

***Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church***

April 2, 2017
8:00 a.m., Chapel
Fifth Sunday in Lent

Welcome to BMPC

We are pleased that you have joined us as we gather to worship God. Our programs and ministries are open to all and we invite you to participate according to your interests. Please introduce yourself to a pastor after the service.

TO ASSIST YOU DURING WORSHIP: If you are unable to come forward during communion, please notify an usher or server and communion will be brought to you. Children's bulletins with crayons may be found near the main entrance.

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(10:00-10:15 a.m. families worship together in the Sanctuary)

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GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Kellen A. Smith

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: With faithful trust, we have come,
All: For the call of God has claimed us.
One: With burning questions, we have come,
All: For the mystery of God has drawn us.
One: With whispered hopes, we have come,
All: For the love of God raises us to new life.

† HYMN 407

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers

NUN DANKET ALL'
UND BRINGET EHR'

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

God of compassion, you are slow to anger, and full of mercy,
welcoming us as we are — sometimes broken or confused,
overly confident or even arrogant.
Receive us now into your loving embrace as we confess
that we sometimes deliver our lives
to the ways of death and destructive behavior.
Guide us toward understanding and wisdom,
forgiveness and compassion.
May we see in you the power to raise us to new life,
filling our hungry hearts and renewing us for your work in the world.
We pray this through Jesus Christ,
in whom we know your compassion and love.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE



Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Courtenay Willcox

FIRST LESSON

John 11:1-16 (p. 104 in pew Bible)

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SECOND LESSON

John 11:17-45 (p. 105 in pew Bible)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Through Life Restored

Agnes W. Norfleet

Fourth in a 4-part series on Encounters with Jesus

† HYMN 796

We Come to You for Healing, Lord

LAND OF REST

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Kellen A. Smith

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 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

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 223** When I Survey the Wondrous Cross HAMBURG

† **SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

POSTLUDE

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Oliver R. Hall

CHAPEL GARDEN FLOWERS

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Henry Cordray

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Elder Courtenay Willcox

USHERING

Elder Skip Dittman

BULLETIN COVER

Jesus Brings Lazarus Back to Life by Mary French

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COMMUNITY FORUM DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER. Wed., April 5, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary. Jennifer Finney Boylan, nationally-known advocate for transgender and other civil rights, author, professor and 1976 Haverford School alumnus speaks about her life experiences as a trans woman and her activism. Book sale and signing follows in the Ministries Center. Free and open to the public. ElenaPerri@bmpc.org, ext. 8849.

Y-GROUP “PRANAYAMA FOR PRAYER.” Thurs., April 6, 9:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. For mothers of young children. Learn about the power of breath and explore its relationship to meaningful prayer through yoga. Bring yoga mat or beach towel and journal for notes. Wear comfortable clothes for this all-level yoga practice. Childcare available with three day notice: childcare@bmpc.org. AmyBarrickman@gmail.com.

LAST CHANCE TO DONATE ITEMS FOR HYGIENE KITS. Sunday School students are assembling needed items for hygiene kits for their Mission Palooza event on Sun., April 23. Donate entire kit or single items in the collection bins in the Ministries Center or Education Building by Fri., April 7. Kit includes hand towel (approx. 16x28), wash cloth, wide-tooth comb, nail clippers, new bath-size soap bar, new toothbrush and 10 Band-Aids or other adhesive strips. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

The Season of Lent

MIDDAY LENTEN ORGAN RECITALS. Tuesdays through April 11, 12:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Spend your lunch hour listening to talented organists play BMPC's magnificent Rieger organ. April 4 – Edward Landin; April 11 – Kathleen Scheide. No charge. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

Upcoming

HOLY WEEK PRAYER STATIONS FOR FAMILIES. Tues., April 11 - Fri., April 14, Witherspoon Parlor. Self-led prayer stations will be available for all ages that include hands-on activities. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

Y-GROUP “PRACTICING SPIRITUAL PRACTICES.” Tues., April 11, 9:15 - 11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. The Rev. Rachel Pedersen leads mothers of young children through a variety of spiritual disciplines to practice on their own or with children including meditation, prayer stations, and reflection. Childcare available with three day notice: childcare@bmpc.org. AmyBarrickman@gmail.com.

DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE. April 12 & 18, Fullerton Room. Our two-part series incorporates film and literature. On Wed., April 12, 3:00 p.m., view the film *Cold Mountain*. On Tues., April 18, 1:30 p.m., Eleanor Erskine leads a discussion of the novel of the same name by Charles Frazier. Ericthorjohnson@gmail.com.

GREEN-ON-SCREEN MOVIE SERIES. Wednesdays, April 12 - 26, 7:00 p.m. Bryn Mawr Film Institute. Our Environmental Justice Committee has selected the following earth-conscious documentaries for viewing, to be followed by thought-provoking discussions.

- *Seed: The Untold Story*, April 12: 94% of our seed varieties have disappeared in the last century! A group of heroes defend the future of our food from chemical companies.
- *Seasons*, April 19: Breathtaking imagery will show the cycle of seasons that was established when the ice retreated, forever binding humankind with nature.
- *This Changes Everything*, April 26: Naomi Klein poses the idea that we can seize the crisis of climate change to transform the economic system into something better.

HOLY LEISURE. Fri., April 21, 6:00-9:00 p.m., home of Janet Haas. Cordelia Frances Biddle, author of *St. Katharine*, *The Life of Katharine Drexel*, leads our discussion of “Holy Inspiration,” drawing on St. Katharine’s faith and life. Register with your potluck dinner donation. Janet White, Janetw298@verizon.net.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN OF THE PRESBYTERY OF PHILADELPHIA. Sat., April 22, 9:30 a.m. - noon, Church on the Mall. This annual spring gathering is a time for spiritual enrichment, community building and celebrating new leadership of PW in the Presbytery of Philadelphia. Janet Brown, Jwbpeace@yahoo.com.

ADOLESCENTS, DRUGS AND ALCOHOL: WHAT PARENTS AND TEENS NEED TO KNOW. Sun., April 23, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Parents and high school youth will join a panel of experts for a conversation about understanding teenage drug and alcohol abuse. Learn how to manage difficult conversations, watch for warning signs, and encourage healthy friendships. KellenSmith@bmpc.org.

Save the Date

50-YEAR MEMBER BRUNCH. Sun., April 30, 11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. If you joined BMPC in or before 1967, our Senior Adult Council invites you to a brunch in your honor. Family members and friends are encouraged to attend at a cost of \$8 per person; no charge for 50 and 50+ year members. All are welcome to celebrate and share memories. Register by April 26. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

GET AIR (FOR MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH). Sun., April 30, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Middle and high school youth are invited for an afternoon of trampoline fun at Get Air in King of Prussia. Friends are welcome. \$15 per person. Includes pizza dinner. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

MISSION SUMMIT. Saturday, April 29, 8:30 a.m. to noon, Congregational Hall. All mission-minded members are invited. Discuss how we evaluate, manage and grow our partner relationships. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

Caring & Sharing

REFUGEE SUPPORT TEAM TRAINING. Thurs., April 6, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Recommended reading: *Ten Million to 1: Refugee Resettlement – A How-to Guide* by Jeffrey Kirk; limited number of copies are available to borrow from the church office. Light dinner provided. florence.zeller@gmail.com.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING. Our denomination, the PC(USA) makes a difference in the world through three impactful programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People. Envelopes are in the pew holders beginning April 9 or note “One Great Hour of Sharing” on the memo line of your check. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

Holy Week Events

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 9

8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel
9:45 a.m. Children ages 2 - Kindergarten meet in classrooms and
children grades 1 - 5 meet in Chapel for Palm Sunday Procession
10:00 a.m. Worship with Children's Palm Procession, Sanctuary
11:00 a.m. All-Church Brunch, Congregational Hall; Family Egg Hunt

No Wednesday Night Dinner this week.

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 13

8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Labyrinth Walk, Gymnasium
5:30 p.m. Family Service with Communion, Chapel
6:00 p.m. Simple Supper, Congregational Hall. Free-will offering.
7:30 p.m. Worship with Communion, Sanctuary

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 14

8:00 a.m. - noon. Labyrinth Walk, Gymnasium
Noon. Worship led by BMPC Youth, Sanctuary
7:30 p.m. Jeffrey Brillhart performs Marcel Dupré's "The Stations of the Cross"
with the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet reading poetry by Paul Claudel.

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 16

6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service on the Front Lawn
7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. Worship with Choir and Easter Brass in the Sanctuary.
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet preaching.

This Week's Calendar

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call the church office, or contact communications@bmpc.org.***

Today, April 2

7:45 a.m. Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
8:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Conference Room
Filling the Well (for women), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 104
Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 201
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Choirs, Sanctuary**
Sunday School for ages 2 - 4, Ed. Bldg.
Grades K - 3 begin worship in the Sanctuary
Worship Together Sunday for grades 4 - 12, Sanctuary
10:15 a.m. Sunday School for Grades K - 3, Ed. Bldg.

- 11:00 a.m. Cafe in the Court, Ministries Center
Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
11:15 a.m. One Book - One Church Discussion, Congregational Hall

Monday, April 3

- 9:00 a.m. Coordinating Team Meeting, Pastors' Conference Room
9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

Tuesday, April 4

- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
Tuesday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg, Rms. 101 & 102
10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
11:00 a.m. Labyrinth Walk, Congregational Hall
12:00 p.m. Organ Recital, Sanctuary
1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
2:30 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room & Witherspoon Parlor
6:30 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.
7:00 p.m. Worldwide Ministries Committee Meeting, Gloucester Room
Deacons' Meeting, Witherspoon Parlor

Wednesday, April 5

- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room
10:30 a.m. Horizons Bible Study, Rosemont Presbyterian Village
4:45 p.m. "Wednesdays Together" for grades K - 5, Sanctuary
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
6:00 p.m. Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
Music and Fine Arts Council Meeting, Conference Room
7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft
7:30 p.m. Community Forum, Sanctuary

Thursday, April 6

- 9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
11:00 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
5:00 p.m. Refugee Support Committee Meeting, Congregational Hall
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center

Friday, April 7

- 9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg., Rms. 101 & 102
9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Ed. Bldg.
6:00 p.m. Holy Leisure, home of Janet Haas

Saturday, April 8

7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
9:00 a.m. Divorce Support Group, Witherspoon Parlor
10:00 a.m. Bereavement Group, Fullerton Room
11:00 a.m. Marion McDonald Memorial Service & Reception, Chapel

Sunday, April 9 - Palm Sunday

8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
9:45 a.m. Children ages 2 - Kindergarten gather for Palm Sunday Procession, Classrooms
Children in grades 1 - 5 gather for Palm Sunday Procession, Chapel
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Choirs, Sanctuary**
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
Sunday School for age 2 - grade 12 following Procession.

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Mission

Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry

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

Jeffrey Brillhart, Director of Music and Fine Arts

Edward L. Landin, Assistant Director of Music

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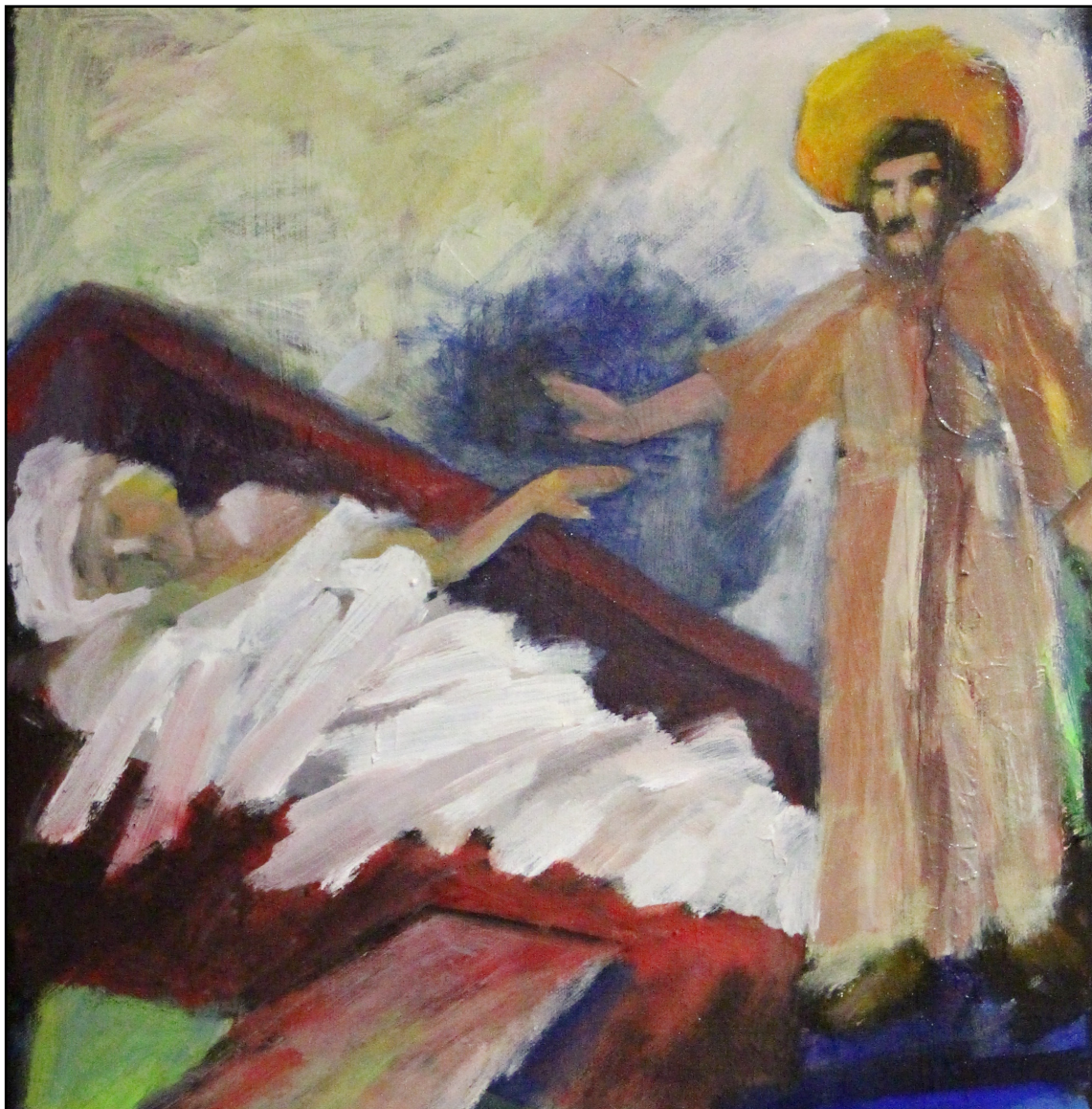
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Tintinnabulators

arr. Anna Laura Page

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Receive us now into your loving embrace as we confess
that we sometimes deliver our lives
to the ways of death and destructive behavior.

Guide us toward understanding and wisdom,
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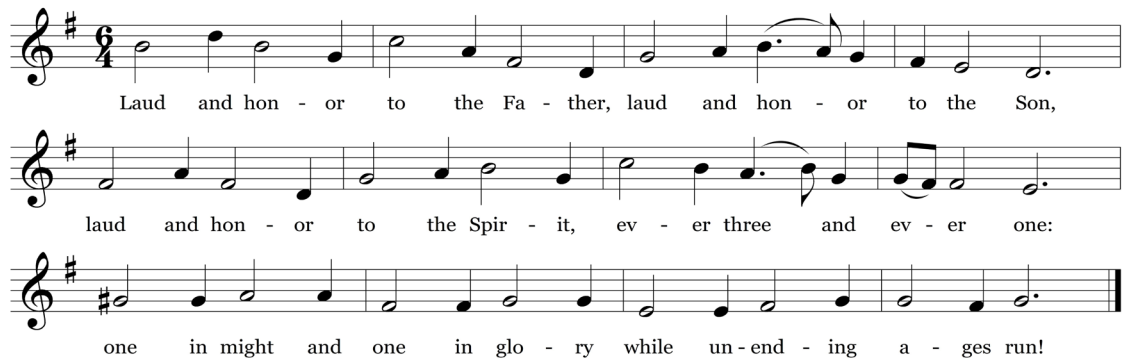
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in whom we know your compassion and love.

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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† **GLORIA PATRI**



PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ANTHEM

Grant, O God, Your Blessing
Children's Choir

Michael Bedford

Grant, O God, your blessing on us as we pray; Grant, O God, your blessing on us all this day. Just as Jesus prayed to you in the wilderness, let us pray, every day; hear, O Lord, and bless. For the things that we do wrong, please, O God, forgive. Help us all, great and small, live as Jesus lived. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

SENDING HYMN Go now, Children, with Our Blessing

During the Sending Hymn, children depart for their Sunday School classes.

Go now, children, with our blessing, to love and serve the Lord. May God Bless you, may God guard you, may the light of God shine upon you, and may God be gracious to you. May the presence of God be with you. May the presence of God be with you, and give you peace.

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† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*in unison*)

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We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.

~ From *A Brief Statement of Faith*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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OFFERING AND OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Out of the Depths
Sanctuary Choir

Kile Smith

Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice:
let thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications. If thou, Lord,
shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? But there is forgiveness
with thee, that thou mayest be feared. I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait,
and in his word do I hope. My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that
watch for the morning: I say, more than they that watch for the morning. Let
Israel hope in the Lord: for with the Lord there is mercy, and with him is
plenteous redemption. And he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

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

† Please stand, if able.

† **DOXOLOGY**

Hymn 606

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.

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PLAYING THE CARILLON

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Jesus Brings Lazarus Back to Life by Mary French

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

BMPC commissioned renowned Philadelphia composer and WRTI host Kile Smith to compose a setting of Psalm 130 to be performed during Lent 2016, when the focus of worship and Lenten offerings was on the Psalms. This a cappella work focuses on the balancing of truths found in the text – of iniquity and forgiveness, of waiting and hoping, of supplication and redemption.

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This Week

WALK THE LABYRINTH. Tues., April 4, 11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. This ancient spiritual discipline offers new insights to your prayer and faith practices. Each month a new scripture verse and guiding materials are provided to accompany your walking prayer meditation on the labyrinth. A guide is present from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. info@middletoncenter.org or 610-525-0766.

COMMUNITY FORUM DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER. Wed., April 5, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary. Jennifer Finney Boylan, nationally-known advocate for transgender and other civil rights, author, professor and 1976 Haverford School alumnus speaks about her life experiences as a trans woman and her activism. Book sale and signing follows in the Ministries Center. Free and open to the public. ElenaPerri@bmpc.org, ext. 8849.

Y-GROUP "PRANAYAMA FOR PRAYER." Thurs., April 6, 9:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. For mothers of young children. Learn about the power of breath and explore its relationship to meaningful prayer through yoga. Bring yoga mat or beach towel and journal for notes. Wear comfortable clothes for this all-level yoga practice. Childcare available with three day notice: childcare@bmpc.org. AmyBarrickman@gmail.com.

LAST CHANCE TO DONATE ITEMS FOR HYGIENE KITS. Sunday School students are assembling needed items for hygiene kits for their Mission Palooza event on Sun., April 23. Donate entire kit or single items in the collection bins in the Ministries Center or Education Building by Fri., April 7. Kit includes hand towel (approx. 16x28), wash cloth, wide-tooth comb, nail clippers, new bath-size soap bar, new toothbrush and 10 Band-Aids or other adhesive strips. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

The Season of Lent

MIDDAY LENTEN ORGAN RECITALS. Tuesdays through April 11, 12:00 p.m., Sanctuary. Spend your lunch hour listening to talented organists play BMPC's magnificent Rieger organ. April 4 – Edward Landin; April 11 – Kathleen Scheide. No charge. StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org, ext. 8836.

Upcoming

HOLY WEEK PRAYER STATIONS FOR FAMILIES. Tues., April 11 - Fri., April 14, Witherspoon Parlor. Self-led prayer stations will be available for all ages that include hands-on activities. MaryRichards@bmpc.org, ext. 8811.

Y-GROUP “PRACTICING SPIRITUAL PRACTICES.” Tues., April 11, 9:15 - 11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. The Rev. Rachel Pedersen leads mothers of young children through a variety of spiritual disciplines to practice on their own or with children including meditation, prayer stations, and reflection. Childcare available with three day notice: childcare@bmpc.org. AmyBarrickman@gmail.com.

DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE. April 12 & 18, Fullerton Room. Our two-part series incorporates film and literature. On Wed., April 12, 3:00 p.m., view the film *Cold Mountain*. On Tues., April 18, 1:30 p.m., Eleanor Erskine leads a discussion of the novel of the same name by Charles Frazier. Ericthorjohnson@gmail.com.

GREEN-ON-SCREEN MOVIE SERIES. Wednesdays, April 12 - 26, 7:00 p.m. Bryn Mawr Film Institute. Our Environmental Justice Committee has selected the following earth-conscious documentaries for viewing, to be followed by thought-provoking discussions.

- *Seed: The Untold Story*, April 12: 94% of our seed varieties have disappeared in the last century! A group of heroes defend the future of our food from chemical companies.
- *Seasons*, April 19: Breathtaking imagery will show the cycle of seasons that was established when the ice retreated, forever binding humankind with nature.
- *This Changes Everything*, April 26: Naomi Klein poses the idea that we can seize the crisis of climate change to transform the economic system into something better.

HOLY LEISURE. Fri., April 21, 6:00-9:00 p.m., home of Janet Haas. Cordelia Frances Biddle, author of *St. Katharine*, *The Life of Katharine Drexel*, leads our discussion of “Holy Inspiration,” drawing on St. Katharine’s faith and life. Register with your potluck dinner donation. Janet White, Janetw298@verizon.net.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN OF THE PRESBYTERY OF PHILADELPHIA. Sat., April 22, 9:30 a.m. - noon, Church on the Mall. This annual spring gathering is a time for spiritual enrichment, community building and celebrating new leadership of PW in the Presbytery of Philadelphia. Janet Brown, Jwbpeace@yahoo.com.

ADOLESCENTS, DRUGS AND ALCOHOL: WHAT PARENTS AND TEENS NEED TO KNOW. Sun., April 23, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Parents and high school youth will join a panel of experts for a conversation about understanding teenage drug and alcohol abuse. Learn how to manage difficult conversations, watch for warning signs, and encourage healthy friendships. KellenSmith@bmpc.org.

Save the Date

50-YEAR MEMBER BRUNCH. Sun., April 30, 11:00 a.m., Congregational Hall. If you joined BMPC in or before 1967, our Senior Adult Council invites you to a brunch in your honor. Family members and friends are encouraged to attend at a cost of \$8 per person; no charge for 50 and 50+ year members. All are welcome to celebrate and share memories. Register by April 26. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

GET AIR (FOR MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH). Sun., April 30, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Middle and high school youth are invited for an afternoon of trampoline fun at Get Air in King of Prussia. Friends are welcome. \$15 per person. Includes pizza dinner. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. AmyBauer@bmpc.org, ext. 8821.

MISSION SUMMIT. Saturday, April 29, 8:30 a.m. to noon, Congregational Hall. All mission-minded members are invited. Discuss how we evaluate, manage and grow our partner relationships. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

Caring & Sharing

REFUGEE SUPPORT TEAM TRAINING. Thurs., April 6, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Recommended reading: *Ten Million to 1: Refugee Resettlement – A How-to Guide* by Jeffrey Kirk; limited number of copies are available to borrow from the church office. Light dinner provided. florence.zeller@gmail.com.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING. Our denomination, the PC(USA) makes a difference in the world through three impactful programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People. Envelopes are in the pew holders beginning April 9 or note “One Great Hour of Sharing” on the memo line of your check. CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org, ext. 8819.

Holy Week Events

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 9

8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel
9:45 a.m. Children ages 2 - Kindergarten meet in classrooms and
children grades 1 - 5 meet in Chapel for Palm Sunday Procession
10:00 a.m. Worship with Children's Palm Procession, Sanctuary
11:00 a.m. All-Church Brunch, Congregational Hall; Family Egg Hunt

No Wednesday Night Dinner this week.

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 13

8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Labyrinth Walk, Gymnasium
5:30 p.m. Family Service with Communion, Chapel
6:00 p.m. Simple Supper, Congregational Hall. Free-will offering.
7:30 p.m. Worship with Communion, Sanctuary

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 14

8:00 a.m. - noon. Labyrinth Walk, Gymnasium
Noon. Worship led by BMPC Youth, Sanctuary
7:30 p.m. Jeffrey Brillhart performs Marcel Dupré's "The Stations of the Cross"
with the Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet reading poetry by Paul Claudel.

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 16

6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service on the Front Lawn
7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. Worship with Choir and Easter Brass in the Sanctuary.
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet preaching.

This Week's Calendar

*For more information, visit our website at www.bmpc.org,
call the church office, or contact communications@bmpc.org.*

Today, April 2

7:45 a.m. Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
8:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Conference Room
Filling the Well (for women), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 104
Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 201
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Choirs, Sanctuary**
Sunday School for ages 2 - 4, Ed. Bldg.
Grades K - 3 begin worship in the Sanctuary
Worship Together Sunday for grades 4 - 12, Sanctuary
10:15 a.m. Sunday School for Grades K - 3, Ed. Bldg.

- 11:00 a.m. Cafe in the Court, Ministries Center
Fellowship for Families, Ed. Bldg. Lobby
11:15 a.m. One Book - One Church Discussion, Congregational Hall

Monday, April 3

- 9:00 a.m. Coordinating Team Meeting, Pastors' Conference Room
9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium

Tuesday, April 4

- 9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga, Gymnasium
Tuesday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg, Rms. 101 & 102
10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
11:00 a.m. Labyrinth Walk, Congregational Hall
12:00 p.m. Organ Recital, Sanctuary
1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
2:30 p.m. Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Gloucester Room & Witherspoon Parlor
6:30 p.m. Tutoring, Ed. Bldg.
7:00 p.m. Worldwide Ministries Committee Meeting, Gloucester Room
Deacons' Meeting, Witherspoon Parlor

Wednesday, April 5

- 9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Gloucester Room
10:30 a.m. Horizons Bible Study, Rosemont Presbyterian Village
4:45 p.m. "Wednesdays Together" for grades K - 5, Sanctuary
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
6:00 p.m. Youth Chorale, Fine Arts Center
Music and Fine Arts Council Meeting, Conference Room
7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft
7:30 p.m. Community Forum, Sanctuary

Thursday, April 6

- 9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
11:00 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
5:00 p.m. Refugee Support Committee Meeting, Congregational Hall
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center

Friday, April 7

- 9:00 a.m. Friday Morning Out, Ed. Bldg., Rms. 101 & 102
9:30 a.m. Dance Fit, Gymnasium
4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Ed. Bldg.
6:00 p.m. Holy Leisure, home of Janet Haas

Saturday, April 8

7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
9:00 a.m. Divorce Support Group, Witherspoon Parlor
10:00 a.m. Bereavement Group, Fullerton Room
11:00 a.m. Marion McDonald Memorial Service & Reception, Chapel

Sunday, April 9 - Palm Sunday

8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
9:45 a.m. Children ages 2 - Kindergarten gather for Palm Sunday Procession, Classrooms
Children in grades 1 - 5 gather for Palm Sunday Procession, Chapel
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Choirs, Sanctuary**
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
Sunday School for age 2 - grade 12 following Procession.

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Mission

Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children and Family Ministry

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