



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 125 2022	
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost	
10:00 AM	Sunday Worship
10:15 AM	Sunday School following Parable Time
11:00 AM	Fellowship

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Pastor's Ponderings

Paddle For Promise
Urban Promise Street Leader Program Fundraiser

\$111,865 raised!





Lower Brandywine's All Aboard team, organized by Nancy Day, outfitted by Don Coats, and paddled by Owen Coats and Jeff Day raised \$1452 with donations from LBPC folks and a \$1000 contribution from the 300th Anniversary Outreach Fund.

Special thanks to Owen and Jeff who represented LBPC so well – even winning the fastest canoe from among the paddlers!

Faith in action –
 making a difference in the world around us
 as followers of Jesus!

JOYS AND CONCERNS FROM SEPTEMBER 18, 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!

Happy birthday, Evelyn Middleton!! Celebrating 100 years today!

Carolyn Hooper reported that Bob’s surgery went as expected and he is looking forward to relief from pain as the device that was implanted is activated this week.

Joan Wysham asks prayers for strength and healing as she navigates the recovery from her injuries this summer.

The Kennedys asked for prayer for their neighbors, Jerry and Lillian, who buried their son on Saturday.

Prayers of faith and endurance for our college students who are starting to settle into new routines and adjusting to new expectations.

A prayer of thanksgiving for Jeff Day and Owen Coats who participated in the Urban Promise—Paddle for Promise—on Saturday to help raise money for the Urban Promise ministry.

Prayers for those who live in fear of violence.

Prayers for the people of Ukraine, Russia, England, and the countries who were affected by hurricane Fiona.

<h2>2021 FINANCIAL UPDATE</h2>	<h2>WORSHIP LINKS</h2>				
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW



The Music Enrichment Fund has the dual purpose of covering our concert series of four concerts a year, and providing for our university choral scholars. Our concert series almost pays for itself because of our five-dollar suggested donation collected at the door of each concert. The largest part of the Music Enrichment Fund is needed for our university choral scholars, a program that we started about 7 years ago to help strengthen this small church's small choir. But the fund is almost depleted at this point, and assistance is needed, so if you are inclined to contribute, please write a check to Lower Brandywine and designate Music Enrichment Fund in the memo line.



Join us for a family friendly fall fun themed hayride at Linvilla Orchard!

October 16th at 5:30pm

\$13/ person ages 5+, \$9/ person ages 1-4

All are welcome! Advanced sign up and payment required! Payment due by September 26th.

* Bonfire, apple cider and marshmallows after the hayride!

* Time subject to change based on availability.



PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
PEACEMAKING AND RECONCILIATION

On World Communion Sunday, we celebrate that Christ's peace extends throughout all creation. Whenever the church gathers for worship, we are assured of Christ's peace. We celebrate that we are connected, we are loved and we are not alone. We worship together and are fed from Scripture and at Christ's table of peace. Extending the peace of Christ is part of an active, engaged faith—a witness to what it means for us to be the Church, together.

For you shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace.

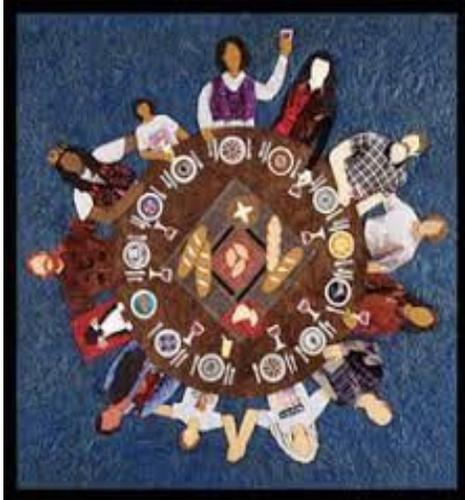
— ISAIAH 55:12

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. God's peace, empowered by God's joy, reminds us that we are connected to each other. We are not alone. Peace begins with each of us.

***The Special Offering will be received on
Sunday, October 2nd.***

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World Communion Sunday will be celebrated on Sunday, October 2nd and the Worship Committee has a request of LBPC members. If you speak a language other than English we'd love to hear from you because we'd like to have parts of worship led in the languages of the world. Or perhaps you could help us decorate the sanctuary and Communion Table? We are also looking for fabrics from your family's cultural roots - kente cloth? tartan? or great grandmothers Irish lace? Whatever you have that you are willing to share with the church for that Sunday, please let Pastor Nona or Georgia Coats,

Worship Committee chair, know of your offering. Thank you!

FELLOWSHIP EVOLUTION:



Wow! LBPC really knows how to eat and celebrate! Our Fall Kick-Off fellowship luncheon was fabulous, delicious, and fun! Many thanks to Candy, Nona, Becky, Nancy, Sarah, Dorie, Ed, Deb, and too many others to name for organizing and contributing to such a memorable meal and time of sharing after worship.

Ah, but weren't our summer fellowship times just as special in their own way? Sweet and simple and more about togetherness than carbo-loading! As our Fellowship committee has discovered, it's unrealistic to pull off a heavy-laden brunch table every week and there needs to be some balance. So, as we are "test driving" different ideas for church, our coffee hour will be evolving, too.

Since our summer fellowships worked out so great, we will continue with a scaled-back table. But we still need volunteers to sign up each week to prepare and set up the basics: coffee and hot tea during the program year (iced tea and lemonade in the summer), plus bringing a couple of choices of nibbles, like cookies or light snacks. If you can't do the beverage prep because of other worship responsibilities, maybe you can bring a tray of goodies from time to time. Let's share the load! Then, a few times a year around holidays or other special occasions, we will coordinate a more substantial table.

Our fellowship time after worship is arguably one of the most important spiritual aspects of our church (confirmed by our recent survey!). It's where we share the details of our joys and concerns and build relationships with each other that make us really feel like God's family. **We don't want that to change.** So, please do stay after church for spiritual nourishment ... and a few light nibbles to tide you over until lunch!

Sign up here on [SignupGenius](#), or on the signup in the social hall. See Sandra Borrer if you have questions or need ideas on what to bring!

CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 19TH—OCTOBER 2ND

Start Date	Start Time	Subject
09/19/2022	7:00 PM	Finance and Administration Committee Meeting
	7:00 PM	Alanon
	7:00 PM	Alateen
09/20/2022	11:00 AM	Richard Rohr Small Group
09/21/2022	12:00 PM	Alanon
09/25/2022		Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
	10:00 AM	Worship Service (In-Person and Livestreamed)
	10:15 AM	Children's Sunday School after Parable Time
	11:00 AM	Fellowship
	11:00 AM	New Member Orientation - Session 1
09/26/2022	7:00 PM	Session Meeting
	7:00 PM	Alanon
	7:00 PM	Alateen
09/28/2022	10:30 AM	Staff Meeting
	12:00 PM	Alanon
10/02/2022		Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
		Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and Good Samaritan Offering
	10:00 AM	Worship Service (In-Person and Livestreamed)
	11:00 AM	Fellowship

A reminder that listening devices for in-person worship services and concerts are available in the back of the sanctuary. Please ask an usher if you require assistance.

September 2022 Readings

Sunday, September 4

Jeremiah 18:1–11
Psalm 139:1–6, 13–18
Philemon 1–21
Luke 14:25–33

Sunday, September 11

Jeremiah 4:11–12, 22–28
Psalm 14
1 Timothy 1:12–17
Luke 15:1–10

Sunday, September 18

Jeremiah 8:18–9:1
Psalm 79:1–9
1 Timothy 2:1–7
Luke 16:1–13

Sunday, September 25

Jeremiah 32:1–3a, 6–15
Psalm 91:1–6, 14–16
1 Timothy 6:6–19
Luke 16:19–31

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 09/06 Lisa Adams
- 09/12 Linda Bronson
- 09/12 Maureen Ringstrom
- 09/19 Evelyn Middleton
- 09/19 Susan Porth
- 09/20 Selina Faulkner
- 09/22 Susan Wright
- 09/27 Emily Kmecz
- 09/27 Natalie Ventura
- 09/30 Meredith Kenton

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 09/06 Reed & Georgia Coats
- 09/21 Ann & Pete Ferrari
- 09/30 Bob & Marian Hartman



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