

"I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?" Isaiah 43:19

June comes with changing seasons of life. There have been graduations and celebrations. People moving in and out of dorms rooms, back and forth to homes. It is also a times when I will be getting ready to pack as I will be moving down the road, the first week in July. So, I have been surrounded with thoughts about how actively life has been changing. It requires a certain amount of self-examination to keep track of where we have been and where we are going and how we tell the stories of our life and faith.

In the book "Changing the Conversation: A Third Way for Congregations" by Anthony Robinson, the author comments that in worship we rename and reframe ourselves as we worship. As we confess our sins, have forgiveness affirmed, and hear the word of the Lord proclaimed, we "attempt to change the conversation, whether they are our internal and personal conversations or the dominant and conventional ways that matters are construed in society." We are the people who seek new language or recover words and concepts from the living tradition of our faith. And this is important conversation continues as we remember and continue to build upon our identity of who we are and whose we are.

In my time with you, we have looked at the history of Spring Branch Presbyterian Church. You have embraced individual gifts that enhanced the whole, and through these gifts, there has grown a willingness to move forward. You remember roots and rootedness while still growing new fruitful programs. This is and continues to be important for the life of the church.

The Pentecost story continues to encourage us to speak in new ways, with people all around us who have yet to hear and understand the Good News of Christ spoken in ways they can understand. We find that when the Spirit blows, it will blow where it will, and we will never be quite the same again. Disciples and students became Apostles with a charge and purpose in their hearts. The gift of understanding didn't diminish the diversity of that great crowd. They did not become less than they were, they became more than they had been, for they became united with all of those who heard and understood that God was alive and active in this world and eager that they should participate in God's purposes."

God continues to be active in all of time, not only in the past—whether it be in past events described in the Bible or the past traditions. God is active in our lives today.

*And,* the Spirit continues to move toward the future created just for a people so generously gifted as Spring Branch Presbyterian Church. We must continue to trust that God has plans for us and that the plans God has are good.

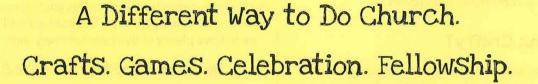
May the Lord continue to bless you to be lifted by the Spirit, trusting God's leadership toward a future, caught in the rush of God's amazing vision for our future.

Peace in Christ,

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## Come with a playful heart to



Spring Branch Presbyterian's Fellowship Hall 1215 Campbell Road 1st Thursdays each month 5:30 p.m.

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The annual VBS Bread Making Day this year is Thursday, June 14, 9:00 to 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. We need 12 volunteers to help the children with the bread recipe. No experience or expertise needed and on the job training is available. It's a great way to enjoy the morning and to help with Vacation Bible School. If you are available and would like to help, please contact Doris Wright at 281-597-1693 or doriswright66@gmail.com to sign-up, or to answer questions. Hope to see you there.

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Unwind Dinner Group

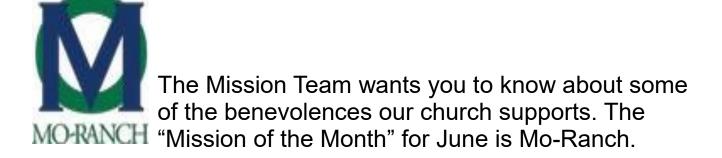
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Ladies, let's gather on Monday, June 18th for a cool, cozy meal at Barnaby's Café. Barnaby's Café, http://barnabyscafe.com/ is located at 5750 Woodway. It is tucked in back of the shopping center, directly behind Le Peep. See you at 6:00 for salads, burgers, comfort food, and decadent brownies! Let Denise know if you are able to be there by text (713-725-2816) or email(dwilborn55@gmail.com). And we will meet on July 16th and August 20th. See you at the Presbyterian Women's Celebration on Sunday August, 12th.









Since 1949, Presbyterian Mo-Ranch Assembly has been a camp and conference center affiliated with the Synod of the Sun of the PC(USA). They occupy approximately 500 acres in a beautiful setting on the North Fork of the Guadalupe River in the Scenic Texas Hill Country.

SBPC supports Mo-Ranch's youth scholarship fund so that all children and youth can experience this amazing place and grow in faith! Many of our youth have attended the Youth Celebration, which occurs this year from June 24-29.

The Youth Celebration is a conference for high school students. It's a week filled with exploration of faith, worship, new friends and recreation. The conference activities include energizers, keynote presentations, worship and music, small groups, afternoon recreation and evening vespers.

Since the number of our youth has gone down this year, the amount our church is donating to Mo-Ranch this year has been reduced to \$100.



#### **PW CELEBRATION**

All SBPC women are invited to be part of celebrating 30 years of Presbyterian Women, which began in 1988 when the women's organizations from the "North" (United Presbyterian Women) & from the "South" (Women of the Church) merged to form our current PW. At this 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary we will honor women leaders, mission projects, retreats, fundraisers for college scholarships, and other events from PW's past at Spring Branch Presbyterian Church.

#### **PW CELEBRATION**

Sunday, August 12, from 3-5pm at The Gathering Place

Learn about the 2018-2019 *Horizons* Bible study



Learn about the PW circle meeting at SBPC, the Unwind Circle, ZIP and Un-ZIP trips, Happy Hands, PCHAS birthday cards, and College Connection.

Would you like to volunteer to bring food? Contact Kay Craig, Kay@craig-heidt.com, 713-467-7932.

Would you like to donate items for benefit drawings and silent auctions? Contact Carol Davis, <u>caroldavis@entouch.net</u>, 281-725-7830.

An E-vite (an invitation by email) will be sent out the last week of July. Just open e-mail, click on YES, MAYBE or NO, then click REPLY.

Mailed invitations will be sent to those without e-mail.

Notify church office or via E-vite by August 6 about nursery needs.





| Dorothy Slover      | 6/4  |
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| Lily Elaine Earnest | 6/5  |
| Charles Craig       | 6/7  |
| Manuel Rendon       | 6/7  |
| Jeremy Alderson     | 6/8  |
| Matthew Alderson    | 6/8  |
| Kay Craig           | 6/12 |

| Velura Anne Johnson | 6/17 |
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| Paul Sabala         | 6/20 |
| Elizabeth Bik       | 6/23 |
| McKie Johnson       | 6/24 |
| Ken Austin          | 6/27 |
| Bill Bryant         | 6/27 |
| Ryan Blair          | 6/28 |
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| Susan and Garth Heitshusen  | 6/2  |
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| Jeannie and Curtis Stockton | 6/14 |
| Neil and Karen Dikeman      | 6/16 |
| Kendall and Linda Crawford  | 6/19 |
| Scott and Brittany Lassiter | 6/27 |
| McKie and Anne Johnson      | 6/29 |

### " A successful marriage requires falling in love many times, always with the same person.

| Church Calend | lar, Outside SB   | PC Reservatio  | ns, Youth Cale | endar           | Jun 2018        | (Central Time)   |
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| Sun           | Mon               | Tue            | Wed            | Thu             | Fri             | Sat              |
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| 10:50am - Wor | 6pm - Yoga        | 10am - Flexerc | 10:15am - PW   | 5:30pm - Mess   |                 |                  |
| 5:30pm - Boy  |                   |                | 7pm - Choir    | 6pm - Yoga      |                 |                  |
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