

## PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BUSTLETON



**Providence Presbyterian Bustling's** 

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Greetings! Today is Sunday, August 15, 2021 ~ The Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

Meditation: It is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that there is a God and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him. Hebrews 11:6 (NLT)



#### <u>Have Faith In Food</u>

#### Russell - Santa Monica, CA - June 17, 2008

I believe in food. Food has the power to nourish, to bring people together, to unite and to sooth. Food's basic job is to enter the body — from mouth, to esophagus, to stomach — where food, broken down by gastric juices, becomes bile, traveling to the small intestines where it is absorbed, nourishing the body's cells. These are the facts, the essential reason we eat. But it is not the essential truth about why we eat.

We eat to relax; we eat to be social; we eat to honor ourselves and others. Throughout the centuries, civilizations have used food as the basis for their social gatherings, whether it be the Native Americans eating a freshly killed bear around a fire, the Romans surrounding a mensa (Latin for table), chomping down on some garum



and bread, or the modern day American family surrounding and devouring a pepperoni pizza. Food has been the pinnacle of countless social occasions, whether it be getting together to celebrate a birthday dinner, going on that awkward first date at a romantic Italian restaurant, hanging out with friends at a local diner, or meeting the boss for a power lunch. Relaxing people, socializing, and punctuating special occasions; this is why we use food as the centerpiece of social gatherings. In the modern world, rival nations fight over land, power, weapons, money, and more; sometimes they don't even know what they are fighting for. Perhaps language barriers and cultural differences keep people apart. But one thing has the power to unite — food. We may not understand one another's language or customs, but we all understand good food, whether it is a delectable plate of lo-mein, an exotic spicy tandoori chicken bowl, a plate of exquisite caviar, a sumptuous



bowl of pasta, a rich creamy coq au vin, a sizzling fajita, or simply an all-American hamburger. Can you imagine the Queen of England or the president of China coming to the United States and the U.S. president not throwing a state dinner in their honor?

I believe in food for other reasons. Food provides emotional support to those in need – chocolate to replace a lost love, macaroni and cheese to provide comfort for those under duress, chocolate chip cookies for those who miss their families. Food is also an art form, allowing distinguished chefs the opportunity to display their best crème brulee. Food also contributes to the national health – for example, chicken soup's

healing powers and the magic medicine called broccoli. While food will never replace religion as a source of faith, the power food is something we can all believe in.





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Prayer Requests will be added each week by your requests, and will run for two weeks unless a request to continue is received.

God's healing presence:

For continued prayers for Wendy Kasper, Barney Barnes, & Eleanor Hathaway For Fritz Wainwright & Joseph Celkupa For Marge's son Lee, recovering from a kidney transplant For Cooper Smith & Phil Leifels For Julie Olsen's Mom, Jane Nugent. For Lillian, coping with health issues For Jean Miller, who is in the hospital

God's comfort:

For the **Bunting Family** in their time of grief For those who serve as caregivers

For God's guidance & understanding:

For family members in need of God's presence and fellowship For children moving on to new adventures in life

In Thanks and Praise to God:

For the beautiful flowers and fresh produce from Stephanie For good shepherds in our pulpit

From Becky Jensen – For continued prayers for the PNC as they carry on their mission.

#### TODAY'S THE DAY! COME ENJOY THE FELLOWSHIP AND FOOD!

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AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup> HELD AT THE HEAL'S HOUSE

1612 Salem Road, Burlington

Time: 2:00 PM Dinner at 4:00 PM

Bring your swim suit, towel & chair

PLENTY OF GOOD FOOD TO EAT and GREAT MEMORIES IN THE MAKING

SO COME ON OUT AND HAVE SOME FUN!!

A-M Please Bring A Side Dish N-Z Please Bring A Dessert



Name That String Ensemble! The String Group performing at the picnic needs a name! Every great group has a name. Where would we be if The Beatles were simply called Four Guys From Liverpool? Send your suggestions to JaneCheslo@Gmail.com

Name to be revealed at the Picnic.





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### **Bustleton's Best**

We sit in the midst of the Dog Days of high summer. Strawberries are still plentiful and easily had. What better ingredient to transform into a cool dessert with minimal preparation and fuss. If anyone with last name beginning N to Z is still looking for a dessert to bring to the picnic, here's your ticket! Don't worry if someone else brings one too. I assure you nothing will go to waste. Thank you to Terry Haines for this week's Bustleton's Best!



## **Fresh Strawberry Pie**

Terry Haines

2 pt. fresh strawberries 1 C sugar 3 T cornstarch 1 baked pie shell

Crush 1 pint of berries and place in saucepan. Add sugar and cornstarch; boil until thick and transparent, about 5 minutes. Line a pie shell with the other pint of berries, hulled but whole. Pour hot mixture over berries. Chill. Serve with whipped cream.







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