

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

Sunday, May 19, 2024 | 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Day of 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!

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 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 the Rev. Rachel Pedersen, RachelPedersen@bmpc.org or Childcare Coordinator Erika Henry, 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 Communion

8:00 a.m., Chapel

“Seeking Freedom” Exhibit

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

Confirmation Sunday

Worship with Sanctuary Choir

10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Sunday School Classes

Age 2 - Pre-K

10:00 a.m., Education Building

Grades K - 5

10:00 a.m., Worship in Sanctuary

10:15 a.m., Ed. Building

Grades 6 - 12

Youth in Worship

Teacher Thank you & End of Year Picnic

11:00 a.m., Front Lawn

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Please note that online worshipers join the livestream at 9:50 a.m.

We invite you to prepare for worship in quiet reflection.

PRELUDE

“Sicilienne” from Suite

Maurice Duruflé

WELCOME

Rachel Pedersen

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Christ has risen!

All: Alleluia!

One: Christ has ascended!

All: Let us praise the Lord.

One: Christ has sent the Spirit.

All: Come, Holy Spirit, live in our hearts
so we may join your work in this world.

† HYMN 280

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

EBENEZER

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Holy God, you created us in your image, you breathed into us life and breath, but sometimes we turn away from you. We do not love you as we should and we do not live according to the call you have placed upon our hearts to be your disciples. Hear us and forgive us. Renew within us the Spirit of truth that we may abide in your love, be your faithful children, and together be the church of Jesus Christ in and for the world.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

During the Sung Response, children are invited to come forward for the Children's Moment.

SUNG RESPONSE

BUNESSAN

Christ, our com - pan - ion, hope for the jour - ney, bread of com -
pas - sion, o - pen our eyes. Grant us your vi - sion, set all hearts
burn - ing that all cre - a - tion with you may rise.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

SENDING HYMN Go Now, Children, with Our Blessing



Go now, child-ren with our bless-ing, to love and serve the Lord. May God
Bless you, May God guard you, May the light of God shine u-pon you, and may
God be gracious to you. May the pre-sence of God be with you. May the
pre-sence of God be with you, and give you peace.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Leigh DeVries

FIRST LESSON Acts 2:1-4; 12-17 (pg. 119 in pew Bible)

ANTHEM

Tu Es Petrus

Maurice Duruflé

You are Peter, and upon this Rock I will build My Church.

SECOND LESSON John 15:26-27; 16:12-15 (pg. 110 in pew Bible) Agnes W. Norfleet

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Still Many Things to Say

Agnes W. Norfleet

† HYMN 278 Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION

PRESENTATION OF CONFIRMANDS

PROFESSION OF FAITH

One: Do we, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture these youth by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging them to know and follow Christ and to be faithful members of His church?

All: **We do.**

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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.

~ The Apostles' Creed

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

PRAYER FOR CONFIRMANDS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER Franklyn C. Pottorff

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

Pentecost

Kim André Arnesen

Fire rested on their heads, tongues of flickering fire, as grave they gathered in the upper room. The Savior no longer walked among them; but all at once they knew The Comforter Spirit, the fire of His calling. With gifts of speech, and of ministry, the newborn Church went out to comfort and to heal in the name of Love. We, too, the Savior calls and sends into a hurting world. For the hands that must lift up the poor are our hands, the voice that must cry out for justice is our voice, and the gift of peace for the poor in spirit is our gift to give.

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

† **DOXOLOGY 606** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow 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** Franklyn C. Pottorff

† **HYMN 295** Go to the World! SINE NOMINE

† **BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE** Agnes W. Norfleet

POSTLUDE Toccata on “Veni Creator” Maurice Duruflé

WORSHIP NOTES

2024 CONFIRMANDS

Henry Alexander Bickhart

Charles Patrick Collett

Lindsay Marie Collett

Meredith Ann Collett

Irene Leanne Curry*

Bridget Claire Daley-Gibson

Owen Thomas Doyle

Ashley Alexandra Friedant

Gemma Wynn Gardner*

Lowell Emerson Hoffman

Kaitlyn Lora Kuntz

Mason Grace McMahon

Addison Drew Navarro

Sidney Janet Nicholas

Whitney Woodward Odiorne

Katherine Blix Pulsifer

Sarah Hollingsworth Reynolds

Stella Rowbotham

*Also receiving the Sacrament of Baptism

CHAPEL GARDEN FLOWERS

To the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Stuart Gord

BULLETIN COVER IMAGE

Photo by Matt Rowe

MUSIC NOTES

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Today, we present the world première of “Pentecost” by Kim André Arnesen. Commissioned by BMPC to celebrate our 150th Anniversary, this stunning addition to Pentecost choral repertoire sets a provocative poem by renowned poet Charles Anthony Silvestri that speaks to our calling to reach out to the world.

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Brian Middleton

New Announcements

SENIOR ADULT SPRING SOCIAL. Sun., Jun. 9, 4:00 p.m., Merion Tribute House. Members 55 and older are invited to enjoy fellowship with long-time and new friends at this annual event. Heavy hors d'oeuvres, desserts, and beverages will be served. The cost is \$20 per person, and we will accept free-will cash and check donations for ElderNet of Lower Merion and Narberth. RSVP by Mon., Jun. 3, to MonicaDevane@bmpc.org or <https://bit.ly/SeniorAdultSpringSocial2024>.

In the Gallery

SEEKING FREEDOM: PORTRAITS OF MASS INCARCERATION. May 5 through Sept. 1, Gallery. Several large portraits, created in batik, quilting, and embroidery by textile artist Carolyn Harper, form a dramatic exhibition that combines the portraits with texts written by the artist in collaboration with the sitters, telling the stories of these currently and formerly incarcerated people.

Upcoming

HERSHEYPARK FUN DAY. Sun., Jun. 2, 9:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Sign-ups are officially open for Youth Ministry's annual Hersheypark Fun Day! You won't want to miss out on this awesome day of snacks, rides, and time spent with friends around the park. The cost is \$40, which covers transportation to and from the church, lunch with a drink, and entry into the park. Lots of scholarships are available; email ShaylaJordan@bmpc.org to apply! Spots are very limited and fill up fast, so sign up soon on Realm or our social media.

BLACK HISTORY IN THE PHILADELPHIA LANDSCAPE. Jun. 12, 7:00 p.m., Fullerton Room. Historian, educator, and author Amy Jane Cohen has studied the history of Black Americans in Philadelphia for more than 20 years. In *Black History in the Philadelphia Landscape: Deep Roots, Continuing Legacy*, Ms. Cohen highlights the contributions of slaves, laborers, entrepreneurs, abolitionists, clergy, educators, historians, and civil rights leaders who influenced the formation of Philadelphia from the 18th to the 21st centuries. The event is free, but please register and order a discounted copy of the book (\$10) by Jun. 7, <https://bit.ly/BMPCBookTalk>. For more info., JenniferMcArthur@bmpc.org.

Caring & Sharing

SANCTUARY FLOWER DONATIONS. Openings are available on Sun., May 26, Jun. 23, and Jun. 30 for donors who wish to give flowers in memory of or in honor of loved ones. Later, our Deacons deliver small arrangements of the Sanctuary flowers to homebound church members. If you would like to donate flowers for a Sunday worship service, contact SusanThorkelson@mac.com.

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED. During the summer months, our local food pantries need extra support through the donations of non-perishable items. You can bring items for donation - soup, canned chicken, fruit cups/canned fruit, oatmeal, box cereal, pasta, paper goods, juice, and brown rice - during the week to the Church Office reception desk or leave them in the Narthex of the Sanctuary or Chapel on Sunday mornings. Thank you in advance for your support of the fight against hunger.

SOUP MINISTRY. Delivering soup to members experiencing health issues or other challenging circumstances has been a practice of the Care Team and Deacons. We invite you to be a part of this Ministry! The next time you make soup, make some extra to share. We have containers with lids and labels you can pick up from the church. For more info., KathrynWest@bmpc.org or 610-520-8833.

SUPPORT OUR LOCAL REFUGEE EFFORTS. The BMPC Refugee Support Committee continues in its work to support local families and individuals making a new home in our community and greater Philadelphia. Supporting refugees and asylum seekers means walking with them as they navigate legal, governmental, educational, and community resources. The Committee's work also includes providing financial resources to supplement the limited government assistance they receive. If you would like to contribute financially to the work of the BMPC Refugee Support Committee, please donate by writing "Refugee Support" on the memo line of a check, or give a one-time or recurring gift online at <https://onrealm.org/bmpc/give/refugee>.

Calendar

Sunday, May 19

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. Art @ 9, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
Filling the Well, Children's Library, Ed. Bldg.
9:00 a.m. Confirmation Breakfast, Congregational Hall
"Seeking Freedom", Gallery
9:55 a.m. Sunday School Ages 2s, 3s, and Pre-K, Ed. Bldg.
10:00 a.m. **Confirmation Sunday**
Worship with Sanctuary Choir,
Sanctuary and Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org
Youth in Worship, Sanctuary
10:15 a.m. Sunday School K-5 Grade, Ed. Bldg.
11:00 a.m. Teacher Thank You & End of Year Picnic, Front Lawn

Monday, May 20

11:00 a.m. **Emily Parkin Memorial Service, Chapel**
7:00 p.m. Hunger Committee Meeting, Cannon Room

Tuesday, May 21

9:00 a.m. RePose Yoga (Hybrid), Gymnasium
10:30 a.m. Tai Chi (Hybrid), Gymnasium
1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease (PD) Class, Gymnasium

Wednesday, May 22

9:30 a.m. Yoga206 Bone Boost, Gymnasium
10:00 a.m. Coffee Cup Bible Study, Cannon Room
Men's Study Group, Converse House Parlor
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Gym Youth Lounge

Outreach Committee Meeting, Cannon Room

Thursday, May 23

11:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Fine Arts Center

Friday, May 24

No events scheduled

Saturday, May 25

7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Connection Group,
Converse House Parlor
10:00 a.m. Searching for Still Waters Bereavement Group,
Witherspoon Parlor

Sunday, May 26

8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Sanctuary Choir,**
Sanctuary and Livestreamed Service on www.bmpc.org
The Rev. Dr. Franklyn C. Pottorff will preach.

Worship Staff

Agnes W. Norfleet, Pastor

Leigh DeVries, Associate Pastor for Youth & Their Families

Rebecca Kirkpatrick, Associate Pastor for Adult Education & Mission

Kirby Lawrence Hill, Interim Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care & Senior Adults

Rachel Pedersen, Associate Pastor for Children & Family Ministry

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

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