

Upcoming EVENTS

SUMMER READING EVENT Sunday June 4, 10:30 am in CCR
Glenda Childs and Nick Ferrara will share titles for books for all ages which will be available to purchase at 20% off until June 10. Jennifer Lin, author of *Shanghai Faithful*, will be joining us. 20% will go toward books for Native American school children through Americans for Native Americans.

PARK PLAYDATE WITH FAMILY MINISTRIES, Tuesdays throughout the summer at Burpee Park from 3:30-4:30. **Our first playdate is Tuesday, June 6.** This is a time to get the kids out of the house and enjoy adult fellowship. Bring a friend! Look for a sign or balloon on one of the tables.

STITCHERY GROUP next meeting is **June 26 at 2 pm.**



SUMMER GROWTH GROUPS. Growth Groups run up to nine weeks and are open to everyone, including non-members. There are 10-12 people in each group and room is limited so enrollment is first-come-first serve. We meet in church rooms, homes and other locations. There is something for everyone! **You can sign up at Sacred Grounds today, online, or by calling the office.**

#	Facilitators	Topic	Day of Week	Specific Dates	Time	Location	Demographic
1	Dick Cornelius and Debbie Dailey	Journey With Christ, Part 2: Practicing the Disciplines	Sunday	June 4, 11, 18, 25, July 9, 16, 23, 30	7:00 - 8:30 PM	The Cornelius home	Anyone who has completed Part 1
2	Tom Richards, "Beer & Bible Group"	How Jesus Became God (DVD series) continued	Sunday	June 4, 11, 18, 25, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	7:30 - 9:00 PM	Plumsteadville Inn	Men
3	Leslie Gearhart	<i>The Screwtape Letters</i> by C.S. Lewis	Monday	June 5, 12, 26, July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, August 7	6:30 - 8:00 PM	The Gearhart home	Anyone
4	Keith Roberts	<i>The Road to Character</i> by David Brooks	Tuesday	June 6, 13, 20, 27 July 11, 18	7:00-8:15 PM	AH-207	Anyone
5	Pauline Sexton	<i>Love Wins: A Book About Heaven, Hell, and the Fate of Every Person</i>	Tuesday	June 6, 13, 20, 27	7:00 - 8:15 PM	DPC Library	Anyone
6	John Willingham	<i>Shanghai Faithful: Betrayal and Forgiveness in a Chinese Christian Family</i> by Jennifer Lin	Wednesday	June 7, 14, 21, July 12, 19, 26	7:00 - 8:00 PM	DPC Library	Anyone
7	Linay Richards	<i>7 Women: and the Secret of Their Greatness</i> by Eric Metaxas	Thursday	June 29, July 6, 20, 27, August 3, 10, 17	7:30 - 8:30 PM	Ann Petro's home	Women

element YOUTH MINISTRY



3rd Annual Night of 1,002 Water Balloons
Sunday, June 11 4-9 pm. Cost is \$5.

One of our best events of the year! We gather at Art and Lindsay's for a 37 foot tall water slide, 9 square, 1,002 water balloons and great food with vegetarian options! Bring your friends and your super soaker for an awesome event!

Ultimate Frisbee. Throughout the summer we meet at George Bush Park. Come, hangout and enjoy the weather. We usually end the evening by going to Rita's Water Ice. Before dropping your child off be sure to speak to a youth leader who will be in the parking lot. The address for the park is 3868 Burnt House Hill Rd, Doylestown, PA 18902. Don't forget your water bottle!
June 14, 28, July 12, 26 at 7-8:30 pm

MAN-TALK. We gather for study, fellowship and to address personal problems. Presented by a Christian professional or Bible scholar. *Coordinated by Lou Zoppel.*

Today 8:30 am: America's Vanishing Conscience. How do we live and serve the Lord faithfully when dealing with world system influences? *Led By David Spahr, AH-120*

June 4 - July 30, 8:30-9:15 am (Please note, there are no classes June 25 and July 2.): **Ecclesiastes—Where Human Wisdom Meets God's Wisdom.** We journey through the Wisdom Books starting with Solomon, with musings on meaninglessness, good, evil, wealth, poverty, sickness, health, wisdom, folly, life and death. *AH-213*



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Be a bridge for Christ and a beacon of His love



7th Sunday of Easter

May 28, 2017

9:30 am

Gathering as God's Family

Words of Welcome

Prelude Prelude:

Softly and Tenderly

arr. Phillip Keveren

Call to Worship

O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples.

Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.
Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his presence continually.

1 Chronicles 16:7-9,11

*Hymn 20

All Things Bright and Beautiful

ROYAL OAK

Prayer of Confession

**Faithful and loving God,
we confess that we have not lived in faith and love.
You claim us as your own people, but we forsake your holy covenant.
You offer us the gift of prayer, but we forget to lift our hearts to you.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Help us to live our lives in Christ, rooted and grounded in our faith
and growing each day in your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Moment of Silent Reflection and Confession

Leader: We make these confessions asking, "Lord, have mercy."

Congregational Response 260

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

HYFRYDOL

**Alleluia! Bread of angels, here on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to you from day to day.
Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's redeemer hear our pleas
where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel. **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

The Sharing of the Peace of Christ

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.
The Peace of Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Congregational Response 245

Christ the Lord is Risen Today!

LLANFAIR

**Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!**

Proclaiming God's Word

Old Testament Lesson: 1 Samuel 1:9-20

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Pew Bible, NRSV (OT), p. 244

Time with the Children

*(After the message children ages four through first grade are welcome to leave for Children's
Worship Time in AH-203. They will return to their parents before the final hymn.)*

** Those who are able, please stand * * * Seating interludes*

Sermon "Making the Ask" Dr. John M. Willingham
"She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the LORD.'"—1 Samuel 1:20b

Responding to God's Word

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CONVERSE

*Hymn 465

*Affirmation of Faith from "A Brief Statement of Faith"

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, and claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and me to all ministries of the Church.

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Concerns of the Church

(Persons nearest the center aisle are asked to sign and pass the Act of Friendship pad toward the outside aisle. Please keep the cover open as the pad is returned.)

Offering of Our Gifts and Lives

Offertory *Choral from Symphony No. 3* Louise Vierne

*Congregational Response 223 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* HAMBURG
**Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.**

*Prayer of Dedication

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Jesus said: "Behold, I stand at the door and knock;

If those who hear my voice open the door,
I will come in to them and eat with them, and they with me."

O taste and see that the Lord is good!

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, eternal God...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name: **All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.** ...As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray...

The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words of Institution
Communion of the People *(Please hold the elements until all have been served)*
Prayer of Commitment

Going Forth in God's Name

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

NATIONAL HYMN

*Hymn 331

*Charge and Benediction

*Congregational Response 157 *I Danced in the Morning* LORD OF THE DANCE

**They cut me down and I leapt up high. I am the life that will never, never die.
I'll live in you if you'll live in me, I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.
Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.**

*Postlude *Pange Lingua* N. de Grigny

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Assisting Today: Josh Gill, Tim Liebig, Keith Roberts

Ushers: Bruce Applestein, Michael Dau, Greg Dubas, Galen and Janet Hays, Brad Hedrick, Price Jones

Greeters: Betty Brennan, Bud and Shirley Cassel

Sound System: Alan Gaudio

The flowers are given in memory of **loved ones** by **Lawrence K. and Judith L. Mann**; in loving memory of **Dr. Julian Prundeanu** from **Edith and Connie Prundeanu**, in loving memory of **Ashley Shell Tomlinson** by **John, Julie, Tyler and Sarah Tomlinson**, and in loving memory of **George Hoffman** by **Mariana Hoffman, Jan Hoffman** and **Adam Hockenberry**

Christian Sympathy. The sympathy of the congregation is extended to **Sue Sutton** and **family** on the death of her father **George Edward Ebert** on May 14. We hold this family in prayer in their time of loss

Communion Bread. For those with special dietary needs, there is a small satin pouch in every bread pocket that contains a wheat-and gluten-free bread.

Participation in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Our *Book of Order* declares "the invitation to the Lord's Supper is extended to all who have been baptized, remembering that access to the Table is not a right conferred upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love." In addition, "Baptized children who are being nurtured and instructed in the significance of the invitation to the Table and the meaning of their response are invited to receive the Lord's Supper, recognizing that their understanding of participation will vary according to their maturity."

Liturgy notes: Today's prayer of confession is taken from *Call to Worship: Liturgy, Music, Preaching and the Arts, 49.1, p. 218.* The affirmation of faith comes from our denomination's "A Brief Statement Of Faith." This document was developed following the reunion of the Presbyterian Church (USA) in 1983 and seeks to express the Reformed faith in ways that speak to the concerns and challenges of life in the 21st century.

ROLLING HARVEST FOOD RESCUE In conjunction with local farmers, this nonprofit provides fresh produce to low income residents and food pantries. Help with planting, weeding and harvesting vegetables **every Wednesday and Saturday from 9 am-11 am** at the Carversville Farm Foundation - 10 minutes from church! Ages 8 and up are welcome with a parent. An organized DPC trip will happen later this summer! For more information, contact Erin Rizk at erinr@dtownpc.org.



REFUGEE UPDATE. Have you been interested in meeting Aranshi and Menkem but haven't had the chance yet? Please contact Erin Rizk or visit our Sign Up Genius at <http://bit.ly/dtownrefugee>, as we are expanding our volunteer base! We have lots of ideas for fun outings you could do with your family. Volunteers must have completed the DPC's Community Protection Policy program. Contact Erin Rizk at erinr@dtownpc.org.

A CHURCH MOUSE! A church mouse serves as a faithful witness to young members at college, like a Secret Santa for the whole year, with cards, gifts, prayers and sometimes cookies! When this June's high school students receive college housing assignments, they can sign up for



a Mouse on our website (scroll down under Ministries to College-Age, and click on the link on the lower right to fill out the needed SurveyMonkey form). We need more Mice for this fall. Contact Laura Mendelson Immendelson1982@gmail.com or the church office.