

# 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 <a href="https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4613382306?pwd=NU5Ra25u">https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4613382306?pwd=NU5Ra25u</a>
<a href="https://ws04web.zoom.us/j/4613382306?pwd=NU5Ra25u">WmJ4bDJ0bFpXYmEzRUZ4QT09</a>

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### This Sunday

Sunday School @ 9:30am Worship @ 10:30am Communion

Iglesia Cristiana Worship @ 1:00pm

Join the livestream for either Worship service at their scheduled time: 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

Later this month we will begin a new sermon series on Exodus. Believe it or not, it was our time in Matthew with the Sermon on the Mount, that got me thinking about Moses and the Exodus. Matthew and the other Gospel writers make some fascinating comparisons between Jesus and Moses, as well as Jesus and the people of Israel. It seems that the Exodus story is pretty foundational to the Jews, to the early church, to God. This got me thinking that maybe we should pay attention to what the story communicates about God, God's people, God's purposes, and what it means to be in covenant with God.

Here are a few nuggets that have caught my attention so far:

- Jesus was born in the Promised Land, was taken down to Egypt and then returned to the Promised Land. Abraham's descendants made the same journey over the course of generations.
- At the beginning of his ministry, Jesus
  receives water baptism and then immediately
  goes into the wilderness for 40 days and
  nights, to be tested. God's people crossed
  through waters as they left Egypt, and spent
  40 years wandering in the wilderness, being
  tested and prepared for their life in the
  Promised Land.
- Moses received the Law on Mt. Sinai and gave
  it to the people, to guide their life together
  and their witness in the world. Jesus stood on
  a mount and delivered a new Word from God,
  to guide his followers in their life together and
  to shape their witness in the world.
- Jesus uses the Passover meal to communicate to his disciples what he was doing through his sacrifice and death. The Passover commemorates the Hebrews' escape from slavery in Egypt by the power of God.



And there's so much more packed into the Exodus story! There are even some curious connections to the book of Genesis... Did you know that the word for Noah's ark and the word for the basket that carried baby Moses on the Nile are actually identical in the original Hebrew? Do you wonder why that might be? Join me in reflecting on Exodus this summer and fall. If you find podcasts helpful, there is an "Exodus Way" series on The Bible Project Podcast; and if you want extra "points" with your pastor, you could even start reading the book of Exodus ahead of the sermon series. Let me know what you notice and how God is speaking to you through this fascinating story!

### Communion May 4th

### Prayer Requests:

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

# Church Workday – rescheduled to THIS Saturday, May 3rd



### **Calling all MEN**



You are invited to join a men's breakfast mtg with Silverdale BIC

- May 3<sup>rd</sup>
- 7am
- A&N diner in Sellersville. Please see Richard Alleger for more detail.

## Zimbabwe Missions Trip Upcoming Fundraisers!

The Zimbabwe Mission & Learning team is looking to raise \$5,000 to reach their \$15,000 goal

Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> between 10am & 10pm at Broad Street Pizza in Souderton and 10% of all profits will be donated to the Zimbabwe Mission and Learning Trip!

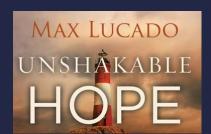
Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup> Zimbabwe Worship Service. Special offering will be taken for the Mission Trip

Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> Carwash from 9am-12:30pm at Union National Bank in Franconia

Thanks for supporting our **Fundraisers!** 

### Sunday School Class Adult Class

Unshakable HOPE By Max Lucado



Check out the RightNow Media QR code below for free videos

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



\*<u>The Study of Romans</u> led by Dan Zagorski *continues* 

### **Announcements**

### May is Mental Health Awareness Month

### **Anxiety & Depression Workshop**

May 13 – 7-9pm @ Christ Lutheran Church, 2211 Mainland Rd. Harleysville

### **Mental Health Mondays**

May 5: 1pm @ BCCC Upper Bucks Campus
May 5: 6pm @ The Center at The Open Link
East Greenville, PA

May 12: 6pm Indian Valley YMCA, Harleysville, PA

May 19: 6pm @ Free Fall Action Park, 670 S. Main St, Quakertown, PA

**Questions?** 

Email: PennFoundationQuest@sluhn.org

### **Kenbrook Pantry Collection Thank you for ALL donations!**

SBIC & Silverdale BIC collected:

72 gallons of bleach

Drink mix to make ~142 gallons



### Calendar:

- Sat: Rescheduled church Workday
- Sun: Guest Speaker Dan Zagorski,
   Communion. RamPacks Food Fest @
   Pennridge HS noon 4pm
- Tue: Iglesia Cristiana Worship @ 6:30pm
- Wed: Prayer on Zoom or in Person @ 1pm
- Wed: Broad St. Pizza Fundraiser 10am to 10pm. Mention SBIC so 10% of your check will be donated to the Zimbabwe Mission & Learning Team

### **Upcoming Events:**

- May 10: Workday Rain date
- May 11: Missionary Guest Speakers Donald & Karen Vundhla
- May 18: Graduate Recognition
- May 25: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Celebration Potluck breakfast; Zimbabwean Worship Service with a special offering toward the Zimbabwe Team. Last day of Sunday School!
- May 27: Church Board Meeting @ 7pm