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Spring Branch Presbyterian Church

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Greetings, members and friends of SBPC,

What a strange and exciting time we are living in! Things which have been put on hold are now coming back on line. For most of us, that means programs or other cherished activities, and that is certainly true. For others it means relationships. And we are certainly now able to be in person again, finally, with some from whom we have been physically separated. This is great.

Why shouldn't things come back to life? After all, this is the Easter season! On that first Resurrection morning, there were no filled pews. No one dressed up nicely. There were no egg hunts or nice dinners planned. Nothing... except to prepare a dead body. How different things are now!

The Easter season is 50 days long, which corresponds with the time between Passover and Pentecost, the Jewish feast marking the barley harvest. It was on that first Pentecost after Jesus rose from the dead that the church was truly born, when the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the church. That is when the growth truly began. Can we recapture this image today? Let me be clear: The church at Pentecost should be larger numerically than the church at Easter. What if the church truly understood this fundamental truth? What if we saw it happen this year? What if 2022 showed the truth of Christ's resurrection among us in ways it had never been seen before? What if our world saw the proof of the resurrection during these 50 days in our community?

I believe it can happen. I am praying it will happen! I want to rejoice with you when it does.

As things come back to life, let's make sure our church is at the top of the list!

*Kevin R. Boyd*

In Christ's Service,  
Kevin Boyd, Pastor



## Missions of the Month

The Mission of the Month for May is **Mo-Ranch!** We support Mo-Ranch's youth scholarship fund so that all children and youth can enjoy and benefit from a Mo-Ranch experience.

Presbyterian Mo-Ranch Assembly is located in the heart of the beautiful Hill Country in Hunt, Texas. It is nestled on 500-acres along the spring-fed Guadalupe River with an abundance of land and water recreation, sports activities, hiking trails, and the great outdoors. Mo-Ranch is open to the public for spiritual retreats, conferences, summer and day camps, weddings, reunions, group meetings, corporate retreats, vacation getaways and individual reservations.



But youth programs have been at the heart of Mo-Ranch's ministry since its inception and have drawn tens of thousands of youth to attend the unforgettable Mo-Ranch experience that's filled with new friends, spiritual enrichment, worship, study and recreation. Activities and recreation include everything from taking a challenge on the Mo ropes course, dancing, games, energizers, vespers and popsicle parties, to aquathons, sports, evening movies, swimming in the beautiful Guadalupe, singing God's praises and more!

## May Mission Updates & Opportunities

**Annual PCHAS Luncheon Update** – We want to thank everyone who was able to attend the annual PCHAS Luncheon on April 21st. Our friends at PCHAS shared that through your support and attendance, they were able to exceed their goals for this year's luncheon! Thank you to Sarah Dikeman, Marguerite Priest, and Patti Nanney for organizing our delegation. If you would like to learn more about PCHAS, please feel free to contact Miguel in the Church Office for a PCHAS newsletter. Save-the-date for next year's PCHAS Luncheon on Thursday, April 20, 2023, at 12:00 PM at Junior League!



Presbyterian Children's  
Homes and Services<sup>SM</sup>



**SBPC Hot Meals on Weekends** –The 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month we look for individuals to deliver meals to shut-ins. We have 2 routes with about 14 people on each route, so we usually need a total of 4 volunteers each month. Please contact Lu Taylor if you are interested in volunteering to deliver meals one month. The Saturday for this month will be May 28<sup>th</sup>.

# #ADVENTUREON



JOIN TODAY AT [BEASCOUT.ORG](https://www.beascout.org)



**BOYS AND GIRLS K - 5th GRADERS LETS START THE ADVENTURE!**  
Cub Scout Parent Interest Meeting at Spring Branch Presbyterian Church  
May 11, 2022, 6:30pm (following dinner)  
For more information contact: Miguel Carlin: [miguel@springbranchpres.org](mailto:miguel@springbranchpres.org)

## Wednesday Night Supper



**May 4** — Homemade Smoked Pork Sausage

*Pastor Kevin*

**May 11** — Caribbean Food

*Pastor Sebastian Lopez, CENTI*

**May 18** — Gourmet Hamburgers

*Last WNS of the school year!*

*Taking reservations during the pandemic has helped us to reduce food waste in the kitchen and improved our meal planning. We plan to continue the reservation process, but will also take walk-ins as long as we have extra food to serve. If you would like to continue to take your meal home, please park and have someone come inside to the line to get your dinners to-go.*

*Watch your email for placing orders!*

*We will continue to accept donations for the Fair Haven Food Pantry at WNS (non-perishable food items, cleaning supplies, paper products, and plastic grocery bags).*

Prices for the supper are as follows:

Adults (age 13 & up) \$5.00

Children (ages 1-12) \$2.00

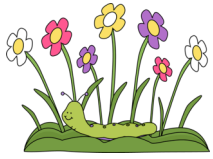
Family w/children ages 1-12 \$12.00  
(immediate family only please)

To go plates \$5.00



Children's Sunday School Class meets **1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month** at 9:30am in the Children's classroom in The Gathering Place.

# Presbyterian Women this Month



## PW at a Glance

**PW MODERATORS** on 5/4 at 9:30 a.m. (Conference Room)

**PW BOARD MEETING** on 5/4 at 10:15 a.m. (Conference Room)

**THE HORIZONS** Evening Bible study using **ZOOM** will be on Monday, 5/9 at 7:00 p.m.

**PW DAY CIRCLE** meeting on 5/11 at 9:30 a.m. in the Conference Room. A Salad Luncheon will follow in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to join the Day Circle by Zoom, please contact Carol Davis.

Lesson 9: [www.springbranchpres.org/adult-education/presbyterian-women/what-my-grandmothers-taught-me](http://www.springbranchpres.org/adult-education/presbyterian-women/what-my-grandmothers-taught-me)

**ZIP TRIP** on 5/18 to McHugh's Tea Room. Please RSVP to Marguerite Priest.

**HAPPY HANDS** will meet on 5/25 at 9:30 a.m. in the Gathering Place.

## Bible Study Using Zoom: May 9th at 7:00 p.m.



Lesson 9 of *What My Grandmother's Taught Me* will be discussed by the group of women using Zoom on Monday, May 9th, at 7 p.m. Contact Sarah Powell at [mrspowelltoe@yahoo.com](mailto:mrspowelltoe@yahoo.com) to receive the Zoom invitation to join the meeting.

Our final ZIP Trip for this year, on May 18th, is to **McHugh's Tea Room** (5305 Bissonnet St in Bellaire). Please join us for a wonderful lunch in a delightful tea room! Please RSVP to Marguerite Priest.



PW Will hold its Welcoming Tea on Sunday, August 7th. Kay Craig, Betty Magnuson, and Barbara Tremble are coordinating this year. Volunteers for auction, food, setup, and cleanup are needed.



The ZIP Trip to the Painted Churches was wonderful! We visited five of the churches, had a great time eating at Kountry Bakery in Schulenburg, and saw many beautiful wildflowers!



**After a successful Men's retreat last fall, the Presbyterian Men would like to invite all men and their families to join us for a special trip to The Bible Seminary in Katy.** We will be going to The Bible Seminary on Saturday, May 21st, to explore the *Joshua*, *Judges* and *Jesus- A Walk Through Biblical History* exhibit. The exhibit features 170 artifacts from the land of the Bible. Many of these artifacts have been found by Dr. Scott Stripling and his students attending the seminary.

We are hoping to go in mid-May, and after touring the free exhibit, have a time of fellowship and a meal together. If you are interested in attending or would like more information, please contact Donald McDaniel.



**Save-the-Date for  
Vacation Bible School!**

**July 19th-22nd  
9:00 AM-11:30 AM**

*A time of music, worship, crafts, recreation, and fellowship is being planned. We welcome any individuals that would like to participate or volunteer to please let Miguel know in the church office.*



*You are invited to attend Pastor's Bible Study with Kevin! The group gathers at 11:00 AM on Tuesday mornings. The Bible Study is now being offered both in-person and virtually. You may either join in-person at 11:00 AM in the Conference Room, or by Zoom using the information below. We hope to see you there!*

**Meeting ID: 897 7951 2452 | Password: 754888 | Zoom Link:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89779512452?pwd=VU1VZVByeFI1MEwxNmxrR090S0JVQT09>

**May 1, 2022; 3rd Sunday of Easter**

Text: John 21:1-19

Title: "Something's Fishy"

Focus: God's love is overwhelming even in our times of failure.

**May 8, 2022; 4th Sunday of Easter, Mother's Day**

First Reading: Acts 9:1-6

Text: Psalm 23

Title: "In the Arms of the Shepherd"

Focus: Resting in the arms of our Good Shepherd is the only way to true peace.

**May 15, 2022; 5th Sunday of Easter**

First Reading: Acts 11:1-18

Text: John 13:31-35

Title: "Crazy Little Thing Called Love"

Focus: Christ's power is experienced as we love each other in community.

**May 22, 2022; 6th Sunday of Easter**

First Reading: Acts 16:9-15

Text: John 5:1-9

Title: "Just Get Up!"

Focus: We must not be deceived into believing our situation is impossible.

**May 29, 2022; Ascension of the Lord**

First Reading: John 17:20-26

Text: Revelation 22:12-21

Title: "Lost and Found"

Focus: God is bringing about his purposes in this world, even when appearances are to the contrary.

**Summer Vacation Season has arrived!** Please remember to snag those extra hotel toiletries while you are traveling. It's also a good time to watch sales and stock up on items at dollar stores, and on grocery trips. And finally, be on the lookout for women's sized shoe boxes. Seafarers' Donations can be brought to the Church Office anytime of the year! Below is the list of requested items from the Port of Houston:



Hairbrush / Comb	Kleenex	Lip Balm
Magnets	Gold Bond Powder	Gold Bond Cream
T-shirts (new)	Needle & Thread	Shaving Cream
Nail Clippers	Toothpaste	Gum & Hard Candy
Q-Tips	Mechanical Pencils	Flashlight w/ batteries
Popcorn	Socks	Word Search/ Sudoku/ Fill-in books
Earbuds / Headphones	USB Flash Drives	2023 Calendar
Band-Aids (fabric)	Baseball Caps (new)	Disposable Razors
Dental floss	Deodorant	Lotion
Hot Chocolate	Key Chains	Texas Souvenirs
Shampoo	Playing Cards	Toothbrushes
Conditioner	Body Wash	Pocket sized notebooks & pens



## PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERINGS

The Pentecost Offering helps our youth begin life with a strong start—a solid foundation of faith formed in the years from childhood through adulthood. Our congregation is joining the whole church in building for our future, in building individual lives of faith.

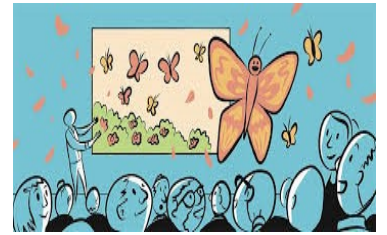
### **Ways to Give:**

- Through the congregation on Pentecost Sunday, June 5th
- Donate by credit card online at [pcusa.org/donatepentecost](https://pcusa.org/donatepentecost)
- Text PENTECOST to 91999 to give

A Foundation of Faith established during childhood through young adulthood helps ensure lifelong faith and service. When you give to the Pentecost Offering, you are helping to provide opportunities for young people to grow and share in their faith in Christ.



Helpers are needed for compiling the lovely Sunday morning **PowerPoint** presentations we use in worship! Plenty of spots are available, training is provided, and it can be done from home, as it is not an overly difficult process. Please contact Ethan Mitchell or Patty Blome if you have any questions or are willing to help out!



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## Yoga Classes

**Mondays and Thursdays at 6 pm in the Conference Room. Please bring a mat, towel, water bottle with water, and wear comfortable clothing.**



## BEAUTIFY THE CHURCH



Would you like to beautify the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings while honoring a loved one or commemorating a special occasion? The 2022 Flower Sign-Up Calendar is located in the Narthex. If you are currently worshiping from home, but would still like to sponsor flowers for a Worship Service, you may sign up digitally by using this form: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E084CABAC2BA1FA7-2022>, or to [jorida.vakiari@springbranchpres.org](mailto:jorida.vakiari@springbranchpres.org). **The cost per arrangement is \$65.00. Special arrangements vary and should be requested EARLY!** Checks should be written to SBPC and mailed to the Church Office (Attn: Jorida) or placed in the offering plate on Sunday mornings.

## FRIDAY EMAIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Would you like to receive our weekly announcements via email every Friday? Sign-up by visiting our Church website, [www.springbranchpres.org](http://www.springbranchpres.org).

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Mailing List

# Happy Birthday



Nick Goodrich III	5/2	Anthony Tapia	5/14
Bryn Fuller	5/4	Rebeca Rivera-Alegria	5/15
Evan Powell	5/9	Curtis Stockton	5/15
Chip Colvin	5/10	Emmett Laverty	5/20
Ken Crawford	5/10	Thelma Stockton	5/21
Xitlalli Rouse	5/10	Madelynn Turney	5/21
Caroline Bik	5/11	Kay Kay Haulcy	5/23
Dr. Matt Dikeman	5/11	Nikki Childs	5/26
John Lazo	5/12	Thomas Daley	5/29
Web Trevathan	5/13	Angelina Rojas	5/30
Ellie Cross	5/14		

# Happy Anniversary!



Dr. Denise and Brice Wilborn	5/29
Robert and Sonya Bear	5/31

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p>9:30am - Children's SS 9:30am - Sunday school 9:50am - Choir Practice 10:50am - Worship</p>	<p>2</p> <p>6pm - Yoga (CR) 7:30pm - Boy Scouts (GP)</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9:15am - Cong. Care Mtg. 10am - Flexercise (GP) 11am - Pastor's Bible Study <b>5pm - Special Olympics:</b> 6pm - Basketball (GP) 7pm - Mission Team</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:30am - PW Moderator 9:30am - Wednesday 10:15am - PW Board 6pm - WNS <b>6:45pm - Santa Iglesia Self-</b></p>	<p>5</p> <p>9am - Jessie's Bites 10am - Flexercise (GP) 6pm - Fairbees (GP) 6pm - Yoga (CR)</p>	<p>6</p> <p>9am - Jessie's Bites 5pm - Special Olympics: 6:45pm - Santa Iglesia Self-</p>	<p>7</p> <p>2pm - SBM Arc Annual 6pm - CENTI Church</p>
<p>8</p> <p><b>Mothers Day</b> 9:30am - Sunday school 9:50am - Choir Practice 10:50am - Worship</p> 	<p>9</p> <p>5:30pm - Academy Board 6pm - Yoga (CR) 7pm - Horizon's Bible Study 7:30pm - Boy Scouts (GP)</p>	<p>10</p> <p>10am - Flexercise (GP) 11am - Pastor's Bible Study <b>5pm - Special Olympics:</b> 6pm - Basketball (GP) 6:30pm - Fellowship</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9:30am - PW Circle 9:30am - Wednesday 5pm - Girl Scouts (GP 2) 6pm - WNS 6:30pm - Cub Scout Info <b>6:45pm - Santa Iglesia Self-</b></p>	<p>12</p> <p>9am - Jessie's Bites 10am - Flexercise (GP) 6pm - Fairbees (GP) 6pm - Yoga (CR)</p>	<p>13</p> <p>9am - Jessie's Bites 6:45pm - Santa Iglesia Self-</p>	<p>14</p> <p>6:45am - TXPWA 6pm - CENTI Church</p>
<p>15</p> <p>9:30am - Children's SS 9:30am - Sunday school 9:50am - Choir Practice 10:50am - Worship</p>	<p>16</p> <p>10am - The Gathering Place 6pm - Yoga (CR) 7:30pm - Boy Scouts (GP)</p>	<p>17</p> <p>10am - Flexercise (GP) 11am - Pastor's Bible Study 6pm - Basketball (GP)</p>	<p>18</p> <p>9:30am - Wednesday 9:30am - Zip Trip 6pm - WNS</p>	<p>19</p> <p>9am - Jessie's Bites 10am - Flexercise (GP) 6pm - Fairbees (GP) 6pm - Yoga (CR)</p>	<p>20</p> <p><b>PresPress Articles DUE</b> 9am - Jessie's Bites</p>	<p>21</p> <p>8am - Presbyterian Men 5:30pm - Fairbees Anniv. 6pm - CENTI Church</p>
<p>22</p> <p>9:30am - Sunday school 9:50am - Choir Practice 10:50am - Worship 2pm - Eagle Scout Court of</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6pm - Yoga (CR) 7:30pm - Boy Scouts (GP)</p>	<p>24</p> <p>10am - Flexercise (GP) 11am - Pastor's Bible Study 6pm - Basketball (GP) 7pm - Session</p>	<p>25</p> <p>9:30am - Happy Hands (GP) 9:30am - Wednesday 5pm - Girl Scouts (GP 2)</p>	<p>26</p> <p>9am - Jessie's Bites 10am - Flexercise (GP) 6pm - Fairbees (GP) 6pm - Yoga (CR)</p>	<p>27</p> <p>9am - Jessie's Bites</p>	<p>28</p> <p>11am - Hot Meals 6pm - CENTI Church</p>
<p>29</p> <p>9:30am - Sunday school 9:50am - Choir Practice 10:50am - Worship</p>	<p>30</p> <p><b>Memorial Day</b> 6pm - Yoga (CR) 7:30pm - Boy Scouts (GP)</p> 	<p>31</p> <p>10am - Flexercise (GP) 11am - Pastor's Bible Study 6pm - Basketball (GP)</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>



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