Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Sunday, February 6, 2022 | 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary Fifth 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. 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 with any questions.

WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER

Subscribe to our BMPC eNews by visiting our website: www.bmpc.org.

Today's Schedule

Childcare

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

10:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

Sunday School

Ages 2 to Grade 5 10:00 a.m., Ed Bldg.

Confirmation

10:00 a.m., 2nd Floor Foerderer House

Youth Gathering

10:00 a.m., Gymnasium

Afghan Culture and History

11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

Chaconne in D

Dietrich Buxtehude

WELCOME

Franklyn C. Pottorff

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Our hope is in God all of our lives.

All: In love, God saves and supports us.

One: From the very beginning, God calls us.

All: God sets us apart with a meaning and a purpose.

One: Hear the voice of God saying,

"Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?"

All: Let us respond, "Here am I; send me!"

† **HYMN** 1

Holy, Holy, Holy

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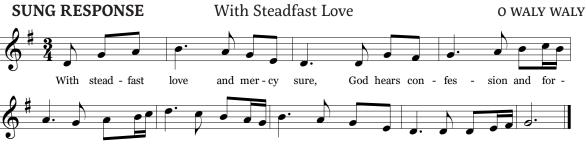
CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Gracious God, you are the way of peace and faithfulness. You call us to humble service, to love our neighbors and our enemies, to do justice and offer mercy. But we do not respond as we should. Come into the brokenness of our lives, our land, and all lands with your healing love and forgiveness. Then set us on a faithful path of discipleship, that we may extend your love, mercy and grace through the church into our community and in the world.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON



gives; re-deemed, the soul in which God dwells, and blessed, the heart in which God lives!

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Franklyn C. Pottorff

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 6:1-8 (p. 635 in pew Bible)

ANTHEM

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Gustav Holst

Sanctuary Choir

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; Ponder nothing earthly minded for with blessing in his hand, Christ our Lord to earth descendeth our full homage to demand. King of Kings yet born of Mary, as of old on earth He stood, Lord of Lords in human vesture in the Body and the Blood, He will give to all the faithful His own Self for heavenly food. Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way as the light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day; That the powers of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away. At his feet the six-winged seraph; cherabim with sleepless eye veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry, "Alleluya Lord most High." Amen.

SECOND LESSON

Luke 5:1-11 (*pg.* 62 in pew Bible)

Agnes W. Norfleet

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

SERMON

Disciples Called Together

Agnes W. Norfleet

Third in a three-part series on the Church as Community

† **HYMN** 726

Will You Come and Follow Me

KELVINGROVE

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (in unison)

Brian K. Ballard

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER 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.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Good News Sanctuary Choir Jane Marshall

Narrator: And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up; and he went to the synagogue, as the prophet Isaiah. He opened the book and found

the place where it was written:

Text: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to bring freedom to the oppressed, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord. O for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of his grace! He breaks the power of cancelled sin, He sets the prisoner free; His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me. Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, Your loosened tongues employ; Ye blind, behold your Savior come; And leap, ye lame, for joy. Amen.

† **DOXOLOGY** 606

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

Brian K. Ballard

† **HYMN** 432

How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

REPTON

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

Agnes W. Norfleet

POSTLUDE

Fantasia in G minor

J.S. Bach

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"I am the resurrection and the life."
Martha J. Caesar ~ January 30, 2022

WORSHIP NOTES

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the Glory of God and in memory of Adelaide and Reed McIntire, Annette McIntire and Harold B. Pough, Kenneth Lowden Atwood, Francis B. (Chip) Pough, Francis F. McIntire, and all BMPC family members who have passed.

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Paul McConnell

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Announcements

COVID-19 UPDATES. While we are continuing in-person worship and require 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 its updates and changes.

SANCTUARY FLOWER DONATIONS. Openings are available for every Sunday in March for donors who wish to give flowers in memory of or in honor of loved ones. Our Deacons then deliver small arrangements of the Sanctuary flowers to homebound members. If you would like to donate flowers for a Sunday Worship Service, contact Natalie Hoepp at bmpcflowers@gmail.com.

Today

AN INTRODUCTION TO AFGHAN CULTURE. Today, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall or by streaming via Zoom at https://bit.ly/spring-adult-ed. Patrick and Joan Krayer will provide an introduction to Afghan culture and traditions to enhance our support of the Sepah family who moved into Foerderer House last December. The Krayers will help us understand values, customs and history to assist us in becoming better neighbors and friends to the Sepah family. RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org.

This Week

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING FOOD COLLECTION. Donations of non-perishable food items may be dropped off in the Atrium this week from 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., or on Sun., Feb. 13 before worship. Suggested donations include cold cereals, spaghetti sauce, canned meals, soups (particularly hearty ones), peanut butter, jelly, canned tuna or chicken, canned vegetables, canned beans, canned fruit and applesauce (or cups), mac & cheese, crackers (Saltines or Ritz), instant oatmeal (packets), granola bars, single-serving snacks, bottled salad dressings, and mayonnaise (smaller-sized jars preferred). This year our BMPC donations will be distributed among six of our partners located from Lower Merion to Chester that serve the hungry in their communities.

CORDELIA FRANCES BIDDLE PRESENTATION. Mon., Feb. 7, 10:00 a.m., via Zoom. The Senior Adult Council presents Cordelia Frances Biddle who will speak about Nicholas Biddle, her ancestor who was an American statesman and served as president of the Second Bank of the United States. Cordelia Biddle's talk will focus on her latest book, Biddle, Jackson, and a Nation in Turmoil: The Infamous Bank War. All are welcome. To register, call the church office at 610-525-2821 or email Monica Devane, MonicaDevane@bmpc.org.

SACRED THREADS: NAVIGATING THE THREADS THAT KNIT OUR FAITH TOGETHER. Wednesdays, Feb. 9 - Feb. 23 and March 9, 7:00-8:15 p.m., via Zoom. Sacred Threads is a four-week exploration of some of the central tenets for living a practical sustaining faith: Poverty of Spirit, Prayer, Scripture, Practices. Led by the Rev. Betty Wright-Riggins, Middleton Center spiritual director. For more information, contact <u>KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org</u>.

THURSDAY BOOK GROUP. Begins Feb. 10, 10:00 a.m., via Zoom. The Rev. Brian Ballard and church members lead these weekly sessions. We will read and discuss Seeing Jesus: Visionary Encounters from the First Century to the Present. Contact MonicaDevane@bmpc.org to register.

CASSEROLE BLITZ. Sat., Feb. 12, 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

Next Sunday

REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT LANDSCAPE IN PHILADELPHIA. Sun., Feb. 13, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall or streaming via Zoom: https://bit.ly/spring-adult-ed. Staff from Nationalities Service Center (NSC) will share an update on its goal of resettling 500 Afghan refugees in our region this year. Celebrating 100 years of welcoming refugees to Greater Philadelphia, NSC began partnering with BMPC last fall to support local Afghan refugees and our efforts with the Sepah family. RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org.

Upcoming

GREAT DECISIONS. Begins Mon., Feb. 14, 10:00 a.m., via Zoom. After this initial session, the group meets on the first Monday of the month at 10:00 a.m. Led by Bob Martin. Great Decisions is America's largest discussion program on world affairs. This month's topic: Changing Demographics in the World. The program is free, but registration is required. Contact *MonicaDevane@bmpc.org* to register and receive your Briefing Book and the Zoom link.

SHARING FROM ST. JOHN RETREAT. Sun., Feb. 20, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall or by streaming via Zoom at https://bit.ly/spring-adult-ed. Last October a group of women from BMPC joined with women from neighboring congregations for a four-day retreat and exploration of the history of slavery in the U.S. Virgin Islands. Join us to hear reflections from participants, see images from the original sugar plantations, explore the ways the trauma of this history impacts our experience of the world today, and build relationships with one another. For more information, contact RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org.

UNDERGROUND RAILROAD: THE WILLIAM STILL STORY. Sun., Feb. 27, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall or by streaming via Zoom at https://bit.ly/spring-adult-ed. Underground Railroad: The William Still Story focuses on how a humble Philadelphia clerk risked his life to shepherd runaway slaves to freedom in the tumultuous years leading up to the U.S. Civil War. Still was the director of a complex network of abolitionists, sympathizers and safe houses that stretched from Philadelphia to what is now Southern Ontario. We will view this 50-minute documentary and then discuss Still's legacy. RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org.

SINGING FOR LIFE CHOIR RESUMES. Thursdays, March 3 - April 28, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. in the BMPC Fine Arts Center. The Singing for Life Choir is open to anyone 55 years or older. There is no charge to participate in the choir this spring. If you or anyone you know is interested in joining the choir, please contact Patrick Howley at *PatrickHowley@bmpc.org* by Mon., Feb. 28.

YOUTH SABBATH RETREATS. Middle school, March 11-13, and high school, March 18-20, Johnsonburg Camp & Retreat Center. This March, we'll take our youth to Johnsonburg Camp for two weekends, separated by age group, of rest, fun and renewal. We'll focus on the biblical call of the Sabbath and how that call impacts our daily lives. If you're interested in participating or know a youth who wants to join us, reach out to BMPC Youth Director Jack Liskey at jliskey@bmpc.org.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S RETREAT 2022. Fri., April 1- Sun., April 3, Pendle Hill (Swarthmore). Beginning with dinner on Fri., April 1 and continuing through worship on Sun., April 3, the women of BMPC are invited to a special weekend of rest, fellowship and study. Our retreat will be led by Lori Erickson, author and travel writer, reflecting on her work exploring genealogy, family stories and faith. Participants may stay on site or commute. The commuter rate is \$75, and the overnight option is \$175. We understand that not everyone can commit to the entire weekend; participants may opt to join in for individual sessions: Friday evening, Saturday or Sunday morning. Scholarships are available to cover all or part of the cost for participation. Register online: https://bit.ly/pendle-hill-retreat. For more information, contact MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP 2022. Mon., June 20 - Fri., June 24. This year's VBC theme is *Follow Me!* Meet the people and explore the places where Jesus taught and served. From a stormy sea to a crowded city street, come travel with Jesus' disciples and learn how you can help share God's love with others. VBC is held from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. for ages 3 years to 5th grade. Volunteers of all ages are invited to sign up to help make this a special week for the children of our church and community. Register here: https://bit.ly/vbc-22 MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

Caring and Sharing

SUPPORT OUR LOCAL REFUGEE EFFORTS AND VEHICLE DONATION. The BMPC Refugee Support Committee continues to work closely with the Sepah family living in Foerderer House. The committee is seeking a used vehicle that can seat six people. If you have a car that you would consider donating, or if you can help share this need with the larger community, contact <code>RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org</code>. 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,	February 6	
8:00	a.m.	Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
8:30	a.m.	Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Virtual
		Filling the Well, Virtual
		Faith Under 5 Sunday School, Virtual
9:00	a.m.	Sunday School for Grades 1 & 2, Virtual
10:00	a.m.	Worship with Sanctuary Choir,
		Sanctuary or Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org
		Ages 2-3, Ed. Bldg., Nursery
		PreK & K, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 201
		Grades 1 & 2, Ed. Bldg., Main Lobby
		Grade 3, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 202 and Virtual
		Grades 4 & 5, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 204 and Virtual
		Confirmation Class, 2nd Floor, Foerderer House
		Youth Gathering for Middle School and High School, Gymnasium
11:15	a.m.	Afghan Culture and History - Patrick and Joan Krayer,
		Congregational Hall
1:00	p.m.	Stories of God Adult Education Class, Virtual

Monday, February 7

10:00	a.m.	Cordelia	Biddle	Event.	Virtual

Tuesday, February 8

9:00	a.m.	Repose Yoga, Virtual
10:30	a.m.	Tai Chi, Virtual or Gymnasium
1:00	p.m.	Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
5:00	p.m.	Mid-Week Meetup, Virtual
6:00	p.m.	Tutoring Program, Ed. Bldg.
7:00	p.m.	Session Meeting, Virtual

Wednesday, February 9

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10:00	a.m.	Coffee Cup Bible Study, Virtual
		Men's Study Group, Virtual
7:00	p.m.	Student Serve, Ed. Bldg., Covered Patio
	_	Sacred Threads, Virtual

Thursday, February 10

10:00	a.m.	Thursday Book Group, Virtual
7:00	p.m.	Sanctuary Choir and Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Hybrid

Friday, February 11 No events scheduled.

Saturday, February 12

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

Sunday, February 13

10:00	a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary or Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org
		BMPC Youth will preach.

Worship Staff

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Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education & Mission

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