

# *Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church*

Sunday, January 16, 2022 | 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Second Sunday after Epiphany



# 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 outside the Sanctuary doors following the Worship Service. All of our programs, ministries, and opportunities for mission are open to everyone. Come join us!

## COVID-19 GUIDELINES

Masks are required for both fully-vaccinated and unvaccinated people inside church buildings. Masks are not required for outdoor spaces. Please maintain physical distance inside, and be mindful that we are an intergenerational community and that while COVID vaccines are available for children ages five to 11, some children may not have been vaccinated.

## LIVESTREAMED CHURCH SERVICES

In addition to in-person worship, the Sunday Worship Services are available to watch live at 10:00 a.m. on our live-streaming page: [www.bmpc.org/livestream](http://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 8:00 a.m. to noon for children ages six months and older. See Sunday School class information on this page. Please contact Childcare Coordinator Rebecca Kellich at [childcare@bmpc.org](mailto:childcare@bmpc.org) with any questions.

## WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER

Subscribe to our BMPC eNews by visiting our website: [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org).

## Today's Schedule

### Childcare

8:00 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102

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### Faith Under 5 Sunday School

Ages 2 to Grade K

8:30 a.m., Virtual

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### Sunday School

Grades 1 & 2

9:00 a.m., Virtual

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### Confirmation Class

9:00 a.m., Virtual

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

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### Worship Together Sunday

For Grades 3 - 12

10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

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### Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Worship

2:00 p.m., Virtual

# GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

Little Melody and Hour of Peace

Florence B. Price

WELCOME

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

## † CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We worship the God who inhabits our world and indwells our lives.

**All: We need not look up to find God. We need only look around:**

One: Within ourselves, beyond ourselves, into the eyes of another.

**All: We need not listen for a distant thunder to find God,**

One: We need only listen to the music of life, the words of children,

**All: the questions of the curious, the rhythm of a heartbeat.**

One: We worship the God who inhabits our world and who indwells our lives.

## † HYMN 401

Here in This Place

GATHER US IN

## CALL TO CONFESSION

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

God of justice, we confess that in the pursuit of our own dreams and desires, we have not always been civil, not always humane, not always right. Guided by your Spirit, we would like to change the world – make it a little simpler for people to feed, clothe, and shelter themselves as You intended them to do. Help us to be your witnesses, by fighting for better conditions, by crying out unceasingly for the rights of the workers, the poor, the destitute and the rights of the worthy and the unworthy poor, so that we can, with your help, change the world. Enlarge our hearts to love each other, to love our neighbor, and to love our enemy as our friend.

*A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### SUNG RESPONSE

With Steadfast Love

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† Please stand, if able.

# PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

READING "The Church on the Frontier of Racial Tension"  
The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

FIRST LESSON 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 (*p. 174 in pew Bible*)

ANTHEM Al Shlosha D'Varim Allan E. Naplan  
Sanctuary Choir

The world is sustained by three things, by truth, by justice, and by peace.

SECOND LESSON Isaiah 62:1-5 (*pg. 692 in pew Bible*) Carolyn C. Cavaness,  
Pastor, Bethel AME Church, Ardmore

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *I Will Not Rest* Carolyn C. Cavaness

† HYMN 339 Lift Every Voice and Sing LIFT EVERY VOICE

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*in unison*) Agnes W. Norfleet

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church,  
the unity of the communion of saints of the entire human family.

We believe that this unity of the people of God  
must be manifest and active in our love for one another;  
that we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another,  
that we share one baptism together,  
that we eat of one bread and drink of one cup together,  
that we confess one name, one Lord, for one cause,  
with one hope, which is the height and the breadth and the depth  
and the love of Christ, forever and ever. Amen.

~ Adapted from *Belhar Confession*, South Africa, 1982



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Nancy McCahan ~ January 8, 2022

Richard (Dick) Nashner ~ January 8, 2022

Henry (Gene) Fisk ~ January 10, 2022

## **WORSHIP NOTES**

### **SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

To the glory of God, honoring the 76th wedding anniversary of James R. and Charlotte T. Rittenhouse. They remain forever in the hearts of their children and all who knew them.

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### **PLAYING THE CARILLON**

Brian Middleton

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### **BULLETIN COVER**

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## **Announcements**

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING.** A congregational meeting is called by the Session for next Sunday, January 23, after the 10:00 a.m. worship service. This is a brief meeting to elect church officers and vote on changes to pastors' terms of call. The meeting will be livestreamed at [www.bmpc.org/livestream](http://www.bmpc.org/livestream).

**COVID-19 UPDATES.** While we are continuing in-person worship, requiring masks and distancing in the Sanctuary, we are postponing some programs and transitioning others to virtual on a week-by-week basis. Each ministry area will communicate updates and changes.

**SANCTUARY FLOWER DONATIONS.** Openings currently are available for donors who wish to give flowers in memory of or in honor of loved ones. Our Deacons deliver small arrangements of flowers to homebound members. If you would like to donate flowers for a Sunday Worship Service, contact Natalie Hoepf at [bmpcflowers@gmail.com](mailto:bmpcflowers@gmail.com).

**SABBATICAL NEWS.** Pastor Rachel Pedersen will be on Sabbatical until Feb. 14. During this extended time away from BMPC, Rachel will be working with educators across the country to develop and curate faith formation resources for teachers and parents. In her absence, Mary Richards and Katie Singh, Children and Family Ministry staff members, are available to answer questions about the ministry and its related programs.

## **Today**

**WELCOME TO THE REV. CAROLYN C. CAVANESS.** Today we are honored to welcome the Rev. Carolyn C. Cavaness, pastor of Bethel AME Church of Ardmore, as our preacher this morning. Rev. Cavaness has served at Bethel for eight years and is a graduate of Union Theological Seminary in New York. Bethel AME and Rev. Cavaness have been essential partners with BMPC for several years as we have worked together to address systemic racism, food insecurity and educational equity in our local community.

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMUNITY WORSHIP – NOW VIRTUAL.** Today, 2:00 p.m., via Zoom. On this MLK holiday weekend, BMPC will host a virtual interfaith community worship service to commemorate the life and work of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and our commitment as a larger community to work toward justice and racial reconciliation. We will be joined by leaders, musicians and members from Bethel AME Church of Ardmore, Gladwyne Presbyterian Church, Beth David Reform Congregation, Old Haverford Friends Meeting, the Baha'i Community, and Or Zarua Congregation. To attend the service, please register via this link: <https://bit.ly/mlk-registration>. [RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmipc.org](mailto:RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmipc.org).

**A NEW CLASS: STORIES OF GOD.** Today through Feb. 27, 1:00 p.m., via Zoom. Join BMPC member Paul Burgmayer in a seven-week exploration of John Shea's imaginative, challenging and thought-provoking book, *Stories of God*. Shea, a brilliant biblical storyteller and narrative theologian, argues that we are the story God tells. Our lives are the words that come from God's mouth. And the stories we tell one another in response are not incidental, but essential to our lives together. Read more about the class on our website. If you are interested in joining this lively conversation, email Paul at [burgmayer@verizon.net](mailto:burgmayer@verizon.net).

## **This Week**

**CASSEROLE BLITZ.** Sat., Jan. 22, 8:30 a.m., Ministries Center Kitchen. Make casseroles and friends! Get to know BMPC folks you haven't met before and support a good cause! Join the Hunger Committee in preparing casseroles for area shelters, and enjoy a family activity (children over age 5). Participants are required to be vaccinated, masked and to practice social distancing. RSVP here: <https://bit.ly/casserole-rsvp>

## **Upcoming**

**VIRTUAL ALZHEIMER'S COMMUNITY FORUM.** Tues., Jan. 25, 6:00-7:30 p.m., via Zoom. Learn about Alzheimer's, dementia and memory loss. Sponsored by Main Line Health, Montgomery County Office of Social Services, Bethlehem Baptist Church and the Alzheimer's Association. Registration is requested at 800-272-3900 or <https://action.alz.org/mtg/78706862>.

**RENOVATIONS DEDICATION.** On Sun., Jan. 30, we will celebrate the completion of our new Atrium and other building renovations with a Service of Dedication during our 10:00 a.m. Worship Service, followed by an Open House and art exhibit of world-renowned painter Michael Bartmann in the Ministries Center Gallery. Having received our Certificate of Occupancy, furnishings are being added to the newly-renovated spaces. Please join us on Jan. 30 for this significant celebration in the life of our congregation.

**ADULT EDUCATION OPEN HOUSE.** Sun., Jan. 30, 11:15 a.m., Ministries Center. Join us in the newly-renovated Ministries Center space for an Adult Education Open House. Participants will be encouraged to walk through the newly-designed library and classrooms to learn more about these new meeting spaces, how to volunteer in the library, discuss opportunities to connect through adult education, and purchase deeply-discounted books from the Book Center. For more information, contact Alicia Franklin, [afranklin@bmpc.org](mailto:afranklin@bmpc.org).

## **Caring and Sharing**

**SUPPORT OUR LOCAL REFUGEE EFFORTS – CAR DONATION.** The BMPC Refugee Support Committee continues to work closely with the Afghan refugee family living in Foerderer House. The committee is currently seeking a used car that can seat six people. If you have a car that you would consider donating, or if you can help share this need in the larger community, contact [RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org](mailto:RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org). If you wish to help by making a donation or participating in one-time volunteer opportunities such as driving, making meals or babysitting, you may use this link to sign up: <https://bit.ly/support-sepah>

# **Calendar**

## **Sunday, January 16**

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| 8:00  | a.m. | Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102   |
| 8:30  | a.m. | Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Virtual<br>Filling the Well, Virtual<br>Faith Under 5 Sunday School, Virtual (includes 2s, 3s, Pre K – K)                                |
| 9:00  | a.m. | Sunday School for Grades 1 & 2, Virtual<br>Confirmation Class, Virtual  |
| 10:00 | a.m. | <b>Worship with Sanctuary Choir,<br/>Sanctuary or Livestreamed Service on <a href="http://www.bmpc.org">www.bmpc.org</a></b><br>Worship Together Sunday for Grades 3 - 12 |
| 1:00  | p.m. | <i>Stories of God</i> Adult Education Class, Virtual  |
| 2:00  | p.m. | Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Worship, Virtual  |

## **Monday, January 17**

*No events scheduled.*

## **Tuesday, January 18**

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| 8:30  | a.m. | Tuesday Morning Study Group, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 204    |
| 9:00  | a.m. | Repose Yoga, Virtual or Congregational Hall        |
| 10:30 | a.m. | Tai Chi, Virtual or Congregational Hall            |
| 1:00  | p.m. | Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Congregational Hall |
| 5:00  | p.m. | Mid-Week Meetup, Virtual                           |
| 6:00  | p.m. | Tutoring Program, Ed. Bldg. Lobby                  |

### **Wednesday, January 19**

10:00 a.m. Coffee Cup Bible Study, Virtual  
7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Location to be Determined

### **Thursday, January 20**

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir and Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Hybrid  
Hunger Committee Meeting, Virtual

### **Friday, January 21**

*No events scheduled.*

### **Saturday, January 22**

7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Ed Bldg., Rm. 204 and Virtual  
8:30 a.m. Casserole Blitz, Congregational Hall & Main Kitchen

### **Sunday, January 23**

10:00 a.m. **Worship, Sanctuary or Livestreamed Service on [www.bmpc.org](http://www.bmpc.org)**  
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.

## **Worship Staff**

**Agnes W. Norfleet**, Pastor

**Brian K. Ballard**, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care & Senior Adults

**Leigh DeVries**, Associate Pastor for Youth & Their Families

**Rebecca Kirkpatrick**, Associate Pastor for Adult Education & Mission

**Rachel Pedersen**, Associate Pastor for Children & Family Ministry

**Franklyn C. Pottorff**, Associate Pastor for Congregational Life & Stewardship

**Jeffrey Brillhart**, Director of Music & Fine Arts

**Edward Landin Senn**, Assistant Director of Music

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