

Weekly Connection Newsletter

Souderton Brethren in Christ Church

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Office hours: Tues-Thurs 9am-1pm

Prayer Gatherings

Each Wednesday in person at the church office and on zoom @ 1:00 pm. Zoom meeting ID: 461 338 2306 Password: 6b0j8y. The zoom link is https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4613382306?pwd=NU5Ra25u WmJ4bDJ0bFpXYmEzRUZ4QT09

First Wednesday of each month @ 6:00pm in the prayer room (room 2), in partnership with Iglesia Cristiana.

Iglesia Cristiana Pastor: Rony Guerra Contact: <u>iglesiacristianasouderton@gmail.com</u> This Sunday

SUNDAY SERVE NO Sunday School NO Worship

Join the livestream: <u>www.soudertonbic.org/stream</u> <u>www.youtube.com/@soudertonbic</u>

Thank you for your faithful giving! Give in person at the offering box, by mail, or at our website.

Pastor KrisAnne's Korner

Someone asked me the other day what I love about our congregation. There are many things! But something that popped into my head right away is the variety and vibrancy of our life together.

We just enjoyed a weekend full of interesting and beautiful tastes, smells and sounds; as we spent time with Kris G. and heard about media ministry and house churches in Thailand. This Sunday, we are going to two locations in our community to serve as an expression of our love for God and others. It's not unusual to hear multiple languages spoken in our church building. We play together AND pray together regularly. There's so much variety to enjoy in the way we live out our faith as a congregation. I love that! In my experience, this isn't the case in many churches.

It's not that there is something wrong with routines and traditions. Traditions can be very good and keep us grounded. Family traditions are often meaningful reminders of belonging and the values we want to pass along to the next generation. Church traditions can function similarly, reminding us of our faith and values. But there is a freshness when we mix things up and do something different. New experiences can be like glue that bonds us together. It's a good reminder, too, that God can be found everywhere and anywhere. We can't keep God in a box!

So as we head into another weekend that is different from the norm, I'm praying that working shoulder to shoulder in service will bring us closer together; that we will work and laugh



and deepen our relationships. I'm praying, too, that our love for Jesus will touch the people we encounter as we serve. At the same time, I'm looking forward to the next Sunday and all of our usual traditions... plus honoring our graduates! That will be a wonderful time! You are loved, SBIC. May you experience the grace of Jesus for you each day.

Prayer Requests:

Send any prayer requests to:

Pastor KrisAnne at 215-254-8348 or <u>KrisAnne.Swartley@soudertonbic.org</u>,

your deacon, or to head deacon Joan Hensel at 610-996-0113 or <u>jrh267@comcast.net</u>



RamPacks is a non-profit organization which provides food for Pennridge students on weekends and holidays. SBIC houses one of three pantries in the RamPacks organization. Many SBIC members help in different areas of food distribution. Here are some ways you could join in:

- 1. Join a packing team usually scheduled once every 7 weeks.
- 2. Deliver the bins of food to three local schools on Friday mornings.
- 3. Pick up large food orders at Sam's Club
- Donate to RamPacks monetarily, your time, or food items. Current needs: individual snack packs of Pepperidge Farm fish, chips, Fritos, pretzels, etc. Place items in the bin in the church foyer.

Contact Diana Moyer with questions or for more information.

Young Adults

Young Adult Meeting this week at 7pm

Youth Group

End of Year Party date NEXT Wednesday, June 12 @ 6:30pm @ Freddy Hill

Learn more about the Mission Trip to Zimbabwe in 2025

Sunday, June 30 after Worship (11am)



*This is informational

only to learn more details of the trip. No commitments at this time. Interested? Have questions? Please attend!



It's Strawberry time!!



Summer Service Opportunities Mark your calendars! Intergenerational Activities



Friday, June 21: E-meal program @ Emmanuel Lutheran Church. Choose from: 9:30am -11am shift OR 10:30am – 1:15pmshift. OR sign up for both shifts

Sign up via Signup Genius:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054FABAD28A64-49889307-summer

Wednesday, July 24: HIS, Hands in Service (near Calvary Church). 1pm-3pm. Come learn about HIS & Common Good and serve in the warehouse for a couple of hours!



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Interested in hosting a simple summer gathering for the Youth Group?

Movie night? Pool party? Other? Let Diana know – email or call!

Calendar:

- Sunday Serve THIS week! Meet at your designated volunteer location at 10:15 am! No Sunday School or Worship. F.I.S.H (Perkasie) or Living Hope Farm (Harleysville). Any questions, please reach out to Robin Folkerts (Living Hope Farm) or Diana Moyer (F.I.S.H)
- No Sunday School OR Worship
- Worship with Iglesia at 1 pm
- Wed: Prayer on Zoom or in Person at 1:00 pm
- Wed: @ 7:00 pm Spanish Bible Study with Iglesia Cristiana, Worship Team practice
- Jun 12: Youth Group meet AT Freddy Hill in Harleysville @ 6:30pm for End of Year celebration!

Upcoming Events:

- Jun 16: Worship time *changes* to 9:30am <u>for the summer</u>! Graduate recognition.
- Jun 20: Church Board Mtg @ 7pm
- Jun 21: Volunteer @ eMeal 9:30am shift or 10:30am shift
- Jun 30: Zambabwe Mission trip mtg
- July 28: Worship and Picnic in the Park @ Souderton Park