers of children newborn to age* **18)**. Tues., Sept. 23, 9:30 a.m., home of Emma Ominski. Discuss *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt. Contact: Stephanie Walsh, stephaniebwalsh@pro-mic.com
- Men's Study Group. 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, 9:30 a.m., Converse House. Led by the Rev. Dr. R. Charles Grant, this group reads books dealing with biblical and theological study. Men of all ages invited. Contact: CharlesGrant@bmpc.org, ext. 8820
- Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study. Wednesdays beginning Sept. 24, 10:00 a.m., Gloucester Room. The Rev. Rachel Pedersen leads our study of Paul's Letter to the Philippians. Bring your Bible; supplementary materials will be provided. Contact: RachelPedersen@bmpc.org, ext. 8810

*THE STORY OF THE JEWS.* Sundays, 8:45 a.m., Conference Room, led by the Rev. Dr. Paul MacMurray. After viewing 20 minutes of the PBS series presented by British Historian Simon Schama program, discuss the program. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819

**BREAD AS PEACE (AND ITS ABSENCE AS VIOLENCE) IN THE BODY OF CHRIST.** Sundays through Oct. 12, 8:45 a.m. Witherspoon Parlor, led by Jon Pahl. In this five-week series, look at biblical metaphors and how *real* bread points us to the contemporary questions of justice and peace. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819

**CARING AND CRAFTS.** Mon., Sept. 15, 9:15 a.m., Gloucester Room. Knitters gather to make scarves, prayer shawls, mittens and hats for residents at "theVillage" (formerly Presbyterian Children's Village). Contact: Maryalice Stoltzfus, 610-527-3909

**Y-GROUP KICK-OFF POTLUCK BRUNCH** *(for mothers of children newborn to age 18)*. Tues., Sept. 16, 9:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Dr. Asha George-Guiser, licensed marriage/family therapist and Lutheran pastor, discusses "Landing the Helicopter, Over-Parenting Anonymous: A 12-Step Program for Good Parents Gone Bad." Bring a dish to share. Childcare available with 3-day notice to childcare@bmpc.org. Contact: Sharna Liggett, smcliggett@gmail.com

**PRACTICING SPIRITUAL DIRECTION.** Tues., Sept. 16, 7:00 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor, led by Spiritual Directors Patricia Danzon and Heather Swanson. Learn and engage in the practice of spiritual direction. Contact: JoyceKrajian@bmpc.org, 610-525-0766 **FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY.** Wednesdays, Sept. 17–Nov. 19 (no class on Oct. 15), 7:00 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. The Rev. Kellen Smith leads a course in money management that includes practical and biblical principles of how to take control of your money, dump debt, invest in the future, and give like never before. To register and purchase materials (cost: \$93, scholarships available), contact AmyBauer@bmpc.org by Sept. 14 or visit *www.daveramsey.com/fpu/locations/org/51540/class/261007/atid/l\_ln* 

**BETWEEN SOLITUDE AND SERVICE.** Sundays, Sept. 21-Oct. 12, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor, led by BMPC members Paul Burgmayer and Patricia Danzon. Study the Christian practices of service and contemplation. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819

**PERSPECTIVES IN MUSIC.** Mon., Sept. 22, 1:30 p.m., Fine Arts Center. Musician Bill Munich performs a jazz piano program. Contact: DeAnnClancy@hotmail.com

**PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY PW FALL GATHERING.** Sat., Sept. 27, 10:00 a.m., Church on the Mall. Bryan Miller, Executive Director of Heeding God's Call, addresses "Hope for Peace, Hunger and Justice." Bring your lunch and join other Presbyterian Women for fellowship and discussion. Contact: Janet Brown, jwbpeace@yahoo.com

**YOUNG ADULT POTLUCK BRUNCH.** Sun., Sept. 28, 11:30 a.m. Pastor Kellen's Manse. Young adults (20s and 30s) are invited for a time of fellowship. Bring a dish to share. RSVP: KellenSmith@bmpc.org, ext. 8822

**GREAT DECISIONS.** Tues., Sept. 30, 2:30 p.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village, led by Marilyn Irwin. Discuss *Food and Climate*, the effects of changing climate on food security and U.S. foreign aid and climate policies. Contact: Marilyn Irwin, marirwin@aol.com

**WEEKDAY CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP.** Wednesdays beginning Oct. 1, 8:00 a.m., Chapel. Led by Patricia Danzon and David Heaton. Before turning to the day's work, listen to God using traditional prayer, *Lectio Divina*, and Centering Prayer. Contact PatriciaDanzon@gmail.com

**WELLNESS AND PREVENTION: A MATTER OF BALANCE.** Fridays, Oct. 3–Nov. 21, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (8 week class), led by Ann Fossum and Maureen Krouse. Learn how the risks of falling can be reduced with several interventions that are easy to include in your daily activities. In this series, co-sponsored by Bryn Mawr Hospital and Main Line Health, improve your endurance, strength, and balance while having fun! Bring a brown bag lunch; manual provided. Register by Sept. 20: AnnFossum@bmpc.org, ext. 8832

**ARTISTS' GATHERING.** Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. Artists of any medium are invited to attend with their work to create, share, and develop their talents in a community of fellow artists. Contact: Bonnie Atwood, batwood313@verizon.net

**SATURDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP.** Saturdays, 7:00 a.m., Converse House. Men of all ages invited for fellowship and lively discussions. Contact: LeeComer@ hotmail.com, 484-524-8271

# Local and Worldwide Outreach

**BECOME A "SECRET SAINT."** Each fall, many of our youth start a new adventure in college or boarding school. As a "Secret Saint," support one of them with thoughts and prayers, and by sending goodies and cards. To be a "Saint," contact AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

**BE A WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER HELPER.** Volunteers wanted to assist once a month with our Wednesday Night Dinners and to join a group of people who enjoy the fellowship of working together for a delicious cause. Flexibility available to fit your schedule. Contact: SueGibbons@bmpc.org, ext. 8831

**VOLUNTEER FOR OUR TUTORING PROGRAM.** Adult leaders and high school youth tutors are needed for the upcoming school year. Adult leaders oversee the tutors and tutors work one-on-one with students for approximately two hours on Tuesday OR Wednesday nights from mid-September through April (volunteer for either night). High school volunteer sign-ups/orientation will be held on Tues., Sept. 16, at 6:30 p.m. in Congregational Hall. Contact: Marnie Bowen, marnieb1963@aol.com

**MARCH FOR CLIMATE CHANGE.** Start by seeing and discussing the movie *Climate Disruption* on Sat., Sept. 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ministries Center, hosted by BMPC and members of Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light, and then join them as they travel to New York City on Sun., Sept. 21, to make their voices heard as world leaders gather for an historic UN summit on climate change. Buses leave various Main Line locations at 9:00 a.m. and return at 7:00 p.m. Cost: \$20. Contact: Courtenay Willcox, mcwillcox@gmail.com, 610-506-1708

# This Week's Calendar Highlights

To see a full listing of ALL upcoming activities and meetings, visit our website: www.bmpc.org

### Sunday, September 14, 2014

8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion in the Chapel Worship with Sanctuary Choir in the Sanctuary
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8:45 a.m.	Bread as Peace in the Body of Christ, Witherspoon Parlor
	The Story of the Jews, Conference Room
	Art@9, Ed. Bldg., Room 201
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	Youth Gathering (Grades 6-12), Gym
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10:30 a.m.	Youth Grade Groups, Ministries Center
	Confirmation, Witherspoon Parlor
11:00 a.m.	Cafe in the Court (Coffee and Fellowship)
	Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby

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11:00 a.m.	Kick-off Gathering for Youth and their Families, Gym
	Art Exhibit Reception, Conference Room
11:15 a.m.	Associate Pastor Nominating Committee Open Forum, Witherspoon Parlor
11:30 a.m.	Child and Youth Protection Training, Ed. Bldg., Room 101

### Monday, September 15, 2014

9:15 a.m.	Caring and Crafts, Gloucester Room
7:00 p.m.	Peacemaking Committee Meeting, Witherspoon Parlor

### Tuesday, September 16, 2014

9:15 a.m.	Y-Group Kick-off Potluck Brunch, Congregational Hall
1:30 p.m.	Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room, Witherspoon Parlor
6:30 p.m.	BMPC Tutoring Program Tutor Sign-Ups/Orientation, Congregational Hall
7:00 p.m.	Practicing Spiritual Direction, Witherspoon Parlor
	Urban Suburban Book Group, Off Campus

#### Wednesday, September 17, 2014

4:00 p.m.	Carol Choir, Ed. Bldg., Room 202
_	Jubilate Ringers, Fine Arts Center
5:00 p.m.	Beginners Choir, St. Andrew Boy Choir, St. Cecilia Girl Choir, Fine Arts Center
5:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Dinner (served until 6:45 p.m.), Congregational Hall
6:00 p.m.	StudentServe Meeting (grades 9-12), Loft
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-	BMPC Tutoring Program Adult Leader Training, Ed. Bldg.
7:00 p.m.	Financial Peace University, Witherspoon Parlor
_	Child and Youth Protection Training, Fullerton Room

### Thursday, September 18, 2014

9:00 a.m.	Thursday Morning Prayer Group, Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
10:00 a.m.	Memoir Writing Class, Fullerton Room
2:30 p.m.	Caregivers Support Group, Converse House
7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center
-	Hunger Committee Meeting, Conference Room

#### Saturday, September 20, 2014

7:00 a.m.	Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House
10:00 a.m.	Baptism Workshop, Converse House

### Sunday, September 21, 2014

8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion in the Chapel 10:00 a.m. Worship with Sanctuary Choir and Baptism in the Sanctuary The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.

# Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

Nicole Wilkinson Duran, Supply Pastor for Adult Education, Outreach, and Worldwide Ministries

R. Charles Grant, Associate Pastor for Senior Adults and Pastoral Care

Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry Elect

Kellen A. Smith, Associate Pastor for Youth, Their Families and College Ministries

Jeffrey Brillhart, Director of Music and Fine Arts

Kate Shealy, Choir School Director

Edward Landin, Assistant Organist

# **Contact Information**

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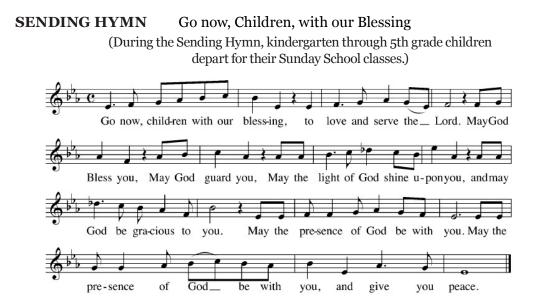
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

(Children are invited to come forward for the Children's Moment.)

(Hymnal 579)

### **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

### **CHILDREN'S MOMENT**



OLD TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Kings 9:1-5 (p. 313 in pew Bible) R. Charles Grant

#### ANTHEM

I Was Glad

C. Hubert H. Parry

I was glad when they said unto me, We will go into the house of the Lord. Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is builded as a city that is at unity in itself. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem, they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces.

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### **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

### + **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (from A Brief Statement of Faith)

R. Charles Grant

In life and in death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

With believers in every time and place,

we rejoice that nothing in life or in death

can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

(Please fill in the Fellowship Register at the end of your pew; pass it down your row and back again.)

### **OFFERING AND OFFERTORY ANTHEM** I will Arise and Go to Jesus Robert Shaw and Alice Parker

I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms, in the arms of my dear Saviour, oh! there are ten thousand charms. Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above, praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love. Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace, streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. I will arise and go to Jesus. He will embrace me in His arms, in the arms of my dear Saviour, oh! there are ten thousand charms.

### † DOXOLOGY (in unison)

### *(Hymnal 592)*

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**

†	HYMN 422	God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending	BEACH SPRING
†	BENEDICTION	WITH CHORAL RESPONSE	Agnes W. Norfleet

### POSTLUDE

Fanfare

Jacques-Nicolaus Lemmens

*† Please stand, if able.* 

### Announcements

**ASSOCIATE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE OPEN FORUM.** Today, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. All are invited to share thoughts and ideas for the areas of adult education, outreach, and worldwide ministries. You also may provide feedback via the questionnaire at *www.bmpc.org* (search keyword: APNC).

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS.** Wednesdays, 5:30-7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall (food served until 6:45 p.m.) Cost: \$8 for adults; \$5 for children/students. New this year: watch for occasional special interest tables to connect those with common interests. To view upcoming fresh-ingredient menus by Chef Ruth, see the "Announcements" box on the homepage of *www.bmpc.org* or call the church office at 610-525-2821.

**SANCTUARY CHOIR.** This vibrant community of singers performs a repertoire that spans three centuries, several languages, and a variety of styles ranging from Baroque to Spirituals and Gospel. Ability to read music and some choral experience is helpful. Rehearsals are Thursdays from 7:00-9:00 p.m., September through May. To schedule a vocal interview with Jeffrey Brillhart, contact StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

**CHOIR SCHOOL REGISTRATION.** Our Fine Arts department offers choirs for kindergarten through Grade 12 and handbell choirs beginning in Grade 3. For more information or to register, contact StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

**SINGING FOR LIFE**, BMPC's choir for older adults (55+) focuses on stretching, breathing, and vocalizing. The group meets on Friday mornings from 9:30–10:45 a.m. beginning Oct. 3. All members of the community are welcome; \$60 participation fee per semester (scholarships available). For registration information, contact StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

**NEW CHURCH OFFICER NOMINATIONS.** Submit your recommendations by Sept. 30 for Elders, Deacons, Trustees and Nominating Committee Members-at-Large for 2014-2015 via the nominating forms found near the Sanctuary or Ministries Center entrances or online at *www.bmpc.org/nominatingform*. 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 budget. Elders and Deacons also are called upon to participate in worship services by serving communion. Contact: BradBaturka@comcast.net

**ART EXHIBIT.** Photographs taken during the Sanctuary Choir Tour to Germany this summer will be on exhibit in the Conference Room through Oct. 12. View the choir performing in historic churches and images of cities and homes of Bach, Handel, Martin Luther and others made famous during the Reformation. Reception today at 11:00 a.m. in the Conference Room.

**PRESBYTERIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY EVENT.** Sat., Sept. 20, 412 Pine St., Phila. Jazz worship at Old Pine Presbyterian Church, panel discussion about non-traditional ministries successes, and open house next door at Presbyterian Historical Society. More information: 215-928-3895

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS.** Sun. Oct. 5, 4:00 p.m., Front Lawn. Gather for fellowship, singing, scripture, prayers, and individual blessings of companion animals. All friendly creatures great and small are welcome, along with their human companions. "St Francis of Assisi" (the Rev. Dr. R. Charles Grant) will discuss our special relationship with God's creatures of the animal kingdom and the blessings we receive from them. An offering of food and supplies for local animal shelters will be received, and refreshments will be served. Contact: AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821

**READ BANNED BOOKS.** What do Catch-22, Beloved, and Huck Finn have in common? Each was once banned for questionable content. During Banned Books Week (Sept 21-28), our Converse House Library celebrates the challenge of these and other controversial classics. Contact: Kat MacMurray, KatMac2@gmail.com

### Children, Youth, and their Families

**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL** for children age 2–grade 5 resumes today in the Education Building. The schedule is as follows (child must be the age indicated by 9/1/2014):

- Age 2, Room G3, 10:00 a.m.
- Age 3, Room G2, 10:00 a.m.
- Age 4, begin in Room 106; finish in Room 105
- Grades K-5 begin worship with their families in the Sanctuary. After the Children's Moment, the children go to the Education Building for the remainder of the hour (K–Room 106; Grade 1–Room 201; Grade 2–Room 210; Grade 3–Room 204; Grades 4 & 5–assigned rooms on the third floor).

**YOUTH GATHERING** for grades 6-12 resumes today in the Ministries Center. All students meet in the Gym at 10:00 a.m. for music led by the youth worship band and a teen-focused sermon. Students then break out into grade-specific teaching and small group conversation with caring adult leaders.

**KICK-OFF GATHERING FOR YOUTH & PARENTS.** Today, 11:15 a.m., Gym. Youth and their families are invited to gather with Pastor Kellen and the Youth Ministry Council to hear about our exciting programs and events for the upcoming year.

**GRADE 3 BREAKFAST AND BIBLE PRESENTATION.** Sun., Sept. 21. Following a family breakfast in Congregational Hall at 8:45 a.m., Bibles will be presented to 3rd graders during the Children's Moment at 10:00 a.m. worship in the Sanctuary. The Bibles are presented as a gift from a generous donation from the Catherine C. Miller Fund. RSVP by Sept. 15: RachelPedersen@bmpc.org, ext. 8810

**ART@9**. Sundays, 8:45-9:50 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Room 201. Class provides nurture, fellowship and craft/creative time for children age 3 to grade 5 whose parents are attending BMPC classes. Contact: RachelPedersen@bmpc.org, ext. 8810

**MENTOR A BMPC YOUTH.** This fall, we'll start a new "Lighthouse Program" for our youth in grades 6-12 that pairs them with a caring adult mentor in our congregation. Volunteers wanted. Contact: KellenSmith@bmpc.org, ext. 8822

### **BIBLE STUDIES AND BOOK DISCUSSIONS:**

- **Dimensions in Literature.** Tues., Sept. 16, 1:30 p.m., Fullerton Room, led by the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet. Discuss C.J. Sansom's *Dissolution*, the first of the Shardlake series of detective/murder mystery novels set in Tudor England. Contact: Eric Johnson, johnsone@cpenow.com
- Urban Suburban Book Group. Tues., Sept. 16, 7:00 p.m., Overbrook Presbyterian Church, 6376 City Ave., Philadelphia. Discuss *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt. Contact: Sherry.archer19@yahoo.com
- **Y-Group Book Discussion** *(for mothers of children newborn to age 18)*. Tues., Sept. 23, 9:30 a.m., home of Emma Ominski. Discuss *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt. Contact: Stephanie Walsh, stephaniebwalsh@pro-mic.com
- Men's Study Group. 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, 9:30 a.m., Converse House. Led by the Rev. Dr. R. Charles Grant, this group reads books dealing with biblical and theological study. Men of all ages invited. Contact: CharlesGrant@bmpc.org, ext. 8820
- Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study. Wednesdays beginning Sept. 24, 10:00 a.m., Gloucester Room. The Rev. Rachel Pedersen leads our study of Paul's Letter to the Philippians. Bring your Bible; supplementary materials will be provided. Contact: RachelPedersen@bmpc.org, ext. 8810

*THE STORY OF THE JEWS.* Sundays, 8:45 a.m., Conference Room, led by the Rev. Dr. Paul MacMurray. After viewing 20 minutes of the PBS series presented by British Historian Simon Schama program, discuss the program. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819

**BREAD AS PEACE (AND ITS ABSENCE AS VIOLENCE) IN THE BODY OF CHRIST.** Sundays through Oct. 12, 8:45 a.m. Witherspoon Parlor, led by Jon Pahl. In this five-week series, look at biblical metaphors and how *real* bread points us to the contemporary questions of justice and peace. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819

**CARING AND CRAFTS.** Mon., Sept. 15, 9:15 a.m., Gloucester Room. Knitters gather to make scarves, prayer shawls, mittens and hats for residents at "theVillage" (formerly Presbyterian Children's Village). Contact: Maryalice Stoltzfus, 610-527-3909

**Y-GROUP KICK-OFF POTLUCK BRUNCH** *(for mothers of children newborn to age 18)*. Tues., Sept. 16, 9:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Dr. Asha George-Guiser, licensed marriage/family therapist and Lutheran pastor, discusses "Landing the Helicopter, Over-Parenting Anonymous: A 12-Step Program for Good Parents Gone Bad." Bring a dish to share. Childcare available with 3-day notice to childcare@bmpc.org. Contact: Sharna Liggett, smcliggett@gmail.com

**PRACTICING SPIRITUAL DIRECTION.** Tues., Sept. 16, 7:00 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor, led by Spiritual Directors Patricia Danzon and Heather Swanson. Learn and engage in the practice of spiritual direction. Contact: JoyceKrajian@bmpc.org, 610-525-0766 **FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY.** Wednesdays, Sept. 17–Nov. 19 (no class on Oct. 15), 7:00 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. The Rev. Kellen Smith leads a course in money management that includes practical and biblical principles of how to take control of your money, dump debt, invest in the future, and give like never before. To register and purchase materials (cost: \$93, scholarships available), contact AmyBauer@bmpc.org by Sept. 14 or visit *www.daveramsey.com/fpu/locations/org/51540/class/261007/atid/l\_ln* 

**BETWEEN SOLITUDE AND SERVICE.** Sundays, Sept. 21-Oct. 12, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor, led by BMPC members Paul Burgmayer and Patricia Danzon. Study the Christian practices of service and contemplation. Contact: CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819

**PERSPECTIVES IN MUSIC.** Mon., Sept. 22, 1:30 p.m., Fine Arts Center. Musician Bill Munich performs a jazz piano program. Contact: DeAnnClancy@hotmail.com

**PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY PW FALL GATHERING.** Sat., Sept. 27, 10:00 a.m., Church on the Mall. Bryan Miller, Executive Director of Heeding God's Call, addresses "Hope for Peace, Hunger and Justice." Bring your lunch and join other Presbyterian Women for fellowship and discussion. Contact: Janet Brown, jwbpeace@yahoo.com

**YOUNG ADULT POTLUCK BRUNCH.** Sun., Sept. 28, 11:30 a.m. Pastor Kellen's Manse. Young adults (20s and 30s) are invited for a time of fellowship. Bring a dish to share. RSVP: KellenSmith@bmpc.org, ext. 8822

**GREAT DECISIONS.** Tues., Sept. 30, 2:30 p.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village, led by Marilyn Irwin. Discuss *Food and Climate*, the effects of changing climate on food security and U.S. foreign aid and climate policies. Contact: Marilyn Irwin, marirwin@aol.com

**WEEKDAY CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP.** Wednesdays beginning Oct. 1, 8:00 a.m., Chapel. Led by Patricia Danzon and David Heaton. Before turning to the day's work, listen to God using traditional prayer, *Lectio Divina*, and Centering Prayer. Contact PatriciaDanzon@gmail.com

**WELLNESS AND PREVENTION: A MATTER OF BALANCE.** Fridays, Oct. 3–Nov. 21, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (8 week class), led by Ann Fossum and Maureen Krouse. Learn how the risks of falling can be reduced with several interventions that are easy to include in your daily activities. In this series, co-sponsored by Bryn Mawr Hospital and Main Line Health, improve your endurance, strength, and balance while having fun! Bring a brown bag lunch; manual provided. Register by Sept. 20: AnnFossum@bmpc.org, ext. 8832

**ARTISTS' GATHERING.** Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. Artists of any medium are invited to attend with their work to create, share, and develop their talents in a community of fellow artists. Contact: Bonnie Atwood, batwood313@verizon.net

**SATURDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP.** Saturdays, 7:00 a.m., Converse House. Men of all ages invited for fellowship and lively discussions. Contact: LeeComer@ hotmail.com, 484-524-8271

# Local and Worldwide Outreach

**BECOME A "SECRET SAINT."** Each fall, many of our youth start a new adventure in college or boarding school. As a "Secret Saint," support one of them with thoughts and prayers, and by sending goodies and cards. To be a "Saint," contact AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

**BE A WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER HELPER.** Volunteers wanted to assist once a month with our Wednesday Night Dinners and to join a group of people who enjoy the fellowship of working together for a delicious cause. Flexibility available to fit your schedule. Contact: SueGibbons@bmpc.org, ext. 8831

**VOLUNTEER FOR OUR TUTORING PROGRAM.** Adult leaders and high school youth tutors are needed for the upcoming school year. Adult leaders oversee the tutors and tutors work one-on-one with students for approximately two hours on Tuesday OR Wednesday nights from mid-September through April (volunteer for either night). High school volunteer sign-ups/orientation will be held on Tues., Sept. 16, at 6:30 p.m. in Congregational Hall. Contact: Marnie Bowen, marnieb1963@aol.com

**MARCH FOR CLIMATE CHANGE.** Start by seeing and discussing the movie *Climate Disruption* on Sat., Sept. 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ministries Center, hosted by BMPC and members of Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light, and then join them as they travel to New York City on Sun., Sept. 21, to make their voices heard as world leaders gather for an historic UN summit on climate change. Buses leave various Main Line locations at 9:00 a.m. and return at 7:00 p.m. Cost: \$20. Contact: Courtenay Willcox, mcwillcox@gmail.com, 610-506-1708

# This Week's Calendar Highlights

To see a full listing of ALL upcoming activities and meetings, visit our website: www.bmpc.org

### Sunday, September 14, 2014

8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion in the Chapel Worship with Sanctuary Choir in the Sanctuary
I.T.	The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
	ldler Childcare, <b>Ĕd. Bldg., Řoom 102</b> , 7:45-11:15 a.m.
8:45 a.m.	Bread as Peace in the Body of Christ, Witherspoon Parlor
	The Story of the Jews, Conference Room
	Art@9, Ed. Bldg., Room 201
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School for Ages 2-4, Ed. Bldg.
	Grades K-5 begin worship in the Sanctuary
	Youth Gathering (Grades 6-12), Gym
10:15 a.m.	Sunday School for Grades K-5, Ed. Bldg.
10:30 a.m.	Youth Grade Groups, Ministries Center
	Confirmation, Witherspoon Parlor
11:00 a.m.	Cafe in the Court (Coffee and Fellowship)
	Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby

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11:00 a.m.	Kick-off Gathering for Youth and their Families, Gym
	Art Exhibit Reception, Conference Room
11:15 a.m.	Associate Pastor Nominating Committee Open Forum, Witherspoon Parlor
11:30 a.m.	Child and Youth Protection Training, Ed. Bldg., Room 101

### Monday, September 15, 2014

9:15 a.m.	Caring and Crafts, Gloucester Room
7:00 p.m.	Peacemaking Committee Meeting, Witherspoon Parlor

### Tuesday, September 16, 2014

9:15 a.m.	Y-Group Kick-off Potluck Brunch, Congregational Hall
1:30 p.m.	Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room, Witherspoon Parlor
6:30 p.m.	BMPC Tutoring Program Tutor Sign-Ups/Orientation, Congregational Hall
7:00 p.m.	Practicing Spiritual Direction, Witherspoon Parlor
	Urban Suburban Book Group, Off Campus

#### Wednesday, September 17, 2014

4:00 p.m.	Carol Choir, Ed. Bldg., Room 202
_	Jubilate Ringers, Fine Arts Center
5:00 p.m.	Beginners Choir, St. Andrew Boy Choir, St. Cecilia Girl Choir, Fine Arts Center
5:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Dinner (served until 6:45 p.m.), Congregational Hall
6:00 p.m.	StudentServe Meeting (grades 9-12), Loft
6:30 p.m.	Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
-	BMPC Tutoring Program Adult Leader Training, Ed. Bldg.
7:00 p.m.	Financial Peace University, Witherspoon Parlor
_	Child and Youth Protection Training, Fullerton Room

### Thursday, September 18, 2014

9:00 a.m.	Thursday Morning Prayer Group, Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
10:00 a.m.	Memoir Writing Class, Fullerton Room
2:30 p.m.	Caregivers Support Group, Converse House
7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center
, <b>1</b>	Hunger Čommittee Meeting, Conference Room

#### Saturday, September 20, 2014

7:00 a.m.	Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House
10:00 a.m.	Baptism Workshop, Converse House

### Sunday, September 21, 2014

8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion in the Chapel 10:00 a.m. Worship with Sanctuary Choir and Baptism in the Sanctuary The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.

### Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

Nicole Wilkinson Duran, Supply Pastor for Adult Education, Outreach, and Worldwide Ministries

R. Charles Grant, Associate Pastor for Senior Adults and Pastoral Care

Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry Elect

Kellen A. Smith, Associate Pastor for Youth, Their Families and College Ministries

Jeffrey Brillhart, Director of Music and Fine Arts

Kate Shealy, Choir School Director

Edward Landin, Assistant Organist

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