



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

This Sunday

Sunday School at 9:30am

for ALL ages!

Worship Time - 10:30am!

Communion

Join the livestream:

www.soudertonbic.org/stream

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

This Sunday you'll be hearing about something we are going to begin in January. I know, we haven't even celebrated Thanksgiving yet, and I'm talking about next year. You can put me on that list of annoying people who live in the future and skip right over the present moment. 😊 But I'm just so excited about a new initiative I've been working on, that I couldn't wait to share it with you! And starting the conversation in November gives us plenty of time to digest all the information and gear up for what's coming.

An author who I have a lot of respect for, Rich Villodas, just released a new book on the Sermon on the Mount, called The Narrow Path. The Sermon on the Mount is the longest stretch in the Gospels of Jesus' own words, on what it means to be His disciple and follow Him. So I'd like to take January through the beginning of March - 9 weeks - to immerse ourselves in the Great Sermon. I'll be preaching through it, and we'll enjoy a movie night on it (watching the episode of *The Chosen* that highlights this part of Jesus' life). A few Sunday School classes will study the Sermon, and there will be a memorization contest with special prizes, too.

One very special part of this initiative will be the re-start of small groups at SBIC. Right now, we have three hosts ready to welcome folks into their home to read and discuss The Narrow Path together: myself and Jon (Hilltown), Adilate and Ndodana Moyo (Lansdale), and Barb Snyder (Souderton). Sheets will be available at the back of the sanctuary where you can sign up to join one of these groups. The plan is to meet four times throughout the 9-week series.

My prayer is that this is just the beginning! I have a vision that these groups will continue to meet, grow and even multiply to new homes and locations. I sense a longing for our congregation to grow, and small groups can be an excellent place



for that to happen. It's an easy place to invite neighbors, co-workers, classmates and friends, to join a time of fellowship and conversation about Jesus. From there, it's a natural next step to invite them to worship on a Sunday morning.

Consider this your invitation to come along on this journey through the Sermon on the Mount! I can't wait to get started!

Take a listen on YouTube at the link below!

Theme song for The Narrow Path : *The Jesus Way*, by Phil Wickham:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ARSGgC9iQb0&pp=ygUacGhpbCB3aWNraGFtIHRobzSBqZXNlcyB3YXk%3D>

Communion – Nov 17th

Prayer Requests:

Send any prayer requests to:

Pastor KrisAnne at 215-254-8348 or
KrisAnne.Swartley@soudertonbic.org,
or your deacon.



Mennonite Central Committee:



Christmas Open House

Thursday, Dec 5th, 9am – 8pm

Friday, Dec 6th, 9am – 8pm

Saturday, Dec 7th, 9am – 5pm

Dec 9th -14th from 9am – 6pm

Matching Donations for Hurricane Relief from Everence!



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:

<https://www.everence.com/landing-pages/corporate/everence-helps>

THANK you everyone who Donated to or Packed Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes!!



**32 shoeboxes
packed!!**

Fall Adult Sunday School classes at 9:30am

New Adult Class –



*The Journey The story of the Bible from creation to new creation, and how our stories fit into it" (Access the RightNow Media QR code below for free videos)

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

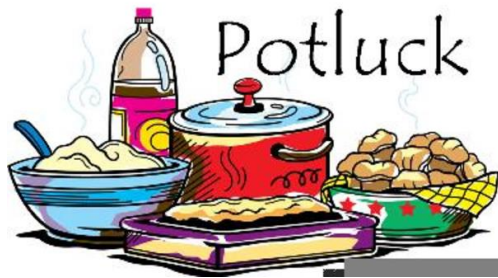


*The Study of Romans led by Dan Zagorski continues

Our *Next* Potluck Breakfast

will be Sunday, Nov 24th starting at 8:45am followed by a **combined** Sunday School with Duane Renner “*Insights from a Middle School Principal*” at 9:15am!

**Note the time change*



TOMORROW - Fall Benefit Concert

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. Proceeds benefit Bridge of Hope BuxMont. For tickets go to: <https://buxmont.bridgeofhopeinc.org/get-involved/events/benefit-concert/>

Calendar:

- **Sunday School** this week at 9:30am. **Worship at 10:30am with Communion.** **Kids time:** Children grades K-5th are dismissed just before the sermon to participate in a special activity.
- **Worship with Iglesia at 1 pm**
- **Wed:** Prayer on Zoom or in Person at 1pm
- **Wed:** Prayer in Room 2 @ 6pm
- **Wed: @ 7:00 pm – Spanish Bible Study with Iglesia Cristiana, Worship Team practice, Youth Group**
- **Thu. Nov 21:** Church Board Mtg @ 7pm
- **Fri. Nov 15:** Big Daddy Weave concert @ Calvary Church at 7pm. Doors open at 6pm

Upcoming Events:

- **Sun. Nov 24:** Potluck breakfast @ 8:45am and combined Sunday School with Principal Duane Renner @ 9:15am
- **Sun. Dec 1:** First Sunday in Advent
- **Wed. Dec 18:** Youth Group Christmas Party 6:30-8:30pm
- **Sun. Dec 22:** Potluck Breakfast & Combined Sunday School
- **Sun. Dec 29:** Joint Service with ICS