



Basking Ridge
Presbyterian Church

Announcements and Events – April 5, 2026

We Extend a Loving and Joyful Welcome to You on This Easter Sunday!

May the hope and promise found in the glory of the resurrection be a blessing to you and to your family in the year ahead. If you are seeking a church home to be a part of, a community of faith where commitment to loving God and loving neighbor is at the heart of our life together, we invite you to make that home here with us at the Basking Ridge Presbyterian Church!

Thank you for your generous giving, which is what allows the life and ministry of our church to exist. For those who would like to make a financial contribution to support the mission and ministry of the Basking Ridge Presbyterian Church, we invite you to use this QR code to give with a credit card or through Venmo. Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity!



Congregational Care Fund

The Congregational Care Fund exists to assist with the short-term financial needs of church and local community members caused by job loss, medical crisis or other temporary situations. Most commonly it is used to help with rent payments, medical bills, utility bills and other day to day necessities. The balance in the fund is currently quite low, and we invite you to make contributions that enable us to support neighbors in need in the coming months. Please mark contributions "Congregational Care Fund."

Lenten Offering

During the season of Lent the Mission Council invites you to consider supporting two of our mission partners by your gifts. You can make a financial contribution to Good News Home for Women for their new Mommy and Me program which gives mothers and children a safe place after escaping domestic violence. You can also support God's Coop Food Pantry through your donations of feminine hygiene products and diapers. Collection boxes are located in the Narthex and Church House, or you can scan the QR code to purchase via our Amazon wish list. All monetary donations should be marked "Lenten Offering."



April 19 is Creation Care Sunday with Guest Preacher Nathan Stucky

We are excited to welcome Nathan Stucky as our guest preacher for our 4th annual "Creation Care Sunday" on April 19 as we celebrate and deepen our commitment to being faithful stewards of the world entrusted to our care. Nathan Stucky serves as Director of the Farminary Project at Princeton Theological Seminary. He grew up on a farm in Kansas where his love for Christian faith and agriculture first took root. After earning a BA in Music from Bethel College (KS), Stucky spent six years doing ecumenical youth ministry on the eastern shore of Maryland, and two years farming back in Kansas. After farming, Stucky earned an MDiv and a PhD (Practical Theology, Christian Education and Formation) from Princeton Theological Seminary. His scholarship explores questions of land, ecology, theology, agriculture, justice, joy, and Sabbath as they relate to theological education. He is the author of *Wrestling with Rest: Inviting Youth to Discover the Gift of Sabbath*. Ordained in the Mennonite Church (USA), Stucky engages Farminary work as integral to his calling to teaching ministry. He lives in Princeton, New Jersey, with his spouse and three children.



Creation Care Sunday Recycling Event - April 19

Bring us your worn out, tattered or stained clothing and other fabric items! We will recycle them! To help to celebrate the Earth on Creation Care Sunday, April 19, the Creation Care Committee along with the Spiritual Development Council is hosting a recycle drop off for textiles and shoes! All items need to be clean and placed in a plastic bag if available. Drop off in front of the chapel will be available before the church service. After the service, items (including bulky items) can be dropped off at the E. Allen Street parking lot until noon. Don't forget we are still collecting plastic bag and film for recycling in the coat room of the Church House!

Adult Forum on April 19 - America 250: Basking Ridge Presbyterian Church at the Crossroads of the Revolution

As our nation approaches the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution, join us to explore the fascinating role Basking Ridge Presbyterian Church played in those historic days. Church historian and lifelong member Bruce McArthur will share stories of the church, the town, and their connections to the Revolutionary era. The forum will be held Sunday, April 19 at 3:00 p.m. in the Church House Parlor. All are welcome!



You've Been Framed!

Tree House Preschool will host a professional framing consultation with Jeff Eustace from FrameTech on **Wednesday, April 22**, from 12:00–6:00 p.m. in Westminster Hall at BRPC. Jeff will bring his full selection of frame and mat samples to assist with design and selection. Finished pieces will be returned in about 2–3 weeks, and proceeds will support materials and equipment to enrich the Tree House playground.

Scholarship Opportunities

The Basking Ridge Presbyterian church is offering scholarships for college juniors, seniors or graduate students. The scholarships are granted to aid education at an accredited college, university or seminary for individuals dedicated to working in “helping professions,” such as the pastorate, psychology, psychiatry, medicine, nursing, law and social work. Church members and Somerset Hills residents are eligible. There is also a scholarship fund for Princeton Seminary students and a scholarship fund for church vocation studies for members of the Presbytery of the Highlands. Applications can be obtained from the church house by calling 908-766-1616 or from our website at the bottom of the Youth Ministry page (www.brpc.org). Applications are due **May 1, 2026**.

Children & Family Ministry

- Sunday School (grades Pre-K-4) at 10:15 a.m. in Calvin Hall. Nursery care is available for those 2 years and younger.
- The Agape Hour for grades Pre-K-Kindergarten, Tuesdays from 3:45-4:30 p.m. in the Agape Room of the Church House: Bible story, snack, craft, movement, and music. *There will be no Agape Hour on April 14.*
- Tuesday, **April 21**: Art & Bible for grades 1-5, art class based on a Bible verse, at 5:00 p.m. in Westminster Hall.
- Tuesday, **April 21**: Family Dinner for all families with children through grade 8, at 5:45 p.m. in Westminster Hall. Parents, please bring a side dish or a dessert.

Children & Youth Music Ministry

The Children and Youth Choir is continuing this spring! Open to students in 3rd-8th grade, we meet on **Tuesdays from 5-5:45 p.m.**, minus the 3rd Tuesday of the month when Art & Bible occurs, to prepare anthems to sing monthly at church! We will sing during worship today and on May 17. Please consider joining us! Reach out to Nathan Schwed at nschwed@brpc.org or (908) 202-9624 for more information.

Youth & Young Adult Ministry

- Fellowship Movie Night: **April 12** at 6:00 p.m. All middle and high school students are invited to attend. Popcorn and pizza provided!
- Skyzone! Join us **April 19** from 3:30-6:30 p.m. Suggested cost is \$25. Open to middle and high schoolers. Contact Kate to save your spot today!
- Teen Tech Titans: We'll be offering help to church members in need during coffee hour on **April 26**. Contact Kate to volunteer!
- Middle School Workcamp: Registration open now! **June 28-July 2**. Join us at The Philadelphia Project. Contact Kate for registration details.
- Sr. High Fellowship youth are encouraged to register for this summer's Maine Workcamp which will be held **July 11-19**. Scan the QR code or go to brpc.org for more details and to reserve your spot. Scholarships are available: please reach out to Kate Balboni to discuss financial aid opportunities. The sign-up deadline is **May 13**.



To learn more, ask questions, or get involved, email Kate at kbalboni@brpc.org and follow us on Instagram [@brpc.youth.group](https://www.instagram.com/brpc.youth.group).