

# Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

January 19, 2020 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### WELCOME TO BMPC

#### TODAY'S SCHEDULE

#### Childcare (infant - age 5)

7:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Fullerton Room, Ministries Center

#### 10:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

Age 2 - PreK Classes

10:00 a.m., Ministries Center

#### Grades K - 5 Classes

10:00 a.m., Worship in Sanctuary 10:15 a.m., Ministries Center

#### Grades 6-12

10:00 a.m., Gymnasium 10:30 a.m., Connection Groups

#### **Coffee & Fellowship**

11:00 a.m., Gymnasium

### **Congregational Meeting**

11:15 a.m., Sanctuary

**NEW HERE?** We give thanks that you are joining us as we worship God this morning. We invite you to stop by and say hello to one of our pastors in the Narthex following the worship service. All of our programs, ministries, and opportunities for mission are open to everyone. Come join us!

**JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP.** Stop by the Ministries Center Court for coffee between 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. and join us for coffee and fellowship in the Gymnasium after the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

TO ASSIST YOU DURING WORSHIP. Large print bulletins, back pillows and hearing assistance devices are available; ask an usher. Children's bulletins with crayons may be found near the main entrance.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL.** We are pleased to offer education opportunities for all ages, listed in this bulletin. **Grades K-5** worship with their families in the Sanctuary before being dismissed to Sunday School. If this is your first Sunday, please accompany your child to the Ministries Center.

Subscribe to our BMPC eNews by adding your email address to the Fellowship Register. For additional information about today's schedule, see the calendar at the back of this bulletin.

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### GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

**PRELUDE** "Prayer After Communion" Olivier Messiaen

from Livre du Saint Sacrement

WELCOME Rachel Pedersen

#### † CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O give thanks to the Lord, call on God's name.

All: Make known God's deeds among the peoples.

One: Sing to God, sing praises to God;

All: Tell of the wonderful works of the Lord.

One: Give thanks to God, for the Lord is good.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

† **HYMN** 475 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing NETTLETON

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

#### AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Loving God, through your Son you have called us to turn from the ways of earthly powers, to believe the good news, and to celebrate the coming of your reign on earth.

We confess we fall short of a ready response to follow in word and deed, and pray for help to be more faithful disciples.

Like Christ's first followers, may we hear your call to discipleship, and, forsaking old ways, proclaim the gospel of new life to a broken world.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### † **GLORIA PATRI** (in unison)

Hymn 581

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.

† Please stand, if able. Page 3

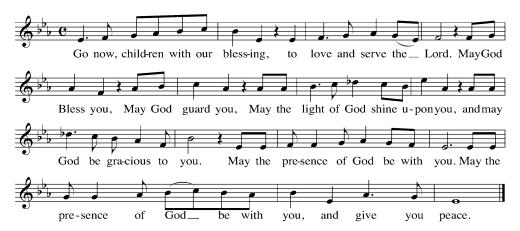
### PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

#### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

**SENDING HYMN** Go now, Children, with Our Blessing

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



FIRST LESSON

Psalm 40:1-5 (p. 513 in pew Bible)

Franklyn C. Pottorff

**ANTHEM** 

O Lord, Increase My Faith Sanctuary Choir Orlando Gibbons

O Lord, increase my faith, strengthen me and confirm me in Thy true faith; endue me with wisdom, charity, and patience, in all my adversity help me to say Amen.

SECOND LESSON

John 1:29-42 (p. 92 in pew Bible)

Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord. **All:** Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Let's Go See"

Agnes W. Norfleet

† **HYMN** 451

Open My Eyes, That I May See

OPEN MY EYES

### RESPONSE TO THE WORD

OFFERING Brian K. Ballard

#### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

When the Morning Stars Together Sanctuary Choir John Ferguson

When the morning stars together their Creator's glory sang, and the angel host all shouted till with joy the heavens rang, then your wisdom and your greatness their exultant music told, all the beauty and the splendor which your mighty works unfold. When in synagogue and temple voices raised the psalmists' songs, offering the adoration which alone to you belongs, when the singers and the cymbals with the trumpet made accord, glory filled the house of worship, and all knew your presence, Lord. Voice and instrument in union through the ages spoke your praise, plainsong, tuneful hymns, and anthems told your faithful, gracious ways. Choir, orchestra and organ each an off'ring brought, while, inspired by your own Spirit, poet and composer wrought. Lord, we bring our gift of music; touch our lips and fire our hearts, teach our minds and train our senses, fit us for these sacred arts. Then with skill and consecration we would serve you, Lord, and give all our pow'rs to glorify you, and in serving fully live. Amen.

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

† **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.

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Franklyn C. Pottorff

#### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### **INVITATION**

#### 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.

† Please stand, if able. Page 5

#### 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

As the bread and cup are distributed, you are invited to take the bread and cup, then pass it to your neighbor in the pew. Gluten and casein-free bread is available in the small container located on each plate.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

Selections by J.S. Bach

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

† **HYMN** 379 We Shall Overcome we shall overcome

† BENEDICTION WITH CHORAL RESPONSE

Agnes W. Norfleet

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** 

## **Worship Notes**

#### **SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Judith MacFeely

#### **GREETING**

Members of Holy Leisure

#### PLAYING THE CARILLON

Jonathan Jones

#### **BULLETIN COVER**

Photograph by Dave Tavani

### **Announcements**

**SANCTUARY FLOWER OPENING.** For those interested in dedicating flowers in memory of a loved one or in celebration of an important milestone, we have space available for a flower arrangement in our Sanctuary on Sundays, Feb. 9 and 16. Following the Worship Service, flowers are used to create smaller arrangements that our Deacons to deliver members who are unable to attend Worship. If you wish to dedicate flowers in memory of a loved one or celebrate an important milestone, contact Doreen Petrovitch, DKPetrovitch@gmail.com.

**INVITATION TO JOIN SANCTUARY FLOWER TEAM.** We have openings for volunteers to join our team on Sunday mornings after the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service, to create small flower arrangements for Deacons to deliver to members. If interested, contact MonicaDevane@bmpc.org.

**KNITTERS NEEDED.** Caring Ministries has an active prayer shawl ministry which, facing a current shortage of shawls, needs new volunteers. If you knit or crochet, your help would be much appreciated. CarolCherry@bmpc.org.

## Today

**SUNDAY MORNING DISCUSSION GROUP.** 8:45 a.m., Congregational Hall. The Rev. Dr. Paul MacMurray leads a study of the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7), one of Jesus' most important teachings.

**FILLING THE WELL.** 8:45 a.m., Converse House Parlor. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick leads the discussion of *Listening is an Act of Love*. Each week the class listens to and discusses one of the many stories collected by the Story Corps Project as a way to reflect on relationships, meaning and connection in our families and community.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING.** Following the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service, the Session has called a Congregational Meeting for the purpose of electing church officers (Elders, Deacons and Trustees) and members of the 2020 Nominating Committee, as well as approving 2020 Pastoral Terms of Call.

## This Week

**URBAN SUBURBAN BOOK GROUP.** Tues., Jan. 21, 7:00 p.m., Overbrook Presbyterian Church. Discussion of *Endurance* by Scott Kelly. Joanne Hanna, joannehanna3@comcast.net.

**BIBLE FROM SCRATCH.** Thurs., Jan. 23, 7:00 p.m., Loft. Explore both the basic content and interpretative practices of reading and following scripture with the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick using the book *A Lens of Love: Reading the Bible in Its World for Our World.* RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org.

**HIGH SCHOOL SABBATH RETREAT.** Fri., Jan. 24 - Sun., Jan. 26. NorthBay Adventure Camp, Md., offers a weekend where youth can enjoy hiking, zip lines, small group fellowship, and worship together. Cost: \$299. Feel free to invite friends! Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. Scholarship assistance readily available for all trips and events. MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

## Theologian-in-Residence Weekend

**BMPC WELCOMES THE REV. DR. SERENE JONES**. In honor of the leadership of David and Ruth Watermulder, our Adult Education Committee has invited the Rev. Dr. Jones, President of Union Theological Seminary, to be our Theologian-In-Residence. This weekend also will be a celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Middleton Center for Pastoral Care and Counseling.

**SATURDAY: JAN. 25**, Congregational Hall. Dr. Jones is presenting a lecture, "Theology is a Place," at 10:00 a.m. Coffee and light refreshments available at 9:30 a.m. The Middleton Center Anniversary Luncheon follows at 11:30 a.m. with special guests, the Rev. Drs. Margaret Anne Fohl and Eugene C. Bay. Luncheon reservation requested: KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org.

**SUNDAY: JAN. 26**. At the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service in the Sanctuary, Dr. Jones preaches and later, presents a second lecture, "Theology is a Story," at 11:15 a.m. in Congregational Hall.

## **Upcoming**

**DEACONS' ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE.** Mon., Jan. 27, 2:00-7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Volunteers needed to donate blood and assist with scheduling appointments. Sherri Shields, 610-449-3351 or ShieldsS1@email.chop.edu.

**YOUTH SUNDAY & "SOUPER BOWL" OF CARING.** Sun., Feb. 2, 8:00 and 10:00 a.m., Chapel and Sanctuary. The youth are leading both Sunday services with preaching, liturgy and worship. And it's the "Souper Bowl" of Caring, so don't forget to bring canned goods for us to donate to our friends in need in our community!

**INTRODUCTION TO ISLAMIC ART.** Sun., Feb. 2, 11:15 a.m., Chapel. Patricia Danzon, Middleton Center Spiritual Director, leads us through an introduction to Islamic art which is radically different than Christian art. Whereas the Church often uses art as a visual reminder of Bible stories, Islamic art for religious contexts bans the representation of humans/animals, and simply seeks to create a sense of the infinite nature of Allah.

**SUPER BOWL PRE-GAME LUNCH.** Sun., Feb. 2, 11:30 a.m., Pastor Leigh's Manse. All youth (Grades 6-12) and their families are invited to come and get hyped for the Super Bowl, celebrating with delicious food, music and fun!

**SINGING FOR LIFE.** BMPC's choir for adults age 55+ is open for spring registration! Thursdays, 9:30-10:45 a.m., beginning Feb. 6. Registration fee is \$75 per semester; scholarships available. To register, contact StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org.

BOOK STUDY: *LEARNING TO WALK IN THE DARK*. Thursdays, Feb. 6 - March 12, 10:00 a.m., Converse House Parlor. Within the Christian tradition, a time of darkness often is associated with God's absence. Yet, in *Learning to Walk in the Dark*, Barbara Brown Taylor asks us to put aside our fears and anxieties and to explore all that God has to teach us *in the dark*. In this book, we are invited into a spirituality of the nighttime, where God teaches us how to find our footing in times of uncertainty and gives us strength and hope to face all of life's challenging moments. This class is led by the Rev. Brian Ballard, and books are available directly from Brian. BrianBallard@bmpc.org.

### COUNTERING SLANDER: FETHULLAH GULEN'S LIFE BEYOND

**PROPAGANDA.** Sun., Feb. 9, 11:15 a.m., Chapel, Dr. Jon Pahl, speaker. The Turkish preacher Fethullah Gulen, who has lived in a retreat center in the Poconos since 1999, is one of the most influential spiritual leaders of the contemporary world. He has inspired a global movement known as "Hizmet" (service), which is dedicated to education, social enterprise and interreligious dialogue. Dr. Pahl, a faculty member at United Lutheran Seminary, has recently published the first critical biography of this controversial figure: Fethullah Gulen: A Life of Hizmet — Why a Muslim Scholar in Pennsylvania Matters to the World.

**TWO PIANO CONCERT.** Sun., Feb. 9, 2:00 p.m. Laura Ward and Jeffrey Brillhart return to our musical series with a concert featuring the world premiere of Benjamin Boyle's "Suite d'hiver," commissioned for this concert. Fifty percent of the free-will offering collected supports the Homeless Advocacy Project, which meets the legal and advocacy needs of homeless individuals and families in Philadelphia.

## Caring & Sharing

**COLD WEATHER IS UPON US! COLLECTION OF WINTER CLOTHES.** In January we are collecting men's winter coats for Broad Street Ministry, and hats, gloves and scarves for children who attend the Tutoring Program. Donations may be placed in the collection bins located near the entrance to the Ministries Center.

**"SOUPER BOWL" OF CARING.** Sun., Feb. 2. The Hunger Committee and BMPC Youth are collecting donations of cash and/or canned soups, stews, ravioli and other high-protein canned goods following Worship on "Souper Bowl" Sunday. Baskets are in the Narthex and Ministries Center.

**SERVICE DAY AT ARCH STREET PRESCHOOL.** Sat., Feb. 8, 9:00 a.m. Join us for a day of sorting, organizing and cleaning at Arch Street Preschool (Outreach Committee Mission Partner). Carpool leaves BMPC at 8:30 a.m. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations.

## This Week's Calendar

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

### Today, January 19

7:45	a.m.	Childcare, Fullerton Room
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8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel

8:45 a.m. Filling the Well, Converse House Parlor

Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Congregational Hall

Art @ 9, Conference Room

10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion & Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary

Sunday School for age 2, Gloucester Room Sunday School for age 3, Witherspoon Parlor

Sunday School for Pre-K, Middleton Center, Rm. 200

Grades K - 5 Begin Worship in the Sanctuary

Youth Gathering (Grades 6-12), Gymnasium

10:15 a.m. Sunday School for Grade K, Middleton Center, Rm. 202

Sunday School for Grades 1 & 2, Congregational Hall Sunday School for Grade 3, Middleton Center, Rm. 301

Sunday School for Grades 4-5, Converse House Parlor

10:30 a.m. Grades 6 & 7 Connection Group, Main Line Adult Day Center

Grade 8 Confirmation, Loft

Grades 9 & 10 Connection Group, Gymnasium Stage

Grades 11 & 12 Connection Group, Ministries Center 11:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship, Gymnasium

Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center

#### Monday, January 20

Church Office Closed: For pastoral emergencies, call 610-525-2821.

#### Tuesday, January 21

9:00 a.m. Repose Yoga, Gymnasium

10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium

1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium

6:45 p.m. Tutoring, Congregational Hall

7:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting, Fine Arts Center

Urban Suburban Book Group, Event is Off Campus

#### Wednesday, January 22

- 10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Congregational Hall Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor
- 4:45 p.m. Wednesdays Together (Grades K-5), Fine Arts Center
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
- 5:45 p.m. Youth Chorale (Grades 6-12), Fine Arts Center
- 7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft

Outreach Committee Meeting, Event is Off Campus

#### Thursday, January 23

- 9:15 a.m. Senior Exercise Class
- 10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Fine Arts Center
- 7:00 p.m. Bible from Scratch, Loft

Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium

Sanctuary Choir and Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Fine Arts Center

#### Friday, January 24

- 8:00 a.m. Foundation Investment Committee, Converse House Parlor
- 11:00 a.m. High School Sabbath Retreat, Event is Off Campus
- 4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Gloucester Room and Witherspoon Parlor

#### Saturday, January 25

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Mens' Group, Converse House Parlor
- 10:00 a.m. Searching for Still Waters Bereavement Group, Middleton Center, Rm. 202 Theologian in Residence - Dr. Serene Jones, Congregational Hall
- 11:00 a.m. High School Sabbath Retreat, Event is Off Campus

#### Sunday, January 26

- 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary

The Rev. Dr. Serene Jones will preach. Sunday School for age 2 - Grade 12.

## Renovations Update

**Daytime Traffic Patterns:** Each weekday from 7:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., the driveway between the Chapel and the Sanctuary will be *one way*, with cars exiting onto Montgomery Avenue. This adjustment allows for the safe movement of children from the Weekday School during drop-off and pick-up. Please use the driveway between the Ministries Center and the Sanctuary to enter the campus from Montgomery Avenue during these weekday hours.

For more renovation updates, please visit us at: www.bmpc.org/welcome/renovation-updates

This box will be updated regularly to keep you informed about how the renovation process is impacting our ministries and programs.



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