

Teachings of the New Church

“This new church is the crown of all the churches that have ever existed on this planet because **it will worship the one God, who can be seen, within whom is the God that cannot be seen, like a soul in a body.** This is the only way we can form a partnership with God, because we are earthly and we think in earthly ways; and such a partnership must be formed in our thinking and then in the desires that belong to our love. This occurs when we think of God as a human being.”

True Christianity 787

Musicians

Leah Martin, organ and piano

Bryn Athyn Choristers, directed by Robin Bier

Preludes

Prelude on ‘This endris nyght’ - Healey Willan

Away in a Manger - arr. David Lasky

Pastorale ‘Gesù Bambino’ - Pietro A. Yon

Procession from A Ceremony of Carols - Benjamin Britten

Balulalow from A Ceremony of Carols - Britten

Postludes

Veni Emmanuel - arr. Graham Bier

On Jordan’s Banks the Baptist’s Cry - arr. Aaron David Miller



We do not pass a collection basket during the service. Offertory bowls are located at each entrance for donations. Donate online at www.brynathynchurch.org or scan the QR code below. If you would like to receive offertory envelopes for your regular basket contributions, please contact diana.mergen@brynathynchurch.org / 215-544-1408.



Please rise

O Come, O Come, Immanuel..... 968

Remain standing for the opening of the Word

Please kneel

Priest: I will lift up my eyes to the mountains—from whence comes my help.

People: My help is from the Lord, who made the heavens and the earth.

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.

Priest: O Lord, forgive us our trespasses.

People: As we forgive those who trespass against us.

Priest: Amen.

Please rise

The Voice of One Crying in the Wilderness..... 1121

Recitation..... 456

Behold, this is our God; we have waited for Him, and He will save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for Him; we will be glad and rejoice in His salvation.
Isaiah 25:9

All that the Lord Has Spoken..... 813



Please be seated

Welcome by the Pastor

Lessons: Isaiah 9:3-7, John 15: 1-10, *True Christian Religion* 787:1

Please rise

O Come, Little Children..... 979

Please be seated

Address: The Visible God

Please rise

Offertory

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear..... 971

Remain standing for the closing of the Word

Once in Royal David’s City..... 947

ANNOUNCEMENTS/EVENTS

Angel Tree Program: November 20-December 12 (Cathedral)

Collecting cash donations (\$20 suggested) to help meet the children and families served by Christ's Home in Warminster. Choose a red envelope from the tree and hand it to the front desk at the Cathedral.

BACS Toy Drive: December 1-12, 2025 (BACS)

New and unwrapped toys can be dropped off at BACS office.

Society 2024 Christmas Card: Deadline to participate is December 13.

If you would like to participate, contributions can be sent to the Treasurer's Office, Box 277, Bryn Athyn, PA 19009. Checks should be made payable to Bryn Athyn Church, put "Christmas card" in the memo and state how you would like your name(s) to appear on the card. For online donations, visit brynathynchurch.org/donate.

BACS Christmas Program: December 19, 10:15 am (Adams Gymnasium)

Parents, grandparents, relatives and friends are warmly invited to come and enjoy a sleigh-full of musical treats.

Christmas Tableaux: December 14, 2:30/4:15/6:00/7:45 pm (Cathedral)

The 2:30 pm service is shorter in length and ideal for families with young children. This will be the only worship service offered on this date. The basket offerings from Tableaux services will be a gift to the pastors of Bryn Athyn Church.

Community Christmas Sing: December 19, 7:00-8:00 pm (Asplundh

Assembly Hall) The community is invited to come and sing together a mix of favorite sacred and secular hymns and carols with a variety of musicians. Feel free to bring a platter of cookies to share.

Young Children's Special Christmas Service: December 21, 3:30 pm

Christmas Eve Festival Service: December 24, 4:00/5:30/7:00 pm

Christmas Day Adult Service: December 25, 11:30 am

Bryn Athyn Post: The last issue of the *Bryn Athyn Post* for 2025 will be published on December 15 and the next issue will be out January 5, 2026.

Community Calendar: www.brynathynchurch.org/calendar.

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Bryn Athyn Church

215-544-1400/www.brynathynchurch.org

Welcome to our Worship Service

The Visible God

Rt. Rev. David H. Lindrooth

Family Service – 9:30 am

December 7, 2025