



Weekly Connection Newsletter

Souderton Brethren in Christ Church

494 Cherry Road, Souderton, PA 18964

215-723-7452

churchoffice@soudertonbic.org

and find us on Facebook

September 4, 2025

www.soudertonbic.org

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>

Iglesia Cristiana Pastor: Rony Guerra
Contact: iglesiacristianasouderton@gmail.com

This Sunday

Sunday School @ 9:30am

Worship @ 10:30am

Iglesia Cristiana Worship @ 1:00pm

Join the livestream for both Worship services at their scheduled time:

www.soudertonbic.org/stream

www.youtube.com/@soudertonbic

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

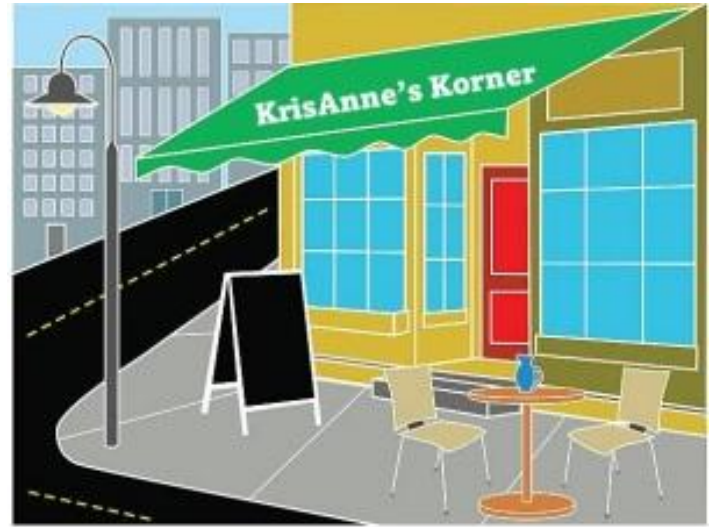
Pastor KrisAnne's Korner

This Sunday we will begin a new sermon series - The Gospel of Mark. We're switching to the New Testament, but I'm hoping our brief sojourn in the Old Testament has prepared you to take notice of the echoes of the Exodus in these Gospel stories. God's saving grace and power show up again and again. But in ways that might surprise us!

Mark begins with John the Baptist. That's interesting, isn't it... to begin the Gospel of Jesus Christ with someone who isn't the Christ? And John's behaving strangely. He's wearing camel hair and eating bugs, hanging out in the wilderness by the Jordan River. He's attracting quite a crowd. Mark tells us that the whole Judean countryside and all the people of the city of Jerusalem gathered to see and hear John. He's talking about someone else who is coming. One greater and more powerful than him. John wants the people to be ready for this person, the one who will baptize them not with water but with the Holy Spirit.

This is kind of a startling, curious beginning to the story. We don't meet Mary or Joseph. We don't hear anything about where this mysterious other person is coming from. We just hear that he is on the way, and his arrival calls for some preparation. Specifically, repentance. That's what we're going to talk about on Sunday.

For now, I invite you to think about preparations in general. What kinds of things take the most preparation for you - the arrival of guests to your home (Cleaning! Food shopping! Organizing!)? A home improvement project (Tools! Supplies! Demolition!)? Do you enjoy preparing for something or someone, or do you kind of dread it? Why? As we approach Sunday and consider John's



call to prepare for Jesus, think about your answers to these questions. Ask God to show you what it means for you to prepare to receive God's Word through the Gospel of Mark.

Prayer Requests:

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

2nd Meeting with the Architect **NEXT Sunday, September 14th**

The second “listening session” will be NEXT Sunday, September 14th to gather input from the congregation on possible building improvements. If you were unable to attend the first session, please attend this one.



Everence Member Appreciation *free admission to Apple Butter Frolic* **Saturday, Oct 4, 10am – 4pm**

To celebrate the 500-year anniversary of Anabaptism, Everence has partnered with the Mennonite Heritage Center to offer complimentary admission for registered families who use Everence services and/or products. Enjoy the 52nd Annual Apple Butter Frolic; stop by the Everence table for a free gift too!



RSVP by Monday, Sept. 29, at everence.com/souderton or call 215-703-0111.
The frolic is a rain or shine event.



Volunteers Needed

For the annual SPORTS & MUSIC FEST!
Held on September 20 & 21, 2025 at the property at 741 N. County Line Road, Souderton, PA. Go to sweatshirtofhope.org for volunteer information.

Bridge of Hope Concert at Calvary Church

FEATURING: KATY NICHOLE
Fri, Oct 17th, 2025, 7:00 - 8:30 PM
Calvary Church, Souderton, PA
All proceeds benefit **Bridge of HOPE**

All Ages

TICKETS: \$30

(save \$5 if purchased before Sept. 19!)



Time Change THIS Sunday

Sunday School @ 9:30am

Worship @ 10:30am

- 9/7 @ 9:30am - SBIC Child Protection Policy review for all parents & Volunteers
- 9/14 ALL Sunday School Classes begin!
Middle School (Grades 6-9) taught by Mike Folkerts
Adult Classes:
 - 1) Romans taught by Dan Z.
 - 2) Hebrews study in the Youth Room

Announcements

Job Posting - SBIC Director of Youth & Multicultural Ministry!

Check out the requirements in the link below: <https://bicus.org/career/part-time-director-of-youth-multicultural-ministries/>

Please forward to anyone you feel is qualified for this position.

2025 Perkasio

CROP Walk for Hunger

Sunday, October 12, 2025

Begins at 12:30pm at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, 20 Dill Ave. Perkasio

Two routes featured (5-mile and "Golden Mile")

Visit crophungerwalk.org/perkasiepa or contact Nancy Buckner nbuckner@comcast.net

ESL Classes at SBIC

Beginning September 29th, SBIC will host English classes in partnership with volunteers from Deep Run East Mennonite Church on Monday evenings, 7:00-8:30pm.

If you are interested in assisting the teachers or helping with childcare, please let Pastor KrisAnne know.

Silverdale Community Day



Sept 20 from noon to 5pm

Al Reese Park, 100 W. Park Ave. Silverdale.

Rain date Oct. 4th

Calendar:

- **This Sunday, Sep 7:** Sunday School resumes @ 9:30am. Parents & Volunteers meet in the Youth Room to review our Child Protection Policy. Worship time reverts to 10:30am
- **Tue:** Iglesia Cristiana Worship @ 6:30pm
- **Wed:** Ladies Precept resumes @ 9:15am on the study of Hebrews. **Prayer on Zoom** or in Person @ 1pm, **Youth Group @ 7pm**
- **Thur:** Worship Team practice @ 7pm

Upcoming Events:

- **Sep 13:** Men's Group with Silverdale BIC @ A&N diner @ 8am
- **Sep 14: #2** Listening session with Raphael Architects in Fellowship Hall 11:45am-1pm
- **Sep 20, 21:** Sweatshirt of Hope
- **Sep 29:** ESL Classes @7pm – 8:30pm at SBIC start.
- **Oct 12:** Perkasio Crop Walk