



SUNDAY, AUGUST 22, 2021

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Schedule: 10 AM

In –person and livestreamed

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Pastor's Ponderings

Pastor Emma Horn

The labyrinth literally reintroduces the experience of walking a clearly defined path. This reminds us that there is a path, a process that brings us to unity, to the center of our beings. In the simple act of walking, the soul finds solace and peace.

— Lauren Artress —



JOYS AND CONCERNS FROM AUGUST 15, 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 pray for the family and friends of Shirley Pritchard, who completed her baptism last week. Her obituary may be found [HERE](#).

We celebrate the baptism of Akintayo Sebastian Odutola, which took place yesterday. It truly was a joyful occasion! *Click the Audio/Video link below to see the worship service WITH the baptism.*

We pray for students, teachers, professors and families as the new school year draws near and for the safety of all.

We celebrate the birth of baby Denis Gomez, who was born to Denis and Heather (Day) Gomez last week.

We pray for those who have been affected by the earthquake in Haiti.

We pray for those affected by the unrest in Afghanistan.

2021 FINANCIAL UPDATE

Year to Date Total Giving 2021:	\$144,783
Budgeted Giving 2021:	\$244,249

WORSHIP LINKS

August 15, 2021

"The Beauty of a World without a Why"

◇ [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.

Lectio Divina

Reading the Bible with your heart



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 message from the Pritchard family:

It is the Friday afternoon of a week that saw profound sadness and relief. My brother and I thank all of you for the many kindnesses extended to us while we grieve, Mom, and prepare to honor her life. We have waded gently through shared stories and remembrances of a life well-lived and hope to do more of the same at her Celebration of Life Service. At 11 am on August 23, 2021, we will hold it at the Lower Brandywine Presbyterian Church, with a reception immediately following at The Kennett Square Golf and Country Club. For those unable to attend the service in person, a live stream will be available on the Lower Brandywine Presbyterian YouTube channel. The family requests instead of flowers that donations be made to either the Lower Brandywine Presbyterian Church or The Kennett Symphony, both of which gave Mom great pleasure and purpose in her life. Jeff and I are grateful for the support received throughout the process of closing Mom's story and are looking forward to toasting the life of the woman who raised us with those of you who loved her.

Here is the link to Mom's obituary. Many thanks to Matt Grieco, a friend to the Pritchard Family in moments of great sadness. <https://www.griecofunerals.com/obituary/Shirley-Pritchard>



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

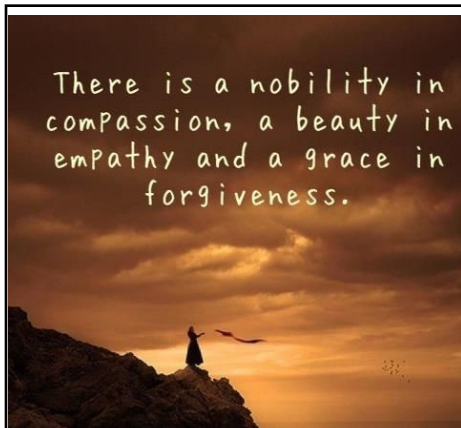
Alateen Meeting: Monday 7:00-8:00 pm MEETING IN-PERSON AND VIA ZOOM

Please go to delawarealanon.org/meeting for the most up-to-date information.

SAVE THE DATE



We will be celebrating the end of summer and the start of a new school year on Thursday, August 26 with a luau and an outdoor movie at the Kennedy home. Festivities begin at 6:30 PM. Please RSVP no later than August 22 to Becky Kennedy at 214-952-4983 or lbpc@lowerbrandywine.org.

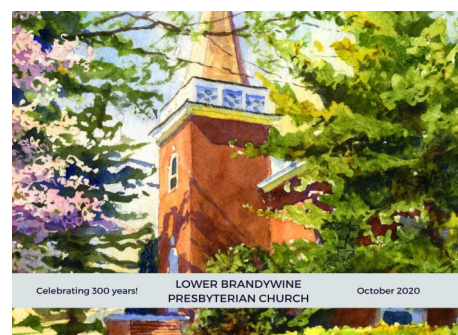


A Visual Prayers of the People, September 5th. As part of the worship service for Sunday, September, 5th, we are putting together a visual Prayers of the People. The subject is *"Beauty and Compassion"*.

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!

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| 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 |
| 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 10 AM / continued distribution of commemorative ornaments and History Books after service. |
| THUR 10/14 | 300th Anniversary Prayer Vigil (12 PM—6 PM) |
| FRI 10/15 | 300th Anniversary Reception and Concert (5:30 PM—7:30 PM)
Music Concert in Sanctuary by Gina Roche (7 PM—8 PM) |
| SAT 10/16 | 300th Anniversary Day of Service with Urban Promise (9 AM—1/2PM) |
| 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—2/3:00 PM) |



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 **Z72-118389**.

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 16TH—AUGUST 29TH

Start Date	Start Time	Subject	Zoom
08/16/2021	7:00 PM	AI-Anon	
	7:00 PM	AI-Ateen	
	7:00 PM	Finance & Administration	Contact John Danzeisen
08/17/2021	10:00 AM	Missions Committee	
08/18/2021	12:00 PM	AI-Anon	
08/22/2021		Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost	
	8:00 AM	Adult Topical Study	
	10:00 AM	Worship Service (In-Person and Livestreamed)	
	11:00 AM	Fellowship	
08/23/2021	11:00 AM	Pritchard Memorial Service	
	7:00 PM	Session	Contact Pastor Emma
	7:00 PM	AI-Anon	
	7:00 PM	AI-Ateen	
08/25/2021	12:00 PM	AI-Anon	
08/26/2021	6:30 PM	LIFT Outdoor Movie Night @ Kennedy Home	
08/29/2021		Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	
		MFM: Saad Soliman for PEERS	
	8:00 AM	Adult Topical Study	
	10:00 AM	Worship Service (In-Person and Livestreamed)	
	11:00 AM	Fellowship	

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