



## Weekly Connection Newsletter

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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=NU5Ra25uWmJ4bDJ0bFpXYmEzRUZ4QT09>

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

Iglesia Cristiana Pastor: Rony Guerra  
Contact: [iglesiacristianasouderton@gmail.com](mailto:iglesiacristianasouderton@gmail.com)

### This Sunday

*NO Sunday School for the Summer*

*Worship Time – 9:30am!*

*Kids Moment during Worship*

Join the livestream:

[www.soudertonbic.org/stream](http://www.soudertonbic.org/stream)

[www.youtube.com/@soudertonbic](https://www.youtube.com/@soudertonbic)

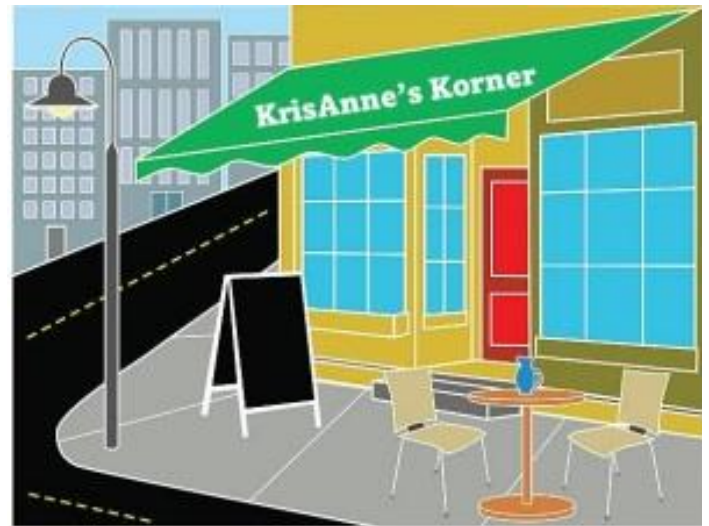
Thank you for your faithful giving!  
Give in person at the offering box, by mail, or at our website.

## Pastor KrisAnne's Korner

I'll admit that it's a little uncomfortable to be thinking so much about battles and armor this week. I grew up in a home of committed conscientious objectors. We often talked about Jesus' call to nonviolence and nonretaliation, to love our enemies and not return evil for evil. I heard many stories about men who chose alternative service when their number was called during the draft, and we had endless conversations around our family dinner table about what it means to live as peacemakers.

However, passages such as the one I've been studying this week - Ephesians 6:10-20 - remind me that though I do believe we are called to be peacemakers, there is still a battle going on around and within us that we must engage. And this is not something that was talked about very much in my home growing up, if at all. I think sometimes our human tendency is to swing wildly between extremes. There are Christians who seem so obsessed with the idea of fighting battles for God that they see Satan behind every small inconvenience or larger tragedy, and I'm not sure that's always accurate or wise. But then there are Christians (perhaps like me) who spend hardly any time at all considering how the enemy might be trying to distract, discourage or divide the Body - also not the way of wisdom.

Paul says that the battle is real; he wants us to be awake and aware. And his repeated command is simply "to stand." As he writes to the Ephesians, he encourages them to "take your stand," "stand your ground," "stand" and "stand firm." It begs the question.... stand where?



That's what I want to talk about on Sunday, because how we answer that question makes all the difference between how the forces of evil do battle and how followers of Jesus do battle. As we prayerfully put on the armor of God and get ready to stand, it's important to plant our feet on the right foundation.

I hope you'll come and consider the battle, our armor, and where we stand this Sunday. In the meantime, may you feel the grace and love of our Lord Jesus Christ holding you steady.

## Prayer Requests:

Send any prayer requests to:

Pastor KrisAnne at 215-254-8348 or  
[KrisAnne.Swartley@soudertonbic.org](mailto:KrisAnne.Swartley@soudertonbic.org),

or your deacon,



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
4. 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

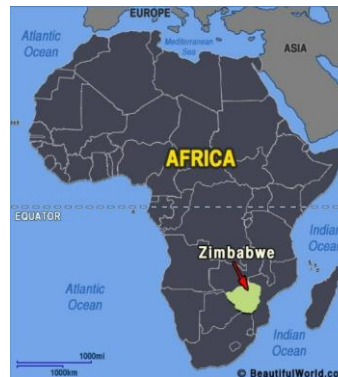
NO Youth Group for the summer.

## Reminder: 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!



## Roxbury Holiness Camp Meeting 2024

August 2-11

*“Called”*

*How will you respond to God’s call on your life?*

Missions Day

Saturday, August 10

# Summer Service Opportunity

## Mark your calendar!

### Intergenerational Activities

**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!



Sign up via Signup Genius:

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

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

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

## June 21st Summer Service Opportunity at Emmanuel Lutheran Church Souderton



**Thank you** to the Volunteers at E-MEAL last week!

**NEXT** Summer Service Opportunity is July 24th

## Calendar:

- *No* Sunday School until September
- New Summer Worship time – 9:30am  
Kids Moment this Sunday with Jon  
& Heidi Swartley –kids stay with  
parents during Worship.
- Zimbabwe Mission Trip info meeting  
@ 11 am after Worship this Sunday
- 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
- Wed. Prayer time in Room 2 @ 6pm

## Upcoming Events:

- July 12-15: General Assembly,  
Sharonville, OH
- Jul 14: Guest Speaker Craig Sider
- July 18: Church Board Mtg @ 7pm
- July 28: Worship and Picnic in the  
Park with Silverdale @ Souderton  
Park. Worship starts at 10am. Sign  
up!
- Aug 11: Communion