



SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 2021

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Schedule: 10 AM
In –person and livestreamed

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Pastor's Ponderings

Candace Smith

Vacation Bible School Wrap Up

Praise God for an eventful, memorable week of Vacation Bible School! Our 2021 VBS, themed Jump Into God's Love, was last week, July 26th-30th. The children had a wonderful time! They learned that Bible stories apply to their lives in practical ways in the present day. They learned that one big way to jump into God's love is to share his love with those in need. We called it being "missions minded." The children and volunteers brought in offering daily, which was presented to the Missions Committee on Sunday, August 1st, to bless a ministry or organization that cares for the well-being of others. During VBS, we also had outdoor and indoor fun with crafts, games, food crafts, water day, tie dye day and more!

I would like to say a GREAT BIG THANK YOU to everyone who donated and contributed to the success of our first Vacation Bible School coming out of the pandemic. An extra special thank you to Pastor Emma and Becky Kennedy for their ongoing support, presence and hands on help during VBS! And to our AMAZING VOLUNTEERS, thank you for your time and energy in playing, serving, setting up, cleaning up, and for your willingness to help in any way needed!

LBPC friends, family, staff and volunteers, please know that Vacation Bible School was a success because you lived out JUMPING INTO GOD'S LOVE for these children and for me! You are all truly appreciated! Stayed tuned...lots more fun, learning and growing to come!



JOYS AND CONCERNS FROM AUGUST 1, 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.

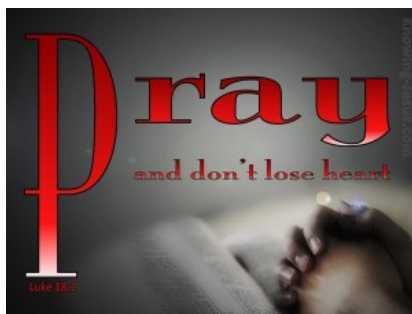
Please let us know of answers to prayer – so that we can give thanks to God!

We lift up prayers for John and Diane Danzeisen whose home in Long Beach, NJ took a direct hit from one of the tornados that touched down in our area last week. While their home sustained quite a bit of damage, John, Diane and the dogs are all ok as are all of their neighbors. Praise God!

We pray for other who are recovering from the damages of last week's storms.

We give thanks for last week's very successful VBS!

We continue to pray for peace and comfort for Shirley Pritchard and her family during a difficult time.



2021 FINANCIAL UPDATE

Year to Date Total Giving 2021:	\$142,865
Budgeted Giving 2021:	\$244,249

WORSHIP LINKS

August 1, 2021

"Abyss, Mystery and Wonder"

◇ [Audio/Video link](#)

◇ [Bulletin/Liturgy link](#)



ANNOUNCEMENTS



We are so excited to be able to worship and fellowship together again, but we need your help! Betsy Coons is looking for people to host our fellowship time after worship services. It doesn't have to be a big, fancy, feast; just some snacks to share with friends and family. Please contact Betsy Coons at betsycoons@comcast.net or 484-643-2479 to sign up!

Also, in anticipation of getting back to a "more normal" worship service, we need ushers and greeters to help welcome our members and visitors. Greeters simply need to arrive a few minutes early and welcome folks in. Ushers collect offering and have some minor duties when service is over. For more information, contact Dave Robertson at da.robertson@verizon.net or 302-764-9591.



This summer in worship we are exploring the theme of contemplation and compassion and learning about different spiritual practices in worship. One practice that many people connect to is Lectio Divina. This intentional way of reading scripture invites us to slow down and listen for the ways that God is speaking to us through the text. In case you find this a helpful practice, [here is a link to Pastor Emma walking us through the process of Lectio Divina for this week's sermon text.](#)



A large portion of our church building is over 100 years old. As such, maintenance of our building and grounds is something that requires a great deal of thought, planning, creativity, patience and time. At LBPC we rely on a committee of volunteers to ensure our property continues to be a beautiful, safe, and comfortable place for people to worship. It is a very big job. At this time we find ourselves in desperate need of enthusiastic people willing to join this committee and commit their time and talent to ensure the proper upkeep of LBPC. They meet once a month. If after prayerful consideration you feel called to step into this roll, please contact Larry Murphy at Mjmlpm@verizon.net or 302-540-1779.



Al-Anon/Alateen is a recovery support fellowship for families and friends of alcoholics. Al-Anon/Alateen members share how attendance has helped them more fully understand their alcoholic relative, and how they can enjoy a full and happy life, regardless of whether the alcoholic is still drinking or not. Al-Anon meets twice weekly and Alateen meets once a week at LBPC:

Al-Anon Meetings: Monday 7:00-8:00 pm and Wednesday Noon-1:00 pm

Alateen Meeting: Monday 7:00-8:00 pm MEETING IN-PERSON AND VIA ZOOM

Due to the pandemic, Al-Anon and Alateen are having virtual meetings. Please go to delawarealanon.org/meeting for the most up-to-date information.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW



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:

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/>



Stock Transfers – inform your investment company to send the transfer to Fidelity Investments. Our DTC is 0226, Account **772-118389**.

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 of your donation, so that we may credit your giving account promptly.

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.

August 2021 Readings

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost—August 1

Topic: Abyss, Mystery and Wonder

Psalm 135:1-3, 13-21

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost—August 8

Topic: Morning Has Broken

Psalm 113

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost—August 15

Topic: The Beauty of a World Without a Why

Psalm 139:1-18

Selections from Genesis 1

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost—August 22

Topic: Watching the Mind and Guiding the Heart

Philippians 4:8

Psalm 23

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost—August 29

Topic: Living Lives of Contemplation and Compassion

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

08/05	Robert Hooper
08/06	Akintayo Odutola
08/07	Lisa McNett
08/08	Cassandra Coats
08/10	Felix Connolly
	Marian Hartman
08/12	Wyatt Walther
08/15	Jan Beebe
08/19	Robert Sullivan
08/20	Nancy Day
	Dorothy Kent
08/21	Dave Robertson
08/25	Betty Lord
08/26	Betty Martino
	Shirley Pritchard
08/28	Carl Kumpf

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

08/08	William and Mauricette Benzing
08/09	Bruce and Katherine Webber
08/10	Robert and Carolyn Hooper
08/15	John and Diane Danzeisen
08/27	Harold and Emily Salmons

CALENDAR

AUGUST 2ND—AUGUST 15TH

Start Date	Start Time	Subject	Zoom
08/02/2021	7:00 PM	Al-Anon	
	7:00 PM	Al-Ateen	
08/03/2021	12:00 PM	Richard Rohr Small Group (ZOOM)	Contact Sandra Borrer
08/04/2021	12:00 PM	Al-Anon	
08/08/2021		Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost	
	8:00 AM	Adult Topical Study	
	10:00 AM	Worship Service (In-Person and Livestreamed)	
	11:00 AM	Fellowship	
08/09/2021	7:00 PM	300th Anniversary Committee Meeting	Contact Ed Nass
	7:00 PM	Al-Anon	
	7:00 PM	Al-Ateen	
08/10/2021	5:00 PM	KPA Meeting in Social Hall	
	7:00 PM	Centerville Civic Association in Social Hall	
08/11/2021	11:00 AM	Staff Meeting - Fall Planning	
	12:00 PM	Al-Anon	
	7:00 PM	Session Meeting (via Zoom)	Contact Pastor Emma
08/15/2021		Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost	
	8:00 AM	Adult Topical Study	
	10:00 AM	Worship Service (In-Person and Livestreamed)	
	10:45 AM	Odutola Baptism	
	11:00 AM	Fellowship	

Keep up with the latest news from the PCUSA and the NCP (New Castle Presbytery) by subscribing to one of the many available e-newsletters. There is so much happening in our denomination beyond our walls! Learn more about how other Presbyterians are responding to the needs of our world. Follow the links below to subscribe:



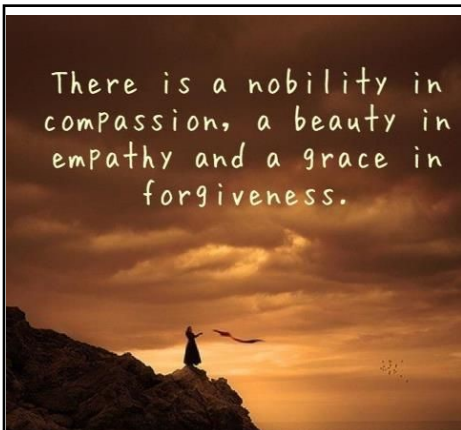
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There is a nobility in
compassion, a beauty in
empathy and a grace in
forgiveness.

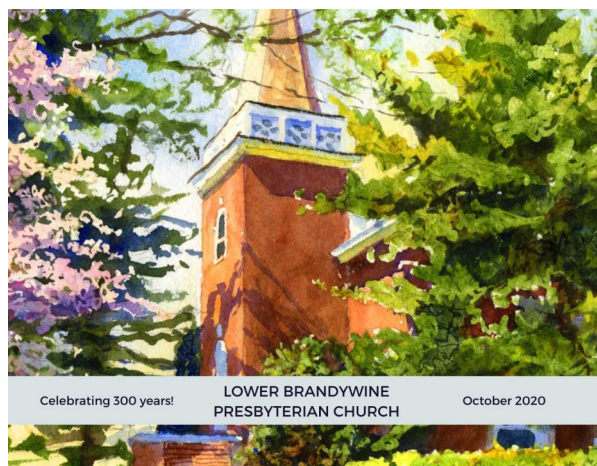


A Visual Prayers of the People, September 5th. As part of the worship service for Sunday, September, 5th, we are putting together a visual Prayers of the People. The subject is *"Beauty and Compassion"*.

If you were to pray for beauty and compassion, what that look like? We invite everyone to submit a picture or pictures that represent what a prayer for beauty and compassion looks like to each person. Please submit your pictures to lbpc@lowerbrandywine.org or put them in Becky's box. The deadline for submission is **August 26th**.

300th Anniversary Happenings!

- 9/25 Fall Festival
- 9/26 300th Anniversary Window Dedication
- 10/14 300th Anniversary Prayer Vigil
- 10/15 300th Anniversary Reception and Concert
- 10/16 300th Anniversary Work Day
- 10/17 300th Anniversary Brunch



Celebrating 300 years!

LOWER BRANDYWINE
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October 2020



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