

SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 2022

Second Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

10:15 Children's Sunday School

following Parable Time

11:00 AM Lemonade Social

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Pastor's Ponderings

CAT

Have you completed the CAT? (Congregational Assessment Tool)



The last day to complete the CAT is this Wednesday, June 15.

You can share your thoughts about the future of the church by filling out the survey either on-line or with a printed copy.

Here's the link for the CAT on-line: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LOWERBPCWDE

And if you prefer a paper copy to complete, please call the church office or any member of Session.

We need to hear each other's responses as we seek the ways God is calling Lower Brandywine to serve in the coming years. Please take the time to complete the **CAT** for your church today.

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JOYS AND CONCERNS FROM JUNE 12, 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 with joy our graduating seniors: Jeffrey Day, Meredith Day, Andrew "DJ" Baun and Padraig Kennedy!

Becky Kennedy asks for prayers for Delia Clayton, who will travelling from Dallas to Houston over the next several weeks to have radiation treatments for cancer. She also asks prayers for her father and Delia's husband, Glenn Clayton.

We continue to pray for Joanna's friend, Shary Cutler, who is continuing cancer treatment,

We lift up Angie, a visitor at LBPC, who is going through a very difficult time.

2021 FINANCIAL UPDATE

WORSHIP LINKS

2022 Budgeted Giving: \$233,441

2022 YTD Giving: \$112,655

June 12, 2022

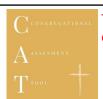
♦ Audio/Video link

Bulletin/Liturgy link



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The CAT survey should be submitted by this Wednesday, June 15th. If you need a hardcopy, you can get one from the office by contacting Becky at lbpc@lowerbrandywine.org or 302-658-2326.

It's important that we hear from everyone involved in the life of the church so please plan to spend half an hour to complete the survey by June 15th.



Summer is here, and that means the return of the Lemonade Social! What is a Lemonade Social? It's a scaled back version of Fellowship Hour that is more accommodating to our congregants busy summer schedules. If you are new to hosting a Fellowship, this is a great time to volunteer. A signup sheet is posted in the Social Hall. Please contact Betsy Coons at betsycoons@comcast.net or 484-643-2479 if you have questions!

OR—if you prefer not to host but want to help out, donations of individually wrapped snacks (cookies, chips, etc.) are always welcome. Leave donations in the church kitchen marked, "Fellowship".



The July | August | September issue of <u>These Days</u> is now available! Look for copies on the table in the Narthex. If you would like to have one sent to you, please contact Becky at lbpc@lowerbrandywine.org.



Stock Sale Fundraiser/June 26, July 3, July 10—LIFT invites you to invest in THEM! LIFTERs will be selling stock for \$10/share following worship Sunday, June 26, July 3, and July 10. Each share sold entitles the purchaser to a postcard from the youth mission trip. They will be competing to see who can find the most obscure and unusual postcard (church appropriate, of course). Upon their return, mission trip attendees will hold a Shareholder's Meeting during Fellowship on July 31st to share their experiences.



One of the first things I did when I stepped into the Interim Pastor role at LBPC was to read the history of the church produced for your 300th Anniversary. I learned a lot about the buildings, pastors, and major mile markers that have shaped the current LBPC congregation.

As we work together to discern the next steps in LBPC's mission and ministry, I'm eager for us all to hear the stories of the many mission efforts and ministries of the church over the years. What story can you tell the rest of us that highlights a time when LBPC came together to make a difference? In a particular person's life, in the community, or even in your own life?

In The Messenger today, you'll find a story from Paul Haldeman's memories of an outreach to Vietnamese immigrants that is inspiring and changed the lives of those who were welcomed and those who extended the hospitality to these strangers who became friends.

I hope you'll think about a time In the Life of LBPC that you can share in the coming weeks and send it to Becky in the Church Office.

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An LBPC History Note by Paul Haldeman

Kha was a junior officer in the Vietnamese Navy when Saigon fell in 1975. Many Navy personnel were given the opportunity to catch a ride with the departing U.S. Navy to Subic Bay, near Manila, in the Philippines. Kha took this opportunity as he considered that his future in communist Viet Nam looked bleak. People that made it out of Viet Nam at that time were offered refugee status in the U.S. and were transferred to holding camps across the country. Kha was sent to Camp Indian Town Gap in PA.

There was much publicity at the time concerning the influx of refugees. Refugee organizations and churches around the country were stepping up and sponsoring refugees. Janet and I felt that we were in a position to help as we had a spare bedroom and could help with finding a job. We approached the LBPC Session and were given the go-ahead to investigate the possibility of sponsorship. We made contact with a Czech refugee placement organization that was apparently left over from WWII. We made the trek to Indian Town Gap with two other Session members, Herb Bailey and John Mossel. The person the Czech group lined up went elsewhere, so we were on our own to choose someone and we happily chose Kha. Session approved to sponsor Kha and we added one to our family of five. Kha was with us a short time when he told us there were two twin beds in his room and would we consider sponsoring his friend from the Navy. We said "sure" and Session okayed the addition and thus, Hieu came to Chadds Ford and we became a family of six.

We quickly found jobs for the men at Mendenhall Inn, which was a customer of my company. The church donated clothing and Mrs. Bailey used her skills as a second language teacher to hone their English speaking. After about six months they came to work for me at the White Barn Seafood Shop. Kha left after a number of years to accompany his wife to Texas. His wife had been a pastry chef at The Hotel Dupont. He parlayed his experience at the White Barn to be an HVAC technician in Texas. Hieu became the manager at the White Barn until 1994 when it closed and he parlayed his experience to be a Seafood manager at Shoprite, where he stayed until his retirement. Hieu and his wife, Tap, have two children, both graduates of the U. of Del., one in Chemical Engineering the other in Pharmacy.

Kha and Hieu opened the door for other refugees that were sponsored by LBPC. The Wharton family took in two young men and the Hipple family took in a family from Laos. As folks got settled, they asked LBPC to sponsor family members and took responsibility for their support. I believe that LBPC eventually sponsored over forty refugees from Southeast Asia, all of whom became successful, hardworking, American citizens. It was a program that LBPC sponsored and after forty five years has had a very positive influence on a first, second, and possibly by now a third generation of Asian-Americans. The program had no cost to LBPC as all the work of finding jobs, finding accommodations, filing papers was performed by volunteers. I know that the project had a very positive influence on all the families involved as our view of the world and the people in it was permanently enhanced.

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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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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 JUNE 13TH—JUNE 26TH

Start Date	Start Time	Subject
06/13/2022	7:00 PM Al	non
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06/15/2022	DE	ADLINE FOR CAT SURVEY
	12:00 PM Al	non
06/19/2022	Se	cond Sunday after Pentecost
	10:00 AM W	orship Service (In-Person and Livestreamed)
	10:15 AM Ch	ildren's Sunday School after Parable Time
	11:00 AM Le	monade Social
06/20/2022	7:00 PM Fir	ance and Administration Committee Meeting
	7:00 PM Al	non
	7:00 PM Al	iteen
06/21/2022	10:00 AM M	ssions Committee Meeting
	11:00 AM Ri	hard Rohr Small Group
06/22/2022	12:00 PM Al	non
06/26/2022	Th	ird Sunday after Pentecost
06/26/2022	10:00 AM W	orship Service (In-Person and Livestreamed)
06/26/2022	10:15 AM Ch	ildren's Sunday School after Parable Time
06/26/2022	11:00 AM Le	monade Social

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.

LBPC WEEKLY MESSENGER 6/13/2022

June 2022 Readings

Day of Pentecost—June 5 🔥



Acts 2:1-21 or Genesis 11:1-9

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Romans 8:14-17 or Acts 2:1-21

John 14:8–17 [25–27]

Trinity Sunday—June 12

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Psalm 8 Romans 5:1-5

John 16:12-15

Sunday, June 19 (Proper 7)

1 Kings 19:1-4 [5-7] 8-15a

Psalm 42 and 43

Galatians 3:23-29

Luke 8:26-39

Sunday, June 26 (Proper 8)

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Luke 9:51-62

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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06/06 Bryan Day

06/10 Michael Haldeman

06/13 Mary Ruth Johnson

06/15 Lawrence Murphy

06/18 Catherine Adams

06/22 Phillip Dewey

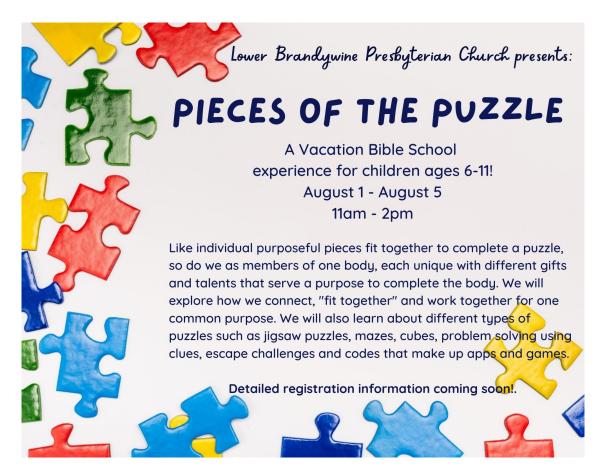
06/26 Availia Lannon

06/27 Scarlett Walther

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

06/18	Marty & Donna Beech	
	Hal & Molly Kenton	
06/01	Robert & Dara Main	
06/20	Akin & Stephanie Odutola	
06/24	Bruce & Maureen Ringstrom	







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