

# PRES PRESS



## SPRING BRANCH Presbyterian Church

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Houston, TX 77055





## Missions of the Month



## The Mission of Yahweh

The Mission Team wants you to know about some of the benevolences our church supports. The "Mission of the Month" for July is The Mission of Yahweh,

which is a faith-based, non-denominational emergency & transitional shelter, that provides homeless women and children with food, clothing, shelter and services.

The Mission is one of only a few shelters for homeless women and their children, and has served Northwest Houston since 1961. On average, The Mission has 40,224 stays (bed & 3 meals) a year with 40% of The Mission's residents being children under the age of 13.

About 61% of the women residents are working or enrolled in school. Through a collaboration with other local resources, classes and services are provided for a variety of subjects including: job readiness, computer training, money management, education, and health.

It costs The Mission \$37 per day to house, feed and clothe one homeless woman or child. The majority of The Mission's operating funds and in-kind donations come from individuals, churches and businesses. The Mission receives no government funds.

## July Mission Updates and Opportunities

**Blood Drive Update** – Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center will be returning to SBPC on Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Blood Drive will take place from 8:30am-12:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Ashley Powell to sign-up for an appointment. Share the gift of life!

**RaiseUp Families Lunch Donation** – SBPC donated \$100 to John Knox, who will be feeding a nutritious lunch to a group of kids at the RaiseUp summer camp. This money will help feed about 50 kids. This organization is specifically focused on helping parents of school-aged children find financial stability and support by way of learning budgeting skills and attaining higher education.

**Movie Night June 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Another movie night in the books! We had a wonderful gathering of people who enjoyed the show so much that they are requesting that we put this on regularly. This will be a quarterly event, and our next will be September 8<sup>th</sup>, so put it on your calendars!

**Collecting School Supplies** – While we are wrapping up one school year, we are preparing for the next by collecting school supplies for the children of PCHAS and CUPS. Please look for the list further in the Pres Press

**PDA Donation** – SPBC gave a \$200 gift to support John Knox Presbyterian Church in their efforts to raise funds for PDA to aid those families and communities in Turkey/Syria that were impacted by the earthquake.

**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, so we usually need a total of 2 pairs of volunteers each month. Please contact Lu Taylor if you are interested in volunteering to deliver meals one month.



Presbyterian Children's  
Homes and Services™

# School Supply Wish List

## PreK & Elementary School

1-Inch 3-Ring Binder	Pencils - #2
12" Ruler	Pencil Sharpeners
Backpack	Pocket Folders Without
Ballpoint Pens	Fasteners
Colored Pencils	Protractor
Crayons	Scissors (Blunt Tip)
Dry Erase Markers	Spiral Notebooks
Dry Erasers	Composition Books
Glue Sticks	Subject Dividers
Hand Sanitizer	Tissues
Highlighters	Washable Markers
Index Cards	Wide Ruled Loose Leaf
Pencil Pouch w Zipper	Paper

## Middle & High School

1 ½ Inch 3-Ring Binder	Pencil Pouch
Backpack	Pencils - No. 2
Ballpoint Pens	Pencil Sharpener
Calculator (basic)	Pocket Folders
Graph Calculator (TI-84 Plus CE)	Protractor
Drawing Paper	Ruler
Dry Erase Markers	Scissors
Dry Erasers	Spiral Notebooks
Glue Sticks	Composition Books
Graph Paper	Subject Dividers
Hand sanitizer	White-Out
Highlighters	Wide Ruled Loose-Leaf Paper
Index Cards	USB
Markers	Earbuds (headphones)

## Thank you, Spring Branch Presbyterian Church members, for helping kids at PCHAS!

Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services (PCHAS) provides Christ-centered care and support to children and families in need. Each year, we hold an annual Back to School drive for our kids heading to school in the fall. All supplies from SBPC will go to support children in our Foster Care program.

**Please bring all donated items to SBPC. Items must be received by July 16.**

For questions, call Marla Endieveri at (832) 241-5921 or email at: [marla.endieveri@pchas.org](mailto:marla.endieveri@pchas.org)  
or Miguel Carlin at: 713-464-7659 or [miguel@springbranchpres.org](mailto:miguel@springbranchpres.org)



One of SBPC's benevolence groups is Summerhouse, which is located a little over a mile from our campus. Summerhouse specializes in employment and community integration for young adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and autism, as well as support for their families.

Summerhouse was founded in 2011 by a mother, Donna Fruge, who has a daughter named Summer, with an intellectual disability. The family could not find the right next step for Summer after high school. They wanted Summer to stay connected with her community and continue to develop work, social, and life skills, so Summerhouse was created. Since then, the program has grown into a one-of-a-kind service in our community.

On Wednesday, June 28th, Patti Nanney represented SBPC at Summerhouse's Groundbreaking Ceremony for their new addition. With this new addition, Summerhouse will be able to assist about 140 young adults with employment, which triples the number of people they are currently able to assist. Every board member, employee and parent met at the ceremony immediately knew Spring Branch Presbyterian's name and thanked us for allowing them to use our facilities and parking lot for their training events.





# GIVE BLOOD.ORG

## Spring Branch Presbyterian

**Sunday,  
July 23rd  
8:30 am - 12:30 pm  
Fellowship Hall  
1215 Campbell Rd**

**To schedule an appointment,  
contact Ashley Powell  
(972) 571-2499  
ashleycrawford161@gmail.com**

**Sponsor Code: 0324**



*Camille, blood recipient*



**Gulf Coast Regional  
Blood Center**

**Share your  
donation story**



**EAT. DRINK. BRING I.D.**

**@commitforlife | #commitforlife**

## Upcoming Worship Leaders

Come join us in July for Worship using the talents of our Elders and Choir as they lead the services.

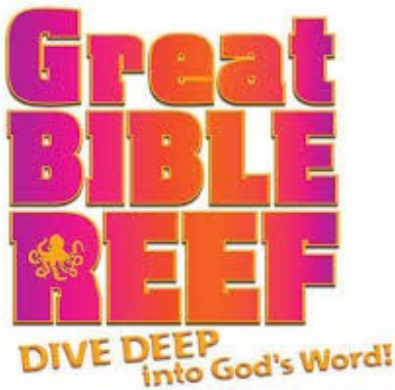
Sunday, July 2nd — Rev. Cindy Mood, Guest Pastor

Sunday, July 9th — Elder Jan Fitts

Sunday, July 16th — Elder Donald McDaniel & Youth

Sunday, July 23rd — Hymn Sing Service

Sunday, July 30th — Elder Megan Hogg



Spring Branch Presbyterian hosted our annual Vacation Bible School from June 13-16, 2023. This year's theme was the *Great Bible Reef*, where we focused on stories centered on God's love for us and others. We also spent the week doing interactive science experiments and crafts that helped the children focus on how to take care of God's creation.

Our mission project for the week included promoting water conservation through using reusable water bottles, and collecting plastic bags and newspapers for the Memorial Assistance Ministries (MAM) Resale shop. Through your support, we collected 12 grocery bags full of plastic bags, 2 brown grocery bags full of newspapers, and 3 bags of groceries that were donated to MAM.

VBS would not have been possible without the support of our SBPC volunteers and friends at CENTI Houston. We want to express a special thank you to both congregations for their support. Through your enthusiasm and energy throughout the week, we were able to welcome 100+ children each day, as well as welcome ten youth volunteers this year. We also wish to thank the Spring Branch Presbyterian Academy staff for their help and support during the week, as well as the awesome decorations they provided.

We are planning a special Children and Youth Worship Service on July 16th where we will share highlights of VBS, and a special children's moment. We invite all volunteers and their families to join us as a special thank you.

## Save-the-Date for Summer Fellowship Opportunities!



**Saturday, July 8th**, will be a Covered Dish Supper at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. *The King's Men* will be providing us with the entertainment. Families, please bring a main dish, and a side, salad, or dessert. Singles, please bring one dish. The Fellowship Committee will provide drinks and bread.

Save-the-Date for **Wednesday Night Suppers to resume on August 30th**. On the menu are Hamburgers and Mac and Cheese!



**We will be starting children's chimes this summer!** This is a chance for elementary aged children to get to ring chimes as part of Worship. We will have some exploratory sessions this summer on the second Sunday of every month at 9:30 (July 9th, and August 13th). Starting in September, we will meet the second and fourth Sunday each month during the Sunday School hour (these are the Sundays that do not have children's Sunday School). We are so excited to start up this new adventure! Please contact Megan Hogg ([megan1661@yahoo.com](mailto:megan1661@yahoo.com)) for additional details.

**The Children's Sunday School Class will be taking the month of July off for summer vacation.** Join us when we resume on Sunday, August 6th!



### 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).  
CLICK "sign up for our Mailing List."

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Mailing List





*Spring Branch  
Presbyterian Church*

*Annual Presbyterian Women's*

# *Welcoming Luncheon*

*Sunday, August 13*

*12:15 - 2 PM*

## *The Fellowship Hall*

*You are invited to bring your mothers, grandmothers,  
daughters & granddaughters to join us for a lovely  
luncheon. We will be serving Quiche, Gazpacho,  
Assorted Tea Sandwiches, Salad and Dessert Goodies.*

*We will be entertained by The Spa Girls, a comedy  
Group that performed at the recent  
PW Spring Gathering.*

*We will also have the introduction to our new Bible Study  
for the coming year.*

*Please RSVP to Kay Craig - 713-248-4138  
or [kay@craig-heidt.com](mailto:kay@craig-heidt.com)*

**We will also be raffling off fun themed baskets at the Presbyterian Women's Welcoming Luncheon!**

Some baskets that have already been donated are an American Girl doll basket that includes HOMEMADE clothes by our own Betty Magnuson, a BBQ theme, Spa theme, and a Kid's Play Camping theme. Get your creative juices flowing and fill a basket! If you have questions or would like to donate a basket, please contact Jennifer Miller at 713-562-5897.



You will also be able to purchase the study guide for this year's study, *Sacred Encounters - The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts*, donate to the PCHAS birthday card fund and the College Connection care packages - so bring your CASH or checkbook! Our very own Jennifer Fuller is going to be our emcee! It's going to be an afternoon of fun!

## PW at a Glance

*There will be no Board Meetings, Bible Moderator Meetings, Bible Study, or ZIP Trips during the Summer.*



**PW Unwind** will meet on **7/3** at 6:00 PM at Kim Son Café (12311 Kingsride).

**HAPPY HANDS** will meet on **7/26** at 9:30 a.m. in the Conference Room.

There will be a **PW WELCOMING LUNCH** on **8/13** at 12:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**The Unwind Group will meet for dinner on July 3rd at 6:00 PM at Kim Son Café (12311 Kingsride, Houston, TX 77024). Please RSVP to Jacquie Ballesteros at 713-305-1114 only if you are coming.**



**KIM SƠN** *Café*

Unwind is part of Presbyterian Women,  
who meet for dinner on the first Monday  
evening of each month to socialize  
and “unwind” from the day.  
Please join us! It’s fun!



Introducing the 2023-2024 PW/*Horizons* Bible study

# Sacred Encounters

*The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts*

By Olive Mahabir

The 2023-2024 PW/*Horizons* Bible study by author Olive Mahabir invites readers to consider Jesus, "the good shepherd" (Luke 10:15), who shared the Good News through sacred encounters with everyday people.

The Gospel According to Luke and the book of the Acts of the Apostles, or Luke-Acts "one story in two parts," demonstrate the unfolding of God's redemptive purposes in human history and present a distinctive perspective on the person and work of Jesus Christ. Written by Luke, a physician and traveling companion of Paul, the message to the early Christian community (and to us) is radical, inclusive, and hope-filled.

## Bible study, supplemental materials, and other helps!

The following resources will be available in the spring and summer of 2023

- Multiple editions of the Bible study: English, ecumenical, Spanish, large print, and audio
- Resources to spread the word: Promotional poster/flier, eBlasts, Pendant/Charm
- Resources to learn more about the study: Workshop for Leaders, Companion DVD, blogs
- Bible study resources in *Horizons* magazine: begin with the Summer 2023 issue
- And more!

## About the Author



Olive Mahabir is Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care and Adult Spiritual Growth at Northminster Presbyterian Church in Roswell, Georgia. She was born in Trinidad and Tobago and served in the Diaconal Ministry of the Presbyterian Church in Trinidad. In church ministry for more than 20 years she has pastored churches in Michigan, Atlanta, and Jonesboro, Georgia. She's a graduate of St. Andrew's Theological College in Trinidad, the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Drew University in Madison, New Jersey, and Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia. Olive enjoys visits to the beach, watching historical documentaries, and spending time with family.

To preorder, order, or learn more, visit [presbyterianwomen.org/shop](https://presbyterianwomen.org/shop) or call 800/533-4371 (Monday-Friday, 9AM to 5PM, EST).

## For the Presbytery of New Covenant

**There will be one in-person overview on**

**Saturday, August 12**, at John Knox Presbyterian Church,  
2525 N. Gessner Rd, Houston TX 77080.

Registration and refreshments at 9:30am, followed by overview from 10am to 12noon  
Register with Debbi Englade at 713-398-2299 (call or text) or email [dmenglade@yahoo.com](mailto:dmenglade@yahoo.com).

**If you would rather attend a virtual overview,**

there will be an overview via Zoom on **Saturday, August 19**, at 10am to 12noon.  
You may email Patti Nanney at [pananney@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pananney@sbcglobal.net), and she will email you the Zoom link.

All overviews will be presented by Patti Nanney, R.E., Spring Branch Presbyterian Church

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***All overviews are free!***

To assist with planning, pre-registration is requested one week prior to the event.

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# Bridal Shower

JOIN US FOR BRUNCH TO  
HONOR THE BRIDE-TO-BE

*Emily Mitchell*

JULY 29TH, 2023 | 11:00AM

SPRING BRANCH  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
GATHERING PLACE

1215 CAMBELL RD.  
HOUSTON, TX 77055

KINDLY RSVP BY JULY 15TH  
TO ANNA FARLEY 832-317-4120

*Emily is registered on TheKnot.com*



[www.theknot.com/us/emily-mitchell-and-adam-turner-oct-2023/registry](http://www.theknot.com/us/emily-mitchell-and-adam-turner-oct-2023/registry)





# OKTOBERFEST

## AND MARKET AT JOHN KNOX

**SATURDAY | OCTOBER 14 | 1-6 PM**

**Benefitting Mission of Yahweh and  
the Spring Branch Color Run**

**BEER | TO-GO DINNER | GAMES**

**VENDOR BOOTHS WILL BE \$40**

**COME OUT AND ENJOY SHOPPING, BEER  
AND WINE, OUTDOOR GAMES,  
AND DINNER**

JOHN KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
2525 GESSNER RD  
HOUSTON, TX 77080  
713-462-5448

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**Summer Vacation Season is upon us!** 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 Seafarers' Center:



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	2024 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



Would you like to beautify the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings while honoring a loved one or commemorating a special occasion? The 2023 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 signup digitally by using this form: [https://](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e084cabac2ba1fa7-2023#/)

[www.signupgenius.com/go/30e084cabac2ba1fa7-2023#/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e084cabac2ba1fa7-2023#/),

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.



# HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS



The International District would like to remind everyone that Hurricane Season is upon us. We all need to be smart and plan ahead for all kinds of disasters: natural, man-made, technological and terrorist related. In Southeast Texas, however, the most likely disaster scenario is a Hurricane.

## **BEFORE THE HURRICANE**

- Monitor local TV or AM 740 KTRH
- Check supplies; especially water
- Fuel Vehicles & Generators
- Cover Windows with Plywood
- Bring in all objects that could become missiles
- Take pictures of property & contents for insurance purposes

## **DON'T FORGET THE PETS!**

Pet disaster kits should include: medications, first aid kits, sturdy leashes and collars, carriers to transport pets safely, current photos with owner or family members, food, potable water, litter/pan, muzzle, can opener, and toys.

**5 GALLONS  
OF WATER,  
PER PERSON,  
PER DAY.**

## **STOCK EMERGENCY SUPPLIES**

>> *at least 72 hours worth* <<

- First Aid Kit
- NOAA Radio & Batteries
- Flashlight & Batteries
- Extra Eye Glasses
- Bottled Water & Non-perishable Food
- Clothing & Bedding
- Toilet Paper & Personal Hygiene Items
- Medications & Prescription copies
- Cash & Credit Cards
- Photo ID & Important Documents
- Baby & Elderly Necessities

Make a check list of necessary pre-hurricane preparations and review with your family.

Review it again when there is a storm in the Gulf. Discuss evacuation plans with your family.

Check Radio 740 and local television media for updates on zones being evacuated.

Make sure your home insurance policy is current and remember that standard policies may not cover flood/ wind damage.

For more information,  
visit the Harris County Office of Emergency Management website at:  
[hcoem.org](http://hcoem.org)



[www.SBMD.org](http://www.SBMD.org)



# Happy Birthday



TO YOU

Luke Fuller	7/6	Carmen Reyer	7/19
Tad Mizwa	7/6	Dr. Mark Turney	7/19
Joseph Wilborn	7/7	Virginia Morrison	7/20
Maggie Wright	7/7	Riley Fairchild	7/22
Don Tremble	7/10	Dana Ballard	7/23
Miriam Vyles	7/10	Nicki Laverty	7/24
Kyle Eveler	7/11	Sandy Chehade	7/26
Jeannie Stockton	7/11	Luna Lassiter	7/26
Connor Fake	7/13	Gabe Perez	7/27
Liz Earnest	7/16	Bethany Caldera	7/29
William Lassiter	7/16	Margo Smith	7/29
Lisa Schultz	7/18		



## Happy Anniversary!

Daniel and Sarah Powell	7/13
Gary and Jessica Tanner	7/18



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
						6pm - CENTI Church Service (GP)
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9:15am - Nursery 9:30am - Sunday School 10:50am - Worship	9:30am - WOW (S) 6pm - PW Unwind 6pm - Yoga (CR) 7pm - Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)	Church & Academy Closed Independence Day 		10am - Flexercise (GP) 5:30pm - Special Olympics: Bocce 6pm - Fairbees (GP) 6pm - Yoga (CR)	7pm - CENTI: Youth Program (YR)	8am - Presbyterian Men (CR) 6pm - CENTI Church Service (GP) 6pm - Covered Dish Supper (FH) 
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
<b>Mo-Ranch Junior High Jubilee</b>						Presbytery Meeting 6pm - CENTI Church Service (GP) 
9:15am - Nursery 9:30am - Chime Choir 9:30am - Sunday School 10:50am - Worship 12:15pm - Mission Team Meeting 12:15pm - Monthly Birthday	9:30am - WOW (S) 5pm - Faith Development Meeting 6pm - Yoga (CR) 7pm - Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)	9:15am - Cong. Care Mtg. (CR) 10am - Flexercise (GP) 5:30pm - Special Olympics: Bocce 6pm - Basketball (GP) 6:30pm - Fellowship Meeting (CR) 7pm - CENTI Bible Study &	5pm - Cribbage (CR)	10am - Flexercise (GP) 5:30pm - Academy Board Meeting 5:30pm - Special Olympics: Bocce 6pm - Fairbees (GP) 6pm - Yoga (CR)	6pm - SBM Arc: Movie/Dance 7pm - CENTI: Youth Program (YR)	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
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