

# Weekly Connection Newsletter

#### Souderton Brethren in Christ Church

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# **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> Office hours: Tues-Thurs 9am-1pm

## This Sunday

Potluck Breakfast at 9:00am Combined Sunday School at 9:30am for ALL ages! Worship Time – 10:30am!

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

The last few months, when Rob has given his monthly church board report, you have heard him talk about upcoming capital projects and a few groups who will help us navigate the projects. I want to take my little corner of the newsletter this week to reinforce what you've heard from the church board reports:

"The Church Board has begun planning to address much needed upgrades to our facility in order to provide for the ongoing ministry of both of our congregations, SBIC and Iglesia Cristiana Souderton. Our vision is for the creation of an inviting space for encouragement and nourishment of body, soul and relationships. It is our goal to create separate task forces to develop, manage and finance the project. The task force structure will allow for participation by members of our community with relevant expertise who may not currently serve on the Board and broaden the base of support for the project."

One task force has already begun its work. The development task force - made up of Steve Myers, Drew Moyer, Adam Eyth, Jerry Rittenhouse and myself – has begun assessing our building needs and making preliminary contacts with architects. We anticipate holding listening sessions with both congregations in the new year, to gather more input. The project management task force will take over when the development task force's work is complete. They will oversee coordination of the renovations - communicating with the contractor, rallying volunteers when areas need to be prepared for work, coordinating "gifts in kind." The fundraising task force will invite both congregations to consider our financial resources and the ways we can give toward this



effort. As your pastor, I'm excited to see how we can freshen up our physical space and create, as the Board paragraph states above, an inviting place for encouragement and nourishment of body, soul and relationships. SBIC and ICS have so much to offer our community, spiritually and relationally, and to enhance our building to reflect that richness is a valuable endeavor. My prayer is that we move forward in a spirit of wisdom and generosity.

## Communion – Nov 17<sup>th</sup>

## **Prayer Requests:**

Send any prayer requests to: Pastor KrisAnne at 215-254-8348 or <u>KrisAnne.Swartley@soudertonbic.org</u>,

or your deacon.

Thank you to everyone who walked / donated for the Oct 13<sup>th</sup> Crop Walk! You helped SBIC & Silverdale exceed our fundraising goal!

## <u>Matching Donations</u> for Hurricane Relief from <u>Everence</u>!



Everence® is committing a total of \$100,000 to support relief efforts. This includes an immediate contribution of \$50,000 to Mennonite Disaster Service and another \$50,000 to kick off Everence Helps: Hurricane Relief, a matching gift initiative aimed at bolstering hurricane recovery efforts.

From Oct. 14 to Dec. 31, 2024, Everence will match donations made to Everence Foundation dollar-for-dollar – up to \$50,000 – to enhance the charitable impact of contributions aimed at helping survivors restore their homes, revitalize their communities, and rebuild their futures. Find more information here: <u>https://www.everence.com/landing-</u> pages/corporate/everence-helps

## **Calling all Youth**

**Fields of Faith** on the football field

Wednesday, October 30<sup>th</sup> 7:30-8:30pm @ Souderton High Carpooling from church available Please see Diana for details!

#### Operation Christmas Child – Donations!

Items are needed to pack in shoeboxes. Please check the list on the OCC table for



items to help our packing. Monetary donations can be submitted to the church office or by offering envelopes (designate OCC).

POTLUCK Breakfast THIS Sunday at 9:00am Combined Sunday School Starts at 9:30am

**Don't forget** you can access **RightNow Media videos for FREE** by scanning the QR code or the link below -Visit <u>https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/soudertonbic</u>

Scan the QR code to create your free account and start browsing.





Oct 26th Crafts/Food/Games/Hayrides @ Blooming Glen Mennonite Church 11:00 am- 3:00 pm Rain or Shine! 215-257-3431 www.bgmc.net

## Save the Date! Fall Benefit Concert Announcement

Bridge of Hope/BuxMont is excited to announce our Fall Benefit Concert will feature Big Daddy Weave with special performances by Hannah Kerr and The Young Escape!



Friday, November 15 at Calvary Church in Souderton, PA. Doors Open at 6:00 pm -Concert starts at 7:00 pm f Bridge of Hope BuxMont. For tickets go to: https://buxmont.bridgeofhopeinc.org/getinvolved/events/benefit-concert/

### **Calendar:**

- Potluck Breakfast THIS SUNDAY @ 9:00am. Bring an item to share. Combined Sunday School this week at 9:30am. Worship at 10:30am. Kids will stay in Worship for 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Celebration.
- 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, Youth Group
- Fri. Oct 25: Youth Group Scavenger Hunt and Corn Maze. Meet at church at 6pm to carpool

## **Upcoming Events:**

- Sun. Nov 10: Mike and Lori Cassel here. Fellowship with the Cassels at lunch after Worship. Please sign up for lunch. We will pack shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child after the meal.
- Friday to Sunday, 11/15 to 11/17: Senior High Retreat at Kenbrook
- Sun. Nov 17: Communion