

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2023

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

10:15 AM Sunday School following

Parable Time

11:00 AM Fellowship

OFFICE STAFF

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Pastor's Ponderings

You are Salt. You are Light.

I can't hear those words without thinking of Godspell. You likely know "Day by Day" from that musical. Do you remember "Light of the World"? You can listen here: LIGHT

The video of Jesus' disciples playfully singing this song might lead you to dismiss it. Seems like a bunch of silliness. But what is happening is people are working, doing the work together of being salt and being light. And they are doing it joyfully, playfully, in community.

May we share our saltiness and our light with the world, together and with joy!

Peace, Be Well-Poster Dara

JOYS AND CONCERNS FROM FEBRUARY 5TH, 2023

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 offer prayers of comfort for Will Hahn and the Hahn family at the recent death of his mother.

Pastor Nona asked that we lift up Barb and Dave Heckman. They welcome news from their LBPC family!

Larry and Joyce Murphey say "hello" from Florida. They shared the good news that their grand-daughter has been selected to participate in an exchange program for one month in Australia. We offer prayers for the Murphy's and travelling mercies for their grand-daughter!

We pray for Carol Young and Art Beebe as they both continue their journey to recovery.

We pray for the people of Syria and Turkey who have been devastated by the recent earthquake. If you would like to give to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance to help those in need, click: PDA



2023 FINANCIAL UPDATE		WORSHIP LINKS
2023 Giving Goal 2023 YTD Giving	\$240,690 \$35,609	February 5, 2023

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A quick reminder that additional copies of the Annual Report, Strategy and Planning Report Slides, Time Talent & Treasure Survey, Stewardship Envelopes, and Per Capita Envelopes may be found in the back of the Sanctuary!



We need your help to prepare 52 campers and students for our 'Speak UP' Speech Contest this year.

Would you give up a few evenings over the next month to help a child research, write, and practice their speech? Pass this invitation along to others who might be interested.

This is the image of success! Julius was a previous winner of the UrbanPromise Speak UP Contest!! What a confidence boost for all who participated.

Not only that, he and all of our other participants qualified to go on the UP week long Spring Break Trip, making a lifetime memory.

What is a Speak UP Sponsor? A volunteer who helps one UP camper prepare for the Speech Contest with research, writing, and/or practicing their speech.

What's Needed First? Join our KICKOFF SPEECH WRITING NIGHT: Feb. 9, 6:15-8:15p.m. at Westminster Pres. Church (1502 W 13th St., Wilmington). Additional prep time will be available for you to come in on weeks leading up to the con-

tests.

When are the Speak UP Contests? Depending on age, your UP camper or student will compete on either March 9 or March 21, 2023. Contest date details to follow.

How do I get started? Let us know if you can help by replying to this email or Click on the link below to sign up:



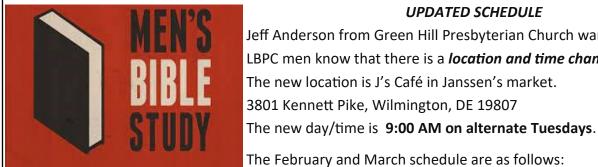
Please join us for the annual UrbanPromise Wilmington Silent Auction! We can't wait to *see you in person*!! Enjoy wonderful auction items, great music and refreshments, but most of all, *let's celebrate being together in fellowship as community*. Special Presentation by UrbanPromise Wilmington youth!!

Thursday, March 16, 2023
5:30 pm Check In Opens
8:00 pm Tables Close
Advance tickets: \$25
(deadline March 10)
Tickets at door: \$30
The Carriage House at Rockwood Park
4671 Washington St. Ext.
Wilmington, DE 19809
*Enter off of Washington St.
Hearty Hors D'oeuvres will be served!

CLICK THE PICTURE TO REGISTER!

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UPDATED SCHEDULE

Jeff Anderson from Green Hill Presbyterian Church wants to let the LBPC men know that there is a *location and time change!* The new location is J's Café in Janssen's market. 3801 Kennett Pike, Wilmington, DE 19807

The February and March schedule are as follows:

Feb 7, Feb 21, Mar 7, Mar 21

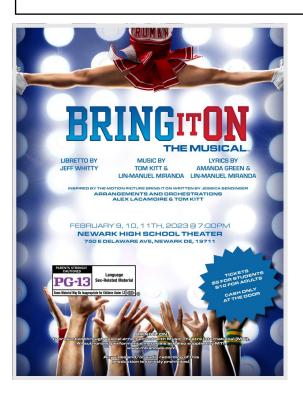


A reminder to all Jr. and Treble Choir participants and their parents that due to Mrs. Coats' vacation, there is change in the practice schedule for February:

Juniors: no choir rehearsals on Feb. 15 and 22

Trebles: no choir rehearsals on Feb 12 and 19

The two youth Choirs resume the week of Feb. 26. Expect an update regarding dates for resuming from Marti Coats a few days prior to the 26^{th.}



Click the brochure to find out more about the 2023

Annual Bay Retreat.

We are happy to support our own Catherine Smith in her role in the Newark High School musical,

Bring It On



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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

<u>Legacy Options</u> 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/



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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 **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.

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.

CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 5TH—FEBRUARY 19TH

Start Date	Start Time	Subject
2/6/2023	7:00 PM	Alateen: LIFT Room
	7:00 PM	Alanon: Classrooms 3-4
2/7/2023	9:00 AM	Men's Bible Study w/Green Hill at J's Cafe
	11:00 AM	Richard Rohr Small Group
2/8/2023	10:30 AM	Alanon: Classrooms 3-4
	1:00 PM	Music Rehearsal Preparation: All Upper Level
	1:00 PM	Alanon Post Meetings: Classroom 1
	6:00 PM	Dinner with the Word
	6:30 PM	Junior Choir Rehearsal
	6:30 PM	Handbells
	7:30 PM	Senior Choir Rehearsal
2/9/2023	10:30 AM	Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	CCA Meeting - Library
2/10/2023		Church Office Closed
2/12/2023		Sixth Sunday after Epiphany
	9:00 AM	Adult Topical Study
	10:00 AM	Worship Service
	10:15 AM	Children's Sunday School after Parable Time
	11:00 AM	Fellowship
	3:00 PM	Piano Duet Concert
2/13/2023	1:00 PM	Food for the Garage
	7:00 PM	Alateen: LIFT Room
	7:00 PM	Alanon: Classrooms 3-4
2/15/2023	10:30 AM	Alanon: Classrooms 3-4
	1:00 PM	Music Rehearsal Preparation: All Upper Level
	1:00 PM	Alanon Post Meetings: Classroom 1
	6:00 PM	Dinner with the Word
	6:30 PM	Handbells
	7:30 PM	Senior Choir Rehearsal
2/17/2023		Church Office Closed
2/19/2023		Transfiguration of the Lord
	9:00 AM	Adult Topical Study
	10:00 AM	Worship Service
	10:15 AM	Children's Sunday School after Parable Time
	11:00 AM	Fellowship

February 2023 Readings

Sunday, February 5

Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]

Psalm 112:1-9 [10]

1 Corinthians 2:1–12 [13–16]

Matthew 5:13-20

Sunday, February 12

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 or Sirach 15:15-20

Psalm 119:1-8

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Matthew 5:21-37

Transfiguration of the Lord—February 19

Exodus 24:12-18

Psalm 2 or Psalm 99

2 Peter 1:16-21

Matthew 17:1-9

Ash Wednesday—February 22

Joel 2:1–2, 12–17 or Isaiah 58:1–12

Psalm 51:1–17

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21

First Sunday in Lent—February 26

Genesis 2:15–17; 3:1–7

Psalm 32

Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1–1

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

02/01 Jacob Csuy

02/06 Trude Holmes

02/08 Julieta Balderas-Castro

02/09 William Sudell

02/11 Sandra Messikomer

Nancy Plerhoples

02/12 Harold Kenton

Harold Salmons III

02/14 John Danzeisen

02/16 Madison Armstrong

02/18 Clint Veasey

02/20 Lisa Holt

Darlene Sullivan

02/21 Katherine Connolly

02/23 Art Beebe

02/24 Steve Ernst

02/28 Weston Wright



PIANO FOR FOUR-HANDS

LBPC MUSIC DIRECTOR DONNA BEECH WITH UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE'S CHRISTINE DELBEAU

Music for Piano Four-Hands will feature duets of Franz Schubert, Cecile Chaminade, Claude Debussy, and Sergei Rachmaninoff. Our music director Donna Beech is honored to be joined by University of Delaware's Christine Delbeau in this very exciting program! Christine has performed in the nation's most prominent concert venues, including the Kennedy Center, Carnegie Hall, Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall, Boston's Jordan Hall, Philadelphia's Verizon Hall, and she has performed to critical acclaim in collaborative performances throughout the USA, Canada, France, Switzerland, Italy, and Malta. Chamber recitals include numerous performances with principal members of the Philadelphia Orchestra, the Chicago Symphony, and the Los Angeles Philharmonic.



Come join us! Suggested donation \$5.00 at the door.



Lower Brandywine Concert Series

LBPC Music Director, Donna Beech University of Delaware Professor of Piano, Christine Delbeau

Sunday, February 12, 2023 | 3:00 PM

Lower Brandywine Presbyterian Church

101 Old Kennett Road, Wilmington, DE 19807 (Route 52 at Old Kennett Road, across from Winterthur)

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