



SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2022	
Fifth Sunday of Easter	
10:00 AM	Sunday Worship
10:15	Children's Sunday School following Parable Time
11:00 AM	Fellowship

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Pastor's Ponderings

So about that test drive . . .

It's been a minute since we began this interim journey together. And now that Easter has been celebrated, the Session and I are eager to get started on the tasks LBPC needs to address in preparation for calling a new pastor.

The big item on that To Do List is to build on the work that Strategy and Planning has done to create a Mission and Vision statement for the church.

So how does LBPC live out these intentions in tangible ways? How can these visions become reality within the church and most especially, beyond the church in the community?

In the next few months, there will be opportunities for you to contribute your ideas, hopes and questions because we discern the Spirit's leading best when everyone's voices are heard.

The first such opportunity will be by participating in what is called the CAT - Congregational Assessment Tool. This survey will give us all some baseline information about LBPC and where there are energy, strengths, and readiness to move into the future.

Actually, the first opportunity is to notice your keychain and remember to hold your church in prayer!

*Peace, Be Well -
Pastor Nona*



LBPC MISSION

Welcoming All, Worshipping Christ, Working to Share God's Love

Welcoming All: Building a caring community of spiritual nurturing and fellowship

Worshipping Christ: Celebrating Christ's love and the good news of the Gospel

Working to Share God's Love: Serving those in need

LBPC VISION

A Place to Belong for a Lifetime of Faith

What we are and aspire to be:

A warm and embracing multi-generational church

A growing and vibrant faith community

What is important to us:

Supporting families

Helping people to explore and strengthen their relationship with God

Sharing the love of Christ

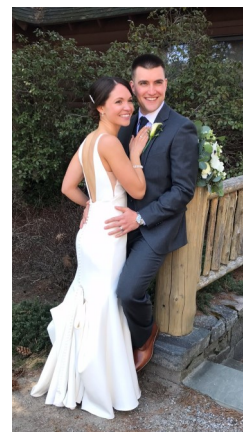
JOYS AND CONCERNS FROM MAY 8, 2022

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 celebrate the marriage of Natalie Ventura to Captain Alex Heger on Saturday, April 30th at Jimbo's Club at the Point in Brant Lake, NY in the Adirondack's. Alex is from Boston and they met at UD. He's an Intelligence Officer in the Air Force. Beginning in August, the couple plans to move to Boston where he'll start a Graduate Degree at Boston University in Data Analytics. Natalie is working for American Reading Company as a Sales Support Specialist. They are currently living in Hampton, VA now as Alex is at Langley Air Force Base.



We celebrate with joy the birth of Dave and Barbara Heckman's first great-grandchild, Jacob, born Monday, May 2nd. Congratulations to them and to his parents, Tyler and Ryan.

We offer prayers for Jan and Art Beebe after Art suffered another fall.

We hold the Faulkners in our prayers as they prepare for Selina's upcoming wedding!

We offer prayers for all those who suffer from illness, who are in pain, who worry, who are victims of war and violence, and for all those who answer the call to help.



2021 FINANCIAL UPDATE

2022 Budgeted Giving:	\$233,441
2022 YTD Giving:	\$ 86,932

WORSHIP LINKS

May 8, 2022

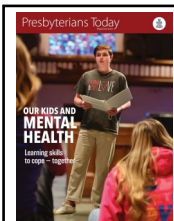
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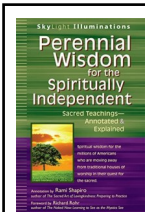


ANNOUNCEMENTS

IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW



The newest issue of *Presbyterians Today* is now available! Copies may be found in the Social Hall and the Narthex.



The Richard Rohr study group wishes to invite you to participate as they begin their next book study, ***Perennial Wisdom for the Spiritually Independent*** by Rami Shapiro. The study begins in May and continues through the summer (except for August). 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 11:00 AM via Zoom, so you can join from anywhere! For more information, contact Sandra Borrer at 610-506-5783 or email at Borrerjury@gmail.com



We give thanks for the many talents of our college singers whom we have been so blessed to have join our choir.

Matthew Quarles will be returning to his hometown to work as a supervisor at his town pool. He is also planning a gospel concert with some of his friends from his home church. In the fall, Matthew will begin his field placement and start working with students in the classroom as a music director.

Zoe Yost will be spending the summer studying composition at the Walden School's Creative Musicians Retreat, then viola at Bowdoin International Music Festival. In the fall she will be majoring in viola performance at San Francisco Conservatory, with either a minor or a double major in Technology and Applied Composition.

Genna Hahn and her family will be visiting five universities/conservatories that she is considering for her Doctor of Musical Arts. Then she will be joining the Delaware Choral Scholars in Croatia and the UD Wind Ensemble in Prague. In the fall she starts her final year of graduate school with her vocal Master's recital in the fall and her flute Master's recital in the spring. Following her graduation she will be attending one of the universities./conservatories to which she is accepted.

We wish our college singers much success in their new endeavors!

The Lower Brandywine Church office will be



Monday, May 30, 2022



Pentecost 2022
Coming to a church
near you!

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We only have **ONE** more regular LIFT meeting this season:

- Thursday May 19, 2022 at 6:00 PM

- ⇒ We are planning to have a bon-fire/cookout/movie night at **6:00 PM at the church on Friday, June 3rd**. We'll cook hot dogs and s'mores and watch a movie outside (weather permitting). Bring a friend!
- ⇒ **Senior Recognition Sunday** is Sunday, June 12th. There will be a time during the service to recognize our graduating seniors (high school AND college), as well as a special reception afterwards. We are asking each LIFT family to provide a savory appetizer. You may drop off your dish either Saturday afternoon (time TBA) or bring it Sunday morning. **For parents...**Becky needs pictures of your senior for the tribute video. Please include the school they are graduating from and some information about what he/she plans to do in the fall. Three to five pictures will be enough. Deadline for submission is **Thursday, June 2nd**. Please send them to lbpc@lowerbrandywine.org. Thanks!
- ⇒ LIFT Mission Trip Stock Sale—more info coming soon!
- ⇒ **FINALLY...THE MISSION TRIP!** This year's mission trip will be in Woonsocket, R.I. from July 17— 23. We have 8 total youth slots available, and our final payment is due this month. **Please send a confirmation email to Becky at lbpc@lowerbrandywine.org if you (or your youth) plan to attend—please include the attendee's age at the time of the trip.** This is another Group Mission Trip, so those of you that have participated before are familiar with how it works. This trip is open to any youth 12-18 years old. ALL adults 18 years old or older will be required to submit a current background check along with registration. The church office will take care of initiating those checks. Once we have more information concerning the accommodations and check-in specifics, we will finalize our travel plans and communicate them to everyone.

The Blackstone River Valley has a long history in the world of manufacturing and commerce. By the mid-1800s, Woonsocket was one of the largest textile manufacturing centers in the United States, but it did not escape the Great Depression. Industry was a draw for immigrants seeking to establish a better life for themselves. French Canadians first arrived in the 1840's, followed by African American immigrants who began to arrive as a part of the Great Migration. Since the 1980s, many Southeast Asian, Latinos, and African immigrants have been calling Woonsocket home. City revitalization began in the 1990s and has continued into the 21st century, including housing renovation projects as well as focused improvements to the greater community.



Help the residents of Woonsocket realize this future and bring the vision to reality as you become part of a greater purpose through home repairs for the people of the Blackstone Valley.

CALENDAR

MAY 9TH—MAY 22TH

Start Date	Start Time	Subject
05/09/2022	7:00 PM	Alanon
	7:00 PM	Alateen
05/11/2022	12:00 PM	Alanon
	7:30 PM	Senior Choir Rehearsal
05/12/2022	7:00 PM	CCA Meeting - Library
05/15/2022		Fifth Sunday of Easter
	8:00 AM	Adult Topical Study (Zoom)
	10:00 AM	Worship Service (In-Person and Livestreamed)
	10:15 AM	Children's Sunday School after Parable
	11:00 AM	Fellowship
05/16/2022	7:00 PM	Alanon
	7:00 PM	Alateen
05/17/2022	11:00 AM	Richard Rohr Small Group
05/18/2022	12:00 PM	Alanon
	7:30 PM	Senior Choir Rehearsal
05/19/2022	6:00 PM	LIFT
05/22/2022		Sixth Sunday of Easter
	8:00 AM	Adult Topical Study (Zoom)
	10:00 AM	Worship Service (In-Person and Livestreamed)
	10:15 AM	Children's Sunday School after Parable
	11:00 AM	Fellowship

May 2022 Readings

Third Sunday of Easter—May 1

Acts 9:1–6 [7–20]
 Psalm 30
 Revelation 5:11–14
 John 21:1–19

Fourth Sunday of Easter—May 8

Acts 9:36–43
 Psalm 23
 Revelation 7:9–17
 John 10:22–30

Fifth Sunday of Easter—May 15

Acts 11:1–18
 Psalm 148
 Revelation 21:1–6
 John 13:31–35

Sixth Sunday of Easter—May 22

Acts 16:9–15
 Psalm 67
 Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5
 John 14:23–29 or John 5:1–9

Seventh Sunday of Easter—May 29

Acts 16:16–34
 Psalm 97
 Revelation 22:12–14, 16–17, 20–21
 John 17:20–2

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

MAY BIRTHDAYS

05/03 Georgia Coats
 05/04 Owen Coats
 05/07 Kieran Connolly
 05/08 Sandra Paul
 05/10 Molly Main
 05/10 Sean Kennedy
 05/10 Emma Main
 05/13 David Heckman
 05/16 Debra Ventura
 05/19 Bruce Ringstrom
 05/21 Gail Kother
 05/22 Emily Coons
 05/26 Sally Kephart

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

05/05 Ed & Deb Ventura
 05/17 Matthew & Emily Kmezc
 05/24 Jay & Maret Headley
 05/25 Michael Csuy & Linda Bronson





The Presbytery of Carlisle
and the
Congregation of Silver Spring
Presbyterian Church
invite you to the ordination of
Lisa Strong Chase
and installation as
Associate Minister of
Word and Sacrament
of
Silver Spring Presbyterian Church
Sunday, May 15, 2022
4:00 pm in the Meeting House
Silver Spring Presbyterian Church
444 Silver Spring Road
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050
A reception will follow the service. Parking is available.



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