



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>

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

This Sunday

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

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! at the offering box, by mail, or at our website.

Pastor KrisAnne's Korner

I keep reflecting on parts of Bruce's sermon from last Sunday: "God is crazy about you. God loves you; He also likes you." What if we really embraced that truth? What if we really lived as if God actually liked us - our personality, our quirks, our laugh, our smile, our sense of humor, our hobbies and talents? And what if we lived as if the same was true of our neighbors - that God was crazy about them, that God liked them with all of their quirks and skills and interests and sense of humor and sense of style? I wonder how much this would change the way we live our daily life...

Sometimes, I tend to view God in the way Bruce described many of his European friends viewing God. He's up in heaven watching me with his magnifying glass, evaluating every word I say and everything I do and every thought I think. He's keeping a checklist and making sure my "good" list outweighs my "bad" one. God is all Judge and very little grace. And because this is my picture of God toward me, it can easily become my picture of God toward others, too. I judge their words and actions and attitudes as much as I judge my own.

Yet the Bible tells a different story. It is true that God is a righteous judge, but He is as much as grace as judgment, if not more! If He wasn't filled with grace, why would He draw close to sinful humanity, to seek us out and save us through His Son, Jesus? Why would He bear with our weakness and stubbornness through generation after generation, holding out the gift of new life to us? Why... if He wasn't crazy about us, if He didn't like us as well as love us? His heart toward us isn't just tolerance. His heart toward our neighbors isn't just tolerance. It's DELIGHT: "The Lord your God is with you, He is mighty to save. He will take GREAT DELIGHT in you. He will quiet you with His love; He will rejoice over you with singing." -Zephaniah 3:17



I invite you this week to live as if God actually likes you. And to relate to the people you bump into every day, as if God likes them, too. That little shift in thinking might transform our lives more than we would ever guess!

Next Communion Sunday – May 17th

Prayer Requests:

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

This MONDAY!

ESL *End of Year*
Celebration! May 11th

Lots of
games
& food



Come celebrate with the volunteers & families as we close out the year.

7-8:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall & Lower parking lot

SPRING WORKDAY

Thanks to all who volunteered!



Prayer Usher Ministry

Available before, during, and after
Worship.

Trained teams of one man and one woman will be available to pray with anyone who desires prayer. This is a confidential and nonjudgemental time to release our burdens into the Presence of God. Anointing for healing is available.



Is **HIRING** for multiple positions:

Learn more or apply online:

<https://mds.org/employment/>

THIS Sunday

Sunday School @ 9:30am

Worship @ 10:30am with

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.

Personal Evangelism study in the Youth Room

Announcements

Coming in June

The Second Annual
Community Worship
Service in the Park
is scheduled for
June 28th at 10:00am
Mark your calendars!



ART in Sacred Spaces

Souderton-Telford
Historical Society
presents



May 16, 2026

Tour extraordinary
works of art,
stained glass, &
architecture *right in
our own community!*

Six churches will be open
for tours on May 16 from
noon to 5pm

1. St. Paul's Lutheran, 107 W. Lincoln Ave. Telford
2. Trinity UCC 101 Main St. Telford
3. St. Philip Orthodox 1970 Clearview Rd. Souderton
4. Zwingli, UCC 350 Wile Ave. Souderton
5. Emmanuel Lutheran 69 W. Broad St. Souderton
6. Zion Mennonite, 149 E Cherry Rd. Souderton



Tickets are \$15.00 and can be
purchased
through the QR code (left), or the
day of the tour at Zwingli (must
start the tour there)

*"All that I am, or ever hope to be, I owe to
my angel mother" (Abraham Lincoln)*

Calendar:

- **Sun:** Youth Group 4-6:00pm
- **Mon:** ESL **CARNIVAL** @7-8:30pm
- **Tue:** Iglesia Cristiana Worship @
6:30pm, Church Board @ 7pm
- **Wed:** Precepts Bible Study @ 9:15am,
Prayer in person and online @ 1:00pm.

Upcoming Events:

- **May 17:** Communion
- **May 18:** ESL Volunteer recap mtg @
7pm
- **May 19:** Church Board Mtg @ 7pm
- **May 24:** Youth Group End of Year
party 4-6pm
- **May 31:** Zimbabwean Worship Service,
Last day for Sunday School before
summer break!
- **June 7:** Worship @ 10:30am, **NO**
Sunday School, or Kids Time during
Worship – children will stay in the
Sanctuary with their parents during
Worship