



May 2025 Pastor's Corner by Pr Dave Heckler

"God chose to be our mother in all things, and so made the foundation of His work, most humbly and most pure, in the Virgin's womb. God, the perfect wisdom of all, arrayed Himself in this humble place. Christ came in our poor flesh to share a mother's care. Our mothers bear us for pain and for death; our true mother, Jesus, bears us for joy and endless life. Christ carried us within Him in love and travail, until the full time of His passion. And when all was completed and He had carried us so for joy, still all this could not satisfy the power of His wonderful love. All that we owe is redeemed in truly loving God, for the love of Christ works in us; Christ is the One whom we love..."

• Julian of Norwich

Each year, on the second Sunday in May, we in America celebrate Mothers' Day. For most people, it's a time to celebrate the unique dynamics of the love we've hopefully experienced from our own mothers, a time to share dinners and flowers and candies and other signs of affection in gratitude for the ways our mothers made space and time and a pathway for us to become the people we are. (For others, Mother's Day is a more difficult occasion; alas, not all mothers are particularly caring, and some are downright abusive.) And since Mothers' Day always falls during the Easter season—and this year falls on the Fourth Sunday of Easter, *aka* "Good Shepherd Sunday"—it's not unusual for us to hear comparisons between Christ the Good Shepherd and the love of a mother.

But few of those comparisons are more striking than that of Julian of Norwich, which I cite above. "Julian" might more appropriately be called "Juliana"; she was a devout Christian mystic who experienced profound visions of Christ during her times of illness and chose to dedicate herself to the contemplative life as an " anchoress " (someone who never left her small dwelling, which in her case was "anchored" to a church named St Julian's, hence her name). Her writings, now known as [*Revelations of Divine Love*](#), are the earliest surviving English-language works attributed to a woman. One of the characteristics of Juliana's thought is that she understands God's divine power not through the lens of dominational or destructive power, but through the lens of compassion and love—and in the classic reflection above, she calls both God ["the Father"] and Christ Jesus "our *mother*". Indeed, she sees Jesus' life among us as a pregnancy that would birth our redeemed humanity; she sees Jesus' suffering as "transition labor"; and to use Richard Rohr's more modern terminology, she sees Christ Jesus as the fully Human One who comes among us "with a masculine body and a feminine soul"...

I'll confess, the first time I came upon these words of Juliana of Norwich and Richard Rohr, my mind was blown. As a straight, cisgender male who's unfortunately had his masculinity questioned more times than I care to count, I found those words gave me at least a small handle on how to understand my own unique masculinity in this world. And more to our modern cultural point, these words challenge not only our traditional gender stereotypes, but how we apply those stereotypes to our operative images of God/Jesus. Throughout at least the last four thousand years, our default understandings of God's "gender", God's power, God's "justice", and God's ordering of the universe have all been conformed to our foundational stereotypes of what it means to be a *man*, to be "masculine"—and the ways we've extended those default understandings to the ways we govern society have cost women dearly. (I find it striking that very few modern Christian men model their understandings of what it means to be a man after the character and behavior of Jesus. Especially in America, we much prefer to remodel Jesus into the image of John Wayne or Douglas MacArthur or someone like that...)

But Jesus embodies for us a different way of being in the world—a way Juliana rightly perceives as maternal. On so many occasions, Jesus demonstrates His divine power through actions typically seen as "feminine": embracing those who feel unloved, touching people (or letting them touch Him) and bringing them healing, feeding people and/or inviting them to share in a feast, "laying down His life for the sheep", washing His disciples' feet, and of course, "This is My body, given for you... This is My blood, shed for you..." not in violent combat, but in self-giving love. For the better part of 2000 years, the Church insisted that only men could preside at Holy Communion *in personae Christus* ("embodying Christ")—but Juliana and plenty of others seem to suggest that such an embodiment is just as authentically, and perhaps even more authentically, displayed by women...

I point all this out to invite you to ponder Juliana of Norwich's words as we journey through this Easter season and celebrate Mothers' Day—and especially as we do so within our current cultural milieu. Around the world, autocratic leaders have chosen to image "divine" power and "justice" through hyper-masculinized domination, invoking the blessing of a hyper-masculinized "Jesus in so doing; and around the world, not only in war zones but in "peaceful" lands, women are reaping the harvest of such "masculine" ways in increasing violence upon them, their children, and the most vulnerable among them. (And frankly, men are paying the price as well; false stereotypes of what it means to be a man

are destroying boys and men alike, leading to precipitous declines in their average lifespans and their emotional health...) Juliana of Norwich's words invite us to imagine through the lens of Jesus a different way of being men and women (and for that matter, anyone who identifies themselves in the widely diverse LGBTQIA+ spectrum)— a way that can continue to birth a new creation into the world...

Yours in Christ Jesus our Lord, *Pr Dave*



May Worship News

Thank God it's springtime! Thank God it's May! The weather's getting warmer (and staying warm more consistently), the sun's higher in the sky, and we're rejoicing in the resurrection victory and the risen life of Christ Jesus our Lord. Here's what coming up this month:

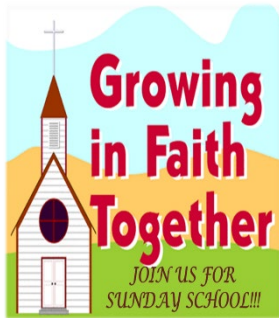
- ✦ We begin May with a special **"Rachel's Day" Eucharist May 4**. "Rachel's Day" is an observance pioneered through the Women of the ELCA which testifies to the prevalence of violence towards our children, remembering those children already lost to violence and praying for those who still remain in its clutches. Invite your friends and neighbors and come join us! (And if you're interested in helping with or participating in the leadership of this service, please contact Rose Sutkins at rsutkins@gmail.com.)
- ✦ **May 11 is Mothers' Day AND "Good Shepherd Sunday"** (the Fourth Sunday of Easter)— a great day to celebrate God's shepherding love displayed in the lives of all the women who've nurtured us with grace, wisdom, and self-giving love.
- ✦ **Beginning May 4**, we'll be **gathering around the Table and kneeling/standing at the altar rail to receive Holy Communion** rather than doing "continuous Communion" as we've been doing since COVID. Pr Dave will dismiss each "table" individually before the next "table" forms...
- ✦ Also **beginning May 4**, we'll be shifting the way we **receive the offering**. In fact, we'll begin having **three** new facets to our offering:
 - Instead of simply placing an offering plate in the narthex before the service and bringing it forward at the offertory hymn, we'll return to the practice of **"passing the [offering] plates"** to receive our offering. (Yes, this requires at least two ushers/volunteers, but this task isn't difficult. Gordon Bryan can easily brief you on how this will work...)
 - Thanks to Todd Silvius and Tom Sutkins, we now have a special **QR Code** included in the bulletin and displayed in the narthex and fellowship hall (and Facebook page). Scanning this code with your phone will automatically take you to the place on our webpage where you can donate online using a credit card. (This will be especially helpful for our friends and guests who don't have envelopes and don't carry cash...)
 - But if you already contribute to St Paul's automatically using "Simply Giving", what can you do when the offering plate comes around to you? Simple: When you come in for worship, pick up one of the little **"Simply Giving" cards** in the narthex. When the offering plate comes around to you, just drop the card in the plate as a tangible sign of your giving. (You don't have to write a name or envelope number on those cards.) Our counters will simply "recycle" those cards for use the following Sunday.
- ✦ Right around Memorial Day, Pr Dave will be away for two consecutive Sundays: May 25 (for a wedding in Gettysburg) and June 1 (for his grandson Christopher's Baptism in Bethany, PA, outside of Honesdale). Blessedly, Pr. Dave Genszler will be here both Sundays— so on **May 25 @ 9:30 AM, we'll go up to St John's Lutheran in Richlandtown to worship with them there**; then on **June 1, they'll join us here at St Paul's @ 9:00 AM to worship with us here**. Pr Genszler will lead both services; our choir is welcome to sing at both services (and Todd's welcome to accompany worship at St John's May 25)...
- ✦ Remember that we're sharing in worship and fellowship together **both in person and online**. We'll keep on **"livestreaming"** our worship services via Facebook Live **and** streaming the audio of our services via our **Free**

Conference Call line (857.232.0157, conference code 144261). (And kudos to Zane Silvius, who's taken up the mantle of managing our worship livestream in place of his sister Andie!)

- ✦ And remember as well that for our worship, **we need a variety of ministry helpers**. There are many ways to get involved. **Crucifers/Acolytes** carry the cross and light the candles. **Communion Assistants** help distribute Communion. **Ushers** direct people to their seats or to the altar, distribute bulletins, answer questions, and guide visitors. **Readers** read Scripture during the service. The **altar guild** prepares the altar before service on Sundays and cleans up the altar after worship. If one of these ministry opportunities interests you, please reach out to the church office for more information. Thank you!

Monday Morning Bible Study

Come join us each week for our **Monday Morning Bible Study** from **10:00 AM-12:00 NN** via Zoom or Free Conference Call! (See article below for instructions. For Zoom, use meeting ID number 370 014 7169 and passcode 119805.) We're "**Living with the Lectionary**", digging into the Scripture readings for the upcoming week to discover the treasures that await us come Sunday. You don't have to be a biblical "expert" to get a lot out of this study— so come on out in the broad daylight and invite your friends to join you! (Note: We won't be having Bible study on Memorial Day...)



Sunday School is Back!

Kids, come join us for **Sunday School at St Paul's** from 10:15-11:15 AM on the **second and fourth Sundays of each month**. (In May, that's **May 11 and 25**.) We have room for all students age 4 through fifth grade, with older kids being helpers/leaders— and we have a great group of students ready to welcome you. Spread the word and join us for Sunday School!

Join Us Online via Zoom or Free Conference Call!

If you'd like to participate in most of our activities taking place over **Zoom**, go to zoom.us, click "Join a Meeting" at the top right of the page, use meeting ID **370 014 7169**, and if it asks for a password, use **119805** and you should be in. If you're **using your phone**, these dial-in numbers will work to access Zoom: 929.205.6099 or 312.626.6799. After you dial, you'll be asked for the host's code, and you'll type in 370 014 7169, then 119805 and you're in. (What's more, with your smart phone or computer, you can engage video as well as audio, so we can see and hear you— something that's precious right now!) You can also use **Free Conference Call [FCC]**: Dial 857.232.0157, enter conference code 144261, and you're in.



Supporting Our Ministries

Thanks for continuing to support our ministries here at St Paul's! Your tithes and offerings are much needed during this time. We know that right now, funds are tight for everyone; but we encourage you to prayerfully consider how you might be able to support our ministry together. If you'd like to give electronically (via Simply Giving, our church website, or some other electronic means) and would like some information on how to do that, please contact the church office.

You can financially support our ministries in several ways: [1] You can give via cash or check in your envelope when the offering plates are passed during worship; [2] If you're already signed up for **Simply Giving**, you're already taken care of— when you come in for worship, pick up one of the little "**Simply Giving**" cards in the narthex, and

when the offering plate comes around to you, just drop the card in the plate as a tangible sign of your giving; [3] You can **mail your offerings** to the church; [4] You can go to our church website (www.stpaulsgtown.org) and make your contributions online, even using a credit or debit card; or [5] You can scan our church's new **QR Code** in the narthex or fellowship hall. And remember, if you tithe using "Simply Giving" and you've increased your tithe amount on your pledge card, you need to fill out a new Simply Giving authorization form noting the change. Please contact the church office for a form.



May's "Monthly Special": "The Drop"

Our "Monthly Specials" and "Noisy Offerings" are special opportunities for giving to help specific ministries in our community and beyond— some of them through the Lutheran church, others through the community organizations. **For May, our Monthly Special Recipient is "The Drop"**, an after-school "third place" at the Quakertown Masonic Lodge for middle- and high-school teens who aren't involved in the usual extracurricular activities (music, sports, Key Club, etc.) and

whose parents aren't home from work yet. "The Drop" provides caring, Christian adult mentorship to these youth along with games, homework help, arts projects, and other activities. Pr Bruce Eglinton-Wood (a former member of St Paul's) and Paul Nye (a former pastor at St Paul's) are both very active with this ministry— and now we have a special opportunity to support this life-giving ministry. Please give as you're able!

(And PS—note the poster about The Drop's benefit concert coming up **May 10 @ First UCC**, featuring the band "Freedom in Christ"...))

Synod and Conference News

- ✦ Our **Quakertown Lutheran Cluster Collaboration Task Force** has been working hard to build closer ministry partnerships among our congregations. Brett Shaw, Gordon Bryan, and Pr Dave have been representing us on this task force.



We're working on several areas of collaboration at this point. One of them is creating **more cluster worship activities** that bring us all together around the Word and sacraments. This year's Midweek Lenten Series— an expansion of our usual St John's-St Paul's partnership— is but one example of this. We're also looking at developing a monthly "**Dinner Church**" service akin to our midweek Lenten services, but including Holy Communion. We've established a Quakertown Lutheran Cluster **Facebook page, "Quakertown Area Lutherans Together"**. And to help us identify a common community ministry focus for our cluster, our task force is inviting each of our congregations to **interview our local community leaders** over the next several months. These will include our Haycock Twp. Supervisors, the fire chief, the local State Police contacts, and our AA, Al-Anon, and Scout leaders, among others.

- ✦ Our **2025 SEPA Synod Assembly** will be held **May 30-31** at a new site, **Trinity Lutheran Church in Lansdale**. Our theme will be "**Ponder Anew**", and we'll be electing a new synod vice-president at this assembly. Registration Brett Shaw, Rose Sutkins, and Aaron Shimalla (our youth/young adult delegate) will be representing us— and much of the event will be livestreamed, so if you can't drive out to Lansdale for the day, you can "visit" the event from home...



Scouts BSA Troop 007 News

- We're so thankful for St Paul's welcome and support. But right now, there's one more thing we really need to continue to survive and hopefully, thrive: **We need more Scouts!** The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. If you know a parent or grandparent of kids from kindergarten to high school, encourage them to visit one of our Scout meetings on Thursday nights, or check us out at Scouts007.org.

- We now have a fully chartered **Cub Scouts Pack 007** at St Paul's! Many thanks to Rich and Robin Beaumont, Sharin Babb, and John Hunsberger for their hard work and leadership in bringing this troop together and leading it.
- And once again, our Scouts and Cubs will be holding a **Hoagie Sale in June**. We'll have an order form posted in St Paul's narthex and fellowship hall beginning June 8, for Italian or turkey hoagies, with or without onions, at **\$7 each**. Orders due June 26; **hoagie build and pickup will be July 3**.

And Speaking of Hoagies...

Our Social Ministry Team is holding a **Hoagie Sale in May** to benefit our ministries here at St Paul's. We'll have order forms available in the fellowship hall beginning April 27 for Italian or turkey hoagies, with or without onions, at **\$7 each** or **3 for \$20**. **Orders due May 18; hoagie build will be May 24, with pickup from 11:30 AM-12:30 PM**. You can give your order forms and cash/checks to Cecelia Casey or Sascha Baringer.



A Word from Our County Commissioners...

Our Bucks County Commissioners are reaching out to our churches at a desperately significant time. The suicide rate in Bucks County has been climbing upward despite efforts by the Bucks County Suicide Prevention Task Force to support, educate, and provide critical resource options for those in need. **The rate of suicide in Bucks County right now is highest among men between the ages of 55-75, and is the second leading cause of death for adolescents and young adults.**

Research shows that talking about suicide does *not* put the thought of suicide into someone's mind; rather, asking a person about suicide actually lowers their anxiety and risk of dying by suicide. Please check in on friends and family, especially if you notice signs of sadness, depression, anxiety, hopelessness, changes in behavior or sleep patterns, or a recent significant change in their life. You or your loved one can find confidential support and help at:

- + The 24/7 **National Crisis Lifeline**: Call, text, or chat to **988**;
- + Bucks County's 24/7 Crisis Number: **215.785.9765**;
- + Bucks County's **HUB** for resources, support, or help: **215.348.6201** M-F, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM.

For mental healthcare information, please call the number on the back of your medical insurance card.

And remember: **It's OK not to be OK. We need to lean on each other for support. And remember, YOU MATTER!**



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Like Us on Facebook (and Otherwise Online)!



Did you know that St Paul's maintains an active church website, as well as several Facebook pages? Check out our online presence at the following sites:

- Our church website: www.stpaulsqtown.org
- Our email address: stpaulsqtown@gmail.com
- Our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/StPaulsQtown
- For daily Morning & Evening Prayer: <https://dailyoffice.wordpress.com/>

Happy Birthday, Friends!

5/2 Cori Barndt
5/3 Sascha Baringer
Patricia Stever
5/5 Lexi Schnabel
5/9 Michelle Hunsberger
5/17 Rachel Gullett



5/18 Cathy Long
5/20 Denise Shaeffer
5/21 Gary Hertzog
5/30 Ethan Bauman

And Happy Baptismal Birthday As Well!

We rejoice to celebrate people's biological birthdays— but as wonderful as receiving the gift of life in this world is, receiving the gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus in our Baptism is even more wonderful (and best of all, it never grows old!) So **Happy Baptismal Birthday** this month to *Lauren Gibson, Vanessa Hamlin, Linda Hertzog, Austin Hunsberger, Winnie Knapp, Robin Lawrence, Caitlyn Long, Cathy Long, David Long, Cole Sauerwald, and Aaron Shimalla.*



"The Hand of God Shall Hold You..."

One of the great blessings of life in union with Christ is that the risen Christ binds us in holy and eternal communion with all His people who've *died*, enabling us to grieve in the freedom born of knowing that our loved ones are gone from our sight and for a time, but still joined with us in the body of Christ and alive in Him in far more than memory alone. Since Thanksgiving, we've also said farewell (for now) to *Dennis Silvius, Kelsey Shaak, Kenny Fly, Bill Schumacher Jr., Rev. Dr. Walter Wagner, Ann Marie Heidgerd, Frank Lennard Sr., David Morrison, Mary Johnson, Joan Bilger, Kevin Scholl, Pr. Andrew Carlsson, and Pope Francis.* Please keep their grieving families and friends in your prayers in these days ahead, that they may come through the dark night of their grief into the resurrection joy born of their Baptismal union with Christ Jesus

our risen Lord.

THE DROP
PRESENTS
CONCERT NIGHT

MUSIC BY

THY OF 3
 Along W/ singer songwriter
James Harvey

AND

FREEDOM IN CHRIST BAND

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 Quakertown, Pa 18951

Doors open at 5 PM - Concert Starts at 6 PM

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Contact:
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 Church of Applebachsville
 215-536-5789 (church office)
 stpaulsqtown@gmail.com
 www.stpaulsqtown.org/jn10

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ADMISSION



Thus says the LORD: "A voice is heard in Ramah, lamentation and bitter weeping. Rachel is weeping for her children; she refuses to be comforted for her children, because they're no more."

Thus says the LORD: "Keep your voice from weeping and your eyes from tears, for there's a reward for your work," says the LORD.

"They shall come back from the land of the enemy; there's hope for your future," says the LORD: "Your children shall come back to their own country."

-- Jeremiah 31.15-17 NRSVUE



Rachel's Day

Sunday, May 4, 9:00 AM

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church
 849 Old Bethlehem Road, Quakertown (Applebachsville)

Please join us to boldly speak up against violence towards our children through a service of remembrance for the children already lost to violence and for those who remain in its clutches.

** If you're interested in participating in this service, please contact Rose at rsutkins@gmail.com.

BC GRANDFAMILIES SUPPORT GROUP

Run by grandparents/professionals for grandparents and others, raising the children of loved ones regardless of personal beliefs. We build support, discuss topics related to challenges, celebrate successes, broaden knowledge, educate others through lived experiences. Resources and speakers offered.

We serve beyond Bucks County.

LOCATIONS

Upper, Central and Lower Bucks Support Group Meetings

Lower Bucks

Acts of Grace Church
 The Woodbourne Office Campus
 1609 Woodbourne Rd, Levittown
 Suite 403B (Back of Complex)
 (Use Levittown for GPS)
 Located between the Hindu
 Temple
 & Self Storage
<http://www.actsofgracecommunitychurch.com>

Upper Bucks

Calvary Church Souderton
 820 route 113-Door # 5
 Souderton, PA 18964
<http://www.calvary-church.com>

Central Bucks

Lenape Valley Church
 321 W. Butler Ave (at the Road)
 For GPS Use Doylestown, PA 18901
<https://lenapevalleychurch.org>

👉 Childcare and dinner provided at no cost to families

👉 Meetings available virtually - email day of meeting for link

👉 Registration required by noon on meeting date. Include number of children (with ages) and adults attending

👉 Speakers will be in person or virtual at all meetings

Childcare by: Along the Way <http://www.alongthewaypa.org>

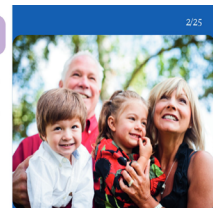
✉ bcgrandfamilies@gmail.com



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 www.bcdac.org

Lenape Valley Church

Welcome - Inspire - Nurture - Serve
<https://lenapevalleychurch.org/>



MEETING DATES & TOPICS
 6:00 - 7:30 PM

March 3
 Community Service Foundation
 & Buxmont Academy
 Family Group Decision Making
 Amber Dondas

<http://www.csfbuxmont.org>

March 17
 Support Group

April 7
 Access Services LIFE Program
 Amy Kunkle
 and Denise Hooper

<http://www.accessservices.org/services/buckslife>

April 21
 Support Group

May 19
 Support Group

May 5
 Support Group

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14th Annual St. Luke's Hospice Bike Ride

A Ride to Remember

Saturday, May 31, 2025 • 10 am

Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Trail
Leighton Trailhead
200 North Main Lane, Leighton, PA 18235

No bike? No problem!
FREE Loaner bikes & helmets will be available through Pocono Biking (no additional fees). Register early. Supplies are limited.



Registration:

- Registration is required, please visit sluhn.org/hospicebikeride
\$40 Registration fee (Fee includes boxed lunch, shirt and loaner bike if needed. All proceeds will benefit St. Luke's Hospice.)
- Registration is online. There will be **no** event day registration.

Free parking available courtesy of Leighton Outdoor Center.



Details:

- Participants can choose to ride 20 or 30 miles of the D&L Trail. You will begin and end your ride south of Jim Thorpe at the Leighton Trailhead – one of the most dynamic sections of the trail! The route takes you along riverbeds, the canal towpath as well as paved sections. You will see museums, an environmental center, Appalachian Trail crossing and witness beautiful vistas of the Blue Mountain, Appalachian Trail and Lehigh Gap.
- All levels of riders are encouraged to participate



St. Luke's University Health Network and Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor are encouraging you to get out and get active. Learn more and sign up at www.tailonthetrail.org
Help us in building a healthier community... one mile at a time.



Arts Alive!

Fine Artists & Crafters Exhibition, Broad Street

Six hours of on-stage musical performances

Children's Courtyard - Food Court

Over 200 Vendors & Artists

May 17, 2025
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Rain date: May 18
Downtown Quakertown

2025 BUCKS COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENTS

Registration for the event is not required in Bucks County.

April 5	Lower Bucks	Bucks County Community College 275 Swamp Road, Newtown, Newtown Township
May 31	Upper Bucks	Upper Bucks Area Vocational Technical School 3115 Ridge Road, Perkasio, Bedminster Township
June 28	Central Bucks	Central Bucks South High School 1100 Folly Road, Warrington, Warrington Township
August 9	Lower Bucks	Bucks County Technical School 610 Wistar Road, Fairless Hills, Bristol Township
October 25	Upper Bucks	Strayer Middle School 1200 Ronald Reagan Drive, Quakertown, Richland Township



Collection events run from 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM
Rain or shine



What You Can Bring

Up to 25 gallons or 220 pounds of hazardous products. Hazardous products will have cautionary words on the label, for example: *Danger, Warning, or Caution*. Other words or phrases that can signal hazardous products include: *poisonous, hazardous, combustible, flammable, corrosive, volatile, caustic, irritant, explosive, toxic, use with adequate ventilation, or avoid inhaling*.

Pesticides - Chlordane - DDT - Malathion - Sevin - Rodent Poison Flammables - Aerosols - Gas/Oil Mixture - Gasoline - Heating / Motor Oil - Kerosene	- Oil-based Paint - Paint Thinner - Spot Remover Caustics - Ammonia-based Cleaners - Degreasers - Drain Cleaner - Household Lye - Metal Cleaner - Oven Cleaner	Fire Extinguishers Toxics - Antifreeze - CFLs (fluorescent bulbs/tubes) - Mercury - Photographic Chemicals - Pool Chemicals - Rust/Paint Remover - Weed Killer	Batteries - Button Batteries - Lithium Batteries - Re-Chargeable Batteries Lead-Acid Batteries - Car - Marine - Motorcycle - Truck Propane Tanks - Mini Propane Tanks Only (2 lbs. or less)
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What You Can't Bring

ELECTRONICS-Two-Computer Cell Phones-Any Corded Devices
LATEX PAINT-Non-Hazardous Waste/Water-based*
 Appliances-with or without Freon
 Asbestos
 Explosives / Ammunition
 Gas Cylinders
 Household Batteries-regular Alkaline
 Medical Waste / Prescription Drugs
 Non-Hazardous Waste
 PCBs
 Pressurized CFCs / Freon
 Propane Tanks-greater than 2 pounds
 Smoke Detectors
 Radioactive Waste
 Tiles
 Unidentified Waste

*Remove lid to allow to air dry or mix with absorbent (e.g., kitty litter) until no longer a liquid and discard in plastic trash bag.

For additional information on disposal options, contact:
Bucks County Planning Commission
www.buckscounty.gov/recycling
 215-345-3400
 or
 The PADEP Recycling Hotline at
 1-800-346-4242

Why bring your household hazardous wastes to a scheduled event?
 Household products containing toxic chemicals, like pesticides, oil-based paints, solvents, cleaning products, weed killers and automotive batteries can be a threat to people and the environment if improperly discarded. Never throw these materials into the trash, as the toxic chemicals may harm sanitation workers, or result in fires in collection vehicles. It is also not safe to pour them into a sink or storm drain as they can end up in the environment polluting the air, water, or soil.

This program is a community service of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners and participating municipalities and is not open to business, industry, or institutions.

BCPC
 Bucks County Planning Commission
 1260 Almhouse Road - Doylestown, PA 18901
 215-345-3400 Fax: 215-345-3886
 Email: planningcommission@buckscounty.org Website: www.buckscounty.org

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02/18/2025



Fun with Finance FOR KIDS (K-4)

Join us for a fun morning full of learning, games and crafts!

Saturday, May 31, 2025

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM



Register by May 28th using the QR code.



<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HabitatFunFinancesKids25>