



Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 10, 2025

10:00 a.m., Sanctuary



Gathering of God's People

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

We invite you to prepare for worship in quiet reflection.

PRELUDE Master Tallis's Testament

Herbert Howells

WELCOME

Kirby Lawrence Hill

Please stand, if able.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One God is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding
in steadfast love and faithfulness.

All **We have gathered to hear the story of God and God's people.**

One It is a story of God's mercy and steadfast love.

All **It is our story, for we are God's people.**

One Inspire us, O God, to faithfulness, to mercy, to steadfast love.

All **Let us become people who reflect your image.**

HYMN 761 Called as Partners in Christ's Service

BEECHER

CALL TO CONFESSION & PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All **God of grace, we confess that we have failed to follow you. We
rejoice in our own abundance and ignore the needs of our
neighbors. We cite the letter of the law and forget the way of
your Spirit. We boast about our strengths and try to hide our
weaknesses. Forgive us, O Lord. Set us free from our sin and lead
us to your salvation. Transform us by your grace, that we may
live to share your love. Open our hearts to one another as you
have opened your heart to us.**

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

IN BABILONE



Proclamation of the Word

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

Following the Children's Moment, children K - grade 3 depart for their Sunday School classes.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Kirby Lawrence Hill

FIRST LESSON Psalm 13

(pg. 494 in pew Bible)

SECOND LESSON Luke 12:32-40

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

(pg. 75 in pew Bible)

One The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *What are We Waiting For?*

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

Response to the Word

Please stand, if able.

HYMN 357 The Days Are Surely Coming

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Kirby Lawrence Hill

All 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

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

All 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 From the Rising of the Sun Gore Ouseley, arr. Crawford Thoburn
From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same, my name shall be
great among the Gentiles, and in every place, incense shall be offered up unto
my name: thus saith the Lord.

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

Please stand, if able.

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 Kirby Lawrence Hill

HYMN 462 I Love to Tell the Story HANKEY

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE Rebecca Kirkpatrick

POSTLUDE Fanfare John Cook

Worship & Music Notes

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Nancy Lawrence Hill

BULLETIN COVER

BMPC Sanctuary. Photo by Dave Tavani.

WELCOME TO BRYN MAWR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome to Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church during this season of Pentecost—a time of growth, learning, and deepening discipleship. Just as the Spirit empowered the early church, we trust that same Spirit is moving among us now, calling us to live out our faith with courage and compassion.

Whether you've been part of this community for years or are worshiping with us for the first time, we're grateful for your presence. Through worship, fellowship, and service, may we be renewed and inspired to follow Christ more faithfully. Inside this bulletin, you'll find opportunities to grow in faith and engage more fully in the life of the church.



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.

T-COIL HEARING LOOP AVAILABLE

BMPC's Sanctuary and Congregational Hall are 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 in the Sanctuary upon request. We hope this technology enriches your worship experience!

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, RachelPedersen@bmpc.org or Childcare Coordinator Erika Henry, childcare@bmpc.org 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.

Announcements

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sanctuary Communion Table. Our beloved Communion Table is currently being restored and refinished off-site over the next several weeks. We give thanks for our Facilities Team and Property Committee for the ways that they help us care for our sacred spaces.

Hunger Doesn't Take a Break in the Summer! While donations to the BMPC Hunger Fund drop off in the summer months, the needs remain steady for our partners throughout the year. A larger donation of \$200 to the Hunger Fund this summer can support one family for a month at a local pantry. Make a one-time donation or set up a recurring gift to the Hunger Fund online: onrealm.org/bmpc/give/hunger

Help Lead Our Mission Efforts. BMPC has eight different committees that lead the church in its mission work, both locally and in partnership with global organizations worldwide. If you are interested in joining a mission committee or exploring other hands-on ways to get involved in mission at BMPC, please contact LizEllis@bmpc.org, our Director of Engagement.

Looking for a Church Home? Sun., Oct. 5, 11:15 a.m., Witherspoon Parlor. Join Rebecca Kirkpatrick and Liz Ellis for our "Discover BMPC" new member class, which will give you an opportunity to become acquainted, ask questions, and learn more about our church, Presbyterian heritage, and mission. Inquirers welcome. Visit bit.ly/DiscoverBMPC to register. Questions? Contact LizEllis@bmpc.org

UPCOMING & ONGOING

Summer Choir. Sundays, 9:00 a.m., Sanctuary. All singers ages 12+ are invited to join our informal Summer Choir! Come any Sunday at 9:00 a.m. for a short rehearsal, then sing in the 10:00 a.m. service. We sing one anthem, hymns, and a closing response - no robes, no sign-up, no long-term commitment. Come lend your voice and help lead worship!

Join the Sanctuary Choir. Sun., Aug. 10, 17, 24, 11:00 a.m., Choir Loft. The Sanctuary Choir invites new members to sing during the upcoming 2025-2026 season. If you are interested in joining, please go to the choir loft following the postlude to learn about this opportunity and audition. Contact ToriFisher@bmpc.org

Playground Playdates. Tues., Aug. 12, 11:00 a.m., Ed. Bldg. Playground. Families with children of kindergarten age and younger are invited to join us for our last Playground Playdate of the summer. Come connect with other families while the kids enjoy free play—and popsicles! No registration is needed. Contact MaryRichards@bmpc.org

Church Officer Nominations. Please submit your recommendations to the 2025 Nominating Committee by Sun., Sept. 21, for Elders, Deacons, Trustees, and Nominating Committee Members-at-Large via the nominating form: bit.ly/BMPCNominations Paper copies of the form are available in the Narthex and at the Reception Desk in the Ministries Center. Candidates must be members for at least two years, faithfully participate in the worship and program life of the church, and regularly contribute to the church.

Adult Education at BMPC. Would you like to help shape and expand the work that our church does in Adult Education? The Adult Ed Committee is inviting new members to join them in leadership of all of our offerings to help expand the knowledge, understanding, and faith of adults in our community. If you are interested, please contact RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org to learn more about this opportunity.

BMPC Prayer Partners 2025-2026. We are so grateful to our Prayer Partners from this past year! Would you like to continue being a Prayer Partner or start being a Prayer Partner? Please sign up here so we can plan for our 2025-2026 prayer partner team: bit.ly/PrayerPartnerSignUp2025 For more information, contact MaryRichards@bmpc.org

CARING AND SHARING

BMPC Tutoring Adult Volunteers Needed. Volunteers are needed to support our longstanding peer tutoring program held on Tuesday nights here at BMPC. Local high school students provide literacy support to students from the William Dick Elementary School in Philly. Volunteer opportunities include classroom support, rotating meal preparation, and other behind-the-scenes assistance for the program. Contact RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org

Sanctuary Flower Donations. Openings are available in August 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, AUGUST 10

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare (infant - age 5), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101
- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
- 9:00 a.m. COLOR! Where Music and Art Meet Exhibit, Gallery
- 10:00 a.m. Summer Sunday School 3s and 4s, Ed. Bldg., Rm. 206
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Together Sunday (Rising Grades 4-12), Sanctuary
- 10:00 a.m. **Worship with Summer Choir, Sanctuary & Livestreamed**
- 10:15 a.m. Summer Sunday School (Rising K-3rd Grade), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 202
- 11:15 a.m. Atrium Cafe, Atrium

MONDAY, AUGUST 11

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12

- 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi (hybrid), Gymnasium
- 11:00 a.m. Playground Playdate, Ed. Bldg. Playground

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13

No events scheduled.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14

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

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15

No events scheduled.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
- 10:00 a.m. **Worship with Summer Choir, Sanctuary and Livestreamed**
- The Rev. Rachel Pedersen will preach.

Hunger Committee Partners

With a priority for supporting local feeding programs and food pantries, BMPC connects with partners around Greater Philadelphia. Key to this ministry are the monthly casserole blitzes, which are a great family-friendly opportunity for hands-on service.

Supporting these partners is possible because of your generous contributions to the BMPC Hunger Fund. Gifts may be made using the while Hunger Envelopes found in the pew rack or by giving online: onrealm.org/bmpc/give/hunger

*Ardmore Food Pantry - www.stmarysardmore.org/ardmore-food-pantry

Bethel Presbyterian Church Pantry

*Bethesda Project - www.bethesdaproject.org

Boxed Lunch & Book of Ardmore

*Broad Street Love - www.broadstreetlove.org

Chester Eastside, Inc. - www.ceichester.org

Community Interfaith of Central Montgomery County - www.uccchristchurch.org/html/interfaith.html

Eldernet - www.eldernetonline.org

First Presbyterian Church in Glenolden - www.1stpresbyterianchurch.org

Lombard Central Presbyterian Church Pantry - www.lombardcentral.org

Neighborhood Land Power Project - www.neighborhoodland.org

New Horizons Senior Center - www.newhorizonsseniorcenter.org

New River Presbyterian Church Pantry - www.newriverpc.org

Philly House - www.phillyhouse.org

The Common Place - www.thecommonplacephilly.org

T.M. Thomas Presbyterian Church Pantry - www.tmtchurch.net

*University City Hospitality Coalition - www.uchcphiladelphia.org

Upper Merion Area Community Cupboard - www.umacc.org

*West Kensington Ministry Pantry - www.westkensingtonministry.com

West Philadelphia Seventh Day Adventist Church Pantry - www.westphillysda.org

To learn more about partners with no websites,
email JenniferMcArthur@bmpc.org for contact information.

*Casserole recipients

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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