



UNION TIMES

MAY 2026

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We Need Three More . . .

Written by Pastor S. K. Cochran

In the rural church, we often tell ourselves a story that simply isn't true. We say, "If only we had more people, we could do more." Or, "If only our church were bigger, we'd have more ministries, more energy, more life." But after spending several days at a leadership conference, I've come home with a truth that is both humbling and strangely hopeful:

Small churches and megachurches have the same percentage of active disciples. The only difference is scale.

Most churches — regardless of size, denomination, or zip code — have about 10–20% of their people who are truly active disciples. Not just members. Not just attenders. Disciples. People who pray, serve, give, grow, and take responsibility for the ministry of the church.

In a church of 30, that's three to six people.

In a church of 3,000, that's three hundred to six hundred.

Same percentage. Same ratio.

Same human nature. Radically different impact.

Three disciples can keep a church alive.

Three hundred disciples can change a city.

This is not a spiritual failure. It's a math problem.

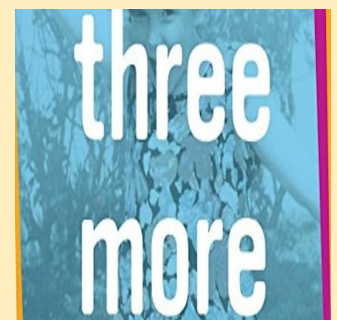
And yet, this math reveals something important about the future of the rural church: we don't need 300 disciples to thrive. We need three more.

Three more people willing to show up consistently.

Three more people willing to serve without being begged.

Three more people willing to grow in their faith.

Three more people willing to take responsibility instead of waiting for someone else to do it.



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If three more people in each of my churches stepped into real discipleship, the entire culture of those congregations would shift. Not because we suddenly became a megachurch, but because we would no longer be asking the same handful of exhausted saints to carry the entire weight of ministry.

The rural church does not suffer from a lack of faith. It suffers from a lack of participation.

And participation is not a personality trait — it is a choice.

This is where the conversation becomes uncomfortable. Because many rural churches say they want to grow, but they resist every opportunity to do so. Suggest a gospel sing, a community meal, or a new outreach, and the response is often, “Nobody will come.” That is not realism. That is resignation. It is a pre-emptive failure — failing in advance so we don’t have to risk being disappointed later.

But faith has never been about avoiding disappointment. Faith is spelled T-R-Y. If we never plant anything, we guarantee no harvest.

The other hard truth is this: rural churches often confuse compassion with enablement. Helping someone you will never meet — that is generosity. That is the gospel. But pouring resources into people who have no desire to change is not compassion. It is exhaustion disguised as charity. Jesus healed people who wanted to be made well. He did not fund destructive patterns.

The rural church must reclaim the difference between serving and being used.

So where does this leave us?

It leaves us with a calling — not to become a megachurch, but to become a faithful church. A courageous church. A church that stops pre-failing. A church that risks again. A church that plants seeds even when the soil looks dry. A church that understands that discipleship, not nostalgia, is the engine of growth.

I still want to be a pastor. But I want to be a different kind of pastor — one who tells the truth with love, who teaches the math of discipleship, and who invites the rural church to stop surviving and start participating.

Because the future of the rural church will not be built on numbers. It will be built on disciples.

And we only need three more.

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WEDNESDAYS

Praise Team Practice—5pm
 Mid-Week Recharge—6pm to 7:30pm
[will resume in September]

SUNDAYS

Ladies Bible Study—9am
 Worship & Praise Service—10am
 Children’s Wiggle Worship—10:15am
 Adult “Son-Seekers” Class—11am
 Holy Communion—1st Sunday of the Month

- Friday, May 1st—Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser—4pm to 7pm
- Saturday, May 2nd—Kiwanis Chicken BBQ *(benefitting our Summer Camp-All Day)*
- Sunday, May 3rd—Children & Youth Sunday & Holy Communion
- Monday, May 4th—Methodist Women serving the Kiwanis Dinner—6pm
- Tuesday, May 5th—Kitchen Clean-Up & Lunch Fellowship—10am
- Saturday, May 9th—Methodist Men’s Breakfast in Seaford—8am
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 Sunday, May 10th—MOTHERS DAY SERVICE—10am
 Kiwanis Chicken BBQ *(benefitting our Methodist Men-All Day)*
- Friday, May 15th—Baccalaureate Rehearsal
- Saturday, May 16th—Kiwanis Chicken BBQ *(benefitting our Summer Camp-All Day)*
- Sunday, May 17th—All-Church Breakfast—9am
 Baccalaureate Service for WHS Class of 2026—10am
- Monday, May 18th—Methodist Women serving the Kiwanis Dinner—6pm
- Tuesday, May 19th—SPRC Meeting—7pm
- Sunday, May 24th—PENTECOST SUNDAY
 Recognition of Union Church Graduates—10am



- Monday, May 25th—MEMORIAL DAY
 Memorial Day Service—10am
- Tuesday, May 26th—Church Council Meeting—7pm
- Sunday, May 31st—TRINITY SUNDAY



GLORIFY GOD

AMONG THE NATIONS

SEEKING HIM

IN ALL GENERATIONS


I CHRONICLES 16:24 NASB

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2026

75TH

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

NATIONALDAYOFPRAYER.ORG



The Prayer of Valley Forge ©1975 First Freedom Art Company

Thursday—May 7, 2026

75th Annual National Day of Prayer

Theme: “Glorify God Among the Nations—Seeking Him in All Generations”
(based on I Chronicles 16:24)

The National Day of Prayer was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of Congress, and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman. In 1988, the law was unanimously amended by both the House and the Senate and signed into law by President Ronald Reagan on Thursday, May 5, 1988, designating the first Thursday of May as a day of national prayer. Every president since 1952 has signed a National Day of Prayer proclamation.

Prayer brings people together. Prayer builds bridges between opposing persons and even political parties. Prayer reminds us that we are created in God's image and He desires for us to represent Him everywhere we go. Prayer brings UNITY. In 2026 the theme is **“Glorify God Among the Nations—Seeking Him in All Generations”** based on I Chronicles 16:24. II Samuel 22:29-31.

It is the hope that individuals, churches, and spiritual leaders in America, will humble themselves and unify in prevailing prayer for the next great move of God in America. We can come together in clear agreement that this is our greatest need. We can become a visible union, standing together in prayer. We can pray more than ever before, and practice extraordinary prayer for the next great move of God in America that will catapult the message of the gospel nationally and internationally.

Pray! Together, we can exalt and praise our Lord!



Special thanks to my Union church family for the beautiful flower arrangement delivered to the church office in recognition of Administrative Professional's Day! I've been enjoying the colors and fragrance all week long -- and since

they still look fresh and seem to be lasting, I should be able to enjoy them for an even longer time.

Thank you for thinking of me. What a blessing and joy is mine to be able to work here in the church office. - - - Debbie



You Are Invited

Bridgetown
 Public Library

JUMPIN' JUNE JUBILEE

JUNE 6TH

10AM-2PM

COLONIAL KIDS ZONE & COLORING CONTEST	SUMMER READING REGISTRATION	PATRIOTIC MUSICAL TRIBUTE W/ CHURCH BELLS & CHORUS
FREE HOT DOG MEALS FOR KIDS	LIVE CONCERT W/BARREN CREEK @ 1PM	PETTING ZOO & PONY RIDES
HISTORIC DISPLAYS IN ST. MARY'S HALL	CASCADING CARLOS	HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM OPEN
MAY DAY POLE	FREE PATRIOTIC BAG PER FAMILY	FOOD VENDOR ON SITE

LOCATION TBD

Tentative location is Union Methodist Church Grounds



Saturday, May 16th

Armed Forces Day is also known by many other names: Army or Soldier's Day, Navy or Sailor's Day, and Air Force or Aviator's Day. This special holiday dedicated to honoring the armed forces, or one of their branches, aims to bring recognition to their personnel, history, achievements, and sacrifices.

Celebrations are most often patriotic or nationalistic in nature, carrying information value outside of the conventional boundaries of a military's subculture and into the wider civilian society.

Many nations around the world observe this day. It is usually distinct from a Veterans or Memorial Day, as the former is dedicated to those who previously served and the latter is dedicated to those who perished in the fulfillment of their duties.

WE GIVE THANKS TO ALL OUR ARMED FORCES!

**THANK
YOU**
FOR YOUR
SERVICE



THE LOVE OF A MOTHER

*"No man is poor who has a Godly mother."
- Abraham Lincoln*

*"Only God Himself fully appreciates the influence of a Christian mother in the molding of character in her children."
- Billy Graham*

*"Those who think that a woman detained at home by her little family is doing nothing, think the reverse of what is true. Scarcely can the godly mother quit her home for a place of worship; but dream not that she is lost to the work of the church; far from it, she is doing the best possible service for her Lord. Mothers, the godly training of your offspring is your first and most pressing duty."
- Charles Spurgeon*

“Mothers hold their children's hands for a short while, but their hearts forever.”

“Of all the gifts that life has to offer, a loving mother is the greatest of them all.”

“Mothers are smiles and hugs and caring, but most of all, they're love.”

A Christian mother is God's chosen home missionary to her children. She is her children's first window into the life and character of Christ. In the mundane moments, a godly mother who is raising her children for Christ is planting seeds of gospel truth in their hearts.

Special Sundays in May

May 3rd—CHILDREN & YOUTH SUNDAY

May 10th—MOTHERS DAY CELEBRATION

May 17th—BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

(for WHS Class of 2026)

May 26th—RECOGNITION OF UNION 2026 GRADUATES

May 31st—TRINITY SUNDAY



Our new children’s “wobble worship” time held during the morning worship service is open for children in Kindergarten up through 4th Grade. **Check it out!**

1st Sunday—Rick Orwig

2nd Sunday—Jill Jackson

3rd Sunday—Crystal Brock

4th Sunday—Melissa Mitchell



SPAGHETTI DINNER

All proceeds will benefit the medical expenses for Garrett Kellam.



Union Methodist Church
2 North Laws Street
Bridgeville, Delaware
302-337-7409



Friday, May 1, 2026



4-7pm

Dine-In
\$10

Children 5-10 \$5
Children 4 and under eat free
Take Outs \$12



**HOMEMADE DESSERTS
AVAILABLE
BY DONATION**



www.unioninbridgeville.com

ONLINE GIVING THROUGH APPLE PAY; GOOGLE PAY; PAYPAL; OR CREDIT CARD (a 2.5% SERVICE CHARGE WILL APPLY.)

ONLINE GIVING is available through the Union Church website for the following:

- Tithes & Offerings
- Memorial Gifts
- Renovation Projects
- Building Fund
- Designated Giving

- Local & Foreign Missions
- Family Ministries Coordinator
- Mitten Tree Ministry
- Disaster Relief
- Special Needs

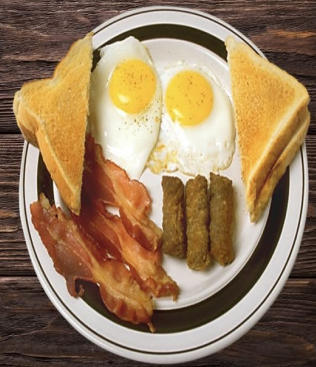


The Methodist Women will meet in May on Tuesday, May 5th at 10am for the kitchen clean-up activity and enjoy lunch at Noon. This activity will take the place of the regular scheduled meeting on the third Thursday of the month. The Methodist Women will resume monthly meetings in September once our summer break is over.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Men's Breakfast

Join us for food, faith, and fellowship



Saturday, May 9th

8:00 AM

Join us at the Golden Eagle Diner in Seaford for breakfast and fellowship. All are Welcome — bring a friend!



Contact the Church Office at 302-337-7409 or uumchurch@comcast.net to have a registration packet sent to you or if you need any additional information about the



camp sessions or themes. Once again we are looking forward to a busy summer with lots of fun with our campers.



Listed below are BBQ dates that the Bridgeville Kiwanis Club has graciously designated on behalf of Union Church ministries.

A minimum of 5 volunteers are needed for each morning and afternoon shift. A Kiwanis Club member does the cooking on the pit. Volunteers mainly set-up, package and fill orders, cashier, clean-up, assist the cook as needed, etc. No experience necessary. Please reach out to the contact person if you are available to help during the morning (8am to Noon) or afternoon (Noon to Close) on any of these dates.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>MINISTRY</u>	<u>CONTACT PERSON</u>
Saturday, May 2, 2026	Summer Camp	Rita Hovermale
Sunday, May 10, 2026 [Mother's Day]	Methodist Men	Larry Snyder
Saturday, May 16, 2026	Summer Camp	Rita Hovermale
Saturday, August 15, 2026	Methodist Men	Larry Snyder
Saturday, August 29, 2026	Children's Ministries	Rita Hovermale
Sunday, August 30, 2026	Needy Fund	Jeff Allen (God's Torch)

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING
UNION MINISTRIES!**





**BACCALAUREATE
SERVICE**

SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2026

“ADVENTURE IS OUT THERE”

Celebrate and show your support for our Woodbridge High School Class of 2026 Graduates on Sunday, May 17th.



9:00 AM—Join us for Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall and help to welcome our guests.

10:00 AM—Baccalaureate Service featuring the Class of 2026



Church Kitchen

Spring-Cleaning

Tuesday, May 5th
10am



Please join us that morning as we organize cabinets and do some spring-cleaning in our church kitchen in preparation for our annual inspection by the Health Department later in the week.

We'll finish at Noon with lunch and fellowship.

Many hands will make the task much quicker and easier. Your help is greatly appreciated.

GOD'S TORCH



Under Jeff Allen's leadership, our new graduate/young adult group will currently be meeting monthly at his home. Contact Jeff for additional information about this ministry. We're excited about this new

church council MEETING

Tuesday, May 26, 2026

7PM

*Council meetings are open to everyone
however only Council members may vote.*

ASCENSION DAY

MAY 14, 2026

Believers celebrate Ascension Day 40 days after Easter to commemorate Jesus's victory over death and his ascension into heaven.



This day officially marks the end of the Easter celebration.



ENDOWMENT FUND

Provide for the People and Causes You Cherish Most

An up-to-date estate plan is one of the most effective tools for protecting the security of your loved ones. But did you know that you can also use your plan to play a role in carrying out the vital mission of Union Methodist Church?

When you create a will or living trust, you have the ability to decide how your assets will be distributed at your death. You can include provisions, or bequests, that indicate to whom you'd like to give specific assets or amounts.

Besides naming family members and other loved ones, you can also include bequests to charitable organizations such as your home church. When you include an endowment gift to Union Church in your estate plans, you join a group of instrumental supporters whose donations have made possible some of our most innovative and effective programs. We give thanks to those in the past that have given endowments that have benefitted and secured the future of Union Methodist Church in Bridgeville.



**SHARING GOOD NEWS,
GREAT JOY!**

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Buying Guide

January – small stuffed animals/dolls (*Barbies or dolls similar in size to Barbies*)

February – toothbrush covers/holders; plastic soap holders

March – washcloths, hair accessories (*combs, brushes, ties, etc.*)

April – Barbie-like dolls, Matchbox-like cars

May – coloring books; activity books

June – tennis/small playground balls, plastic reusable drinking cups



July – travel-size games, small puzzles

August – crayons, colored pencils

September – “wow” items (slinky, small lego sets, small toys, etc.)

October – donations towards the shipping costs



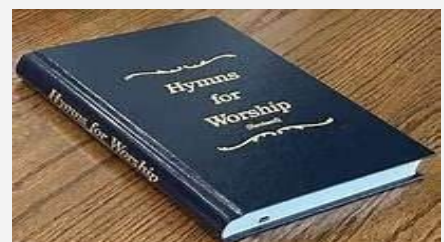
Woodbridge Power Camp

Woodbridge High School
July 20th-23rd
8:30am - 3:00pm

PROVEN
JOHN 15:8

USED HYMNALS

Union has dozens of hymnals that are no longer needed or are in use but may be of great use in another place of worship. Feel free to take the hymnals if you, or someone you know, could make use of them. The hymnals are free and are currently located in the vestibule when you enter the Sanctuary from Laws Street.





- 1—Nanette Corey
- 5—Chris Keeler
- 12—Blaine Short
Donnie Short
- 17—Betty Ann Hardesty
Wendy Little
- 21—Pete Stephens
- 23—David Barnes
- 25—Lois Gelety
John Trussell

- 26—Polly Mervine
- 27—Paula Kowalski
- 29—Carol Willey
Libby Adams
- 30—Callie Schrock



Attention Friends & Members of Union Church—Please notify the church office if you have a birthday this month and it is not listed above so an accurate birthday calendar can be maintained. Thank you.

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Monday, May 25th
10:00 AM
@ Union Church

***Sponsored by
the Heritage
Shores Military
Club***

This is a time we remember those we love who have passed away. Join us as we honor their memory and allow God to heal our grief.

MISSIONS

...at home and around the world



Union Church Supports Missions Around the World!

Lance & Laura Ostman *[Mindinao, Philippines]*

Mercy Projects—David & Dottie LaCompte *[The Caucasus, Armenia]*

Mercy Projects—Treasures of the Nation Children’s Center *[Kyiv, Ukraine]*

Amadeus & Masha DeKastle *[Kyrgyzstan & Tajikistan]*
[Prayer Support only]



We welcome your interest in missions. Contact the church office if you would like to be a part of the Missions Committee as we provide oversight to our mission endeavors and consider future mission projects for support.

< Love INC of Mid-Delmarva

Food Needs!

Give back to those in need by donating these needed items:



- Fruit Cups
- Single-Serve Snacks
 - Granola Bars
 - Sandwich Bread
- Lunch Meat & Cheese
 - Pasta
 - Pasta Sauce
 - Rice
 - Canned Veggies
 - Canned Fruit
 - Canned Beans
 - Canned Soup
 - Cereal



**703 E King St.
Seaford, DE 19973**

There are many opportunities to help our neighbors and to serve as a volunteer at Love Inc.


For more information about volunteer opportunities, call the Love Inc Connection Center at 302-629-7050.



love
in the name
of Christ

DID YOU KNOW . . . that Union Church maintains an online photo directory?

The online directory is handy to keep on your cell phone and allows you to call or text directly from the directory. Call the church office for information on how to download the app to your cell phone or to your home computer.



What's Happening

2026

January

- 1 NEW YEAR'S DAY (*Church Office is Closed*)
- 10 Methodist Men's Breakfast Meeting, 8am
- 11 Recognition of Church Leadership & Committees
- 17 Methodist Women's Lunch Meeting, Noon
- 20 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
- 25 Recognition of New Members, 10am
- 27 Church Council Meeting, 7pm

February

- 14 Methodist Men's Breakfast Meeting, 8am
- 15 Easter Egg Sales Begin
- 16 PRESIDENTS DAY (*Church Office is Closed*)
- 17 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
- 18 Ash Wednesday Service, 7pm
- 19 Methodist Women's Meeting, 1pm
- 25 Soup & Sandwich Boxed Lunch Sale



March

- 14 Methodist Men's Breakfast Meeting, 8am
- 17 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
- 19 Methodist Women's Meeting, 1pm
- 19-21 Egg Making
- 23-27 Egg Pick-Up
- 24 Church Council Meeting, 7pm
- 29 Palm Sunday

April

- 2 Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service, 7pm
- 4 Community Easter Egg Hunt, 10am
- 5 Easter Worship, Sunrise 6:30am, 10am
- 6 Easter Monday (*Church Office is Closed*)
- 11 Methodist Men's Breakfast Meeting, 8am
- 16 Methodist Women's Meeting, 1pm
- 28 SPRC Meeting, 7pm

May

- 9 Methodist Men's Breakfast Meeting, 8am
- 10 Mother's Day Celebration
- 16 Methodist Women's Luncheon Meeting, 11am
- 17 Baccalaureate Service, 10am
- 19 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
- 24 Recognition of Graduates & Children/Youth Sunday
- 25 MEMORIAL DAY (*Church Office is Closed*)
- 26 Church Council Meeting, 7pm



June

- 7 Camp Staff Dedication Sunday
- 8 Summer Camp Staff Training
- 15-19 Summer Camp Week #1
- 16 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
- 21 Father's Day Celebration
- 22-26 Summer Camp Week #2

Communion Service
—1st Sunday of Every Month

What's Happening 2026



July

- 3 *(Church Office is Closed)*
- 6-10 Summer Camp Week #3
- 21 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
- 13-17 Summer Camp Week #4
- 26 Recognition of New Members, 10am
- 28 Church Council Meeting, 7pm
- 20-24 Summer Camp Week #5

August

- 3-7 Summer Camp Week #6
- 10-14 Summer Camp Week #7
- 17-21 Summer Camp Week #8
- 18 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
- 23 All-Church Breakfast, 8am
- 23 Summer Camp Sunday

September

- Month of September – Camp Scholarships Coin Drive*
- 7 LABOR DAY *(Church Office is Closed)*
- 11 PATRIOT DAY *(Church Office is Closed)*
- 12 Methodist Men’s Breakfast Meeting, 8am
- 15 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
- 17 Methodist Women’s Meeting, 1pm
- 22 Church Council Meeting, 7pm

October

- Month of October – Camp Scholarships Coin Drive*
- 4 World Communion Sunday
- 9 – 10 Apple Scrapple Festival
- 12 COLUMBUS DAY *(Church Office is Closed)*
- 15 Methodist Women’s Meeting, 1pm
- 20 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
- 25 Recognition of New Members, 10am

November

- 1 Mitten Tree Collection Begins
- 1 All Saints Day Service
- 11 VETERANS DAY *(Church Office is Closed)*
- 12 Finance Committee Meeting, 6:30pm
- 14 Methodist Men’s Breakfast Meeting, 8am
- 17 SPRC Meeting, 6pm
- 17 Church Council Meeting, 7pm
- 19 Methodist Women’s Meeting, 1pm
- 22 Thanksgiving Service
- 22 Annual Business Meeting
- 26 THANKSGIVING DAY *(Church Office is Closed)*
- 27 *(Church Office is Closed)*
- 29 Hanging of the Greens Service *(1st Sunday of Advent)*



December

- 4 Blue Christmas Holiday Service, 7pm
- 12 Wreaths Across America, Noon
- 15 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
- 8 – 19 Fellowship Hall Reserved for Mitten Tree
- 12 Methodist Men’s Breakfast Meeting, 8am
- 12 Bridgeville Christmas Parade
- 17 Methodist Women’s Christmas Lunch, 11am
- 18 – 19 “Walk of Warmth & Light”, 6pm-8pm
- 19 Mitten Tree Delivery Day, 8:30am
- 24 Christmas Eve Silent Communion, 6pm
- 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship, 7pm
- 25 CHRISTMAS DAY *(Church Office is Closed)*

Communion Service—1st Sunday of Every Month



Bridgeville Public Library
 600 S. Cannon St.
 Bridgeville, DE 19933



Do you need help researching your family history?

Genealogist Alice Min with assistance from Courtney Weaver will be providing 1-hour consultations at the library from 10am - 2pm in May (May 4th, 11th, and 18th)

To reserve a spot please call 302-337-7401 ext. 101.

Bridgeville Public Library
 600 S. Cannon St.
 Bridgeville, DE

FOR ADULTS AND OPEN TO TEENS 14+
MAHJONG
 WE ARE LOOKING FOR BEGINNERS TO EXPERIENCED PLAYERS TO LEARN OR PLAY THE GAME OF MAHJONG!

**Held on the 2nd Friday
 May 8th
 @ 3-5pm**

WE WILL HAVE 2 BOARDS AVAILABLE OR YOU MAY BRING YOUR OWN BOARD/RACKS AND CARDS/TILES TO PLAY, IF YOU WISH. REGISTRATION IS PREFERRED. PLEASE CALL 302-337-7401 EXT. 101 OR ONLINE: DELAWARELIBRARIES.LIBCAL.COM



BRIDGEVILLE LIBRARY 600 S. CANNON ST. BRIDGEVILLE, DE

*Disclaimer-We will be playing the American version of Mahjong with cards, using the 2024 card.

BINGO
 Tuesday, May 12th
 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
 Bridgeville Public Library
 600 S. Cannon St. Bridgeville, DE 19933
 302-337-7401

FREE to Attend! FREE Prizes!

We will play AT LEAST six games of regular bingo for \$5 Walmart Gift Cards. Up to two cards per person. Repeat winners will receive alternate prize. Refreshments provided by the Bridgeville Library

HOSTED BY:



paceyourlifemwv.com

THE BRIDGEVILLE LIBRARY IS HOSTING
CPR Certification Classes

A Certified CPR American Heart Association Instructor will be teaching these classes. The cost is \$65 per participant to receive certification.

*A free non-certification class can be offered if requested.

WHEN:

Saturday, April 11th
 4pm-7pm

Saturday, May 16th
 10am-1pm



REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. CLASS SIZE IS LIMITED TO 10 PARTICIPANTS.

HOW TO REGISTER: CALL 302-337-7401 EXT. 101

WHERE: 600 S. CANNON ST. BRIDGEVILLE, DE

Bridgeville Public Library

READ TO THE L.E.A.P. DOGS

Bring your child to the library on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month @11am to read to these sweet dogs. The goal of the Literacy Education Assistance Pups is to improve the literacy skills of children and grow their enthusiasm for reading.

Tuesday, May 12th & Tuesday, May 26th

600 S. Cannon St. Bridgeville, DE

Bridgeville Library's

LITTLE ACORNS MUSIC & MOVEMENT WEDNESDAYS @ 9AM

Join Ms. Hilary for songs, rhymes, finger plays, and bounces to use at home with your little one. This will encourage early learning to foster early literacy skills and to develop a lifelong love of books. Reading to your baby can support their social and emotional development.

No session on May 6th

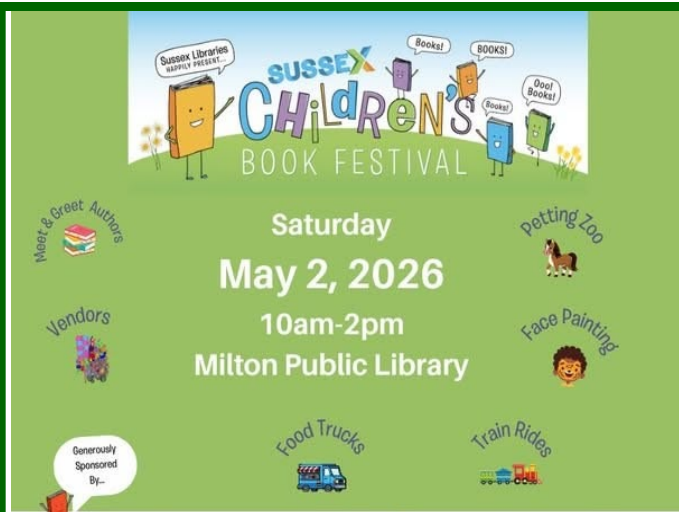
600 S. Cannon St., Bridgeville, DE

"Library Learners League" Homeschool Group
 Friday, May 15th
 @ 12:30pm
 "4H Embryology Program"

Join us with Georgie Cartanza, a UD Cooperative Extension Poultry agent, to learn about the difference between chickens that provide food through their eggs and chickens that feed families with their meat. Participants will learn about the process of incubating and hatching chicks, and hopefully get to hold a cute, downy, spotted and speckled fluff ball.

Registration is required. Parents-Please sign up your child/children online: delawarelibraries.libcal.com/calendar/bridgeville or call 302-337-7401 ext. 101.

Bridgeville Public Library
 600 S. Cannon St. Bridgeville, DE



Sussex Libraries Happily Present
SUSSEX CHILDREN'S BOOK FESTIVAL

Saturday
May 2, 2026
10am-2pm
Milton Public Library

Activities include: Meet & Greet Authors, Vendors, Petting Zoo, Face Painting, Food Trucks, Train Rides.

Generously Sponsored By: [Logos for Milton, Home2, Abbott's, Zava Cafe, etc.]

Interested in 3D printing?
The Bridgeville Library
 with **Jack Heslin, a 3D printing industry veteran** presents

"3D Printing and the future with AI"

JOIN US FOR A PRESENTATION ON HOW 3D PRINTING AND AI ARE INCREASINGLY INTERCONNECTED, AND HOW THEIR COMBINATION IS SHAPING HOW PRODUCTS ARE DESIGNED, MANUFACTURED, AND OPTIMIZED.

Thursday, May 14th @ 6pm
 or
Thursday, May 28th @ 2pm

Free and open to all ages and interests.
 Call the library 302-337-7401 ext. 101 to save your spot.

Bridgeville Public Library 600 S. Cannon St. Bridgeville, DE



YOU'RE INVITED TO THE 2026 DELAWARE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION'S FESTIVAL OF WORDS OPEN TO ALL!

What can you expect?

- Workshop activities for all ages
- MANY local authors!
- 1st Sussex County Substance Abuse Prevention summit led by students!
- Giveaways & gift baskets for library/art raffish - lots of freebies!
- Food trucks and food concessions...

WHERE & WHEN:
 WOODBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL
 14712 WOODBRIDGE ROAD,
 GREENWOOD, DE
Transportation Available
May 9th
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM (EST)
Opens at 8:30 AM

Registration Required
 SIGN UP HERE!
<https://bit.ly/4bywYCG>

Authors listed: Malinda Lo, Jarrett J. Kosoczka, Marc Tyler Nobleman, Kelly Licji, O.C. Jaime.

Record your Origin Story! For more info contact: harry.broke@wvsa.k12.de.us

FREE Gaming

Play all your favorite games on all of your favorite consoles and make friends at the Bridgeville Public Library with Small Town Gaming

Saturday, May 30th 10am-2pm

FREE LUNCH PROVIDED ALL MODERN CONSOLES AVAILABLE

600 SOUTH CANNON STREET BRIDGEVILLE, DE 19933



Drums Alive!

Join us for a fun Cardio Drumming Class
 Suitable for all abilities!
 (Option to stand or sit)
 held on the 1st and 2nd Monday of the month
Monday, May 4th
 and
Monday, May 11th @ 2pm

Bridgeville Public Library
 600 S. Cannon St. Bridgeville, DE 19933
 A FREE Class Courtesy of:

PACE YOUR LIFE

First Come First Served up to 32 people




Courageous Hearts

PAWS & RELAX
WALK A MILE IN YOUR SHOES

Welcome families of Bridgeville Library! Thursday mornings in May, at 10am, we will be hosting a walking group with a Therapy Canine from Courageous Hearts! Come along for a gentle, mindfulness walk as you enjoy some time in self reflection and observe the world around you.

Bridgeville Public Library
 600 S. Cannon St. Bridgeville, DE

This program is supported through Prevention Funds by Delaware Children's Services. SGR grant # 155A6A2



Health is on its way

HEALTH2GO
 MOBILE HEALTH CARE CLINIC

Bridgeville Public Library
 600 S. Cannon St. Bridgeville, DE 19933
Tuesday, May 12th | 10AM to 3PM
 For more information, call: 302-283-7190

Free Mobile Health Care Clinic
 No appointment needed.
 Insurance accepted but not necessary.
 Certified translators are available.

- COVID-19 Vaccination
- HIV Testing, Counseling, & Referrals
- Diabetes Testing & Referrals
- Cholesterol Testing & Referrals
- Blood Pressure Screenings & Referrals
- Smoking & Vaping Cessation Referrals
- Lead Testing
- Seasonal Flu Shot
- Clinical & Community Resource Referrals
- Educational Materials
- Optical Rescue Kits available (Nonprofits)

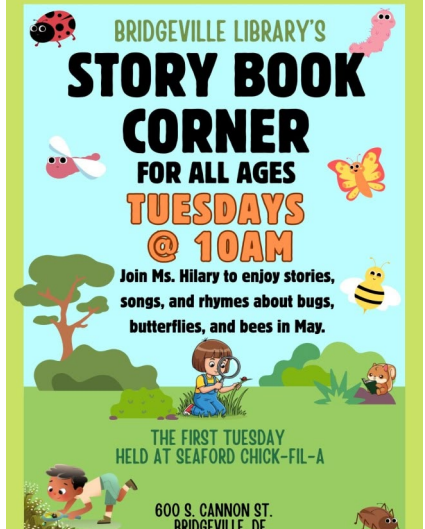
DELAWARE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
 Division of Public Health

BRIDGEVILLE LIBRARY'S STORY BOOK CORNER
FOR ALL AGES
TUESDAYS @ 10AM

Join Ms. Hilary to enjoy stories, songs, and rhymes about bugs, butterflies, and bees in May.

THE FIRST TUESDAY HELD AT SEAFORD CHICK-FIL-A

600 S. CANNON ST. BRIDGEVILLE, DE



Union Methodist Church

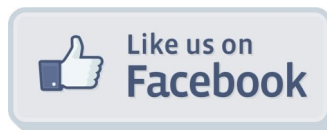
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Bridgeville, DE 19933
302-337-7409

“Building Bridges Together”

Using Our Head, Heart and & Hands for Jesus

Email: uumchurch@comcast.net

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MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT UNION CHURCH

Help is needed in the following areas—contact the church office for additional information.

Event/Activity Planning

Methodist Men & Women

Nursery Volunteers

Mid-Week Recharge Help

Christian Education (Youth/Children) Chairperson

Communion Servers

Greeters and Ushers

Special Music/Instrumentals

Acolytes



Sunday Worship Service Hours

Ladies Sunday School—9:00 am
Praise & Worship Service—10:00 am
Children’s “Wiggle Worship”—10:00 am
“Son-Seekers” Adult Class—11:00 am

Mid-Week Recharge Gathering

[Will resume in September]
Wednesdays
6:00 pm to 7:30 pm



Monday—Friday
(Limited Office Availability on Wednesdays)

9:00am to 3:00pm

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