



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

**Seventeenth Sunday after  
Pentecost**

**Worship Schedule: 10 AM  
In –person and livestreamed**

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## Pastor's Ponderings

Pastor Emma Horn

Friends,

There is so much heartache in the world. Hurricanes and wildfires, conflict and heartbreak in places both near and far. The Rev. Dr. Laurie Kraus wrote this prayer recently. May its words inspire us and remind us of the hope we find in our faith.

## ***PRAYER IN THE WAKE OF HURRICANE IDA, HAITI, AFGHANISTAN, WILDFIRES AND MORE***

*God of Compassion,*

*With sighs too deep for human words, we come to you again in prayer, lifting up the sorrow, the trouble and the weariness of so many of your peoples. For those whose homes and communities are torn and flooded by the winds of Hurricane Ida, for those who abide in darkness and in oppressive heat, trying to begin the work of rebuilding, especially for those whose resources and access to help are tenuous, hear our prayer.*

*Oh, God of all things: There is so much. May your Spirit expand our vision, sustain our attention, and deepen our compassion and commitment: For neighbors in Haiti, grieving loss, working to mend bodies and lives, moving rubble, hoping for help, weary and weighed down. For neighbors fleeing fire in western states, violence and fear in Afghanistan, for people everywhere who suffer loss of home, community, livelihood, hope. Help us to be part of your healing, your Wholeness, your hope. In the name of the Christ our justice and our life. Amen.*

# JOYS AND CONCERNS FROM SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

Our pastor's contact information can be found on the front page of this newsletter. Pastor Emma is available for conversation and prayer. Also, please continue to share your joys and concerns with us so that we may continue to support each other in specific prayer requests.

*Joys and concerns may be submitted to the office via email or by phone. We check messages regularly.*

***Please let us know of answers to prayer – so that we can give thanks to God!***

Carolyn Hooper asks prayers for Bob. He fell Thursday night and has a compressed fracture of the L2 vertebrae. He spent Friday night in the hospital, but was released Saturday and is now at home recovering.

We lift up prayers of thankfulness for a new program year at LBPC and all the joy it brings.

**Thank you** from LIFT for your very generous donations to their mission trip family, Annie and Wayne. Almost \$1,500 has been collected to date!



## 2021 FINANCIAL UPDATE

Year to Date Total Giving 2021:	<b>\$149,146</b>
Budgeted Giving 2021:	<b>\$244,249</b>

## WORSHIP LINKS

**September 12, 2021**

**"From Beauty to Compassion and Justice"**

◇ [Audio/Video link](#)

◇ [Bulletin/Liturgy link](#)



# ANNOUNCEMENTS



Through participation in the Peace & Global Witness Offering, our church is extending Christ's peace throughout our community and our world. We begin at the communion table, with our siblings in every time and place, and we celebrate the peace we find there and commit to building a more just and peaceful world. We celebrate the truth found in 2nd Thessalonians, "Peace at all times in all ways."

**On Sunday, October 5, we celebrate that Christ's peace extends throughout all creation by accepting the Peace and Global Witness offering.**



The October | November | December issue of These Days has arrived. If you would like to have one mailed to your home, please contact the office at [lbpc@lowerbrandywine.org](mailto:lbpc@lowerbrandywine.org) or 302-658-2326.



How wonderful it is to see the church calendar filling up with more and more events! Now is a good time to remind everyone that meets in the church building that before your group leaves, **ALL INTERIOR DOORS MUST BE CLOSED AND THE LIGHTS MUST BE TURNED OFF.** While this may seem like an insignificant request, it is actually a very important fire safety requirement per the Fire Marshall. Thanks for your cooperation!

## VACATION

Becky Kennedy will be on vacation from Thursday, September 16th through Saturday, September 25th. The office will be open but will be operating on reduced hours. Please give a call before you stop by!



A reminder that the 857th Stated Meeting of Presbytery will be held at LBPC on Tuesday, September 14th beginning at 4:00 PM. The meeting will take place mostly via Zoom. However, remember that staff might be tied up that day with assisting those attending in-person. Thanks for your consideration.



**We look forward to welcoming Nancy Day back to the pulpit on Sunday, September 19th as our guest preacher!**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW



### Leave Gifts to Benefit Lower Brandywine Presbyterian

Please consider making a gift to Lower Brandywine Presbyterian that tells the story of your hope in Christ. Each will is unique and must be structured to fit the needs and estate plans of the individual in accordance with the laws of the state in which they live. For this reason, you should consult a lawyer to assist you in drafting your will and estate plan. Our Presbyterian Foundation Ministry Relations Officer (MRO) can guide you through this important giving process:

[Olanda Carr, Jr. 5141 Sharon Rd, Charlotte, NC 28210 olanda.carr@presbyterianfoundation.org](mailto:olanda.carr@presbyterianfoundation.org)

**Legacy Options** You can leave a gift to your church in the following ways: • A bequest in your will • Retirement plan beneficiary • Life insurance beneficiary • Proceeds from the sale of real estate or property • Other ways that suit your situation.

Consult with an attorney or professional advisor before making changes to your estate plans.

For more information visit: <https://www.presbyterianfoundation.org/wills-legacy-giving/>



**Did you know that you can contribute to LBPC with a stock contribution or electronically through our website? Visit the Giving tab on our website to see how!**

**Stock Transfers** – inform your investment company to send the transfer to Fidelity Investments. Our DTC is 0226, Account **272-118389**.

If needed – Fidelity Investments – 4001 Kennett Pike Ste. 120, Greenville, DE 19807, our Account Executive is Daniel Glazer 302-428-3776 ext. 78869.

**Please remember to advise Linda Natali at [finance@lowerbrandywine.org](mailto:finance@lowerbrandywine.org) of your donation, so that we may credit your giving account promptly.**

### Donations of Required Minimum Distributions from Retirement Accounts

Did you know that you can make a donation of all or a portion of the Required Minimum Distribution from your retirement account to tax exempt charities, such as Lower Brandywine Presbyterian Church and your donation will be tax exempt?

Here's how it works. If a person is at least age 70½, they must take at least a minimum distribution from their IRA or incur a penalty equal to one-half of the otherwise required minimum distribution amount. They may take more than the minimum at their discretion. These individuals may instruct their IRA account manager to distribute any amount of their choosing to one or more tax exempt charities such as Lower Brandywine Presbyterian.

When that is done, it is considered to be a tax-exempt contribution. Lower Brandywine would acknowledge to the giver the receipt of that contribution from their IRA. Also, this contribution is tax exempt even if the individual does not itemize deductions for income tax purposes because the IRA account manager would not identify this to the IRS as reportable income in accordance with the tax code.

For more information about Qualified Charitable Distributions, check out the Internal Revenue Service Publication 590-B, "Distributions from Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)" or speak with your tax advisor.



***The Fall Festival is QUICKLY approaching!! We are still in need of a few volunteers to help the day run smoothly:***

1. LBPC Welcome Table—We have lots of goodies and brochures to hand out to festival guests to make them feel welcome. What we need are some members to sit at the table to greet visitors and answer questions. We are looking for a total of 4 volunteers (2 from 12:00 to 2:00 and 2 from 2:00 to 4:00). All supplies are located in a marked bag in the office. Contact Ed Nass if you are willing to help. Edwardnass56@gmail.com.
2. Inflatables and Games—This year there will be many more inflatables. I am reaching out specifically to the YOUTH, here. Historically, the youth have helped with the kids games but since there are not going to be any “hands on” games this year, we could really use your help in the inflatables area. Please contact Nancy Day if you are able to help. nancyday@comcast.net

**Join Us In Celebrating Our Church's 300th Anniversary!**

**Saturday, September 25, 2021  
Noon - 4PM**

**Lower Brandywine Presbyterian Church**  
101 Old Kennett Road  
Wilmington, DE  
Across from Winterthur

**Community Festival**

**FREE FOOD TRUCKS    MAGIC SHOW BY SPEED  
HUGE SLIDE/GAMES    FACE PAINTER/BALLOONIST  
LIVE MUSIC BY FAITH AND FRIENDS**

**LOWER BRANDYWINE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 300th ANNIVERSARY**

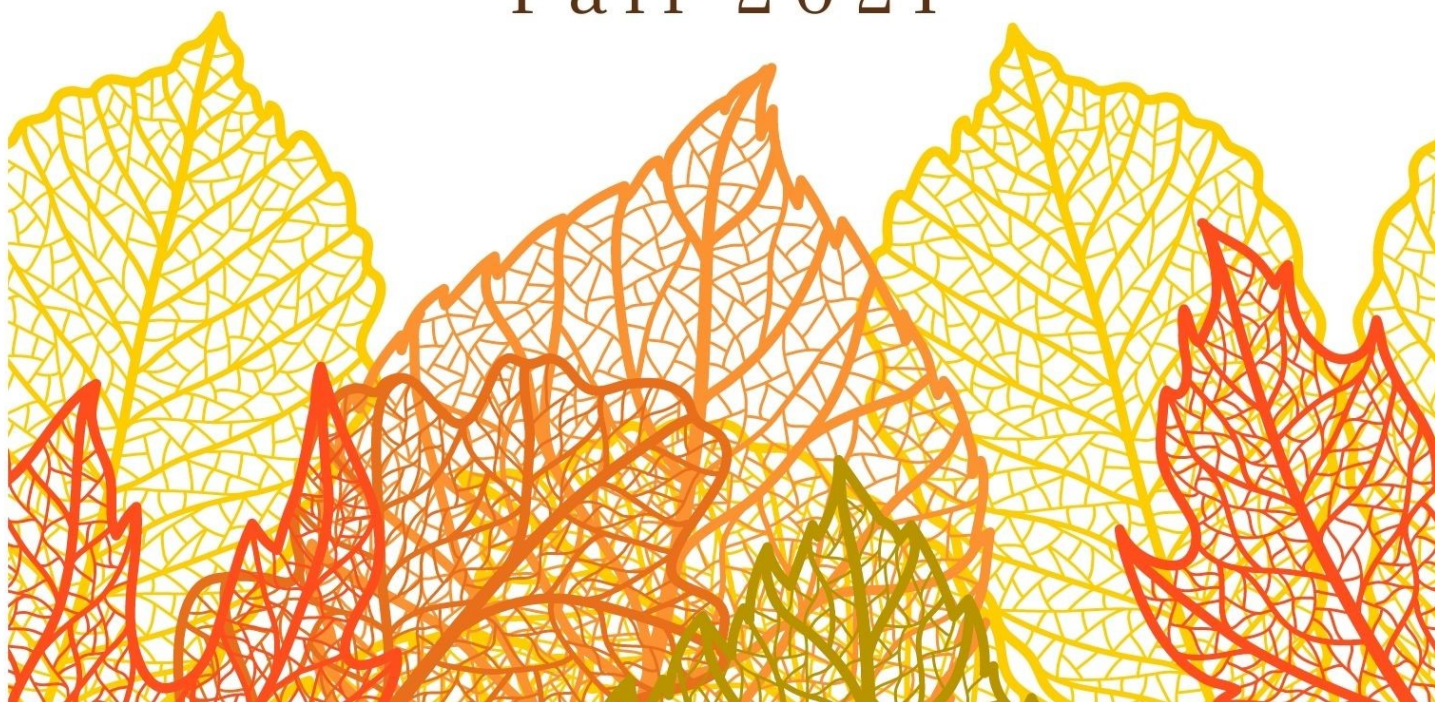
**SPECIAL PROCLAMATIONS WILL BE ISSUED BY DELAWARE STATE SENATOR LAURA STURGEON, DELAWARE STATE REPRESENTATIVE KRISTA GRIFFITH, AND NEW CASTLE COUNTY EXECUTIVE MATT MEYER MARKING THE 300TH ANNIVERSARY OF LOWER BRANDYWINE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**





# Welcome All

Christian Education  
Opportunities at  
LBPC  
Fall 2021





## Children

### Children's Sunday School K-5th Grade

- Beginning September 12th
- During the 10 AM worship hour, after Parable Time
- Each Sunday except for Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
- Check the calendar for special Sunday services that the children will be invited to attend

### Thursday Night Kid Time

- Beginning September 16th
- 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month
- 6 - 8 PM

## Youth

### Youth Grades 6 - 12

- Beginning September 16th
- 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month
- 6 - 7 PM pizza and homework help
- 7 - 8 PM bible study/devotion

## Adults

### Adult Topical Study

- Each Sunday at 8 AM

### Adult Bible Study

- Each Sunday at 9 AM

### Richard Rohr Small Group

- Beginning September 7 at 12 PM
- 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month

### Thursday Brown Bag Bible Study, "What My Grandmother Taught Me"

- Beginning September 16th
- Every Thursday 11:30 AM to 1 PM
- Lunch at 11:30 AM (bring your lunch), study at 12 PM

### Thursday Evening Lectionary Study, "Connections"

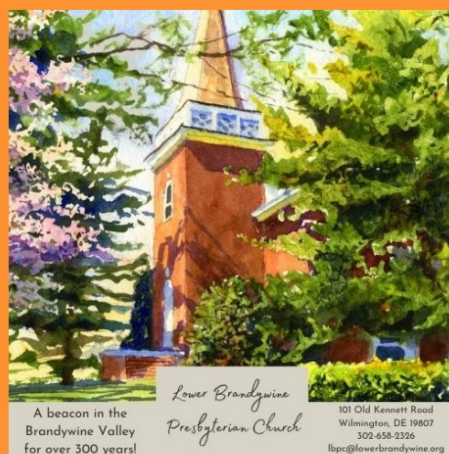
- Beginning September 16th
- Every Thursday at 6:30 PM

## Important Fall Dates

09/11	LIFT Fundraiser	5 PM
09/12	Rally Day	10 AM
09/14	NCP Presbytery Meeting at LBPC	3 PM
09/25	Fall Festival	12 PM
09/26	Window Dedication	10 AM
10/10	Play	10 AM
10/14	Prayer Vigil	12 PM
10/14	Vesper Service	6 PM
10/15	Cocktail Reception	5:30 PM
10/15	Gina Roche Concert	7 PM
10/16	Day of Service (Urban Promise)	9 AM
10/17	300th Anniversary Worship Service	10 AM
10/17	300th Anniversary Brunch	12 PM
10/24	Family Outing to Linvilla Orchards	11:30 AM
11/13	LIFT Movie Night and Bonfire at Kennedys	5 PM
11/23	Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service	7:30 PM



Remember to check the LBPC Calendar for updates and changes. A two week calendar is published every week in the Messenger, or you can visit our website at [www.lowerbrandywine.org](http://www.lowerbrandywine.org)



## **September 2021 Readings**

### **Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost—September 5**

Topic: From Beauty to Compassion and Justice

Psalms 98

Isaiah 52:7-10

### **Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost—September 12**

Proverbs 1:20-33

Psalms 19

James 3:1-12

Mark 8:27-38

### **Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost—September 19**

Proverbs 31:10-31

Psalms 1

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

Mark 9:30-37

### **Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost—September 26**

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

Psalms 124

James 5:13-20

Mark 9:38-50

## **BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

### **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

09/06	Lisa Adams
09/08	Delaney Armstrong
	Gillian Haldeman
09/12	Linda Bronson
	Maureen Ringstrom
09/15	Addie Kmec
09/19	Evelyn Middleton
	Susan Porth
09/20	Selina Faulkner
09/22	William Main
	Susan Wright
09/25	George Plerhoples
09/27	Emily Kmec
	Natalie Ventura
09/30	Meredith Kenton

### **SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

09/06	Reed and Georgia Coats
09/21	Ann and Pete Ferrari
09/23	Alan Senegeto and Madelyn Underwood
09/30	Bob and Marian Hartman



# CALENDAR

## SEPTEMBER 13TH—SEPTEMBER 26TH

Start Date	Start Time	Subject
09/13/2021	7:00 PM	Al-Anon
	7:00 PM	Al-Ateen
09/14/2021	10:00 AM	Missions Committee Meeting
	3:00 PM	NCP Presbytery Meeting
	5:00 PM	KPA Meeting in Social Hall
09/15/2021	12:00 PM	Al-Anon
	7:30 PM	Senior Choir Rehearsal
09/16/2021	11:00 AM	Brown Bag Bible Study
	6:00 PM	Thursday Night Kid Time
	6:00 PM	LIFT
	6:30 PM	Adult Lectionary Study
	7:00 PM	CCA Meeting - Library
<b>09/19/2021</b>		<b>Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>
	12:00 AM	MFM: Sandra Borrer for 300th Anniversary Mission Funds
	8:00 AM	Adult Topical Study
	9:00 AM	Adult Bible Study
	10:00 AM	Worship Service (In-Person and Livestreamed)
	10:15 AM	Children's Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Fellowship
09/20/2021	11:00 AM	Brill Internment
	7:00 PM	Al-Anon
	7:00 PM	Al-Ateen
	7:00 PM	Finance & Administration (ZOOM)
09/21/2021	12:00 PM	Richard Rohr Small Group (ZOOM)
09/22/2021	12:00 PM	Al-Anon
09/23/2021	11:00 AM	Brown Bag Bible Study
	6:30 PM	Adult Lectionary Study
09/25/2021	12:00 PM	Fall Festival
<b>09/26/2021</b>		<b>Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost/300th Anniversary Window Dedication</b>
	12:00 AM	MFM: Peace and Global Witness Offering
	8:00 AM	Adult Topical Study
	9:00 AM	Adult Bible Study
	10:00 AM	Worship Service (In-Person and Livestreamed)
	10:15 AM	Children's Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Fellowship
	11:15 AM	Play Rehearsal - Church Library

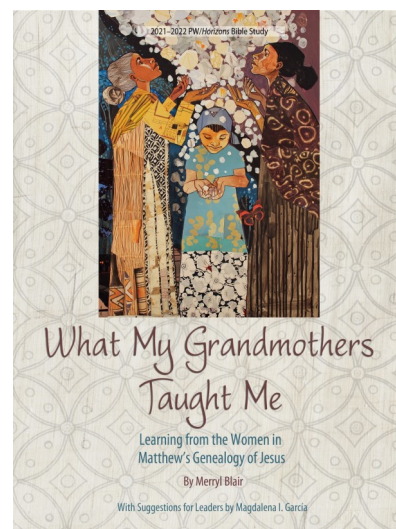
## Brown Bag Bible Study—Thursdays at 11:30 AM, Lunch 12:00 AM, Study

### *What My Grandmothers Taught Me: Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus*

2021–2022 PW/Horizons Bible study

By Merryl Blair with Suggestions for Leaders by Magdalena I. García

Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, Bathsheba, and Mary—Matthew names these women for a reason. How might Jesus have heard the stories of his grandmothers? What might the young Jesus have felt, as he heard about his family? What might the stories of these women have added to his sense of identity, as part of a particular family in a particular time and place? And what can Jesus's grandmothers-of-the-faith teach us? By exploring these stories together, we will have a richer idea of what the good news is.



## Adult Lectionary Study—Thursdays at 6:30 PM

### *Connections*

Follows the Revised Common Lectionary

The *Connections* series presents an ecumenical mix of traditional Bible study (NRSV) and contemporary insight. Following the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL), *Connections* provides your class with a plan for reading and studying the Bible. By participating in the *Connections* series, a believer will be given help in knowing the content of the Bible, understanding its message, and responding to that message by living a life of faith and love. Using the RCL texts creates an opportunity to connect Bible study with worship by relating the lesson text to the sermon text, and that's one of the connections we want *Connections* to make. LBPC will be following the lectionary in worship this Fall and this class will give in depth study of the lectionary passages for each week.

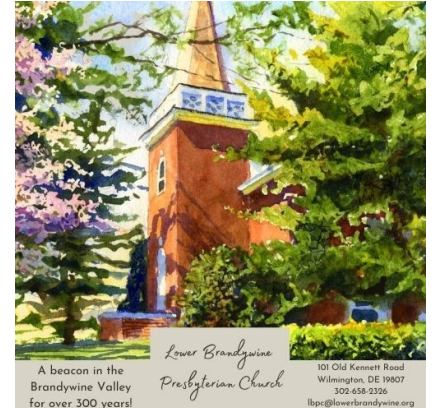


## 300th Anniversary Happenings!

**TUE 9/14** New Castle Presbytery State Meeting @ LBPC (4 PM-8 PM)

**SAT 9/25** Fall Festival (12 PM-4 PM)

**SUN 9/26** 300th Anniversary Window Dedication in Sunday Service



**SUN 10/3** Distribution of Commemorative 300th Ornament and LBPC History Book after Sunday Service

**SUN 10/10** Performance of Play, "Meeting of New Castle Presbytery in 1720" during Sunday Service / continued distribution of commemorative ornaments and History Books after service.

**THUR 10/14** 300th Anniversary Prayer Vigil (12 PM—6 PM)  
300th Anniversary Vesper Service (6 PM)

**FRI 10/15** 300th Anniversary Reception (5:30 PM—6:45 PM)  
Gina Roche Concert in Sanctuary (7 PM—8 PM)

**SAT 10/16** 300th Anniversary Day of Service with Urban Promise (9 AM—1PM)

**SUN 10/17** 300th Anniversary Sunday Service (10 AM—11:15 AM) Unveiling of commemorative plaque-framed list of family names during service  
Congregational Brunch at Greenville Country Club (12 PM—3:00 PM) RSPV required



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