



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 17, 2026

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 either Worship
service at their scheduled time:

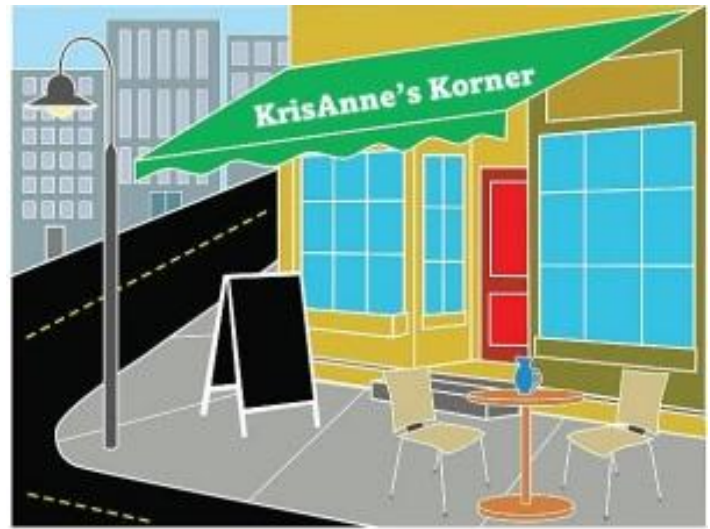
www.soudertonbic.org/stream
www.youtube.com/@soudertonbic
Thank you for your faithful giving! at the
offering box, by mail, or at our website.

Pastor KrisAnne's Korner

This week's scripture (from Acts 2:1-13) has me thinking about what catches our attention and what doesn't. Have you ever seen a TV advertisement from back in the day when television was still new? I have seen a very old Ford commercial; I'm not sure from what year. It was in black and white, so maybe from the early 1950s? It was so long and boring and I really struggled to focus on the content.

The ad was over 3 minutes long, did not include any music at all, and the camera shot stayed on this one man and his wife the whole time. They simply had a conversation - for 3 whole minutes - about their car. They discussed its safety features and reliability, how comfortable it was, how nice it looked, and aspects of the engine that were beyond me. I kept thinking, "An ad like this would never air today!" It would need to be much, much shorter, use less words, include lots of music, multiple camera angles, and flashy graphics. Companies must grab our attention with movement, sound and color. And they must do it quickly or we will lose interest fast.

The story of the Holy Spirit rushing in with wind and fire on Pentecost is full of flash, sound and color. Of course it catches our attention! I wish I could have been there to experience that powerful, unforgettable event! I'm sure I would have been changed forever by the experience. But I have found myself thinking this week - events like Pentecost aren't the only way the Spirit moves and works. Sometimes the Spirit moves quietly, slowly, even secretly. I have sensed the Spirit moving within me as I meditate on scripture, as I walk silently in nature, in a private conversation with a friend, through the sound of ocean waves while I sit on the beach. Sometimes I only recognize how the Spirit has been working in me when I look back over my days and years, and notice how I'm different now than I used to be. Here's the truth: The Spirit is no less transformative when He moves slowly and quietly.



I wonder how many times we miss the power and presence of the Spirit because we're looking for what's loud, exciting and miraculous? How can we train ourselves to recognize the Spirit's work based on fruit instead of flash? Can we learn to appreciate the slow and steady transformation of our souls that doesn't necessarily happen in one big moment? Ponder these things and we will get back to the excitement of Pentecost on Sunday!

Communion October 4th

Prayer Requests:

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

Saturday, Sept 26



8am to noon

Election Eve

Communion at Zion Mennonite
Monday, Nov 2, at 7:00pm

Join a local community of believers as we meet to pray and have Communion prior to Election Day.

Small Groups Startup

A *choice* of Small Group topics *AND* evenings for you:

Monthly:

- 1) 1st Saturday of the month Oct-May led by Pastor KrisAnne & Jon Swartley @ their home. Book study: *What Grows in Weary Lands* by T. Warren
- 2) Sunday evenings: A study on *Romans* led by Richard and Laurel Alleger, Sep-May in their home

WEEKLY:

- 3) Wed evenings: "I didn't say that, Love, God" led by Kristin & Lewis Munoz at SBIC 7-8pm Sep 16th -Nov 18th

Sign up at the back table in the Sanctuary!

The ESL Pantry needs shelf stable items:

**Rice, beans, soups, cereal,
baby formula**



**Registration for Fall ESL Classes is
THIS Monday, Sept 21 from
6:30-8:00pm
Classes begin Oct 5!**

Sunday School for all @ 9:30am

Youth Class for Grades 6-12

led by Mike Folkerts

Adult Classes offered:

- A Study of the Prophets (Rm 1)
- 5 Postures of a Global Christian

Worship @ 10:30am

Announcements

MOMENTUM

High School Youth Kenbrook Retreat

November 13-15

All High School Youth are invited
to the Annual Youth Retreat.

Scholarships are available

Contact Nathaniel Nissley at

nnissley@kenbrook.org with questions.

September

RamPacks Fundraiser

Enjoy dinner, support RamPacks

**This September
The Washington House
is supporting RamPacks!**



Washington House



Donate \$5 today when dining at the restaurant & the Washington House will **reward your kindness** with a \$10 gift certificate!

The Washington House is also matching customer donations.

Thank you Washington House!  **RamPacks**

Calendar:

- **Mon** ESL Registration at 6:30-8pm
- **Wed:** Ladies Precept Bible Study resumes @ 9:15-11:30am, Prayer in person and online @ 1:00pm, Munoz weekly small group at SBIC at 7-8pm.
- **Sat:** **FALL Workday** at 8am. Sign-up sheet in the back of the Sanctuary

Upcoming Events:

- **Sep 23:** Munoz Weekly Small Group @ 7-8pm
- **Oct 3:** Swartley small group @ 6:30-8:30pm
- **Oct 4:** Communion, Alleger Monthly Small Group starts at 6pm
- **Oct 5:** ESL classes begin WEEKLY at 7-8:30pm
- **Oct 7:** Youth Group begins weekly 7-8:30pm
- **Oct 28:** Family Night Hayride & Corn Maze at R&J Farms