



***Bryn Mawr
Presbyterian Church***

December 30, 2018
8:00 a.m., Chapel
First Sunday after Christmas

WELCOME TO BMPC

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Childcare (infant - age 5)

7:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Education Building, Rm. 102

8:00 a.m. Worship, Chapel

10:00 Worship, Sanctuary

See calendar for a complete schedule.

NEW HERE? We are pleased that you are joining us as we worship God this morning. Information about our programs is available near the main entrance. We invite you to participate in any of our programs, ministries and mission opportunities, as they are open to all.

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP. Stop by the Ministries Center Court for a cup of coffee between 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. and for refreshments and fellowship after the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Families with young children are invited to gather for refreshments in the Education Building Lobby after Sunday School.

TO ASSIST YOU DURING WORSHIP. Children's bulletins with crayons may be found near the main entrance. If you are unable to come forward for Communion, please let an usher or server know, and Communion will be brought to you.

Subscribe to our BMPC eNews by adding your email address to the Fellowship Register. For additional information about today's schedule, see the calendar at the back of this bulletin.

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GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Praise the Lord from the heavens and in the heights!

All: Praise God, sun and moon and shining stars!

One: For God commanded and they were created.

All: God established them forever and ever.

One: Young men and women alike, old and young together,

All: Let them praise the name of the Lord!

† HYMN 134

Joy to the World

ANTIOCH

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

God of the manger,

you sent the Savior into our broken world,

to show what power there is in love.

He continues to be born, even in us,

yet we crowd him out, offering him little room.

Our frenzied lives cause us to overlook his face,

in the cries of our neighbor and the groans of creation.

Forgive our dulled senses and restore our sight.

Slow down our hurried living,

that we might be witnesses to your good news,

and proclaim your extravagant love,

through Jesus our Savior.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

On - those who sit in - dark ness the sun be-gins to rise, - the - dawn ing - of for
give - ness up on the sin ner's eyes. God - guides the - feet of pil grims a
long the paths of peace. O - bless our God and Sav - iour with songs that nev er cease!

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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Sally Nelson

FIRST LESSON Colossians 3:12-17 (*p. 201 in pew Bible*)

Sally Nelson

SECOND LESSON Luke 2:41-52 (*p. 59 in pew Bible*)

Franklyn C. Pottorff

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Family Drama

Franklyn C. Pottorff

† **HYMN 132**

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

IN DULCI JUBILO

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

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 AND 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

Franklyn C. Pottorff

† HYMN 119

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

MENDELSSOHN

† SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

POSTLUDE

Worship Notes

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Deacon Sally Nelson

USHERING

Elder Keith Brinks

Announcements

ART EXHIBIT: SUPPOSED REALITIES. Through Sun., Jan. 27. Artist Richard Watson of Bryn Mawr was born and raised in North Carolina where he developed his artistic abilities before training at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts. He describes his creativity as “supported by memories of the past and suggested realities.” StephanieSpeakman@bmpc.org.

ONE BOOK ONE CHURCH. *After Ten Years – Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Our Times* by Dr. Victoria Barnett of Washington, D.C., a renowned Bonhoeffer scholar as well as director of the United States Holocaust Museum’s programs on Ethics, Religion, and the Holocaust. Dr. Barnett leads us in a discussion of her book on Sun., March 10. Cost: \$5 in Book Center.

This Week

HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY. Wed., Jan. 2, 10:30 a.m., Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom. The Rev. Drew Mann leads our study of *God’s Promise: I Am with You* by Amy Poling Sutherland, Chapter 5. Joyce Malott, okf405@gmail.com.

Upcoming

CELTIC SPIRITUALITY. Sundays, Jan. 6-20, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Dr. Patricia Danzon leads this course about the distinctive aspects of Celtic spirituality, its origins, evolution and lessons for our times. Basic text *Listening to the Heartbeat of God: A Celtic Spirituality* by J. Philip Newell is available in the Book Center.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS RESUME. Wed., Jan. 9, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Dinner served until 6:45 p.m. Cost: \$8 adults; \$5 children/students.

MEET ARTIST RICHARD WATSON. Wed., Jan. 9, 7:00 p.m., Ministries Center. Meet artist Richard Watson at a “Walk and Talk” through his current exhibit *Supposed Realities*. Learn about inspirations for his diverse artwork and how his artistic and musical talents have been propelled by his spirituality, political activism and teaching, and also expressed through mural art in numerous Philadelphia churches. Jean Wolf, jeanwolf@gmail.com.

HIGH SCHOOL SNOW RETREAT. Sat., Jan. 19-21, 2019, Camp Kirkwood, Poconos. A weekend away at Camp Kirkwood where you can enjoy a hike, snowtubing, small group fellowship, Sunday morning worship and time to explore the surrounding area. Cost: \$275. Register online at www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. Scholarship assistance available for all trips and events. AmyBauer@bmpc.org.

DAVID BILLINGS PRESENTATION. Wed., Jan. 23, 7:00 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Billings will discuss his book, *Deep Denial: The Persistence of White Supremacy in United States History and Life*.

CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS. Wed., Jan 24, 7:00 p.m., Gloucester Room. The Rev. Rebecca Kirkpatrick leads the discussion about how the basic traditions of Christianity connect with our personal faith.

DEACONS ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE. Mon., Jan. 28, 2:00-7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Volunteers are needed to donate blood and to assist with scheduling appointments. Sherri Shields, 610-449-3351 or ShieldsS1@email.chop.edu.

Caring & Sharing

CASSEROLE BLITZ. Sat., Jan. 19, 8:30 a.m., Ministries Center. All are welcome, including children over 4, to prepare food casseroles for Philadelphia area food cupboards. Contact Sandie Nicholson, sandiekev@verizon.net, to register and/or be added to the casserole mailing list.

COLD WEATHER IS HERE. Help those who are outside by contributing to the collection for Broad Street Ministry during the month of January. Men's thermal underwear, gloves, hats, and scarves are urgently needed. Collection bins are located in the Ministries Center and Education Building.

WORLDWIDE MINISTRIES GRANTS. Deadline: Feb. 27. Criteria and application at www.bmpc.org/ministries/mission/grants.

This Week's Calendar

For more information, visit our website at www.bmpc.org, call the church office, or contact communications@bmpc.org.

Today, December 30

7:45 a.m. Childcare, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 102
8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
9:00 a.m. Sanctuary Choir Call Time, Sanctuary Choir Loft
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary**
Holiday Worship Together for Children & Youth in Grades K - 12
11:00 a.m. Café in the Court, Ministries Center

Monday, December 31 - Tuesday, January 1

Church Campus Closed beginning at 5:00 p.m. on Monday:

For pastoral emergencies, call 610-525-2821.

Wednesday, January 2

- 10:30 a.m. Horizons Bible Study, Rosemont Presbyterian Village Ballroom
11:00 a.m. Rhett R. Austell, III Memorial Service, Chapel
7:00 p.m. Worldwide Ministries Committee Meeting, Fullerton Room

Thursday, January 3

- 9:15 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
10:00 a.m. Artists' Gathering, Gloucester Room
6:00 p.m. Refugee Support Committee, Gloucester Room
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir, Fine Arts Center
Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
8:15 p.m. Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Fine Arts Center

Friday, January 4

No scheduled activities.

Saturday, January 5

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Group, Converse House Parlor
10:00 a.m. Community Orchestra, Fine Arts Center

Sunday, January 6

- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
10:00 a.m. **Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary**
The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.
Sunday School for age 2 - Grade 3.
Worship Together Sunday for Children & Youth in Grades 4 - 12.

LOCAL MISSION PARTNERS

Arch Street Preschool – www.archstreetpreschool.org
Creating a space for Christian play with a diverse group of children ages 2-5 years.

Artwell – www.theArtWell.org
Bearing witness to the way arts can transform students in Philadelphia public schools.

Broad Street Ministry – www.broadstreetministry.org
Supporting radical hospitality to build communities.

Central Presbyterian Church of Norristown – www.centralpresweb.org
Serving the Latino Community through Bible studies.

Chester Eastside Ministries – www.chestereastside.org
After-school programs for the whole child, including the parents.

Habitat for Humanity – www.habitatphiladelphia.org
Critical repair program and new home construction.

Interfaith Center of Greater Philadelphia – www.interfaithcenterpa.org
Walking the Walk program for students in West Philadelphia.

Kirkwood-Brainerd Camp – www.kirkwoodcamp.org
Scholarships for children who could not otherwise afford camp.

The Christian Association – www.upennca.org
A campus ministry serving students who attend the University of Pennsylvania.

The Village – www.village1877.org
Support for emergency needs for community-based programs in Southwest Philadelphia.

The Welcome Church – www.thewelcomechurch.org
Programs for women experiencing homelessness in Philadelphia.

Turning Points (FAST) – www.turningpointsforchildren.org
Families and Schools Together, an early intervention/prevention program.

United Community Clinic – www.unitedcommunityclinic.com
Serving patients with no health insurance in the East Parkside Community.

Urban Tree Connection – www.urbantreeconnection.org
Support for urban gardens and community building in Philadelphia.

WePAC – www.wepac.org
Reopening and staffing public school libraries throughout Philadelphia.

West Kensington Ministry – www.westkensingtonministry.com
Providing a spiritual foundation for people in the midst of poverty and violence.

INTERNATIONAL AND NATIONAL MISSION PARTNERS

Beyond Borders – www.beyondborders.net A Child Protection Program for children in Haiti with a focus on stopping the practice of enslaving children and supporting child rights activists.

Casa Materna – www.casamaternaanasayre.com Providing a full time practical nurse to visit villages in impoverished areas of Alta Verapaz counties of Guatemala.

Chain Collaborative - www.thechaincollaborative.org Assisting small-scale coffee farmers in Southwestern Uganda with the challenges of economic development.

Emmanuel Hospital Association – www.eha-health.org A geriatric care cum hospice and respite home facility care for the Chinchpada Hospital in remote Maharashtra.

Faith In Practice – www.faithinpractice.org A referral program in Guatemala to bring patients from remote areas into surgical centers as efficiently and effectively as possible.

Forman Christian College – www.friendsofforman.org Scholarships for women from outside the Punjab Province for disadvantaged students to get a quality education in Pakistan.

Haiti Partners - <https://haitipartners.org/> Papermaking project - committed to teaching and nurturing entrepreneurship and sustainability through the Children's Academy.

Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary – www.smithseminary.org Trainings providing individuals and small groups opportunities to develop ministry skills in organizations.

Medical Benevolence – www.mbfoundation.org Regional Manager to serve the health care ministries for indigenous church partners throughout Africa.

Near East School of Theology – www.theonest.edu.lb To renovate current dormitory rooms following the Lebanese War - enhancing the local economy and building self-sufficiency.

Nurturing Minds – www.nurturingmindsinafrica.org Scholarships for SEGA Girls School graduates to continue their education and stay on track to create a life beyond poverty.

Presbyterian World Mission - www.presbyterianmission.org
Elmarie and Scott Parker serving in Lebanon Jed and Jenny Koball serving in Peru. Cathy Chang and Juan Lopez serving in Asia.

Rabbis for Human Rights – www.Rhr.org.il/eng Provide ordinary Israelis of all religions, ethnicities and socio-economic groups with a platform for open respectful dialogue.

RiseMalawi Ministries - <http://urbanpromiseinternational.org/our-ministries-malawi/malawirisemalawi> The Safe Water project includes the drilling of 65 wells. Urban Mosaic - www.urbanmosaic.net Construction of a community center that will offer trainings, classes, sports, library, daycare center, health center and faith groups.

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Worship Staff

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