



Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church

February 16, 2020
8:00 a.m., Chapel
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WELCOME TO BMPC

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Childcare (infant - age 5)

7:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Fullerton Room, Ministries Center

8:00 a.m. Worship, Chapel

Sunday Morning

Discussion Group

8:45 a.m., Congregational Hall

Art @ 9

Ages 3 - Grade 5

8:45 a.m., Conference Room

10:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

Sunday School

*See calendar at back of bulletin 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 coffee between 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. and join us for coffee and fellowship in the Gymnasium after the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

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

Franklyn C. Pottorff

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Happy are those who walk in the way of the Lord,

All: Who seek after God with their whole heart.

One: We are called to keep God's precepts and directions;

All: Our eyes are fixed on all God's commandments.

One: Sing praises with an upright heart.

All: Let us learn the ways of God together.

† HYMN 32

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

ELLACOMBE

CALL TO CONFESSION

AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Holy God, we confess that we bow down before other gods;
we have turned our hearts away from you.

We have worshiped you with our lips,
but have dishonored you with our actions.

We have prayed for you to end the suffering in our world,
yet we have not practiced compassion and generosity toward others.

Our religion has become the source of quarreling and division
rather than a testimony to your grace.

Our worship of these other gods disorders our love of you and each other.

Forgive us, gracious God;

mend what is broken, that we may be one with you.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God; cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God; cre -
ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION		Cathy Whiteside
FIRST LESSON	Deuteronomy 30:15-20 (p. 186 in pew Bible)	Cathy Whiteside
SECOND LESSON	1 Corinthians 3:1-9 (p. 167 in pew Bible)	Brian K. Ballard
	One: The Word of the Lord.	
	All: Thanks be to God.	
SERMON	The Truth of Fact, The Truth of Feeling	Brian K. Ballard
† HYMN 688	Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart	MORECAMBE

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Franklyn C. Pottorff

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

Brian K. Ballard

† **HYMN** 321

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

† **SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

POSTLUDE

Worship Notes

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Stephen Paul McConnell, DDS

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Elder Cathy Whiteside

USHERING

Deacon Brian Kerr

BULLETIN COVER

Sanctuary photograph by Dave Tavani

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"I am the resurrection and the life."

Alice L. Hansen ~ February 10, 2020

Announcements

LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME? Consider learning more about being in community here by attending our “Discover BMPC” orientation classes on Mondays, March 2 and March 16, at 7:00 p.m. in the Ministries Center. These two classes provide an opportunity to become acquainted, ask questions, and learn more about our church, our Presbyterian heritage, and our mission. Inquirers welcome, and childcare available with advance notice. Register online: www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. FranklynPottorff@bmpc.org.

ADULT LEADERS NEEDED FOR TUESDAY NIGHT TUTORING PROGRAM. Tuesdays through April, 6:45-8:00 p.m., Ministries Center. TutoringTuesday@gmail.com.

Today

THE BASICS OF THE ISLAMIC FAITH. 11:15 a.m., Chapel. Asheq Fazlullah, Islamic Chaplain at Villanova University and leader of interfaith initiatives in the Philadelphia area, introduces us to the basics of Islam as we seek to better understand our neighbors and connections among the world's religions.

THE REV DR. AGNES W. NORFLEET is serving as guest preacher at Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church in the City of New York today.

This Week

URBAN SUBURBAN BOOK GROUP. Tues., Feb. 18, noon, Converse House Parlor. Discussion of *Another Brooklyn* by Jacqueline Woodson. joannehanna3@comcast.net.

DIMENSIONS IN LITERATURE. Tues., Feb. 18, 2:00 p.m., Converse House Parlor. Discussion of *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles, the story of a Russian aristocrat living under house arrest in a luxury hotel for more than 30 years. EricThorJohnson@gmail.com.

CASSEROLE BLITZ. Sat., Feb. 22, 8:30-10:30 a.m., Ministries Center Kitchen. Family-friendly event preparing casseroles for area food shelters (children must be at least four years old). RSVP: [Sandie Nicholson, sandiekev@verizon.net](mailto:SandieNicholson@sandiekev@verizon.net).

Next Sunday

DIGGING DEEPER. Sundays, Feb. 23, March 1-29, 8:45 a.m., Main Line Adult Day Center Living Room. Eugene H. Peterson's book, *Eat This Book: A Conversation on the Art of Spiritual Reading*, will guide our conversations this winter as we consider that our approach to reading the Bible is just as important as what we encounter within it. The Rev. Franklyn Pottorff leads this class, and the book is available directly from him. [Barbie Heaton, barbhheaton@gmail.com](mailto:BarbieHeaton@barbhheaton@gmail.com).

CARILLON TOUR. Sun., Feb. 23, 11:00 a.m., Choir Loft. Come see the instrument that welcomes you to worship and leads you out. Meet in the Choir Loft following the postlude to climb the tower stairs and see the bells.

THE PASTORAL CARE OF JOHN CALVIN. Sun., Feb. 23, 11:15 a.m., Chapel. Before he was a theologian or reformer, John Calvin was first and foremost a pastor. The Rev. Brian Ballard explores some of Calvin's letters and sermons to observe Calvin as a pastoral caregiver to those whom God entrusted to him.

GATHERING OF EDUCATION PROFESSIONALS. Sun., Feb. 23, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Our Mission Council invites education professionals, including those who are retired or currently not working in education, for a brainstorming session on how BMPC might engage in education-based mission and outreach within the community in our newly-renovated spaces. A light lunch will be served. RSVP to CarolSchmidt@bmpc.org if you are attending.

YOUTH SABBATH. Sun., Feb. 23, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Loft. Come join us for an evening of fellowship over dinner, followed by a discussion led by Youth Music Director Timothy Wotring about resting in God in the midst of our busy lives.

Season of Lent

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

5:30 p.m. Family Service in the Chapel with Imposition of Ashes.
The Rev. Rachel Pedersen preaching.

5:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner served in Congregational Hall.
Cost: \$8/adults, \$5/students and children. All welcome.

7:30 p.m. Service in the Chapel with Imposition of Ashes.
The Rev. Franklyn C. Pottorff preaching.

LABYRINTH. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, the small Story Path labyrinth is available for walking and quiet reflection in the Chapel weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

LENTEN EVENING PRAYERS. Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 1. Gather in the Chapel at 7:00 p.m. for a simple service of music, prayer, scripture and silence led by the pastors.

LENTEN CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA CONCERT. Sun., March 8, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary. The BMPC Sanctuary Choir, Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, soloists, and The Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia will present works of Francis Poulenc, Maurice Duruflé, Arthur Honegger, and Lili Boulanger. Fifty percent of the free-will offering collected supports 12Plus, an organization that empowers students in underserved communities to succeed in education beyond 12th grade.

Upcoming

SHABBAT WITH YOUSEF BASHIR. Fri., Feb. 28, 8:00 p.m., Main Line Reform Temple, Wynnewood. Main Line Reform presents Shabbat with Yousef Bashir, author of *The Words of My Father: Love and Pain in Palestine*. After being shot by an Israeli soldier, Bashir, a Palestinian-American from the Gaza Strip, was saved by Israeli doctors. Learn about the ongoing Middle East conflict from this highly-respected author and advocate of Israeli-Palestinian peace.

CAMPUS RENOVATION PRESENTATION. Sun., March 1, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Join members of the Capital Campaign Continuation Committee, Renovation Committee and Voith & Mactavish Architects for a presentation outlining the progress of the Education Building renovations and upcoming plans for the renovation of the Ministries Center.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH LOCK-IN (GRADES 6-8). Fri., March 6, 5:00 p.m. - Sat., March 7, 9:00 a.m., Gymnasium. Cost: \$25, with scholarships available. Join other middle schoolers and adult leaders for an overnight event with games, fellowship and overall ridiculous shenanigans! Register: MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

THE REV. DEANNA HOLLAS, GUN VIOLENCE MINISTRY COORDINATOR. Sun., March 8, 11:15 a.m., Chapel. Rev. Hollas is the first pastor in the United States to be ordained specifically for the work of gun violence prevention. She shares the work that Presbyterians are doing around the country concerning this issue and helps us consider the work our congregation may be called to do in the future to prevent gun violence.

GETTING YOUR AFFAIRS IN ORDER. Sat., March 14, 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Congregational Hall. Join a panel of professionals to discuss end-of-life decision making. Notary and other resources are available. It is not too early to begin this process, and all are welcome to attend this free event. Reservations requested. KikiMcKendrick@bmpc.org.

Save the Date

BMPC GOES TO BROADWAY: “TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD.” *Low ticket alert!* Wed., May 13, 8:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Join us for a matinee performance of Harper Lee’s Pulitzer Prize-winning play, “To Kill a Mockingbird,” in a new adaptation by Aaron Sorkin. Bus leaves parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and returns at approximately 6:30 p.m. \$100 includes ticket, snacks, driver tip; lunch on your own in NYC. Register online: www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations or mail a check payable to BMPC, attn: Amy Bauer.

Summer Programming

KIRKWOOD PLUNGE. June 12-14. This summer we are offering for the first time ever a Kirkwood Plunge event where rising fifth to rising seventh graders, along with their parents, can experience a weekend of worship, play and service at Camp Kirkwood! Pricing: \$150 per participant; \$250 maximum per family. Scholarships available. Register online: www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

YOUTH IMMERSION TRIP TO MEXICO CITY, MEXICO. July 12-18. Open to ninth to 12th graders. This immersion trip is a weeklong experience of engaging in the life of another, that one may be transformed to better understand and love self, creation (including humans), and God. Tiered pricing: \$999; \$1,250; \$1,500 with scholarships available. Registration deadline: April 6. Sign up online: www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

CAMP KIRKWOOD. Aug. 2-8. Rising sixth to rising 12th graders. Our annual weeklong summer camp is a sleep-away experience in the Poconos! Camp provides an opportunity for youth at all levels of church involvement to build lifelong relationships, experience the joy of the outdoors, and ask bold questions about life and faith in a safe and supportive environment. Tiered pricing: \$350; \$400; \$550 with scholarships available. Register online: www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations. MaryRichards@bmpc.org.

Caring & Sharing

DONATE TO HUNGER COMMITTEE. Financial donations are used to purchase food for our monthly casserole blitzes and to fund area food shelters. Use the white Hunger envelopes in the pew holders or note “Hunger” on the memo line of your check.

UPCOMING SERVICE DAY. Sat., March 28, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Habitat at Oxford Green in Philadelphia. Register online: www.bmpc.org > Calendar > Open Registrations.

This Week's Calendar

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

Today, February 16

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare, Fullerton Room
- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
- 8:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Discussion Group, Congregational Hall
Art @ 9, Conference Room
- 10:00 a.m. **Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary**
Sunday School for age 2, Gloucester Room
Sunday School for age 3, Witherspoon Parlor
Sunday School for Pre-K, Middleton Center, Rm. 200
Grades K - 5 Begin Worship in the Sanctuary
Youth Gathering (Grades 6-12), Gymnasium
- 10:15 a.m. Sunday School for Grade K, Middleton Center, Rm. 202
Sunday School for Grades 1 & 2, Congregational Hall
Sunday School for Grade 3, Middleton Center, Rm. 301
Sunday School for Grades 4-5, Converse House Parlor
- 10:30 a.m. Grades 6 & 7 Connection Group, Main Line Adult Day Center
Grade 8 Confirmation, Loft
Grades 9 & 10 Connection Group, Gymnasium Stage
Grades 11 & 12 Connection Group, Ministries Center
- 11:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship, Gymnasium
- 11:15 a.m. The Basics of Islam, Chapel
- 11:30 a.m. Tintinnabulators, Fine Arts Center
- 2:00 p.m. Officer Training, Converse House Parlor

Monday, February 17

No scheduled activities.

Tuesday, February 18

- 9:00 a.m. Repose Yoga, Gymnasium
- 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Gymnasium
- 12:00 p.m. Urban Suburban Book Group, Converse House Parlor
- 1:00 p.m. Dance for Parkinson's Disease, Gymnasium
- 2:00 p.m. Dimensions in Literature, Converse House Parlor
- 6:45 p.m. Tutoring, Congregational Hall

Wednesday, February 19

- 8:00 a.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting, Converse House Parlor
- 10:00 a.m. Women's Coffee Cup Bible Study, Congregational Hall
- 4:45 p.m. Wednesdays Together (Grades K-5), Fine Arts Center
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall
- 5:45 p.m. Youth Chorale (Grades 6-12), Fine Arts Center
- 7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Loft
Child & Youth Protection Training, Converse House Parlor
Trustee Meeting, Fine Arts Center

Thursday, February 20

- 9:15 a.m. Senior Exercise Class, Gymnasium
- 9:30 a.m. Singing for Life, Fine Arts Center
- 10:00 a.m. Book Study - *Learning to Walk in the Dark*, Converse House Parlor
Artists' Gathering, Fine Arts Center
- 1:00 p.m. **Alice L. Hansen Memorial Service, Chapel**
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 19, Gymnasium
Hunger Committee Meeting, Congregational Hall
Sanctuary Choir and Bryn Mawr Chamber Singers, Fine Arts Center

Friday, February 21

- 4:00 p.m. Children's Spanish Class, Gloucester Room and Witherspoon Parlor

Saturday, February 22

- 7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Mens' Group, Converse House Parlor
- 8:30 a.m. Casserole Blitz, Congregational Hall
- 10:00 a.m. Searching for Still Waters Bereavement Group, Middleton Center, Rm. 202

Sunday, February 23

- 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 12.

Renovations Update

Daytime Traffic Patterns: Each weekday from 7:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., the driveway between the Chapel and the Sanctuary will be *one way*, with cars exiting onto Montgomery Avenue. This adjustment allows for the safe movement of children from the Weekday School during drop-off and pick-up. Please use the driveway between the Ministries Center and the Sanctuary to enter the campus from Montgomery Avenue during these weekday hours.

For more renovation updates, please visit us at:
www.bmpc.org/welcome/renovation-updates

This box will be updated regularly to keep you informed about how the renovation process is impacting our ministries and programs.



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