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## From Your Pastor

Dear Friends,

At the beginning of summer, I had many questions. Each one followed rapidly upon the previous. When they came to me, I asked them. Thankfully, you are a generous congregation—generous with your time, generous with your resources, and generous with your patience. For most every question, you offered an answer.

But one question arose that could not be easily answered. It came to me from the book *Community*, by Peter Block, who is something of a philosopher for community building and civic engagement. Block wants community members to ask themselves: “What can we create together?”

This is the kind of question that we will answer repeatedly, asking it month by month, season by season, and year by year while we grow as a community of the Spirit. The story of Scripture describes God creating the world and all that is, then choosing to work with us and among us. If you want to see what this looks like, read again the beginning of Acts, where we see Jesus ask the disciples to become his witnesses from Jerusalem to the ends of the earth.

Many of the activities, events, and mission endeavors for the fall are detailed in this newsletter. The list is not comprehensive, though; it is not even finished. You continue to bring excellent ideas of how we can grow further in the Spirit.

We will start off with Rally Day on September 7 and barrel forward to Advent and Christmas, the day we proclaim the birth of our Redeemer, through whom we live as God’s new creation. In all that we do over the next few months, I invite you to ask yourself the same question I will be asking in meetings and conversations: “What can we create together?”

I look forward to witnessing the amazing answers you will show me.

Grace and Peace,  
Pastor Bill

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## Sermons for the Month of September

### Sermon Series: “Still Creating”

9/7—13th Sunday after Pentecost

**Genesis 1:1-5**

**Acts 27 (selections)**

Communion

**Rally Day:**

*Commissioning of the Sunday  
school teachers*

*Blessing of the backpacks*

*Lunch after worship for all  
members and visitors*



9/14—14th Sunday after Pentecost

**Genesis 6:11-22**

**Mark 6:6-13**

9/21—15th Sunday after Pentecost

**Genesis 12:1-9**

**First Peter 2:1-12**

9/28—16th Sunday after Pentecost

**Genesis 18:1-15**

**Luke 7:36-8:3**

## Worship Service

**At 10:00 AM**

**Join Us!**

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Starting on September 8th, join me for our new **"Sermon Talkback"** discussion. Grab your favorite morning beverage and join us on Zoom at 10 AM to discuss the prior day's sermon.

We will begin a New Member Class on Sunday, September 14th at 9 AM in the small conference room across from my office. If you are a new to the church and interested in learning more about us and in becoming a member, I encourage you to come!



*Wednesday Morning  
September 10th  
10 am - 12 pm*



*Spend a Quiet Morning*

Led by Jacki Tase, Spiritual Director  
Call the church office (610-356-8063),  
or email [office@newtownsquarepres.org](mailto:office@newtownsquarepres.org) to RSVP

**Sign up for our September Quiet Morning. Jacki is a trained spiritual director and member of our congregation. She offers individual or group spiritual direction in person or on zoom. The Quiet Morning is a great way to become aware and responsive to the presence and activity of God in your life. Let us know you are joining us: [office@newtownsquarepres.org](mailto:office@newtownsquarepres.org)**

# Rally Day Luncheon

## September 7, 2025

Please join us for Rally Day as we kick off another great program year!

Enjoy food and fellowship as you gather with your church family. We will provide eggplant lasagna, penne pasta, and meatballs for the main dish. We are asking for donations (portion size 8-10 people) of beverages, salads, and desserts.



If you are able, we would love your help to make the event a success!

Please RSVP below, indicating the number of people attending and how you will help with your time or food donation. Place the completed form in the offering plate or place it under the office door. **You may also respond via the sign-up genius: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0949AFA629A5FE3-58022001-rally>**

**\*\*We also need volunteers to help, especially with cleanup after the luncheon.**



Name/Family Name \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Adults \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Children \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Green Salad

☐ Caesar Salad

☐ Special Salad

☐ Bread / Rolls

☐ Fruit

☐ Desserts

Help is needed with one of the following tasks:

\_\_\_\_\_ Set out food on buffet on Sunday, September 7th at 10:45 AM

\_\_\_\_\_ Clean up after lunch (put away tables/chairs, vacuum)

\_\_\_\_\_ Kitchen detail (wipe counters, empty trash)

If your plans change and you find you are unable to help, please notify the office.

*Please place this form in the offering plate or return to the church office by September 1st. Thank you!*

# Music Ministry

Hello NSPC friends and families,

I hope you all had a great summer. I have been traveling a lot and missing you and my Sunday worship time with you. I am writing this article in the suburbs of Chicago - Highland Park. I have been in residency with the Ravinia Steans Music Institute for the past three weeks in the Singers' Program with 15 singers and 5 pianists. We have an intense coaching/ performance schedule, high level of vocal quality, artistry... the faculty here is world class. They all make me realize that we can always strive for better. Sometimes it is not about a difficult piece of music, it is all about how we communicate through music. With this inspiration, I wish to continue this with NSPC to start up 2025-2026 season!

NSPC singers will kick off the season on Rally Day, September 7th. If any of you are thinking of singing with us, I give my warmest welcome to you! We will rehearse at 9 AM Sunday morning before worship. It is going to be a great time! If you have any questions or concerns, email me! I would be glad to answer! No experience needed!

As I am planning for the fall season, I want to open it up to you for some suggestions for our winter cantata. What input can you give? Plenty! Instrumentations, genre, style, and specific songs! Let me know if you have any ideas! I would love to include your great ideas!

This fall, I am excited to introduce you Raúl Velazco, bass to join us at NSPC as the bass soloist! Raúl has sung with us a few times as a substitute and I am thrilled he said "yes" to sing as a part of the NSPC quartet! He is going to be a second-year resident artist at the Academy of Vocal Arts in Philadelphia. On August 31st, he will be joining me in worship as hymn leader and soloist. Please come say hello after worship! Alongside with Raúl, we will have Juliet Rand (she is starting her master's degree at Curtis!), Jerry, and Brynn coming back as our soloists! Cheers to a great team of talented singers!

I am excited to get back to the normal routine and our fall at NSPC!

Be well,  
~Ting Ting

Director of Music





# News for: Youth and Family Ministries at NSPC

## Youth Corner at NSPC Update – Summer Update and a Look at Fall

The summer months have been a busy and joy-filled season for our youth ministries at NSPC. We began with our annual Church Picnic, which was a wonderful success thanks to the helping hands of our young people—eight youth came early to assist with set-up, and two stayed to help run games throughout the day. Their efforts, along with the support of so many in the congregation, made the day truly special.

In June, we hosted our True North Vacation Bible School, and what a blessing it was! Sixty-five children attended, guided by more than thirty-five dedicated volunteers. Each day was full of laughter, learning, and excitement, as the children explored Bible stories through songs, crafts, and activities. The smiles on their faces said it all—memories were made, faith was strengthened, and God's love was felt in every moment.

Throughout the summer, our children have also enjoyed Summer Sunday School, where all ages come together to learn. Each week includes a Bible story shared through books and crafts, along with time for group check-ins. While summer vacation sometimes means smaller groups, the joy of seeing smiling faces each Sunday never fades. Our Youth Group has been a wonderful support in helping to lead these sessions, showing younger children what it means to serve joyfully.

In addition to serving, our youth had chances to simply enjoy fellowship together. This summer included a fun round of Top Golf, a refreshing pool party, and even a trip to the Philadelphia Zoo. These outings gave our young people opportunities to deepen their friendships while celebrating God's gift of community.

Now, as we look forward to the fall, there is so much excitement ahead. ***Rally Day will be held on Sunday, September 7th, when we will gather to kick off another year of Sunday School. Be sure to bring your backpacks for a special blessing during worship!*** We are also preparing for the return of our youth Bible studies and monthly breakfast clubs, which we know will be times of growth and encouragement. ***And beginning in September, we are thrilled to introduce a new monthly gathering for our Sunday School-aged children called "Little Lights."*** More details will be coming soon, but we can't wait to see our youngest disciples shine brightly in their faith.

We are deeply grateful for the continued support of our congregation—through prayers, encouragement, and volunteer efforts. This summer has been a beautiful reminder of how God is at work in the lives of our children and youth, and we look forward with joy and anticipation to all that He has planned for the seasons ahead.

Kristi Schaub  
Director of Youth and Family Services  
Newtown Square Presbyterian Church



## Youth and Family Ministries Upcoming Dates



Meets on Sundays from 10:15-11:15 AM:

- 9/7 Youth in Worship / Rally Day / Blessing of the Backpacks
- 9/14 Breakfast Club (AM) / Campfire & S'Mores (PM)
- 9/20 Flea Market Fundariser
- 9/21 What IF Series
- 9/28 What IF Series

# Welcome Back Campfire and S'mores!



Please join the youth group at our first event of the year on Sunday, September, 14th at 5:30 pm for some s'mores and fellowship.

Date: Sunday, September 14th

Time: 5:30-6:30 pm

Where: Lower level parking lot behind the church

What to bring: A chair or blanket, water bottle

Check out our sign-up genius [@ Welcome Back S'mores](#)





## Help Wanted – Trunk or Treat Volunteers!

It's almost time for **Trunk or Treat at NSPC – Saturday, October 26th** and we need your help to make it a fun, safe, and welcoming event for our community!

We're looking for volunteers to:

- **Plan & organize** activities and decorations
- **Host a trunk** (decorate your car and hand out treats)
- **Help with set-up/clean-up**
- **Assist with refreshments and games**

Whether you love to plan, decorate, serve, or simply lend a hand, there's a place for you!

### Event Details:

\*Saturday, October 26th

\*Time: 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

\*NSPC Parking Lot

If you'd like to be part of this fun outreach, please contact Ms. Kristi @ [kristi@newtownsquarepres.org](mailto:kristi@newtownsquarepres.org) or text 610-945-7089. I will send you the zoom link or keep you posted on all the fun.

***The first planning meeting will be Sunday, September 14th at 7:00pm via zoom. We will also have a Day of event sign-ups coming soon. Let's make this year's Trunk or Treat the best one yet!***

## Donation Request for the Youth

Our Youth Group has two exciting events coming up, and we would love your support!

### 1. Flea Market – September 20th

The youth will be running a **refreshment table** to help fundraise for future events. We are asking for donations of:

- Bottled water cases
- Pre-packaged chips and treats
- Individually wrapped baked goods (please label clearly for allergy considerations)

**Deadline for donations (except baked goods): September 17th**

**Baked goods may be dropped off the morning of the Flea Market. 9:00 am**

### 2. Trunk or Treat – October 26th

For our Trunk or Treat celebration, we are collecting:

- Candy individually wrapped
- Small prizes for our youth table/trunk

**Deadline for donations: October 26th by noon**

All donations for both events can be placed in the **donation bin in the Gathering Room at the top of the ramp. *Thank you for supporting our Youth of NSPC!***

**Donations  
are greatly  
Appreciated!**

## Help Wanted – Volunteers Needed!

The Youth Group at **NSPC** is looking for volunteers to help **man the Refreshment Table** at our upcoming **Flea Market on Saturday, September 20th**.

This is a great opportunity to support our youth program while serving our community. We'll be selling refreshments to raise funds for upcoming youth activities and mission projects.

### Volunteer Details:

- **Date:** Saturday, September 20th
- **Location:** NSPC Flea Market
- **Roles:** Selling drinks, chips, treats, and baked goods
- Shifts available throughout the day for both youth and adults – even an hour or two helps!

Your time and energy will go a long way in supporting our youth program. If you can help, please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0848A4A723A46-58077285-refreshment#/> or contact Ms. Kristi @ [kristi@newtownsquarepres.org](mailto:kristi@newtownsquarepres.org).

***Thank you for helping us make this event a success!***





# Mission News



## Thank You!



A big thank you to the many volunteers for our WAWA pick up. Each Saturday and Sunday a volunteer from NSPC goes to the Newtown Square Wawa with insulated bags. The store then gives our volunteers food that has reached its time limit on the shelf. The food is still fine but cannot be sold. They then bring the food back to NSPC and put it in the kitchen freezer. **Every Monday, Rev. Nancy Holt Timothy takes the frozen food and the non-perishable food that YOU put in our donation baskets (on the ramp) to food banks.**

This wonderful mission effort could not happen without the volunteers. We are most appreciative to all the pick-up volunteers and those members of NSPC who donate food weekly. We all know there remains a terrible need for food donations. People are hungry. Thank you for helping.

Sincere thanks go to Grant Snyder, Kevin and Cindy Lemaster, Nancy Kerman, Joe Kasuska, Laurie and Doug Lynch, Jen Gries, Bob Arnold, Paul Florence, Andy Tucker, Marg MacDonald, Sue and Bob Bechtold, Rich Digby, Nancy Gingras, Joe and Robbyn Marchesani, Carol Guest, Nancy Holt and NSPC donations.

## Christmas in September



Friends... believe it or not, Christmas is just around the corner. Time flies! Each year, some NSPC Elves shop for bargains for the children who are cared for by Gemma Services. In previous years, we have been extremely fortunate to find bargains after Christmas with 75% off for toys. These were then saved for our next Christmas delivery. Unfortunately, this past year there were no such bargains. The Elves did their

search, and a few things were located but nowhere near the number of toys we have donated from NSPC in the past. We are still hoping to find some bargains.

Perhaps you would be willing to donate towards the cost of what we have been able to spend so far. Maybe you might even find some bargains before Christmas 2025. Whatever you can do to help Gemma would be most appreciated.

**There is a poster in the Gathering Room and donation envelopes are on the poster.** If you would like to be an elf and pay for some of the items we were able to find, please take an envelope. The directions are on the envelope to reimburse for these items.

There are usually about 70 children living on the Gemma Campus and several others helped with services. Sadly, donations given by Gemma might be their only Christmas.

Questions to our Gemma Representatives:

Ginny Berman [tezcuco13@gmail.com](mailto:tezcuco13@gmail.com)

Sue Bechtold [suebechtold1@gmail.com](mailto:suebechtold1@gmail.com)



**Mission Friends:** NSPC has not been on vacation with mission needs. We thought we might remind you of all the NSPC Mission Projects in the event you would like to donate to any of the current needs:

**Food:** Friends, each Monday Nancy Holt delivers donations of food to Food Banks serving Delaware County. NSPC contributes on a weekly basis if WE bring donations to NSPC and place them in the baskets on the Mission Table at the top of the ramp. Please consider donating Non-Perishable items to help our neighbors in need.

**Print Cartridges:** These are recycled to Staples for credit to be used by the office.

**Cradles to Crayons:** Items for children: clothes, books, baby supplies all may be donated.

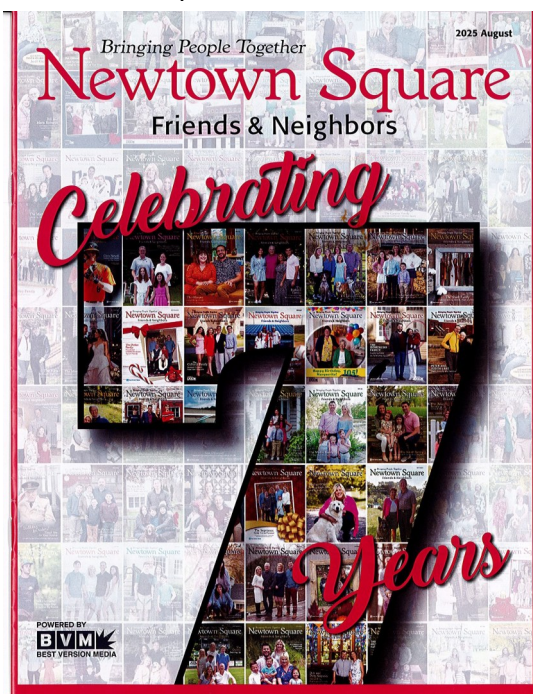
**Gemma:** School Supplies are always welcome at Gemma Services.

**Flip Tops:** Flip Tops used on soda cans, etc. are donated to the Ronald McDonald House. They are then recycled, and the money is used towards utility bills.

**Needed:** NSPC is always in need of shopping bags, white trash bags, and baskets. If you have bags, please put next to the Mission Table. If you have baskets, please leave them in the office. Thank you.



Sometimes we get backlogged with summer mail reading. **Please take time to read this issue of your Newtown Square Friends & Neighbors magazine.** Rev. Searight is highlighted in a nice article about new clergy in our area. If you do not get this free magazine, please check it out on the Mission Table in the Gathering Room. We also have copies of the article available on the table in the entryway to the Gathering Room.



Our Community  
by Holly Searight and Paula Turner-Hillard

## Welcome Our New Leaders In Faith

The Marple Newtown community is proud to welcome a new chapter of spiritual leadership with the introduction of recently appointed clergy. These dedicated individuals bring with them a rich diversity of experiences, fresh perspectives and a shared commitment to fostering faith, compassion, and connection throughout our neighborhoods. We invite you to get to know each of them as they begin their journey—bringing new energy and heartfelt dedication to our shared spiritual life.

When asked how his journey to NSPC began, Bill said that it all started when one of his friends and colleagues called to tell him about the opportunity. "My friend had been brought in as a consultant on NSPC's Pastor Nominating Committee," Bill explained. "I must admit that initially I was a bit reluctant, but after spending time in prayer and time on a retreat with other pastors, I felt as though God was calling me to go in a new and different direction."

NSPC long-time member and Newtown Square resident Lynne Goffe was given the task of heading the seven-member Pastoral Search Committee to replace Rev. Deanne Thomas, who faithfully served the NSPC community since 2016. She said that after nearly a year of searching and numerous interviews, the committee began interviewing and ultimately unanimously hired Pastor Bill.

"Warmth, faith and compassion struck us the moment he walked into our first interview," Lynne said. "As a Bible scholar, Pastor Bill is intent on engaging and enlightening our members in our faith. However, he is equally passionate about pastoral care and the nurturing of children in our church community." Lynne added that Pastor Bill's goal to engage the church in its mission and have an impact on the local community was most attractive to them.

Bill said he felt such incredible excitement and energy from the committee from the very beginning. "It was infectious and I could tell this congregation was innovative and hopeful, with big plans for the future," Bill remarked. "It didn't take long for me to realize this was God's plan for me and my family."

Jim Shea is also a long-time member of the church and served on the Pastoral Search Committee. "Bill approaches the scriptures with profound curiosity and a thirst for knowledge, pulling from multiple sources," Jim said. "We very much enjoy the depth of color commentary his biblical understanding brings to his sermons and bible studies."

Members of NSPC not only attend weekly services, but they are also very active in the community. Their primary outreach program is Rise Against Hunger, an international hunger relief organization that coordinates the distribution of food and other life-saving aid worldwide. Locally, they support community programs at Garrett Williamson, St. Mark's Community Cupboard and our volunteer Newtown Square Fire Company.

Newtown Square Presbyterian Church invites the local community to join them on Sunday at 10am. All are welcome! The church is located at 3600 Golden Road. Visit their website, [NewtownSquarePres.org](http://NewtownSquarePres.org), or call 610-356-8063 for information about worship services, ministries and programs offered.

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## Rise Against Hunger Fundraising

Hello September! Rise Against Hunger (RAH) is beginning our fundraising for our **Annual Meal Packaging Event on March 8, 2026**.

March is several months away but, as in the previous 8 years, we need to raise money to purchase the food supplies for the packaging. At this writing, we need \$8000 to package 20,000 meals. We have done it before, so we hope to do it again. This year, our fundraising has expanded.

- The month of September will be very busy, but helpful for all who are ready to "declutter" or sell things at the **September 20th Flea Market**. Check the article on page 12 of this newsletter about Flea Market Details. Margie Garwood is the person organizing this event.
- Another fundraising opportunity is new to NSPC. Laurie Lynch and Karen Shea are organizing a **Recycling Event** that will pay "per pound" for anything donated. Check the article in the newsletter (page 13) about the recycling details.
- Please stop in at Freddy's in Broomall for **Fundraising with Freddy's, September 17 from 4:00-8:00 PM**. Just mention our NSPC Rise Against Hunger fundraiser when you order your meal. (Flyer on page 14, please share!)
- **December Silent Auction** contributions... Sue and Bob Bechtold, along with others, are beginning to solicit donations from local businesses/restaurants/etc. to be part of the December 7-14 Silent Auction which will take place in the Gathering Space at NSPC. Flyers to present to businesses you might be connected to or use often are available on the Mission Table. Efforts are being made to gather these donations now to avoid a lot of preparation for the auction at the last minute.
- As in past years **Monetary Donations** from NSPC members are a wonderful contribution towards our goal to pay for the supplies. Checks can be made payable to "NSPC" with Rise Against Hunger in the memo section.



This is OUR NSPC Mission Event. Your help is most appreciated with any of the above fundraisers.

Thank you,

The RAH Committee:

Bob and Sue Bechtold, Nancy Gingras, Margie Garwood, Joe Marchesani, Sally and Glenn Bechtold, Andy Tucker, Lynne and Allen Corle, Sara DiGirolamo, Jack Chidester, Laurie Lynch, Karen Shea, & Staff Support: Heather Impriano and Rev. Bill Searight



## Count Down to NSPC's Flea Market September 20<sup>th</sup>

Thanks to all who have donated to our Church Tables' Treasures. The former downstairs Choir Room is our collection area. The easiest approach is from the lower-level doors. Call the office or Margie if you need assistance or guidance. We will be collecting up until the 14<sup>th</sup> of September.

**Pricing Assistance:** Additional help will be needed to categorize and price items the week of September 14th. We will bring items upstairs to the gathering room. It was suggested that it would be much easier with the use of a pick-up truck. Anyone willing to bring their truck or assist would be greatly appreciated. Later, we will arrange categorized tables to be moved outside along Corle's property line. We will need some assistance to lift these tables outside.

**Vendors Needed:** All those who want to be vendors must submit \$50 to the office or to Margie Garwood. Checks should be made out to "Newtown Square Presbyterian Church" with the memo "Flea Market". Once payment is received, you will be mailed a "PARKING PASS" with your name. This pass will need to be displayed on your vehicle dashboard, to ease entry into vendor parking. Additional instructions will be mailed as to arrival time and entry into parking lot.

We are **looking for assistance 7:15 on the morning of the 20<sup>th</sup> (rain-date 27<sup>th</sup>)**, to direct vendors to their appropriate designated parking spots.

**Needed are "salespersons" to assist in Church Table sales.** We would love to have many volunteers to rotate through shifts or stay for the entire sale with breaks.

**Our Youth Group will be selling refreshments.** See Kristi for items. (Page 8 of newsletter).

Hopefully we do not have much to clear and clean up at the end of the day. Will need multiple trash cans placed as well as cones to keep cars out of the paths of shoppers.

**Clean-up Crew needed.**

Will have a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Room with various opportunities to help. Any questions please call Margie 484-368-6555 or email [Garwoodofarrill@aol.com](mailto:Garwoodofarrill@aol.com).

**All proceeds go to our "Rise Against Hunger" mission event.**





## Clothing Drive for Rise Against Hunger

In order to raise funds to participate in our Rise Against Hunger Meal Packaging Event in March 2026, we will be hosting a clothing drive. As you are fall cleaning/organizing please consider bagging your unneeded clothing items. See below for items which are accepted as well as additional instructions. The company will pick up our donations on Saturday, November 1, 2025. We will be paid 20 cents/pound. But we need a minimum of 100 bags for them to come and collect. We think this will be easily doable. Stay tuned for additional information regarding dropping off your contributions at the church as the date gets closer. PLEASE, PLEASE feel forward to share with family and friends.

### **Below is important information from the organizers...**

This is the list of items **We Accept at our Clothing Collection Fundraisers:**

- Clothing for men, women and children.
- Shoes.
- Clothing accessories: belts, hats, scarves, handbags, gloves etc.
- **We take small toys (2 ft. or less).**
- Stuffed animals, towels, sheets & pillowcases.
- Bikes & Strollers.

### **The prices are as follows:**

We pay \$ 0.20 / lb. for all items we accept. **PLEASE KEEP SHOES IN SEPARATE BAGS.**

Bikes are \$ 4.00 / pc.

### **Items **We Don't Accept:****

- Quilts, comforters, pillows & blankets.
- Sport equipment (bikes are OK).
- No board games, books, puzzles, pots, CAR SEATS.
- No electrical devices or glass.
- No large toys, highchairs or baby cribs or scooters.
- VCR tapes, furniture and outdoor play sets.
- Bric and brac (picture frames, school supplies, phone cases, candles, cosmetics, gritting cards, plastic cups, food containers, baking accessories).
- Home and holiday decorations / pet accessories.

Please call or email any questions you may have: [clothingcollection@aecllothing.net](mailto:clothingcollection@aecllothing.net)

Thank you,

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## September Women's Bible Study

Monday – September 8th

Time – 1:00 PM

**Location — Gathering Room**

Study: “Finding Resilience, Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ”

Lesson 1: Mary Magdalene, The Tower

Study Leader: Ginni Condo

Hostess: Marge DeYoung



## Request for All Women of the Church

The men are having a breakfast on Saturday, September 13th. **Would you be able to provide help with breakfast food for that day?** The food can be dropped off at 8:30 AM, cooked and ready-to-serve for all perishable foods. Nonperishable donations can be dropped off during the week when the office is open.

Still Needed:

- 2 Breakfast Casseroles
- 2 Fruit, ready to serve
- Half and half
- Muffins
- 1 Gallon of lemonade
- Soft spread tub of butter

We are happy and appreciate these contributions so far:

Lynne Corle, Ginni Condo and Margie Garwood: Breakfast Casserole

Bagels and Cheese: Debbie Weiss

2 Gallons Iced Tea: Debbie Villano

Donuts: Marg MacDonald will pay, and a pickup person needed



## SAVE THE DATE



**Christmas Luncheon for all women** on Monday December 8<sup>th</sup> in the Gathering Room at 12 Noon. We will offer the usual Heavenly Ham boxed lunch but also hope to have Shrimp Salad, Chicken Salad, and a Green Salad on the menu. Please bring a \$10 Pollyanna gift for the end of Luncheon Gift Exchange. Registration will begin in November. Stay Tuned!



## NSPC Women: Mark Your Calendars

### Ladies Luncheon

The women of the church are invited to gather for **Lunch at EMJ's Cafe in Berwyn on Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 AM.** As some of you know we had been going to Casey's, but they no longer will do separate checks. EMJ's was recommended and 3 of us did a test run. DELICIOUS! Please mark your calendar for October 8th.

EMJ's has a small private dining area. 20 ladies can be accommodated in that area and we have a reservation for 11:30. The room is on hold for us. Please RSVP to Sue Bechtold via 484-832-8984. The final count and conversation with the manager will be on September 26th. Sign up now to make sure you can be with us.

Due to limited parking we are hoping to carpool. Cars will be leaving the church promptly at 11 AM. Plan to be in the parking lot by 10:45 if you would like to carpool. EmJ's Café: 814 Lancaster Avenue, Berwyn, PA

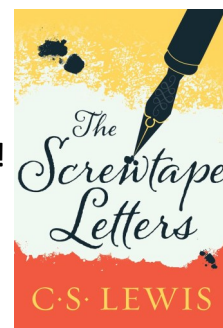


## Men's Christian Fellowship

The Men's Christian Fellowship Group has two meeting groups! The ***alternate Sunday morning group will resume in September.*** Stay tuned for our first meeting date!

The ***Tuesday morning Men's Christian Fellowship group will continue to meet weekly at 8 AM.*** Both groups are studying "The Screwtape Letters".

***All men are welcome to whichever study suits their schedule. We hope you can join us!***



### Calling All Men...

**Come With Your Appetites and Join Us**

**Bring Your Sons, Grandsons,**

**Fathers and Friends**

**The Men's Fellowship Group** would like to invite you to share in a morning of fellowship (& delicious food) with the brothers of our congregation on **Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup> from 9:00- 11:00 AM.** Pastor Bill will give the message and breakfast will be included.

Let us know you are coming - RSVP to [office@newtownsquarepres.org](mailto:office@newtownsquarepres.org)

If you have any questions? Please see or email Doug Tase at [dougase@gmail.com](mailto:dougase@gmail.com)

## The Last Tuesday Book Club

NSPC's Last Tuesday Book Club meets the last Tuesday of the month at 1:00 in the Conference Room.

Feel free to join us each month or try us out for just one meeting because the title intrigues you. New members are always welcome and feel free to bring a friend.

Our September selection will be How To Read a Book by Monica Wood. Elaine Locher will be leading the discussion.

For more information, contact Lynne Corle at (610-563-5355) or Lcorle217@gmail.com



### Happy Reading!

September 30, 2025	Elaine Roscoe	<u>How To Read a Book</u> Monica Wood
October 28, 2025	Jan Gauger	<u>James</u> Percival Everett
November 25, 2025	Sally Bechtold	<u>The Last Flight</u> Julie Clark
December 2025	Merry Christmas	

## Monday Morning Knitting Group: Come Join Us

Our knitting group will start meeting again on Monday, October 6<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM to noon in the Gathering Room of the church. We will be working on hats and scarves for the "Mitten Tree" which is usually in the Gathering Room during Advent. These items go to children and young people who need them. Last year they were distributed through Gemma. In the spring, we have also donated baby blankets and crib blankets to a shelter in Delaware County. Unfortunately, for the time being, we have been notified that the hospitals are no longer accepting handmade hats for their preemies or full-term babies.

If you are knitting items from home, we are so grateful. Keep up the good work and let me know if you need them to be picked up because I will be happy to do so.

Don't hesitate to join us on Mondays and come and go at the times you choose. We have some yarn available and if your skills are rusty, we have someone who can help – Joey Yocum.

Any questions, please contact:

Marg MacDonald

(610) 639-2497



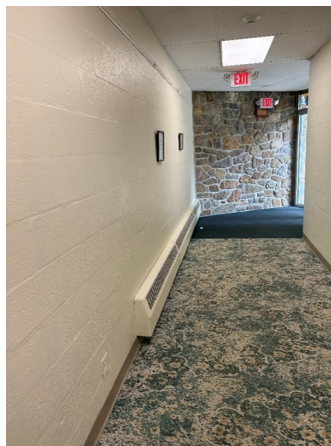
## Happy Knitting!!

# BUILDING & GROUNDS

The CE wing has been in need of a fresh coat of paint for some time. Up stepped a super hero named Glenn Bechtold. He is a very talented painter and wanted to take on the task. He had some assistance from Bob Bechtold, Ginni Condo and Joe Talento.

We thank this generous and talented team! The hallway looks wonderful, and we are ready to welcome all our little ones in September.

~Janie Fioravanti  
Director of NSPC  
Preschool



***\*\*Many thanks to the NSPC Preschool for providing all the paint needed for this major improvement to our Christian Education wing.***

## September Birthdays

9/03 — Joseph Hewes

9/04 — Chris Barmes

9/04 — Lindy Rustam

9/06 — May Foster

9/07 — Buff Biddle

9/07 — Megan Shea

9/08 — Paul Addonizio

9/09 — Thanthwe Vokhiwa

9/09 — Liam Shane

9/16 — Kylie Newby

9/17 — Sally Bechtold

9/17 — Dan Schultz

9/20 — Ben Mitchell

9/22 — Jerry Yocum

9/24 — Anna Gries

9/24 — Sarah Gries

9/25 — Manuel Condo

9/26 — Jean Hill

9/27 — August Adams

9/30 — Noah Andrewson



9/30 — Bob DeCray

9/30 — Dolores Hart

9/30 — Susan Williams



# September

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 <b>LABOR DAY</b>	2 8 am Men's Christian Fellowship	3	4 6 pm AA	5	6 10 am ACA
7 <b>RALLY DAY</b> 10 am Worship/SS 10 am SS teacher commissioning & Blessing of the Backpacks 11 am Rally Day Luncheon	8 10 am Sermon Talk-back Discussion (Zoom) 1 pm Women's Bible Study	9 8 am Men's Christian Fellowship	10 10 am Sept. Quiet Morning	11 6 pm AA	12	13 9 am Men's Breakfast 10 am ACA
14 9 am New Member Class 10 am Worship/SS 11 am Fellowship 11 am Deacons 5:30 pm Youth Group Campfire & S'mores 7 pm Trunk or Treat Planning Mtg (Zoom)	15 10 am Sermon Talk-back (Zoom)	16 8 am Men's Christian Fellowship	17 7 pm Session	18 6 pm AA	19	20 9 am RAH Flea Market 10 am ACA
21 10 am Worship/SS 11 am Fellowship	22 10 am Sermon Talk-back (Zoom)	23 8 am Men's Christian Fellowship	24	25 6 pm AA	26	27 10 am ACA
28 10 am Worship/SS 11 am Fellowship	29 10 am Sermon Talk-back (Zoom)	30 8 am Men's Christian Fellowship 1 pm Last Tuesday Book Club				

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