

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Sunday, April 23, 2023 | 8:00 a.m., Chapel

Third Sunday of Easter



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

LIVESTREAMED CHURCH SERVICES

In addition to in-person worship, the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service is available to watch 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 7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for children ages six months and older. See Sunday School class information on this page. Please contact Pastor Rachel, RachelPedersen@bmpc.org or 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 (infant - age 5)

7:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101

Worship with Sanctuary Choir

10:00 a.m.

Sunday School Classes

Age 2 - PreK

10:00 a.m., Ed. Bldg.

Grades K - 5

10:00 a.m., Worship in Sanctuary

10:15 a.m., Ed. Bldg.

Youth Gathering

10:00 a.m., Gymnasium

Atrium Cafe

11:15 a.m., Atrium

Leslie Bass, Master Gardener

11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room

“Passages from Dark to Light” Art Exhibit

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Art Gallery, Ministries Center

Baptism Service

12:00 p.m., Front Lawn

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Brian K. Ballard

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Praise God, who has raised Jesus Christ to reign in power!

All: Praise God, who sends the Spirit to empower the church.

One: Praise God, who raised Jesus Christ to show forth God's undying love.

All: Praise God, who commissions us to love in the name of the Risen Christ.

† HYMN 233

The Day of Resurrection!

LANCASHIRE

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Almighty God, you created us for life together. You call us to serve one another, but we are tempted to think mostly about ourselves. You command us to love, knowing that in love we are fully alive; but we fail to love one another. Forgive and renew us to live in the light of your resurrection, that we might be filled with grace to live into our call to be the church of Jesus Christ.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SUNG RESPONSE

Christ our Companion

BUNESSAN

Christ our companion, hope for the journey, bread of compassion, open our eyes. Grant us your vision, set all hearts burning that all creation with you may rise.

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Elliot Dee

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 51:1-3 (*pg. 681 in pew Bible*)

SECOND LESSON Acts 2:14a, 36-41 (*pg. 120 in pew Bible*)

Agnes W. Norfleet

SERMON *Easter People*

Agnes W. Norfleet

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Brian K. Ballard

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

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 295 Go to the World!

SINE NOMINE

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

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“I am the resurrection and the life.”

Elizabeth S. Warner ~ December 18, 2022

Webster Dawley ~ December 30, 2022

WORSHIP NOTES

RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AT NOON

James Francis Dennis
Son of Natalie and Nate Dennis

Tate Ryan Miinch
Son of Katie and Ryan Miinch

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in memory of
Mary Gorrell Moser, Arthur D. Moser,
William McAfee Hanna, Jr. and David Stewart Hanna

NARTHEX FLOWERS

In celebration of the marriage of Alexandra P. Williams and Jeffrey D. Copes

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Elliot Dee, Elder

USHERING

Tom Willcox

BULLETIN COVER

Dave Tavani

Announcement

150TH ANNIVERSARY VISION SURVEY. Each member of our community is invited to participate in helping us discern God's call for our congregation as we celebrate our 150th anniversary and look toward the future. This final piece of information gathering – building upon our learnings from the forums and focus groups – needs your insight and input! Please complete the survey mailed to you or fill it out online: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/150thvisionsurvey>
Additional paper and large print copies and drop boxes are available at the Reception Desk and in the Atrium. The deadline for returning the survey is Sun., May 14. Thank you!

Today

LESLIE BASS, MASTER GARDENER. 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. In conjunction with our BMPC Plant Native/Native Plant initiative and the Homegrown National Parks movement, Master Gardener Leslie Bass will discuss why native plants are important and offer practical advice on purchasing native plants as well as what to look for when adding native plants to your backyard or garden.

This Week

DELIVERED OUT OF EMPIRE. Mondays, April 24 and May 1, 7:00 p.m., Cannon Room. Join Rabbi David Straus and the Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick for a three-week exploration of the Book of Exodus using Walter Bruggemann's recent book, *Delivered Out of Empire*. In addition to discussing the significance of the Exodus story as a movement of liberation, the class also will look at how Exodus is interpreted in various ways in the Jewish and Christian traditions, especially with Jewish Passover practices. To reserve a copy of the book: <https://bit.ly/BMPCBookpickup>
For information: RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org

SACRED THREADS: LEARNING TO WALK IN THE DARK. Thursdays, April 27 and May 4, 7:00-8:15 p.m., via Zoom. Sacred Threads is a program open to all who are curious about the threads that knit our faith together. Barbara Brown Taylor's book, *Learning to Walk in the Dark*, will be used as a guide, and the Rev. Betty Wright-Riggins, Middleton Center spiritual director, will lead these sessions.
KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org

Next Sunday

THE WORLD BELOVED: A BLUEGRASS MASS. Sun., April 30, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary. Composer Carol Barnett and librettist Marisha Chamberlain combined efforts to create “The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass.” The result is a brilliant and exhilarating blend of the classical mass, modern choral sophistication, insightful poetry, and traditional bluegrass instrumentation. Featuring Monroe Crossing, the renowned bluegrass band. For information: MFA@bmpc.org

CHRISTIANITY AND LABOR ORGANIZING. Sun., April 30, 11:15 a.m., Fullerton Room. BMPC member Connor Williams, who has a master’s degree in intercultural theology from Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland, will discuss Christianity’s relationship with labor organizing in the United States, the primary focus of his research. This class will provide an overview of how U.S. Christians have supported labor organizing and the theological justification for their support. AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org

Upcoming

Y-GROUP BOOK DISCUSSION. Mon., May 1, 7:00 p.m., Converse House Parlor. Y-Group (mothers and caregivers for young children) offers a book selection for the spring season: *Wearing God: Clothing, Laughter, Fire, and Other Overlooked Ways of Meeting God* by Lauren Winner. You may purchase a copy at your bookstore or online, borrow one of the two copies available in the church library, or borrow the ebook on your library’s Hoopla app. Come for snacks and fellowship at 7:00 p.m. and a book discussion at 7:30 p.m. Contact Ygroupbmpc@gmail.com for more information or to be added to the distribution list.

COMMUNITY FORUM. Mon., May 8, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary and livestream. Dr. Eddie Glaude, Jr., bestselling author and political commentator, will speak on the Ethics of Anti-Racism. He is the James S. McDonnell Distinguished University Professor of African American Studies at Princeton University. A question and answer session follows his talk. No registration is required for this free event. Glaude’s presentation will be livestreamed at www.bmpc.org/livestream. ElenaPerri@bmpc.org

SEARCHING FOR STILL WATERS BEREAVEMENT GROUP. Sat., May 13, 10:00 a.m., Ministries Center. The Middleton Counseling Center is presenting its in-person bereavement support group, Searching for Still Waters, on the second and fourth Saturday of the month. All are welcome; no charge. Dr. Sophia Park, Th.D, M.Div., LMFT, will lead this group. Register: KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND

CULTURE TRIP. Thurs., June 3, 8:45 a.m. departure. Join us for this second opportunity to visit the National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington, D.C. NMAAH is the only national museum devoted exclusively to the documentation of African American life, history and culture. It was established by an Act of Congress in 2003, following decades of efforts to promote and highlight the contributions of African Americans. AliciaFranklin@bmpc.org
Register online: bit.ly/NMAAH_Trip_2

VACATION BIBLE CAMP 2023: BUILDING THE KINGDOM! Mon., June 19 - Fri., June 23, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., for ages three years to fifth grade. Campers must be at least four years old by May 1, 2023 to register. The Three's program is closed due to maximum capacity. Cost is \$50 per camper: <https://bit.ly/BMPCVBC2023>
MaryRichards@bmpc.org

VACATION BIBLE CAMP VOLUNTEER. Mon., June 19 - Fri., June 23, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. This summer we will welcome over 100 children to take part in Vacation Bible Camp and we need YOU to make camp special for each one. You can volunteer to help with a specific station (like games), work with a small group, or help “behind the scenes.” Register online: <https://bit.ly/VBCVolunteerRegistration>
MaryRichards@bmpc.org

YOUTH SUMMER MISSION TRIP. Sun., July 9 – Fri., July 14. Our summer mission trip is a collaboration with CROSS Missions at Myers Park Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, NC. CROSS Missions is a unique urban outreach program that challenges individuals and groups to move beyond service projects and into a theological understanding of poverty and how Jesus teaches us to be changemakers in the world. Cost: \$350 with scholarships available. Register online:
<https://bit.ly/BMPCMissionTripNC> Shayla Jordan, SJordan@bmpc.org

YOUTH CAMP AT MASSANETTA SPRINGS, VA. Sun., Aug. 6 – Fri., Aug. 11. Join us for our annual youth summer camp which is filled with fellowship, fun and faith! All rising sixth through 12th graders are invited to participate. The cost is \$650 with a \$50 early bird discount for those who sign up before May 1; scholarships available. Register online: <https://bit.ly/BMPCYouthCamp2023>
Shayla Jordan, SJordan@bmpc.org

Calendar

Sunday, April 23

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| 7:45 | a.m. | Childcare (Birth-Kindergarten), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101 |
| 8:00 | a.m. | Worship with Communion, Chapel |
| 8:30 | a.m. | Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Cannon Room |
| 8:45 | a.m. | Filling the Well, Ed. Bldg., Children's Library |
| 9:00 | a.m. | Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102 |
| | | Sunday School, Virtual |
| 10:00 | a.m. | Sunday School Ages 2, 3, and Pre-K, Ed. Bldg. |
| | | Worship with Sanctuary Choir and Officer Ordination, Sanctuary, and Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org |
| | | Youth Gathering, Gymnasium |
| 10:15 | a.m. | Sunday School K - 5th Grade, Ed. Bldg. |
| 11:00 | a.m. | Atrium Café, Atrium |
| | | Family Fellowship, Ed. Bldg. Lobby |
| 11:15 | a.m. | Leslie Bass, Master Gardener, Fullerton Room. |
| 12:00 | p.m. | Baptism Service, Front Lawn |

Monday, April 24

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| 5:00 | p.m. | Harcum Student Recognition Banquet |
| 7:00 | p.m. | Delivered Out of Empire Class, Witherspoon Parlor |

Tuesday, April 25

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| 9:00 | a.m. | RePose Yoga, Gymnasium |
| 10:00 | a.m. | Adult Choir Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center |
| 10:30 | a.m. | Tai Chi, Gymnasium and Virtual |
| 1:00 | p.m. | Dance for Parkinson's Class, Gymnasium |
| 2:30 | p.m. | Parkinson's Support Group, Cannon Room |

Wednesday, April 26

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| 10:00 | a.m. | Coffee Cup Bible Study, Cannon Room and Virtual Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor Yoga206 Bone Boost, Gymnasium |
| 4:45 | p.m. | Wednesdays Together, Sanctuary |
| 5:30 | p.m. | Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall |
| 7:00 | p.m. | Outreach Committee Meeting, Cannon Room Student Serve, Gymnasium |

Thursday, April 27

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| 11:00 | a.m. | Artists' Gathering, Fine Arts Center |
| 7:00 | p.m. | Sacred Threads: <i>Learning to Walk in the Dark</i> , Virtual Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Fine Arts Center |

Friday, April 28

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| 8:30 | a.m. | Foundation Investments Committee, Virtual |
| 1:00 | p.m. | Joan Robinette Memorial Service, Chapel |

Saturday, April 29

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| 7:00 | a.m. | Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor |
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Sunday, April 30

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| 8:00 | a.m. | Worship with Communion, Chapel |
| 10:00 | a.m. | The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass, Sanctuary and Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach. |

Worship Staff

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