

The Marketplace

OCTOBER 2025

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Rev. Stanley Jenkins
Pastor, Head of Staff

I want to take this opportunity to express my and Leslie's gratitude. We couldn't feel more welcome! Your generosity and hospitality has been so gracious we're both a little overwhelmed (all those gift cards! Wow!). Thank you!

I am so excited about the possibilities for joint ministry at MSPC. In his farewell address in the Gospel of John, Jesus tells his disciples that they will do the work that Jesus does and "greater things than these." It's a remarkable promise. I can't wait to find out what it might mean for you and me at MSPC!

Again, thank you so much for your warm welcome. —Stan

THE Beacon Society

Market Square Presbyterian Church

Educational Session

For all Beacon Society members and anyone interested in attending:

Join us on Monday, October 20, from 5:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m. for a special educational session with Ellie Johns Kelley from the Presbyterian Foundation, titled *"From Everlasting to Everlasting."*

This interactive Zoom gathering will include a short video, a presentation, and plenty of time for Q&A. All Market Square members and Beacon Society members are warmly invited to participate.

On October 20, CLICK <https://shorturl.at/Cuc6l> to join the Zoom meeting or save these credentials:
Meeting ID: 868 0345 5169, Passcode: 211328

United Way

United Way of the Capital Region

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A Beacon of Hope on the Square

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Volunteers Needed to Help Working Families with Tax Preparation

Volunteers are needed to offer free tax preparation to help working families receive the federal and state tax credits they are eligible for.

The service is offered through the Money in Your Pocket (MIYP) program, a community partnership led by United Way of the Capital Region that is committed to the economic stability of local families. Since the program began, more than 78,000 federal returns have been filed bringing more than \$83 million back into the community. And the program has saved participants almost \$15.6 million in tax preparation fees.

No previous experience is required and training is provided.

Volunteers are also needed to serve as greeters (no tax preparing required for this position). Scheduling is flexible with daytime, evening and Saturday opportunities available at sites throughout Cumberland, Dauphin and Perry counties, including MSPC.

For those interested in learning more, weekly virtual information sessions will be held throughout October and November. For more information, contact Heidi Neuhaus at 717.724.4055 or by e-mail at hneuhaus@uwcr.org.

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Pastor Allison Smith

Adult Forum October 5-26, 9:30 a.m.

Rev. Dr. Buz Myers returns this October to teach a series on the book of Revelation. This series will help us to explore this mysterious book that many of us know very little about.



Dr. Myers' talks tend to fill up quickly, so be sure to be on time in the new adult education room (the former Bell Room) on the 4th floor.

Lunch and Learn

Join us for our monthly lunch and learn on the first Sunday of each month. Our focus this year will be the books of 1st and 2nd Samuel.

These books contain some of the most well-known stories in the Bible, including the story of King David. However, for many of us, we haven't encountered these stories since we reached adulthood, and there are many stories we rarely ever touch on in worship. Come share a simple meal, learn a little bit more about these Hebrew Scriptures, and enjoy one another's company. Our first session on October 5th will be a general introduction to these books, so it'll be a good opportunity to just learn a little bit more. Throughout the year, we'll have a great time wrestling, challenging and questioning these ancient stories in our Bible together!



A Quiet Saturday Retreat

Saturday, October 25, 2025 • 9:00 am – 12:30 pm • Geneva Hall

It is necessary to find that inner stillness that has been described as *"the stilling of the soul within the activities of the mind and body so that it might be still as the axis of a revolving wheel is still."* —Anne Morrow Lindbergh

It is necessary, and yet so difficult in our busy and fragmented lives, to find inner stillness. Rev. Anne Ross and Elizabeth Terry have planned a morning retreat that offers care for our souls: an opportunity to unwind and be refreshed. Geneva Hall will be transformed into a tranquil space where embodied spiritual practices, contemplative praying, mini-creative projects, poetry reading, and *lectio divina*, among other quiet activities, will be offered. Times of rest will definitely be a part of the retreat as well as nourishing refreshments.

If you have a Yoga mat or Futon for resting, please bring it. Refreshments will be provided. Questions? Contact Anne Ross (amross0611@gmail.com) or Elizabeth Terry (eterryyoga@gmail.com).

RSVP to Nancy Sheets (sheets@marketsquarechurch.org) by October 17.

Children's Prayer Breakfast

On the second Sunday of each month children are invited with their families to enjoy some chocolate chip pancakes at 9:30 a.m. in Geneva Hall followed by a brief lesson. This year we're exploring our God questions. From "When was God born?" to "What does God look like?" to "What is God doing?" we'll have lots of fun learning how to wonder about God!

Children's Sunday School

During the 11:00 a.m. worship service, Sunday School is offered in the Children's Education Room (Level 4) for children in Kindergarten - 5th grade. Children will begin the worship service with their parents and be taken up to the Education Room by the Sunday school teachers following the children's sermon. We use the *Feasting on the Word* lectionary based curriculum which explores the same scriptures we do in worship on Sunday morning through games, crafts, and stories!

Youth Sunday School

Sunday school for children in grades 6-12 is offered in conjunction with Pine Street Presbyterian Church. Sunday School starts at 9:15 a.m. at Little Amps Coffee Shop on State Street. Youth and leaders will walk back to Market Square together after class, arriving at the church between 10:00-10:15 a.m. This year we'll be using the *Faith Questions* curriculum from the PC(USA) to guide conversations about how Scripture and theology intersect with every day questions about life.

Weekly Bible Study

Our weekly Sunday morning Bible Study will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the Youth Room on the 4th floor. This study will be discussion based and designed to help us build connections in our lives. We'll connect scripture with our daily lived experience, connect with one another, and connect with God. This study will be led by Elder John Dame and will follow the lectionary.

Next Marketplace Deadline: Sunday, November 9

Please email articles and photos to sheets@marketsquarechurch.org and khultman@comcast.net

OCTOBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Our English language worship services are livestreamed from our sanctuary every Sunday morning at 11:00 a.m. The Livestream button is at the top of the homepage of our website which links to our YouTube Livestream channel. Click on the date you wish to watch. Previous services are also available there. www.marketsquarechurch.org

Korean language sermons are posted on the Korean Ministries YouTube channel: <https://shorturl.at/NcYFw>

October 5: 17th Sunday after Pentecost/World Communion Sunday

9:30 am Korean Language Worship in the Davis Chapel
The Reverend Ki Nam Lee preaching
11:00 am English Language Worship in the Sanctuary
The Reverend Stanley J. Jenkins preaching
Sacrament of Holy Communion

October 12: 18th Sunday after Pentecost/Stewardship Sunday

9:30 am Korean Language Worship in the Davis Chapel
The Reverend Ki Nam Lee preaching
11:00 am English Language Worship in the Sanctuary
The Reverend Stanley J. Jenkins preaching

October 19: 19th Sunday after Pentecost/Pledge Dedication Sunday

9:30 am Korean Language Worship in the Davis Chapel
The Reverend Nam Gil Roh preaching
11:00 am English Language Worship in the Sanctuary
The Reverend Stanley J. Jenkins preaching

October 26: 20th Sunday after Pentecost/Reformation Sunday

9:30 am Korean Language Worship in the Davis Chapel
The Reverend Ki Nam Lee preaching
11:00 am English Language Worship in the Sanctuary
The Reverend Allison R. Smith preaching

Thank You

Thank you so much for the wonderful farewell reception and generous gifts. I am reading a few cards each day. I am overwhelmed by your intimate words of appreciation for how my 15 months with you had such a spiritual impact on so many of you. I am humbled. I will miss Market Square. I'm not allowed to participate at Market Square for at least two years. Blessings to all of you.

Retired Bridge Pastor Bruce

Our Church Family

Deaths

Beth Hager's brother-in-law Larry Spotts, on August 25.
Deacon Phyllis Herald, on August 28.
Phyllis' obituary is <https://shorturl.at/cFefO>
Damian Savarino's father, on September 13
Deacon Dr. Barton Philipps, on September 17.
Bart's obituary is <https://shorturl.at/ZzCxz>

There will be two services for Phyllis: one on Friday, September 26 at 1:00 pm in Highspire (see obit for details). The second one will take place at MSPC on Saturday, September 27 at 1:00 pm.

A visitation for Bart will be held on Friday, September 26, from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Minnich Funeral Home in Millersburg, followed by a Masonic Ceremony and Funeral service beginning at 4:00 p.m.

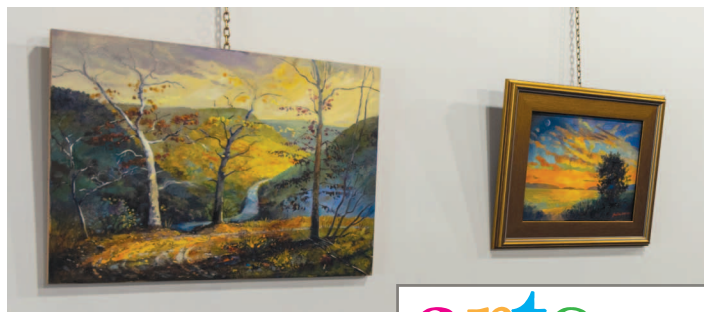
Birthdays

Mim Warden has a big birthday on October 18.

Celebrations

The Mooneys have a new grandson, Rhys Orion, born on August 25.

Our livestream technician and current Ruling Elder Andrew Hunter competed in the Ace Pickleball Club 4.0 Team Event and earned the gold medal!! This was a qualifying tournament for the national ACE Pickleball Tournament in Dallas, Texas, which will take place at the end of January in 2026.



Join us for a stunning exhibition
Along the River & Beyond:
Landscapes by Jonathan Frazier
and Carrie Wissler-Thomas



Opening reception is Sunday,
September 28, 12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. in Geneva Hall. Meet the artists, enjoy the art, and savor some refreshments! The exhibit runs through December 14.

Sponsored by John Robinson in memory of Rachel Robinson Bair

See more info on marketsquarechurch.org/gallery

Stewardship

YTD Actual:\$314,000
YTD Budget:\$320,000
Deficit: (\$ 6,000)



Tyler Canonico-Dilley
Minister of Music



Music Notes

Dear friends,

October is a month where every Sunday has its own theme! October 5 is **World Communion Sunday**. We will sing anthems and hymns from around the world and join with fellow Christians in celebrating the Lord's Supper.

Stewardship Sunday follows – a Sunday for us to stop and reflect on what the church means to us and how we can financially give so that our great ministries continue to do the work of Jesus Christ. We'll return to worship on Sunday, October 19 for **Pledge Dedication** where our financial pledges will be dedicated. The Market Square Ringers will join us in worship, and all music will be centered around our faithfulness and thankfulness to our God. The month ends with **Reformation Sunday** – an important day in the life of our Reformed tradition. The choir will sing two new anthems that join in the festive celebration of the morning!

Arts on the Square will welcome talented Soprano Margaret Woods on Sunday, October 19 at 4:00 p.m. Margaret has sung in some of our worship services and Carols by Candlelight concerts. She has an

active performing and teaching career. Margaret will be accompanied by JJ Penna who is on the faculty at Yale University. JJ has accompanied some of the leading soloists of our time. Together the two of them will share an incredible and enjoyable concert for us. I hope you will join us on the 19th!

Peace and love,
Tyler



Sanctuary Choir Repertoire for October:

October 5 (World Communion) – "Akekho ofana no Jesu" arranged by Charlotte Botha, "Kumbaya" arranged by Stacey Gibbs, and "O Lord, Increase My Faith" by Orlando Gibbons

October 12 (Stewardship) – "Heal Us Now" by Leon Sher" and Fred Gramann's "Walk Humbly with Your God"

October 19 (Pledge Dedication) – "Search Me, O God" by K. Lee Scott and "Offertory" by John Ness Beck

October 26 (Reformation) – "I Still Possess" by Connor Koppin and Philip Stopford's "Christ Is Our Cornerstone"

Session Activities: September 2025 Update

By Jonelle Darr, Clerk of Session

Market Square's Session is responsible for the church's mission, governance, and programs. Pastor Stan Jenkins moderates the Session. Current Ruling Elders may serve up to two consecutive, three-year terms.

A complete list of all church officers and committee members is available on the church website's Members Only section.

In September, Session's activities included:

Worship

1) Approved holding an installation service and reception for the Rev. Stan Jenkins at Market Square Presbyterian Church on Sunday, November 2, 2025 at 3:00 p.m.

Faith and Justice

2) Approved Christian Churches United's request to use private office space at Market Square for HELP Ministries to meet regularly with people in need of housing and other services.

Membership

3) Recognized the death Deacon Phyllis Herald who died on August 28, 2025. She was born on June 22, 1938, joined Market Square on June 4, 2000, and was ordained a Deacon on January 14, 2001. Memorial services will be held on September 26 at K.M. Knight Funeral Home in Highspire and September 27 in the sanctuary of Market Square, both officiated by the Reverend Anne M. Ross.

4) At her request, removed Haley Snyder from church membership.

She now lives in Rosedale, Maryland.

5) Due to a lack of contact information and inactivity, removed the following people from church membership:

- Elaine Jin Beenham - Megan Carlin - Barry Hand - Jeffrey Hand

Facility

6) Authorized the expenditure of \$6,100 from Abiding Memorial Funds to help offset more than \$8,000 in unexpected elevator repairs.

Personnel

7) Approved an Employee Social Media Use Conduct Code.

Administrative

8) Approved a Data Protection and Privacy Policy as required by the church's insurance company. Guidelines will state that the church relies on congregation members to contact the church to request that their image not be included in any photos or video recordings that the church posts publicly (if so desired).

As of September 16, 2025, there were 347 members on the church membership rolls. If you have any questions about Session activities, you may talk with me, a Session member, or one of our Pastors.



SUNDAY
OCTOBER
19
4:00 PM

MARGARET WOODS, soprano
J.J. PENNA, piano

A stand-out voice presents songs from
opera, concert, and new music.

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A donation of \$15 in support of Arts on the Square is suggested.
Complimentary parking is provided in the adjacent Market Square Garage.

■ Details at artsonthesquare.net





Pollinators



On Sunday, September 14, the Ecology Action Committee (EAC) presented an Adult Forum on this subject. Since many members of MSPC do not attend Adult Forums, following is the information provided at that Adult Forum so that it might reach even more broadly.

WHAT IS A POLLINATOR?

A pollinator is anything that helps move pollen from one part of a flower to another. When a pollinator, with pollen on it, brushes up against the flower's reproductive parts, this movement fertilizes a plant, helping make seeds, fruits, and new plants. Some plants can pollinate themselves, and others use wind or water to move their pollen. But many plants need help from insects and animals like bees, butterflies, birds, bats, and even some small mammals.

Pollinators visit flowers to find food (nectar and pollen), shelter, and nest-building materials. Some pollinators, like bees, collect pollen on purpose. Others, like butterflies or birds, move pollen by accident as they move. As they drink nectar or land on flowers, pollen sticks to their bodies and gets carried to the next flower they visit. This is how pollination happens!

WHY ARE POLLINATORS IMPORTANT?

- **Healthy ecosystems depend on pollinators.** At least 75% of all flowering plants on Earth are pollinated by insects and animals! This amounts to more than 1,200 food crops and 180,000 different types of plants – plants which help stabilize our soils, clean our air, supply oxygen, and support wildlife.
- **Pollinators are responsible for 1 out of every 3 bites of food we take each day!** Pollinators help plants produce seeds, fruits, and vegetables.
- **They're part of a healthy economy.** In the United States alone, pollination by honey bees (which are not native to the US) contributed to over \$19 billion of crop production in 2010. Pollination by other insect pollinators contributed to nearly \$10 billion of crop production.

POLLINATORS ARE IN TROUBLE!

Bees are disappearing. Some butterfly populations are diminishing. Bats are dying. These and other animal pollinators face many challenges in our world today – habitat loss, disease, parasites, and pollution and the use of pesticides have all contributed to the decline of many species of pollinators.

Statistics indicate that 16% of vertebrate pollinators (like birds and bats) are in danger of extinction. 40% of invertebrate pollinators (like bees, butterflies, etc.) are under threat of extinction. In North America, for example, the population of the Eastern Monarch Butterfly has declined by almost 80% in the past 10 years!

Any decline in pollinators will affect food availability and food prices.

WITHOUT POLLINATORS our food sources will diminish drastically!!!

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- Reduce food waste by making compost piles.
- Recycle whenever possible.
- Plant more pollinator-friendly plants, especially those native to our area. Those plants are what the native pollinators expect to have.
- Be VERY cautious about using pesticides. Many people don't realize that a product that kills aphids also kills bees and butterflies! If a spray kills a mosquito, it also kills a pollinator. If used incorrectly, it could kill a beloved pet or hurt a small child!

Sources: National Park Service, US Gov't.
National Resources Conservation Service / US Dept. of Agriculture
Meadow Farms Nursery of VA, MD, WV

All photos taken by EAC committee members in their gardens or in the Taste Garden at the Five Senses Garden.





Pollinator Profiles



BEEES, BEETLES, BUTTERFLIES, FLIES, HUMMINGBIRDS, MOTHS are just some of the many pollinators we see in our gardens. Here are some interesting characteristics of each of these important pollinators:

BEEES

- Flower nectar provides bees the sugar to fuel their flights. The proteins and amino acids in pollen are vital nutrients needed by young bee larvae back in the nest. Most bees live solitary lives; only 20% of the world's 20,000 bee species live in colonies!
- Favorite flower colors are bright white, yellow, or blue, with ultra-violet patterns. They typically like tubular flowers with a 'landing platform'.
- Bees are not 'picky' – they frequently visit a large variety of flowers.

BEETLES

- Beetles are referred to as "mess and soil" pollinators. They blunder their way through delicate blossoms searching for food, a mate, or perhaps the bathroom! There are almost 4 times as many species of beetles as animals with backbones. Beetles were among the very first pollinators.
- Favorite flower colors are dull white or green. They like large, bowl-like flowers.
- Beetles frequently visit magnolias and flowers close to the ground.

BUTTERFLIES

- Butterflies often visit round flowers with flared petals that lead to narrow throats that conceal nectar. They land on the wide petals then delicately probe the flower's nectar gland with their long proboscis (tongue).
- Butterflies find nectar from many plants, but their caterpillars eat the leaves of very specific trees, shrubs, perennials or annual plants.
- Favorite flower colors are bright – especially pink, light blue, yellow, or white, red and purple. Butterflies are one of the few insects able to see red. They like flowers with a 'landing pad.'
- Butterflies frequently visit salvias and sunflowers.

HUMMINGBIRDS

- The Ruby-throated Hummingbird is the only species breeding on the East Coast each summer, after traveling up from Mexico and Central America. The hummingbird's long, thin bill and tongue allows it to reach the nectar hidden deeply in tubular flowers.
- Hummingbirds require 6,000 to 12,000 calories each day!!! They visit plants with nectar that is 20-30% sugar (comparison to soda which is only about 10% sugar).
- Favorite flower colors are scarlet, orange, red, or white.
- Hummingbirds frequently visit beebalm and honeysuckle.

FLIES

- Some flies act just like bees, visiting sweet-smelling flowers. Others are attracted to flowers with putrid odors, meat-like colors, or fur-like textures that lure them in with scents of fresh dung or dead animal that flies desire!
- We can thank flies for chocolate!!! Tiny flies that inhabit the damp, shady rainforest are the only pollinator able to navigate the complex cacao flower!
- Favorite flower colors are pale and dull to dark brown or purple. They like a variety of flower shapes – shallow, funnel-like, trap-like.
- Flies frequently visit Dutchman's pipe, pawpaw, and some viburnums.

MOTHS

- Most moths go unnoticed even though they outnumber butterflies 10 to 1. Why don't we notice them much? 1) They are often active at night. 2) They are often dull in appearance.
- Favorite flower colors are pale and dull red, purple, pink or white. They typically like a regular flower shape and tubular flowers without a 'lip'.
- Moths frequently visit four o'clocks, moonflowers, and tobacco.

Source: *The Pollinator Garden of the National Museum of Natural History* link is:
<https://gardens.si.edu/gardens/pollinator-garden/>



Earth Wisdom

Did you know that you can recycle ALL batteries that you use?

But first, some tips for safe handling of batteries from the Lancaster Solid Waste Management Authority (managers of the Harrisburg incinerator):

- Store batteries in non-metallic containers (plastic, cardboard, or glass)
- Do not overcharge batteries
- Do not place electronic devices on soft surfaces, especially when charging
- Only use charging cable that came with the device
- Inspect batteries before use for signs of damage
- Store batteries and devices in dry, cool locations
- Always follow manufacturer's instructions
- NEVER place batteries or electronics containing batteries in the trash or recycling

Used rechargeable batteries—including cell phone batteries—should be recycled immediately and are accepted at most Home Depot, Lowes, and Staples locations.

Single use alkaline batteries can be collected and recycled at some local Staples locations (Camp Hill and Hershey).

High energy batteries (300 watt hours or more—think power tool batteries) can be recycled at local Lowes locations.

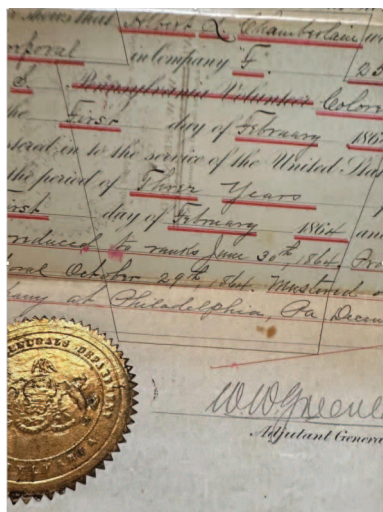
For other types of batteries and more information, tips, local locations, or shipping options, visit www.Call2Recycle.org.

Rev. Sandra Strauss



A Church Partner in a National Rescue of Black History

This is a rescue mission. In a season when the history of slavery and its legacies is being narrowed in classrooms, softened in exhibits, and “updated” online, **Saving Our Ancestors’ Legacy (SOAL)**



and our rapid-response initiative **Action4Heritage** are preserving the primary sources that prove the lives, faith, and kinship of Black families—before they can be altered, defunded, or disappear.

This summer, through the generosity of MSPC, SOAL acquired a professional overhead scanner and deployed volunteers to the National Archives in Washington DC to digitize **United States Colored Troops (USCT)** pension application files.

There are no other copies of these files. They live—fragile, unindexed—in boxes. Page by page, they contain sworn testimony, marriage proofs, disability records, pastor and midwife affidavits, neighbors’ statements, and the tangled routes by which families moved from bondage to freedom. When hostile winds blow against Black history, **preserving the paper is protecting the people.**

Most people hear “pension file” and picture a thin military folder: a regiment number, a list of battles, a note about a wound. USCT widow’s and invalid pension files are nothing like that. They are **thick community archives** created under oath, in which Black soldiers, widows, relatives, neighbors, midwives, pastors, and comrades tell a legally consequential story about **family, marriage, migration, illness, work, and survival.** Because the federal government required proof—of lawful marriage, of a soldier’s identity and death, of a widow’s dependency—Black families brought the **only proofs they had:** names, memories, witnesses, and the everyday paper trail of their lives.

Used well, a single USCT pension file can map a **family network (FAN)**, date a **flight from slavery**, document **customary marriage** (“jumping the broom”) as it met the letter of the law, and locate **Black neighborhoods and church worlds** that do not appear anywhere else. It is not “just a soldier’s record.” It is a **community deposition**, taken page by page.

From the pension file of Abraham Anderson, 8th USCT
“I, Abraham Anderson, am about 59 years of age as far as I know. My post office address is Harrisburg, box 267. I was born in the slave state of Maryland in Washington County, about 12 miles east of Hagerstown and about six miles from Williamsport on the Potomac River. My master’s name was George Lefevre. Then, about the time when the last war broke out from 1860 to 1865, I and some other colored men united and ran away from our masters rather than fight for them and came to the state of Pennsylvania and worked with some farmers in Franklin and Cumberland counties and others. When the war was in full blast, I and some other colored men combined to go to war too and fight our country through. So we did go and had enlisted for three years, and then at the close of the war in 1865, I settled in Harrisburg.”

Abraham’s affidavit does what no textbook summary can do. It names places, choices, risks, neighbors, and a **home—Harrisburg.** In 2022, SOAL volunteers uncovered his broken, sunken headstone at **Historic Lincoln Cemetery**; it took a year of careful restoration even to reveal his name. This summer, with MSPC’s scanner, we captured his entire pension file—**Abraham speaking for himself, preserved for his descendants and for the public.**

Why this work matters in 2025

When public memory is contested, communities need sources that courts, classrooms, congregations, and families can trust. USCT pension files are legal records created close to the events themselves—naming **spouses, children, enslavers, churches, injuries, and migrations.** They let us say, with evidence: *this marriage was real; this service was rendered; this congregation and this city helped make freedom possible.*

While digitizing the file of **USCT veteran William Burris**, SOAL corrected his wife’s misreported maiden name—a single, documented fact that broke a generational “brick wall,” reopening cross-state migration trails and reconnecting living relatives. Time and again, these files restore **women’s histories, hidden kinship, and the everyday work of neighbors and pastors** erased elsewhere.

Beyond the National Archives, SOAL leads volunteers at **Lincoln Cemetery Restoration Weekends every third Friday–Sunday, noon to dusk from March to November**—resetting stones, recording names, mapping family plots, and teaching hands-on stewardship. Through **Action4Heritage**, we also train volunteers to digitize, transcribe, and describe materials in small museums and independent archives so evidence remains **free and findable.**



Corporal Albert Chamberlain’s portrait was rescued by SOAL in 2025.

How MSPC can keep this rescue moving

Send volunteers back to the Archives

- \$50 provides a daily meal allowance for a volunteer archivist
- \$100 buys a rugged portable drive to secure newly digitized files
- \$250 sponsors the digitization of 10 USCT pension files (immediate impact)
- \$750 purchases a flatbed scanner for photos and oversize documents
- \$1,500 sponsors a SOAL Historic Restoration Weekend in Harrisburg
- \$2,000 funds a week of fieldwork for a small team (travel, housing, supplies)
- \$5,000 underwrites the immediate rescue of all known USCT veterans buried in Lincoln Cemetery

“National Rescue” (cont’d)

Strengthen the public witness

Host a **“Pension File Sunday”**—read an affidavit like Abraham’s from the pulpit, pray the names, invite descendants. Form a **metadata/transcription circle** for small groups and youth to engage in digital preservation. Introduce SOAL’s **Action4Heritage** to mission partners and local funders.

The heart of the matter

Records are not just paper; they are people. In a moment when some would narrow the nation’s story, MSPC has chosen a different path: to widen the witness, protect the proof, and help a city remember. Your gift did not buy a machine. It bought **time, truth, and testimony**—and it is already multiplying.



Private Leonard P. Craig of the 2nd USCT; his parents were enslaved and buried at Fort Hunter.

To explore SOAL’s digital portfolio and to make a **tax-deductible donation** online, go to: <https://linktr.ee/savingourancestorslegacy>. Contact SOAL directly to arrange a cash or check donation. For inquiries or opportunities to partner, contact Alex Gurn: alex@lincolncemetery.org, 617-501-1296

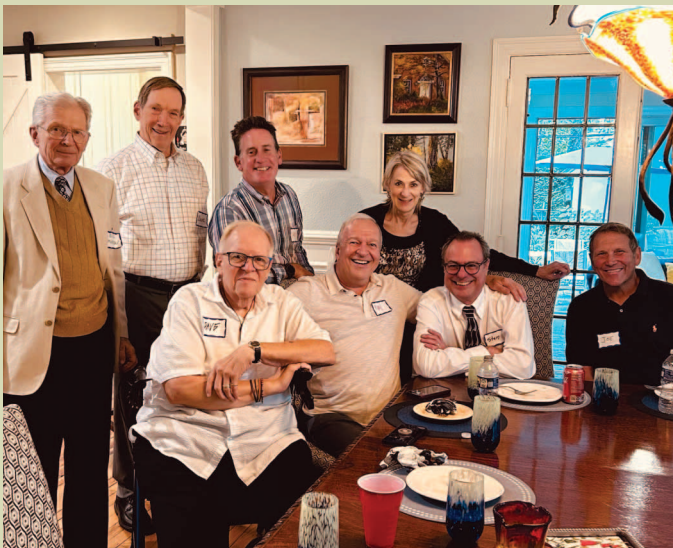
Thanks to our “Welcome, Stan!” Hosts

Many thanks are due to the people who are hosting the eight Welcome, Stan! events planned by our Welcome Task Force. These are social events designed to give Rev. Jenkins (Stan) a way to get to know members of the church, and vice versa, in the first few months of his arrival. In good Presbyterian fashion, all the events involve food: lunch, dessert, or happy hour fare, depending on the time of day. We are thrilled to report that all spots for attendees, about 80 in all, have been filled.

Thanks to the following hosts!

Chris Baldrige and Dave Skerpon, Sept. 21
Debbie and Roger Olson, Oct. 5
Margee Kooistra, Oct. 12
John Dickinson and Jamie Caffier, Oct. 26
Ellen Hunt and Ruth Hunter, Nov. 2
Trum and Michelle Simmons, Nov. 9
Tom and Jonelle Darr, Nov. 16
Carole DeSoto, Nov. 23

Thanks also to the members of our Welcome Task Force: Sally Harris, Chair; Wendy Shearer, Ray Davis, Gwen Lehman, Robb Whitmoyer, and Marianne Flickinger.



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Sunday Services

Korean Language Service—9:30 a.m.
in Davis Chapel.

Sermons on YouTube
(link on the church website's
Worship page).

English Language Service—11:00 a.m.
in the sanctuary.

The service is livestreamed on our YouTube
channel <https://shorturl.at/xeBHi>

The button for the livestream is at the
top of the homepage of our website.

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