

# Hilltop Highlights

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## COMMUNITY SPRING FESTIVAL

### Music On The Hill

Partnering with Pillars of Light to Bring Awareness  
to Youth Mental Health in Our Community



**May 4th from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm**

**Local Musicians Food Carnival Games Raffle Baskets  
Line Dancing - It's All Completely Free!**

[Click here to volunteer for the Community Spring Festival](#)

**The Serving Team invites YOU to be the hands and feet of Jesus**



On Easter Sunday we celebrate that Jesus is alive, and the very next weekend we put our love into action by going out and serving in our community. Service projects are available on April 6 and 7, and the wide variety to choose from offers something for all ages, abilities, and interests.

[Click here for a list of service projects and sign up links](#), or sign up in the atrium.

# Upcoming Monthly Events

## **Men's Breakfast**

Saturday, April 6, at 8:00am in the Atrium,  
Cost: \$10 RSVP to Linda Hobbs at lhobbs@lppcmin.org (610)539-6635

## **Caregiver Support**

Monday, April 8, at 10:30am in Rowland Parlor  
Contact Diane Benham with questions (dhbenham@comcast.net)

## **NAMI'S Family Support Group**

Monday, April 8, from 7:00-8:30pm in Rowland Parlor  
This is a confidential support group for loved ones of people living with mental illness and is led by trained family members. Contact Heather Kearney with questions (hlkearney@comcast.net)

## **Men at Lunch**

Thursday, April 11, at 12:00pm in the Library  
Contact Ron Jobson with questions (jobson.ron@gmail.com)

## **Mom's Bible Study**

Thursdays, April 11 and 25 at Pastor Cara's house  
Moms of kids and youth come chat and enjoy snacks from 6:30-7:00, followed by Bible study from 7:00-8:00pm. Email Cara Cavicchia for more info (ccavicchia@lppcmin.org)

## **Women's Lunch Bunch**

Monday, April 15, at 12:00pm in Rowland Parlor  
Contact Ellen Beswick with questions (abeellen630@aol.com)

## **Stitchery Group**

Tuesday, April 16, at 1:00pm in the Library  
Bring your prayer shawl, needlework, or unfinished project and join us! Contact Joan Boytim with questions

## **Empty Nester's Bible Study**

Sunday, April 28 at 6:30pm  
Contact Cara Cavicchia with questions (ccavicchia@lppcmin.org)

## **Days for Girls**

April 2, 5, 7, 19 and 23 at 11:00am in Williams Hall  
Come help to prepare washable period supplies for women and girls around the world. Contact Bobbie Monaco with questions (bobbie-monaco@gmail.com)

# Upcoming Weekly Events

## **Zumba**

Mondays and Wednesdays @ 7:00pm in  
Williams Hall  
Saturdays @ 8:30am in the Gym

## **Prayer Group**

Tuesdays at 10:00am in the Library

## **Mens' Basketball**

Wednesdays at 7:30pm in the Gym

# Lent Around the Table: Bringing our Church Family Together

Each Wednesday during Lent, people of all ages came together to enjoy a meal and a brief devotional. The food was delicious, and with an average attendance of about 75 people these weekly gatherings quickly became something to look forward to! Our devotionals for each evening followed our Lenten "Wandering Heart" series as we discovered more about the life of Peter. A different staff member led devotions each week, putting their own particular spin on the games, discussion, and teaching. It was wonderful to see people enjoy being together while receiving some mid-week encouragement in their faith journeys.



## Save those Receipts!

Thanks to all who shop at Redner's and save your receipts. In mid-March, 287 Redner's receipts (collected December thru February) totaling \$14,005 in grocery sales were submitted for the Redner's 1% rebate. Your good eats and good habits of saving receipts have resulted in a check to LPPC in the amount of \$140.05. Keep on eating and saving receipts!

If you'd like to participate in the church getting 'free money,' go to a Redner's Courtesy Desk, get a 'SAVE A TAPE' card and use that card when you shop. Your receipt will show up with a 'Save The Tape' total on it. Bring those tapes to church and put them into the red Redner's basket in the Atrium. A volunteer will do all the logging and submission.



## Senior's Trip

The LPPC Seniors are looking forward to our matinee dinner theater trip to Hunderton Hills on April 23. The final registration date was March 31 but if you might be interested we will have a waiting list if there happen to be any last minute cancellations. If you have any questions about this trip, contact Dave Brandau (610-631-1492). Look for coming announcements about our other events for 2024!

## Envelope Fundraiser

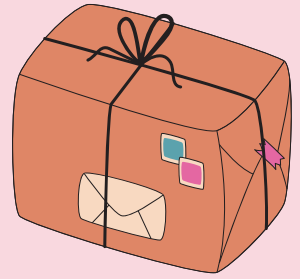


On April 7 or 14 you can support our youth by picking up an envelope in the atrium and then returning the envelope with the listed donation amount enclosed. Your donations will help make our youth's summer trips much more affordable.

# From the Office of the Deacons

## Military Care Packages

The Deacons will be sending care packages to our military men and women in time for Memorial Day. The care packages will include inspirational and devotional materials and other items. If you would like to ensure that someone serving in the military receives a care package, please [click here to fill out a brief google form](#), or provide their name and address to Linda Hobbs at lhobbs@lppcmin.org or 610-539-6635 extension 102. Please have this information to the Church by May 1, so we can get the packages in the mail in time before Memorial Day.



## Transportation Ministry

Do you need an occasional ride to church, the grocery store, a doctor appointment? The Deacons have a team of volunteers to help support these needs. Please contact Lynn Patterson @ 610-613-8450 if the need arises. If you would like to volunteer to help transport church members, please reach out to Lynn for more details.

## Volunteers needed for Flag Placement

**SAVE THE DATE:** Saturday May 18 at 10 AM. Join a group of LPPC volunteers to put flags on the graves of 231 military veterans for the Memorial Day observance. Children, as well as adults, are encouraged to help. It won't take more than 45-60 minutes, but



you'll walk away with a sense of pride in these men and women and a realization of how beautiful and full of history our cemetery is. US Flags and maps of the cemetery will be provided, volunteers should wear sturdy, comfortable shoes. If it's raining, we'll place flags on Sunday, the 19th, after the church service. Please RSVP to Lynn McLean (610-933-5784) if you plan to come so we have sufficient printed maps for every person/team.

If you are interested in visiting the location of the proposed columbarium and gathering patio, Lynn can take you on a quick tour and answer questions after flag placement.

**Church  
Directory**

Printed copies of the church directory are available on the literature table in the atrium.



# April Core Mission Partner: Advocates Against Hunger

Advocates Against Hunger is one of LPPC's Core Mission Partners. This group was founded in 2008 by members of Lower Providence Presbyterian Church in search of ways to eliminate food insecurity in Norristown and Montgomery County. LPPC has provided prayer and outreach to the Cecil and Grace Bean Soup Kitchen, Daily Bread Pantry, and the Community Interfaith Pantry in Norristown. We have provided volunteer hours to address hunger in our community. The Advocate's motto is SEE THE NEED PLAN THE FUTURE. And you have responded to address that need as a faith community.

Advocates has worked as a promotor of community dialogue and creating partnerships to avoid duplicating efforts and to promote working together. Advocates partners with the MAHN (Montco Anti-Hunger Network).

Through Advocates efforts, Montgomery County has agreed to create a Food Policy Council to address the issue of food insecurity throughout the entire County! In this next year the Council will be forming and beginning the process of finding real solutions to hunger in all our communities. God has certainly moved the mountain! Amazing to find real solutions to a serious issue.

You can continue to help by supporting Advocates in your prayers for a successful revitalization for Advocates, for all the people to work together in cooperative dialogue, for uniting to achieve what is best for all those in need, for encouraging folks to become educated and informed about food insecurity, and for commitments of time and talent to improving the system. Keep the mountain moving!



*Produce delivery to a preschool*

*To volunteer please contact Nanette LaFors (610-630-9637), Serving Team member. You can also sign up to help at the Interfaith Pantry for the Church Has Left the Building.*



## Let's Talk!

### Adult Sunday School Begins again April 14



Each week we'll discuss an idea from a theologian and how that idea might influence the way we understand ourselves or the world.

**Class meets in Williams Hall at 11:00am**



Dear LPPC Family, A big thank you to our wonderful LPPC church family for all the cards, prayers, visits, phone calls, and flowers sent to us during my Mom, Thelma Whittaker's illness and passing. Brenda Bell brought Mom chancel flowers in January, Deacon Caroline Deininger visited and brightened Mom's day and Susan Ardman brought me the chancel flowers from March 3. Appreciate Pastor Ted visiting Mom on his day off- he was a great comfort to Mom, my brother and me. Mom had 101 good years and we miss her but it is a comfort to feel the love of our LPPC family during this difficult time.

From, Kris Sedlak and Family

Dear LPPC, We would like to thank the children that made the Thanksgiving cards which we were lucky enough to get one. The Christmas poinsettia is still blooming.

Caroline brought a beautiful flower arrangement from the church and it's still blooming. Thanks for all the cards. Sincerely, Pete and Rosalie Pilz

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your prayers, cards, texts, phone calls, and delicious meals that brought my husband and me through round two of successful back surgery. Your prayer support continues to sustain me throughout my recovery. Blessings, Linda Horoho



## APRIL BIRTHDAYS



### **April 1**

Tina Pannell

### **April 9**

Steve Phillabaum  
Ken Schreiber

### **April 15**

Wendy Todd

### **April 23**

Mason Cohle

### **April 2**

Craig Smith  
Betsy Tecco

### **April 10**

Asher Colton

### **April 17**

Lindsay Kotulka

### **April 24**

Jennifer Rees

### **April 3**

Carey Heck

### **April 12**

Arlene Eckert  
Diana Eckhart  
Brandon Klyce  
Kate Markle

### **April 18**

Laura Deininger

### **April 25**

David Minnich  
Drew Moser

### **April 4**

John Brown Sr.  
Nicholas Schulz

### **April 13**

Ashley Herr  
Ashley Sebok  
Debbie Sheppard

### **April 19**

Matthew Schulz

### **April 20**

Joan Kerr

### **April 26**

Marty Mauch  
Emma Smull

### **April 5**

Linda Hobbs  
Julie Munera

### **April 21**

Charles Goeffer  
Mary Jane Rees

### **April 27**

Bobbe Smith

### **April 8**

Fred Patterson  
Janet Stuchal

### **April 14**

Abigail Hanlon  
Eric Meck

### **April 22**

Don Cannon  
Paul Ladson

### **April 30**

Brett Wells