It is tradition to begin worship in quiet contemplation accompanied by music. The formal service begins with the singing of a hymn from the Liturgy. You can follow the order of service by turning to the numbers given on the facing page of this pamphlet. These numbers are also displayed on boards hung in various locations.

We do not pass a collection basket during the service. Offertory bowls are located at each entrance for donations to support this church and the useful activities it serves. Donate online at <u>www.brynathynchurch.org</u>.

After the worship service, please join us in the Social Hall for refreshments and conversation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to approach today's minister or a staff member. We'd love to meet you!

Teachings of the New Church

"Since wings symbolize powers, and each living creature had six wings, it is apparent from what we said above (about the meaning of each animal) what kind of power is symbolized by each one's wings. The wings of the lion symbolize the power of combating evils and falsities arising from hell, this being the power of the Lord's Divine truth from the Word. The wings of the calf symbolize the power to affect hearts, for the Divine truth of the Word affects people who read it reverently. The six wings of the human being symbolize the power to perceive the nature of God and what pertains to God, as this is peculiarly the mark of a human being in reading the Word. And the wings of the eagle symbolize the power to recognize truth and good, and to acquire intelligence for oneself." *Apocalypse Revealed* 245

Altar flowers arranged by

Pegene Pitcairn

Musicians

Leah Martin, organ Bryn Athyn Cathedral Choir

Preludes

Gott der Vater wohn uns bei - Dieterich Buxtehude Andante from Water Music - G. F. Handel Suite for Organ: No. 3. Aspiration - Alec Rowley Aria - Craig Phillips Preces and Responses - William Smith

Postludes

The Heavens are Telling - Ludwig van Beethoven This Is My Father's World - arr. John A. Behnke

Please rise

Christ, By Heavenly Hosts Adored	904
Second General Office	

Please kneel

Minister's prayer followed by the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in the heavens, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven so upon the earth. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we also forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Please rise

Recitation	499
Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because narrow is the gate and confined is the way which leads	
to life, and there are few who find it. Matthew 7:13, 14	
To Thee, O Jesus Christ, We Raise	87
Please be seated	
Welcome by the Pastor Lessons: Ezekiel 1:4-8, Revelation 4:1-8, <i>Apocalypse Revealed</i> 239	
Interlude: Shining Truth (<i>Adoro Te Devote</i>) - arr. Brenda Rydstrom and Shawn Rose	
Please rise Lord, Let My Prayer Be Set Before Thee	. 1104
Please be seated	

Sermon: *The Guardians of Holiness* Text: Revelation 4:8

Please rise

Offertory	
Holy, Holy, Holy	
Prayer and Benediction	
Psalm 91	

ANNOUNCEMENTS/EVENTS

Moms and Moms-to-Be Enrichment Evenings April 30, 7:00-9:00 pm

Topic: *Infertility, Miscarriage and Loss* with Brooke Childs and Cheryl Cooper. Moms of all ages are welcome to join us for an evening with other moms to find support, information, inspiration, and connection! Contact Nina with any interest or questions – **nina.dewees@brynathynchurch.org**.

Community Worship: May 5, 10:00 am (Cathedral)

If you would like to volunteer to help with this service, contact Nina at 215-947-6225 x206 or nina.dewees@brynathynchurch.org.

Sunset Organ Vespers May 15, 7:30 pm (Cathedral) Rev. Kenneth Alden with our principal organist, Leah Martin, and the Cathedral Choir.

BATS Donations Drop-Off May 18, 9:00 am-1:00 pm (Society Building parking lot NOT ACCEPTING books, toys, or furniture at this time.

New Church Day Gift for Pre-K Girls in the Bryn Athyn Community

If you are part of the Bryn Athyn community and have a daughter who will be starting Kindergarten in the fall, and would like a specially outfitted doll for her New Church Day gift, please contact Wendy Cooper at **wcooper627@gmail.com** in advance. We only provide for those who requested. Dolls are available in three ethnicities if you would like to specify. The dolls can be picked up after the New Church Day pageant.

Giant Foods and Weis Gift Cards

The Church Office is selling Giant and Weis gift cards. These organizations donate 5% of each gift card purchase. To learn more or for questions, contact Liza at 215-947-6225 x200.

Get Involved!

Scan the QR code or visit **www.brynathynchurch.org/signup** to fill out a form to receive emails, volunteer, or learn more about the New Church:





Bryn Athyn Church

Welcome to our Worship Service

The Guardians of Holiness Rev. Jeremy F. Simons Adult Service – 11:00 am April 28, 2024

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