



## 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>

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### This Sunday

*Sunday School @ 9:30am*

*Worship @ 10:30am*

*Lunch following Worship, then*

*Annual Business Meeting*

*Iglesia Cristiana Worship @ 1:00pm*

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

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

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

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

Pastor KrisAnne's Korner

Friends, the news has been so difficult to bear this first month of the year. I mentioned to the group that gathered by zoom on Sunday morning, that I am meditating on the Psalms this first half of 2026. I am so glad the Spirit led me to do that because I hardly know how to pray lately, yet the Psalms are giving me words - *Why do the nations rage? Why do the wicked prosper? How long, O Lord, will you allow this? You are a just and righteous God; bring your justice!*

As a Christian leader, it sometimes feels tricky to say anything at all about national events, lest it be taken wrongly or set off more conflict when there is already plenty of that to go around. My desire is to be a leader that lessens anxiety, not one that provokes it. I am also tasked to bring clarity where there is confusion, as much as possible. As I prayed about what to say in my article this week, I felt conviction to address what is happening around immigration enforcement in our country. You may disagree with what you read here. That is ok. We can have a conversation about that. People who are genuinely seeking the heart of God and searching the Word of God for wisdom will sometimes disagree. Let's do so believing the best about each other. Let's do so with both humility and conviction.

Here is what I sense I need to say as your pastor: The system we have created to address a broken immigration system, is itself very broken. Citizens of color, immigrants and refugees who are here legally and do not have criminal records; are being rounded up and detained unjustly. Children are being taken from parents and parents from children. And some (not all!) of our immigration officials have been emboldened to treat people inhumanely – even to take innocent life. Sometimes those protesting this broken system also act inhumanely.

As people who follow Jesus, we must resist the temptation to become less human - in our thoughts, our words and our deeds. One of my favorite pastors to follow on Instagram, Ian Simkins, posted a slide that said this:

\_\_\_\_\_ *is made in the image of God.*  
*There is no name you could put on that line that*



*would make that statement untrue.* In my own struggle with my emotions over what is happening in our country, I have come back to that statement many times. When I am tempted toward hate and careless speech about how awful this situation is... when I feel the world's pull toward enemy-making (and wow, that pull is strong right now!)... I come back to the truth that each human being on this fragile planet is made in the image of God. The God that I say I love and serve! That should shape every action I take and each word I speak. Jesus, forgive me when it doesn't! May we all learn more and more how to live as if every human being is made in God's image, every single one.

## Communion during Worship followed by lunch & Annual Business Meeting

Bring a side dish or dessert to share

## Prayer Requests:

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



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Sharing Christ's Love With Those in Need

## My Coins Count

**Start saving your change!**

We'll be collecting coins for MRC starting in **March**



## Marriage Date Night

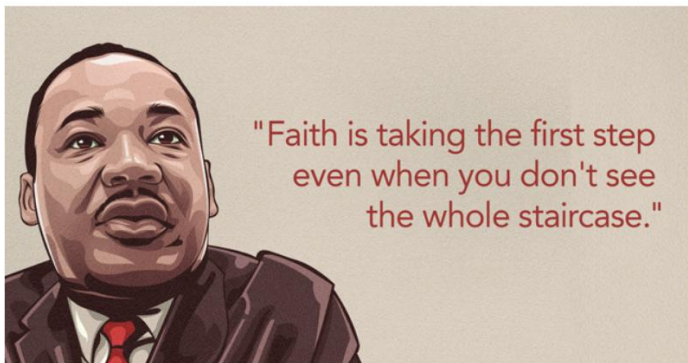
Friday, Feb 20, 2026

@ Calvary Souderton

A night of laughter & Music  
Information & advance

tickets available at

MarriageDateNight.com or by calling  
480-812-1100



"Faith is taking the first step  
even when you don't see  
the whole staircase."

## Sunday Serve

During Worship time

**RESCHEDULED**

**to February 8th**

*Due to weather events,*

We have *rescheduled* our Sunday Serve to Feb 8th. Check the SBIC Facebook page, our church website, and your email for updates!

[SIGN UP for Sunday Serve donations](#)

We invite you to join us next Sunday, Feb 8<sup>th</sup> as we worship by rolling up our sleeves and packing bags for two worthwhile missions.

- 1) Helping Hands Missions in Phila
  - 2) ESL students/families in our local area
- Sunday School will be held at normal 9:30am time.

## THIS Sunday

Sunday School @ 9:30am

Worship @ 10:30am,

Lunch, Annual Business Mtg

Nursery available downstairs, Elementary School (K-Grade 5) Middle School (Grades 6-9) taught by Mike Folkerts

Adult Classes:

! A Study on the Prophets taught by Dan Z.

! Healthy Relationships study in the Youth Room

## Announcements

### Code Blue Shelters

For emergency shelter -



In Bucks County call 800-810-4434

In Montgomery County call 610-278-3522

Surrounding counties – call 211

### Volunteers are needed in the Nursery!

Please contact Jen Eyth or the church office if you can serve.



**ESL needs** Safety Volunteers to serve in the parking lot before & after class.

### Can't help Monday nights??

Volunteers are needed to organize donations of clothing, toys and food items anytime during the week. Contact Mike Folkerts or Laurel Alleger if you have flexible time and can help.

## Calendar:

- **Sun:** Annual Business Meeting. Lunch after Worship. Main dish (BBQ) will be provided; please bring a side or dessert to share.
- Youth Group @ 5pm
- **Mon:** ESL class 7-8:30pm
- **Tue:** Iglesia Cristiana Worship @ 6:30pm
- **Wed:** Precepts Bible Study @ 9:15am, Prayer in person and online @ 1:00pm
- **Thur:** Worship Team practice

## Upcoming Events:

- **Feb 8: Due to weather events, our Sunday Serve activities are rescheduled to Feb 8th. Check the SBIC Facebook page, our church website, and your email for updates!**
- **Feb 27-Mar 1: JUMPSTART Retreat at Kenbrook for Middle School students.**
- **Mar 1, 8: My Coins Count collection**
- **Mar 1, 8, 15, and 22: Membership classes during Sunday School hour**