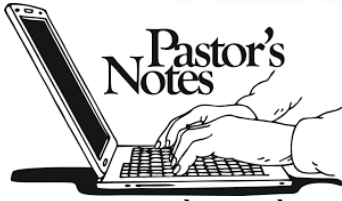


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It has been a number of years since we last had the opportunity to celebrate Confirmation Sunday. On Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate Confirmation Sunday and SBRC welcomes Armando Franco, Aiden Stabile, and Ryan Stabile as adult communicant members!! This has been an interesting year due to rescheduling classes due to weather and holidays as well as my health issues. I am so excited to welcome these three young men as they have handled each curve ball that was sent our way this year. Also, I would like to thank Adam Franco for staying at each class as well as Tracy Davenport for stepping in to help with their stoles when my health issues caused me to miss a class. As we celebrate this year, please be sure to welcome them and to ask them about their stoles.

SBRC is entering the "Summer Slowdown" as the month of June begins and we all take the opportunity to find ways to rest, relax, and take vacations with our families and friends. Please know that SBRC will be gathering each Sunday to worship and fellowship with one another! Also, don't forget that just because it is Summertime, that doesn't mean that the church's bills and financial concerns take a break. In fact, it is most important that we keep our offering & tithes during this time so that we don't run the risk of falling into the red with our budget.

Remember to mark your calendars for Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup> for the **Flood Wall Drill** beginning at 9:00 AM. It is a great opportunity for those who are already trained to practice laying out, setting up, and breaking down the wall. Also, for those who haven't been trained, this is the perfect time to come and learn all that is involved. Remember, when the hurricane forecast has us in its sights, all hands are needed to put it up!

Finally, a personal note of thanks! I really want to express my thanks to all of you at SBRC! This year has thrown me an obstacle to my health, and you all have been extremely supportive, loving, and caring. You have handled last-minute changes with grace and understanding. You have kept me in your prayers and have sent cards of support. As of now, I am feeling great and making progress, but there is more to come, and I know that you all will continue to walk this journey with me. May God continue to bless each of you and SBRC!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pastor [Name]".

## Treasurer's Notes ...

April has been a remarkably busy month at SBRC. Thanks to Bill Munro, the property committee and a generous donation from Endowment, the parsonage has received a much overdue facelift. This included new railings and columns for the patio and west front porch. A new roof was installed on the north side patio as well as repair of the bottom wood of the sunroom. Soon the house and garage will receive a fresh coat of paint.

Attendance at the Easter services was lighter than usual, but donations were generous. The roast beef dinner was a tremendous success. We nearly sold out. Thanks to Chef Tyson and all who helped or baked, we made a profit of \$2,410.

Yes, April was a spectacular month, financially. We started the month, \$2,009 in the red, in our current expense budget. Thankfully, expenses were normal, with no large, unexpected bills. I am happy to report we ended April \$1,634 in the black. Way to go, South Branch. Let us keep up this momentum.

May God continue to bless our church and its people.

~ Robyn Friedlander

## Sunday School News ...



Summer Kick-Off Carnival & Ice Cream Social  
To celebrate a great year of Sunday School  
Sunday, May 31  
Following the Children's Moment – 12 PM  
RSVP to your teacher

The Sunday School will wrap up our year on Sunday, May 31st. To celebrate a great year and the start of Summer, the teachers are hosting a Summer-Kick Off Carnival for our students and Ice Cream Social (during coffee hour) for the entire congregation. The children will begin in Church and following the year-end ceremony will head out for some fun. Younger siblings (and Grandchildren) are welcome and encouraged to attend!

I want to send a special thank you to all our Sunday School Volunteers that helped make this school year a success. Our teachers: Danielle Dougherty, Jessica Estevez, and Kacey Kowalchuk, and substitutes and helpers: Adam and Valerie Franco, and Debbie Norz. We were very blessed to have had such a great turnout of volunteers, we couldn't have done it without you.

Wishing all our students, volunteers, and Church families a blessed and safe summer break and looking forward to catching up on Sunday mornings. Watch for information throughout the Summer regarding our Welcome Back picnic and the start of our 2026-2027 school year.

~ Tracy Davenport

## Book Club ...

In June, the Book Club will be meeting on Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at 8pm via Zoom to discuss "The Harvey Girls" by Juliette Fay. All are welcome to join in the discussion and the fun!!!

Summer Reading List:

June 28: "The Harvey Girls" by Juliette Fay

July 26: "The Lion Women of Tehran" by Marjan Kamali

August 30: "The Secret War of Julia Child" by Diana R. Chambers



## Summer Worship Begins ...



As we enter the Summer, please remember that SBRC will be gathering each and every Sunday at 10:00 AM. Please dress cool & comfortably. Feel free to bring a bottle of water with you to keep hydrated! We look forward to seeing you during the Summer as we continue to give thanks & praise to our gracious God.

## New Graduates

It is our pleasure each year to congratulate the graduates in our immediate and extended church family. Congratulations to:

**Jacob Davenport**, son of Tracy & Dan Davenport and granddaughter of Judy Coates, will graduate from Hillsborough High School on June 25, 2026.

**John Madsen**, grandson of Judy Coates and nephew to Tracey and Dan Davenport, graduated from Dulaney High School on May 27, 2026.



## Pre-School News

Our final study of the school year was our Exercise Study. Students explored how their bodies work, what is needed to move, and how physical activity promotes a healthy lifestyle. We concluded the study with our annual Father's Field Day. This is such a fun morning for our students and a male relative with relay races, snacks and fun. We also raise money every year for St. Jude Children's Hospital by participating in a Trike-A-Thon. This year our students raised over \$1,600 for St. Jude!

We celebrated our end of the school year with our annual Year End Ceremonies. Twenty- seven of our students will be moving on to Kindergarten in the fall and we are so proud of them! Forty-four of our students will be returning in the fall for another year of preschool.

As we reflect on this wonderful school year, we are filled with gratitude for the many blessings that make our preschool community so special. We are especially thankful for our dedicated teachers, who go above and beyond each day to nurture, guide, and inspire our students with love and care. We are also deeply grateful to our preschool families, both past and present, whose kind words and continued recommendations mean so much to us. In addition, we sincerely appreciate the support of our church parishioners, whose encouragement, prayers, and recommendations continue to strengthen our preschool community year after year.

Wishing you a wonderful and relaxing summer and we look forward to another successful 2026-2027 school year.

~ Jenn Feaster

## Women's Group News ...

Women's Group met May 17th during coffee hour and clipped 592 stamps, while enjoying treats such as taco salad, homemade muffins, and lemonade provided by the Czifra family. The amount of stamps in the basket is getting low, so we hope that you will be looking for and saving stamps over the summer. Please make sure that they are stickable, lickable stamps, not printed types. If you cut them out, please leave a 1/4 inch margin around each stamp. If you don't feel like cutting them out, just drop them in the basket on the shelf in the church office and we will trim them. The Alliance Stamp Ministry, who receives our stamps, has raised \$10,000 as of April to use toward printing Sunday School materials in Spanish. It's amazing that they have found a way to use what we would just put into recycling to spread the word of Jesus.

Also remember the River Blindness Mission over the summer. You can provide children and adults with glasses, surgeries, and medicines to prevent blindness and enable each person to pursue a better life. Just one dollar, dropped into the container by the sanctuary steps, equals \$17 in Africa, where things are less expensive to begin with. This giving is in keeping in the Bible where Jesus teaches a parable in the book of Matthew where the servants received praise from their master when they used their "talents" wisely, increasing them. River Blindness Mission is such an opportunity where your money has such strong buying power to help people and bring the Word to life for them, showing them that people care. Be generous and let God bless your generosity.

Have a blessed summer.

## Join Us for a Day Trip to Lancaster, PA!

Tuesday, November 3, 2026

(most local schools are closed on 11/3 for Election Day)

Sister Churches, South Branch and Hillsborough Reformed, are teaming up again for a wonderful fall day trip—and you're invited! We'll be traveling by bus to beautiful Lancaster, Pennsylvania for a day filled with fellowship, inspiration, and delicious food. The day begins with an early morning departure from SBRC promptly at 7:15 AM, heading to the world-renowned Sight & Sound Theatres for the 11 AM performance of the brand-new original stage production of JOSHUA. "From the banks of the Jordan River

to the towering walls of Jericho, JOSHUA is a miraculous adventure for the whole family. Journey alongside the people of Israel as they navigate their new-found freedom in an unforgiving wilderness.” Following the show, we’ll enjoy a delicious buffet meal at Miller’s Smorgasbord at 2:30 PM, featuring traditional Pennsylvania Dutch cooking. There will also be time to explore the shops at Miller’s, offering local crafts, treats, and more. We plan to head back around 4:30 PM, returning to SBRC around 7 PM with full hearts and cherished memories.

Prices (includes roundtrip charter bus transportation, show ticket and dinner): Adults: \$165/each Children (ages 3–12): \$115/each. Please note: Tickets are limited, so be sure to reserve your spot early! Reservation and payment are due on or before August 15. Sign up on the bulletin board or email: davenportfamily2015@gmail.com. Please include: Name, Church name, ticket quantities (adult and children), phone number and email address. Payments may be made to SBRC with Lancaster Trip noted in the memo. We look forward to sharing this special day with you—don’t miss out!

## June Celebrations

### Birthdays

- 2 Mateo Akhdim
- 4 Michael Mastrosimone
- 7 Scott Wengryn
- 8 Jennette Neske
- 11 Azucena Estevez
- 12 William Munro
- 13 Nathaniel Sarles
- 22 Kelly Stabile
- 23 Maria Cristina Sarles
- 24 Vera Wengryn
- 27 Kim Kowalchuk
- 28 Armando Franco

### Anniversaries

- 16 Lowell & Judy Kreeger
- 19 Frank & Barbara Eckert
- 30 Thomas & Sherry Marlatt

## Lectionary Readings for June

### June 7:

- Genesis 12:1-9
- Psalms 33:1-12
- Romans 4:13-25
- Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

### June 14:

- Genesis 18:1-15
- Psalms 116:1-2, 12-29
- Romans 5:1-8
- Matthew 9:35-10:8

### June 21:

- Genesis 21:8-21
- Psalms 86:1-10, 16-17
- Romans 6:1b-11
- Matthew 10:24-39

### June 28:

- Genesis 22:1-14
- Psalms 13
- Romans 6:12-23
- Matthew 10:40-42

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Communion Confirmation			Knit, Pray, Crochet at 7pm at Stockman home			Memorial Service for Rev. Frank Villerius at 10am
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Summer Worship Begins		Newsletter items due	Consistory at 7:30pm in Parlor			
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
			Knit, Pray, Crochet at 7pm at Stockman home			
28	29	30				
Book Club at 8pm via Zoom						