



Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 13, 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 Three Settings: Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word J. S. Bach, Sigfrid Karg-Elert

WELCOME Kirby Lawrence Hill

Please stand, if able.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One Make us to know your ways, O Lord; teach us your paths.

All **Lead us in your truth and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation.**

One Be mindful of your mercy and steadfast love, O Lord, for they have been from of old.

All **Do not remember our sins; remember us according to your steadfast love.**

One Good and upright is the Lord; God instructs sinners in the way.

All **God leads the humble in what is right and teaches the humble the way.**

HYMN 41 O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

LYONS

CALL TO CONFESSION & PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All **Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of 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

IN BABILONE



Proclamation of the Word

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rachel Pedersen

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

All We do.

HYMN 188 verse 1 Jesus Loves Me!

JESUS LOVES ME

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong.
They are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes,
Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Kirby Lawrence Hill

FIRST LESSON Luke 10:25-37

(pg. 71 in pew Bible)

SECOND LESSON Deuteronomy 30:8-14

Andy Greenhow

(pg. 185 in pew Bible)

One The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *Very Near to You*

Andy Greenhow

Please stand, if able.

Response to the Word

HYMN 688 Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

MORECAMBE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

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 My Spirit Longs for Thee

Philip Godfrey

My Spirit longs for thee, within my troubled breast; though I unworthy be of so divine a guest. Of so divine a guest, unworthy though I be, yet has my heart no rest unless it come from thee. Unless it come from thee, in vain I look around; in all that I can see, no rest is to be found. No rest is to be found but in thy blessed love. O let my wish be crowned and send it from above.

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

Rebecca Kirkpatrick

HYMN 12 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

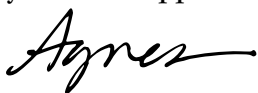
Andy Greenhow

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

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.

Worship & Music Notes

PLAYING THE CARILLON

Brian Middleton

BULLETIN COVER

BMPC Sanctuary. Photo by Dave Tavani.

RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Wyatt James Ali, Son of Lauren Henderson & Nathan Ali

GUEST MUSICIANS

Wesley Parrott, Organist

Susan Ricci Rogel, Summer Choir Director

Announcements

TODAY

Congregational Meeting. Sun., Jul. 13, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary. The Session has called for a meeting of the Congregation to receive a report from the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee for Congregational Care, immediately following worship.

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 \$550 to the Hunger Fund this summer can provide chicken for 64 casseroles at one BMPC casserole blitz.

Make a one-time donation or set up a recurring gift to the Hunger Fund online: onrealm.org/bmpc/give/hunger

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!

Summer Adult Ed Opportunity. Sun., Jul. 6-27, 8:45 a.m., Gloucester Room. Join together this summer to read and reflect on the writings of Eberhard Arnold,

German theologian and contemporary of Bonhoeffer and Barth. In the book *The Prayer God Answers*, he explores the meaning and power of prayer, examining its capacity to transform us and the world. Arnold is also known as the founder of the intentional Christian community called the Bruderhof. This class will be led by Joshua Yoder. To join the class and reserve a book, bit.ly/BMPCBookpickup or contact JenniferMcArthur@bmpc.org

Deacons' Annual Summer Blood Drive.

Mon., Jul. 14, 2:00-7:00 p.m., Congregational Hall. Volunteers are needed to donate blood. Register at bit.ly/4k98Ck1 Contact TiaraHarris@bmpc.org

Playground Playdates. Tues., Jul. 15, 11:00 a.m., Ed. Bldg. Playground. Families with children of kindergarten age and younger are invited to join us for Playground Playdates every other Tuesday throughout the summer. Come connect with other families while the kids enjoy free play—and popsicles! Upcoming dates include Tues., Jul. 29 at 1:00 p.m. Stay tuned for August dates and times! No registration is needed. Contact MaryRichards@bmpc.org

Join the BMPC Children's Choirs! We're building a joyful, faith-filled music community for kids of all ages - from our youngest singers in Pre-K through 1st grade to our Choristers program for 2nd-5th graders, with opportunities for middle

and high school youth too!

Junior Choristers (Pre-K to 1st grade) will be led by Devon Bakum, a VBC favorite, with fun, age-appropriate music and movement - no experience needed, just a love of singing! Choristers (2nd-5th grade) will rehearse weekly starting in September with James Kealey, BMPC's Co-Director of Music. He'll also lead music programs for grades 6-12. Let us know you're interested: bit.ly/BMPCmusicsurvey

CARING AND SHARING

Gemma Backpack & School Supply Collection. Drop off by Sun., Aug. 3 in the Narthex. Help children served by Gemma Services start the school year strong! Donate a completed backpack with: 1 backpack, 4 pocket folders, 3 composition or spiral notebooks, 1 box of pencils, 2 erasers, 2 glue sticks, 1 box of colored pencils or markers, and 1 box of crayons. Or purchase items from our Amazon list: bit.ly/BMPCBackpackList Contact MaryRichards@bmpc.org

Serve Dinner at the Ardmore Food Pantry.

The Ardmore Food Pantry offers a community meal on Monday evenings during pantry hours. On the second Monday of each month, they serve BMPC Hunger Casseroles. Two to three volunteers from BMPC are needed on those Monday nights to serve dinner from 5:15 to 7:00 p.m. If you are interested

in volunteering for one month or on a regular basis, sign up at bit.ly/AFPDDinner or contact RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmpc.org

Sanctuary Flower Donations. Openings are available in July and 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, JULY 13

- 7:45 a.m. Childcare (infant - age 5), Ed. Bldg., Rm. 101
- 8:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion, Chapel**
- 8:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Discussion Group (Hybrid), Cannon Room
- 8:45 a.m. Summer Adult Ed. Class, Gloucester Room
- 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 Baptism & Summer Choir, Sanctuary & Livestreamed**
- 10:15 a.m. Summer Sunday School Rising K-3rd Grade, Sanctuary
- 11:00 a.m. Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary
- 11:15 a.m. Atrium Cafe, Atrium

MONDAY, JULY 14

- 2:00 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive, Congregational Hall
- 7:30 p.m. FIT4MOM, Ed. Bldg. Back Porch

TUESDAY, JULY 15

- 10:30 a.m. Tai Chi (hybrid), Gymnasium
- 1:00 p.m. Playground Playdates, Ed. Bldg., Playground/Back Covered Porch

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

- 7:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting, Fullerton Room

THURSDAY, JULY 17

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

Calendar

FRIDAY, JULY 18

No Events Scheduled.

SATURDAY, JULY 19

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

SUNDAY, JULY 20

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

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

The Rev. Kirby Lawrence Hill will preach.

Worldwide Ministries Partners

Each year, the BMPC Worldwide Ministries Committee grants funding to national and international organizations that support the education of children, youth, and church leaders, invest in medical mission networks, and empower community leaders to promote justice and transformation. Below are the 2025 recipients, along with a snapshot of their work.

EDUCATION

Friends of Forman Christian College

www.friendsofforman.org

A Christian College located in Pakistan, providing liberal arts education to interfaith students.

Haiti Partners

www.haitipartners.org

Improving educational culture and experiences for children in Haiti.

Pfunanane Ministries

www.pfunanane.org

A Christian school in South Africa providing quality education to students in PreK-7th grades.

RiseMalawi

www.risemalawiministries.org

Providing a structured learning environment, including nutritious meals through their feeding program, for vulnerable children in rural Malawi.

St. Andrew's Refugee Services (StARS)

www.stars-egypt.org

The largest service providers of refugees, asylum seekers, and other vulnerable migrants in Cairo, and seven refugee congregations that worship at the church.

Worldwide Ministries Partners

Seba Primary School

A school in Esu Village, Cameroon, providing educational opportunities to underprivileged children and empowering them to overcome illiteracy.

MEDICAL

Emmanuel Hospital Association

www.aha-health.org

Establishing a palliative care facility for Chinchpada Hospital, which serves residents of Maharashtra, India.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Beyond Borders

www.beyondborders.net

Working to prevent violence against women and girls and end child slavery in Haiti.

Rabbis for Human Rights

www.rhr.org.il/eng

Providing a platform for open and respectful dialogue as a means to promote social and economic justice within Israel and Palestine.

Fundación Comunidad A.C.

<https://www.comunidad.org.mx/>

A community foundation in Morelos, Mexico, uniting resources to support sustainable, grassroots initiatives in development, education, environment, gender equity, and youth.

Water is Life Kenya

<https://waterislifekenya.org/>

Bringing clean, accessible drinking water, sanitation, and economic empowerment to Maasai communities in the semi-arid region north of Mount Kilimanjaro.

Support of organizations like these is possible because of your generous contributions through our annual Stewardship campaign. Thank you for your gifts.

If you would like to learn more about the work that we do in mission in Greater Philadelphia, please contact RebeccaKirkpatrick@bmmpc.org

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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