

Second Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 27, 2025 8:00 a.m., Chapel



Gathering of God's People

PRELUDE

WELCOME Rebecca Kirkpatrick

Please stand, if able.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One There are varieties of gifts,

All but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

One There are different ways of serving God,

All but it is the same Lord who is served.

One To each is given a gift of the Spirit

All to be used for the common good.

HYMN 233 The Day of Resurrection!

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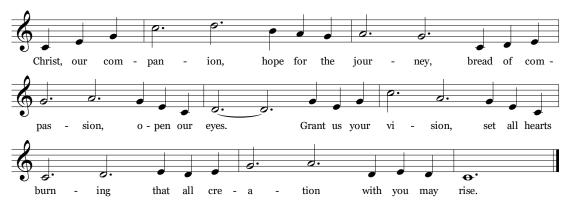
CALL TO CONFESSION & PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the dead and appeared to your disciples, filling our hearts with hope. You show us the way to share the good news of the gospel in word and deed, and yet we have strayed in our following. We have depended upon the ways of the world to lead and guide us. Forgive us when we fail to stay near to you. Embolden us to live and serve with you, through Jesus Christ.

A moment of silence for personal reflection and confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SUNG RESPONSE BUNESSAN



Hearing of the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Susan Daley Gibson

FIRST LESSON Psalm 118:15-17

(pg. 565 in pew Bible)

SECOND LESSON John 20:19-31

Agnes W. Norfleet

(pg. 115 in pew Bible)

One

The Word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

SERMON On Second Thought

Agnes W. Norfleet

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

One The Lord be with you.

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

Please stand, if able.

DUNLAP'S CREEK

SENDING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

Agnes W. Norfleet

One The peace of Christ be with you.

All And also with you.

POSTLUDE

"I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE."

Carolyn C. Hall - April 11, 2025 Jo Ann (Jody) Shotwell - April 12, 2025 Patricia Cosgrave - April 22, 2025

Worship Notes

ASSISTING WITH COMMUNION

Susan Daley Gibson, Elder

USHER

Skip Dittmann

BULLETIN COVER

Easter Flowers. Photograph by Dave Tavani.

WELCOME TO BRYN MAWR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome to Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church in this joyful season of Eastertide! As we celebrate the good news of Christ's resurrection, we are reminded that hope, renewal, and new life are at the heart of our faith. Whether you're a longtime member or a first-time visitor, we're glad you're here. Through worship, fellowship, and service, we seek to live as resurrection people—grounded in love, growing in faith, and reaching out to the world. May this season draw us closer to God and to one another as we rejoice in the promise of Easter.

The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet

Senior Pastor

NEW HERE?

We are pleased 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. Our programs, ministries, and opportunities for mission are open to everyone. Learn more at bmpc.org.

CHILDCARE ON SUNDAY

Childcare is available on Sundays from 7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for children ages six months and older. Please contact the Rev. Rachel Pedersen, <u>RachelPedersen@bmpc.org</u> or Childcare Coordinator Erika Henry, <u>childcare@bmpc.org</u> with any questions.

LIVESTREAMED CHURCH SERVICES

Our Sunday 10:00 a.m. service is

livestreamed and can be viewed at www.bmpc.org/livestream or on our YouTube channel. A recording of the service will also be available on our Worship Services website page and Vimeo channel starting Monday. If you are attending in person and prefer not to be on camera, please speak with an usher who will seat you in an area off camera.

T-COIL HEARING LOOP AVAILABLE

BMPC's Sanctuary is equipped with a T-Coil hearing loop system to enhance sound clarity for those with hearing aids or cochlear implants with a telecoil ("T" setting). Portable receiver units are also available upon request. We hope this technology enriches your worship experience!

Announcements

TODAY

All Church Read: How the Word is Passed.

Sun., Apr. 27, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. In *How the Word Is Passed*, Clint Smith examines the legacy of slavery in America through a journey across landmarks and monuments. Blending history, personal narrative, and interviews, Smith reveals how different places confront or obscure the truths of slavery's impact. The entire congregation is encouraged to purchase a copy of How the Word Is Passed and gather together on April 27 for a conversation about Smith's reflections on the power of place when it comes to issues of race and transformation. Purchase the book for \$10 at bit.ly/BMPCBookpickup Contact, JenniferMcArthur@bmpc.org

Looking For A Church Home? Sun., Apr. 27, 11:15 a.m. or Mon., Apr. 28, 6:30 p.m., Fullerton Room. Join Agnes Norfleet for a Discover BMPC Spring orientation class. Learn about the Presbyterian tradition, our church's mission and ministries, and take a guided tour of our beautiful campus. All inquirers are welcome! Visit bit. ly/DiscoverBMPC to register. Contact, LizEllis@bmpc.org

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Leisure Potluck. Fri., May 2, 6:00 p.m., Home of Janet Haas, Radnor. Join us for a Holy Leisure Potluck and discussion. The Rev. Dr. Karen Rohrer will lead the topic: Toward Ministry: What Makes Life in Community Plausible in 2025? Karen is the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at Princeton Theological Seminary, and spouse of Andy Greenhow, our Interim Associate Pastor for Youth and Their Families. RSVP online with a shared food item at bit.ly/HolyLeisureMay2025 Contact, bmpc.holy.leisure@gmail.com

Hymn Festival. Sun., May 4, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary. Join the BMPC Sanctuary Choir for a special Hymn Festival during the 10:00 a.m. worship service, celebrating the core principles from BMPC's 150th Anniversary Vision Report: Loving God in the Gathered Community, Welcoming God in Friend and Stranger, and Partnering with God and Neighbor in Service. Through music and hymns, we will reflect on these guiding values as we continue our mission together.

Y Group Reunion Brunch. Sun., May 4, 11:15 a.m., Congregational Hall. Whether you attended Y Group recently or long ago,

or thought of participating but never got there, please join us for a reunion! Quiche will be provided, but bring a dish to share if you're able. It's a great opportunity to connect with women of all generations. Childcare will be provided for children and grandchildren! RSVP to Sheila Rohrer at srohrer60@gmail.com

Piano Recital & Gallery Opening. Sun., May 4, 2:00 p.m., Gallery. In her new exhibition *COLOR! Where Music & Art Meet*, Barbara Lister-Sink combines her love of art and music in a piano performance that corresponds with an exhibition of her works. This exhibit and recital are a celebration of color—in the glorious rich, velvety, pastel, shimmering, or iridescent colors of both the piano and the paintings.

Outdoor Labyrinth Walk. Tues., May 6, 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., Education Lawn. You are invited to walk the rope labyrinth outside for the final monthly walk of the program year. Contact, <u>KikiMcKendrick@</u> <u>bmpc.org</u>

Spiritual Practice Listening Circle. Tues., May 13, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Please come and explore how spiritual practices and spiritual formation can be nurtured at BMPC. We will listen to what has been successful and what we would like to add to enhance our faith journey. All are welcome. If you can-

not attend, please email <u>kikimckendrick@</u> <u>bmpc.org</u> for questions and prompts to contribute to the discussion.

Handbell Ensemble Interest Meeting.

Thurs., May 15, 6:00 p.m., Fine Arts Kitchen. Calling all ringers! The BMPC Handbell Choir is making a joyful comeback, and we'd love for you to be part of it. Whether you're an experienced ringer or simply curious, come hear the vision, learn about rehearsal plans, and discover how you can join us in making beautiful music together. No handbell experience is necessary, just a willing spirit! (Music reading is a plus.) RSVP to ToriFisher@ bmpc.org

Hersheypark Youth Trip. Sun., June 1, 9:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Current 5th-12th Graders are invited to our Annual Hersheypark Trip! Registration Cost: \$40 (includes admission to the park and one meal.) Scholarships are available. Register at bit.ly/Hersheypark2025 Registration deadline is Fri., May 23, but limited spots will fill up fast.

Thank You to the Soup Ministers! The Soup freezer has been well stocked this winter and spring thanks to members who have made delicious soups and donated some to the church for distributing to those who need some comfort and care from the congregation. The expressions

of gratitude for these gifts are numerous. In the early fall we will restock containers and labels and put out another request for soup donations. Many thanks and blessings!

UPCOMING

Playing Through Movie Night. Wed. April 30, 7:00 p.m., Fullerton. Playing Through is a powerful historical drama that tells the story of Ann Gregory, the first Black woman to compete in a national USGA golf championship, as she challenges racism and breaks barriers in the world of sports. This 2022 film was produced by our own BMPC member. Peter Odiorne.

Our Fragile Moment: Lunch and Learn.

Sun., May 4, 11:30 a.m. Witherspoon Parlor. Join members of the Environmental Justice Committee for a discussion of *Our Fragile Moment*, the book by Community Forum speaker Michael Mann. Purchase a copy of the book from the church for \$10 at bit.ly/BMPCBookpickup and join fellow church members on May 4 to discuss the political barriers to addressing climate change. A light lunch will be provided.

James A. Michener & Mercer Museums Visit. Thurs., May 8, 9:15 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Join us for a day trip to Doylestown to explore two remarkable museums - The James A. Michener Museum and the Mercer Museum. Tickets: \$18/seniors. \$20/adults

(Michener); \$17/seniors, \$20/adults (Mercer). Meet at BMPC's back sanctuary parking lot at 9:15 a.m. for bus transportation. Bring a brown bag lunch for a picnic between visits. To reserve a spot, contact Pam Haynes Walsh at haynes-walsh@comcast.net

CARING AND SHARING

Texting Scam Alert. A texting scam has resurfaced and is currently targeting members of the BMPC community. Posing as Pastor Agnes Norfleet, the scammer asks for financial help, typically in the form of purchasing gift cards. Please be assured that no member of the BMPC staff will ever contact you with an urgent financial request, and they will never ask you to buy gift cards. If you receive such a message: Do not respond. Block the sender's number. When in doubt, always check with us before replying to any suspicious communication. Contact the church office directly if you have any questions or concerns.

Sanctuary Flower Donations. Openings are available in May and June for donors who wish to give flowers in memory of or in honor of loved ones. After Sunday services, our Deacons deliver small arrangements of the flowers to homebound church members. Contact SusanThorkelson@mac.com

Calendar

SUNDAY, APRIL 27

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, Room 102, Ed. Bldg.

8:45 a.m. Filling the Well, Children's Library, Ed. Bldg.

9:00 a.m. Rhythm and Light Exhibit, Gallery

9:55 a.m. Sunday School Ages 2s, 3s, and Pre-K, Ed. Bldg.

10:00 a.m. Youth Gathering Grades 6-12, Gymnasium

10:00 a.m. Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary and Livestreamed

10:15 a.m. Sunday School K-5th Grade, Ed. Bldg.

11:00 a.m. Atrium Cafe, Atrium

11:00 a.m. Family Fellowship, Ed. Bldg. Hall

11:15 a.m. All Church Read: *How the Word is Passed*, Congregational Hall

11:15 a.m. Discover BMPC (New Member Class), Fullerton Room

2:00 p.m. Hunger Committee Liaison Gathering, Congregational Hall

MONDAY, APRIL 28

6:30 p.m. Discover BMPC (New Member Class), Fullerton Room

7:00 p.m. Anti-Racism Committee Meeting, Cannon Room

7:30 p.m. FIT4MOM, Ed. Bldg. Back Porch

TUESDAY, APRIL 29

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 Class, Gymnasium

6:45 p.m. BMPC Tutoring Program, Ed. Bldg. Hall

Calendar

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30

9:30 a.m. Yoga206 Bone Boost, Gymnasium

10:00 a.m. Coffee Cup Bible Study, Cannon Room

4:30 p.m. Wednesday Connection Group, Converse House Parlor

5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner, Congregational Hall

7:00 p.m. *Playing Through* Movie Night, Fullerton Room

7:00 p.m. Student Serve, Gymnasium Youth Lounge

THURSDAY, MAY 1

10:00 a.m. Horizons Bible Study, The Mansion at Rosemont

6:00 p.m. Refugee Support Committee Meeting, Cannon Room

7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Rehearsal Room

FRIDAY, MAY 2

10:00 a.m. Senior Adult Council Meeting, virtual

SATURDAY, MAY 3

7:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Men's Connection Group, Converse House Parlor

SUNDAY, MAY 4

8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion, Chapel

10:00 a.m. Worship with Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary and Livestreamed

The Rev. Dr. Agnes W. Norfleet will preach.

Giving

Your generosity can make a profound difference at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church. Join us in spreading love and hope by giving at bit.ly/BMPCGiveOnline or simply scan the QR code to the right. Every donation, no matter the size, fuels our mission to create a more faithful, just, and compassionate community. Together, let's make a lasting impact!





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