

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Sunday, June 26, 2022 | 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Third Sunday after Pentecost



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 in the Atrium 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 optional inside church buildings, although masks may be required in some areas of the Education Building. Please maintain physical distance inside, and be mindful that we are an intergenerational community and 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 livestreaming 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

8:30 a.m., Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102

10:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

Worship Together Sunday

Grades 4 - 12, Sanctuary

Summer Sunday School

10:15 a.m., following the
Children's Moment
Grades PreK to 3, Ed. Bldg.

Atrium Café

11:00 a.m.

Lemonade & Fellowship, Atrium

Bryans - Tuten Art Exhibit

9:00 a.m. – noon

Fine Arts Gallery,
Ministries Center

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

Praeambulum and Harmonies Volantes

Erzsébet Szönyi

WELCOME

Leigh DeVries

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Genesis tells us: In the beginning,
God created the heavens and the earth.

**All: Darkness covered the face of the deep,
and the Spirit of God swept over the face of the waters.**

One: The psalmist reminds us: When God sends forth the Spirit,
life is breathed into creation and the earth is renewed.

**All: The earth is the Lord's and all that is within it,
the world and all its inhabitants.**

One: Jesus teaches us: You are the light of the world.

**All: May our light shine before others
so they may see our good works.**

† HYMN 630

Fairest Lord Jesus

CRUSADERS' HYMN

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Merciful God, forgive us. You come to us in varied ways, while we expect to respond to you just like we always have. You showcase the stunning diversity of creation, yet we see human difference as a challenge rather than a gift. You are already imagining our future, while we long for the past. Meet us where we are, but do not leave us this way, we pray. Forgive us and restore us to be the creative creatures you intend us to be, working for justice and making peace.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SUNG RESPONSE Take, O Take Me As I Am

Take, O take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall be;
set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Leigh DeVries

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 65:17-23 (*p. 696 in pew Bible*)

SECOND LESSON Micah 3:9-4:4 (*p. 864 in pew Bible*)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *Created for Prophetic Community*

Agnes W. Norfleet

† HYMN 5 God the Sculptor of the Mountains

JENNINGS-HOUSTON

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*in unison*)

Franklyn C. Pottorff

We affirm that the universe of matter, energy, and life
is God's good creation in all its parts.

Therefore we may work and play in it
and explore it with wonder and joy.

God included human beings among the creatures he made
and charged them to care for other living things.

We acknowledge we are kin to the other creatures.

We are dependent on the systems that sustain all life.

We hold the earth in trust

for future generations of living things.

The Lord forbids us to plunder, foul and destroy it.
The Lord expects us to produce, to consume, to reproduce
in ways that make the world's goodness available to all people
and reflect God's love for all creatures.
The Lord bids us use our technical skills
for beauty, order, health, and peace.

~ Excerpt from *A Declaration of Faith*

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

How Can I Keep From Singing?
Summer Choir

Mark Schweizer

My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation. I hear the real, though far off hymn that hails a new creation. No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging. It sounds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing? When tyrants tremble, sick with fear and hear their death knells ringing; When friends rejoice both far and near, How can I keep from singing? In prison cell and dungeon vile our thoughts to them are winging. When friends by shame are undefiled, How can I keep from singing? What though the tempest 'round me roars, I know the truth, it liveth. What though the darkness 'round me close, Songs in the night it giveth. No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging. Since love is lord of heav'n and earth, How can I keep from singing?

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

† **DOXOLOGY 609** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow **LASST UNS ERFREUEN**

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow. Praise God, all crea - tures high and low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise God, in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre - a - tor, Word, and Spir - it one. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

- † **PRAYER OF DEDICATION** Franklyn C. Pottorff
- † **HYMN 37** Let All Things Now Living ASH GROVE
- † **BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE** Agnes W. Norfleet
- POSTLUDE** Presque Dasant Erzsébet Szönyi

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 "I am the resurrection and the life."
 Anne H. Trout ~ June 19, 2022
 Thomas Gibson ~ June 20, 2022

WORSHIP NOTES

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Clare and Jim Mackie's 30th wedding anniversary.

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Wade FitzGerald

BULLETIN COVER

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RESPONSE & DOXOLOGY

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Do Justice, Love Mercy

In light of recent events, here are ways for you to engage in the work of justice and peace:

LETTER WRITING CAMPAIGN. Through today, Sun., June 26, Ministries Center Court. Looking for a way to take action against gun violence? There will be a letter writing station set up in the Ministries Center Court where you may write and sign a letter to state legislators and congressional representatives of Montgomery, Delaware, and Chester Counties, urging them to take action on current gun-related bills. For more information, contact AliciaFranklin@bmmpc.org.

HEEDING GOD'S CALL. As one of our Peacemaking Committee's partners, Heeding God's Call is a faith-based movement and organization to prevent gun violence. Its goals focus on taking specific actions such as educating the public about illegal gun trafficking, persuading gun retailers not to sell guns to those who may resell them on the criminal market, and uniting and motivating people and communities of faith to become activists against gun violence. To become involved with our Peacemaking Committee or to learn more about Heeding God's Call, contact AliciaFranklin@bmmpc.org.

Announcements

OFFICE SUITE UPDATES. During July and August the staff office suite in the Ministries Center will be painted, and new carpet and lighting will be installed. Storage containers have been placed in the Radnor Street Parking Lot which will limit how many parking spaces are available. It is recommended that you park in the Sanctuary Parking Lot and enter through the Atrium. Our Reception Team will be stationed in the Atrium during this renovation project. Staff will begin moving to other offices on campus on Mon., June 27. Although our staff will remain on campus, please call the church office at 610-525-2821 before stopping by to meet with someone. For more information, contact LizEllis@bmpc.org.

SUMMER CHOIR. Sundays through Sept. 4, 9:00 a.m., Choir Loft. Each summer, from mid-June through the beginning of September, all singers ages 12+ are invited to come to church any Sunday at 9:00 a.m. for a short rehearsal in the Choir Loft, then stay and sing for the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service. Summer choir is simple (one anthem, hymns, and a closing response), and informal (no robes). No long-term commitment; no need to sign up in advance.

This Week

YOGA206 BONE BOOST SUMMER SESSION. Wednesdays, June 29-Aug. 31, 10:00 a.m., Gymnasium (no class on July 20, July 27, Aug. 3). Class packages: three classes for \$39; four classes for \$52, or seven classes for \$91. Packages must be used by Sept. 5, and they are not reimbursable. COVID-19 vaccination required. To sign up or for more information, contact instructor Abby Contract at YOGA206@icloud.com.

Upcoming

SUMMER CARILLON CONCERT SERIES. Thursdays, July 7, 14, 21, 28 and Aug. 4, 7:00 p.m., BMPC Campus. Come listen to some of the most talented carillonneurs from Europe and the Philadelphia area. You will hear everything from Bach to Bad Bunny! Park your car in the Sanctuary parking lot or have a picnic on the lawn. On July 7, all are welcome to enjoy the talents of musician Paul Stelben. mfa@bmpc.org.

YOUTH CAMP. July 31-Aug. 5. For rising sixth to 12th graders, our popular camp tradition is spearheaded by a team of BMPC staff and volunteer leaders at Camp Johnsonburg. The cost is \$500 per camper, with scholarships available. To register, contact JackLiskey@bmpc.org.

Caring and Sharing

HOUSE RENTAL FOR SEPAH FAMILY. The Sepahs, BMPC's refugee family, will be moving out of Foerderer House in July/August as Foerderer transitions back to its mission of serving senior adults. With housing in limited supply and continuing high demand, their housing search has been challenging. The Sepahs would like a house with three bedrooms, a backyard, and a neighborhood with children, either in Lower Merion Township or Radnor Township. They can afford \$2,500 to \$2,900 in monthly rent. If you know of any possibilities, please contact Barbara Morse at barbarawmorse@gmail.com or via phone: 610-574-9615.

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. Come help organize and catalogue books for the Converse Library! We currently need volunteers to help with general library tasks such as cataloging and shelving books. We are seeking volunteers who have a few hours available during the week to help with organizing the Converse Library. If you are interested, contact AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org.

Calendar

Sunday, June 26

8:30	a.m.	Childcare	Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
9:00	a.m.	Summer Choir rehearsal	Choir Loft
10:00	a.m.	Worship with Summer Choir	Sanctuary
		Grades 4-12 Worship Together with their Families	
10:15	a.m.	Summer Sunday School Pre-K - Rising 3rd Graders	Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
11:00	a.m.	Atrium Cafe	Atrium
		Johnsonburg Plunge	Event is Off Campus

Monday, June 27

No events scheduled today.

Tuesday, June 28

10:30 a.m.

Tai Chi (Gym & Virtual)

Gymnasium

2:30 p.m.

Parkinson's Support Group

Cannon Room

Wednesday, June 29

10:00 a.m.

Yoga206 Bone Boost

Gymnasium

Thursday, June 30

No events scheduled today.

Friday, July 1

No events scheduled today.

Saturday, July 2

7:00 a.m.

Saturday Morning Men's Group

Converse House Parlor

Sunday, July 3

10:00 a.m.

Worship, Sanctuary or Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org
The Rev. Rachel Pedersen 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

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