

THE LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE  
OF LIVING BRANCHES



# Course Brochure

## FALL SESSION

September to December 2024





Living U is the Living Branches lifelong learning institute. Recognizing the many benefits of lifelong learning, Living Branches established Living U to give older adults opportunities to broaden their knowledge and learn new things. The best part — no grades! Living U is for your pure learning enjoyment.

### **CURRICULUM COUNCIL**

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The Living U Curriculum Council consists of residents, future residents, and Living Branches team members. The purpose of the council is to assess interest and to organize and promote lifelong learning opportunities and experiences that empower older adults to lead lives of inquiry, purpose, and joy.

### **GET IN TOUCH**

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## **A Warm Welcome**

Just as driving through a covered bridge can bring a smile to our faces, we find delight in many ways — hearing a beautiful melody, contemplating a theme in history, admiring nature, or engaging in conversation with new and old acquaintances. As an institute of lifelong learning, Living U offers opportunities for these kinds of joys for anyone ages 62 years of age and older in the local area. I am so pleased to share this fall semester course brochure — we have a lively array of courses and trips in store for you. I hope that you can take some time to browse through our offerings and select a few activities for your journey through this fall season. Welcome to Living U!

**Maribeth Benner, Living U Coordinator**  
**LIVING BRANCHES**

## **Join Us for the Fall Session Expo**

Drop in to a come-and-go expo event on Tuesday, July 23, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in Fisher Auditorium at Dock Woods. Meet other students and some of the instructors for the fall semester.

- Shuttle service will be provided from the other campuses; call or email Maribeth Benner to schedule a ride.
- Team members will be available to help you register for classes. Registration will open at 2:00 p.m. in person and online.
- Light refreshments will be served.
- Attendees will receive a 10% off coupon for the Apple Orchard Cafe or Hearthside Bistro.

# ENROLL IN LIVING U

— *at Living Branches* —

## How to Enroll

Registration opens at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 23, and closes Friday, August 2. You can register through the Living U app on the resident portal, online at [livingbranches.org/livingu](http://livingbranches.org/livingu), or at the Living U Expo on Tuesday, July 23, at Dock Woods.

Starting Thursday, July 25, students can call Maribeth Benner at 215-368-4438 ext. 44204 to register.

You can also bring your completed course checklist (pages 14-15) to one of these registration times:

### SOUDERTON MENNONITE HOMES FRONT LOBBY

- ◇ Wednesday, July 24, 9:00 to 10:30 a.m.
- ◇ Thursday, July 25, 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.
- ◇ Tuesday, July 30, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.
- ◇ Thursday, August 1, 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

### HEARTHSIDE BISTRO AT DOCK WOODS

- ◇ Tuesday, July 23, 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. (Expo)
- ◇ Thursday, July 25, 9:00 to 10:30 a.m.
- ◇ Tuesday, July 30, 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.
- ◇ Thursday, August 1, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

**QUESTIONS?**  
We're here to help!

**EMAIL**  
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ext. 44204

## Cost and Payment

Living Branches residents may pay with a credit card or their Living Branches account. All other students may pay by credit card. Registration costs are non-refundable.

Active Aging Week classes (October 1, 2, and 3) are free. For all other classes, costs are:

- 1-5 courses: \$25.00
- 6-10 courses: \$45.00
- 11 or more courses: \$65.00

Certain classes have extra costs in the course descriptions. Unless the class has an extra fee, Living Branches Personal Care residents can attend free of charge by contacting your life enrichment coordinator or Maribeth Benner.

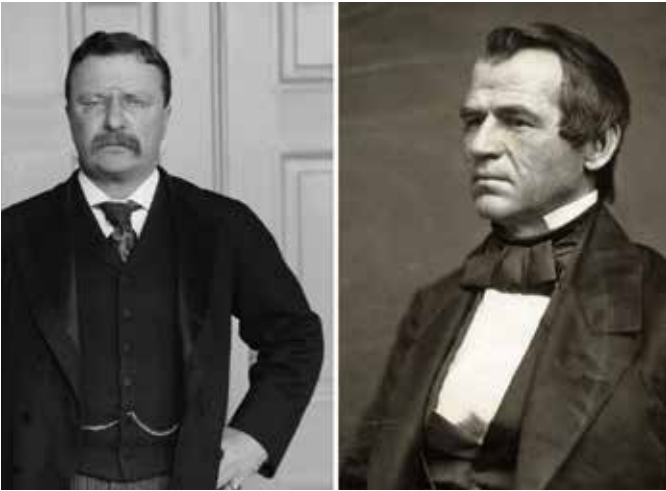
## Transportation and Arrival

When registering for classes, Living Branches residents may sign up for shuttle service across each of our communities. If you opt for the shuttle, a team member from Dock Woods will call the day before class to confirm your pick-up time and location. Doors open 30 minutes before each class.

## The Learning Environment

Living U provides occasions for teachers and students to learn from each other's stories, knowledge, and perspectives. Course content and discussion are offered for discovery, enrichment, and educational purposes and do not necessarily represent Living U or Living Branches.

Register starting July 23 at 2:00 p.m. at [livingbranches.org/livingu](http://livingbranches.org/livingu)



**F2401**  
**Accidental Presidents**  
**WITH DAVID HUDIAK**

**Thursdays, September 5 (Part 1), 12 (Part 2), and 19 (Part 3)**  
**10:00 to 11:30 a.m.**  
**Fisher Auditorium**  
**Dock Woods**

*As part of a collaboration with Widener University’s Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, this course has an extra cost of \$25.00.*

This course will tell the stories of the vice presidents who ascended to the presidency due to an accident of fate — the death or resignation of their predecessor. Students will learn why each of these individuals was nominated for the vice presidency in the first place, the circumstances of their predecessor’s death or resignation which placed them in the presidency, and how well (or not so well) each of them did as president.

**David Hudiak** has been a faculty member of Widener University’s Osher Lifelong Learning Institute for the past five years, where he presents courses on American history, government, and current events at Widener and other sites in the Philadelphia area. He is a retired member of the Pennsylvania and New Jersey bars and holds a bachelor’s degree in political science from Haverford College and a juris doctorate from the Law School of the University of Pennsylvania.

**F2402**  
**Mozart by Candlelight and Much More!**  
**WITH JANE NECHIN, EMILY GUGLIELMI, BETH VILSMEIER, JAMES DAY, AND NANCY FRANCHETTI**

**Tuesday, September 10**  
**10:00 to 11:30 a.m.**  
**Derstine Chapel at Dock Woods**

Principal players of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Symphony Orchestra (SPSO) will present an overview of their 2024-25 concert series through live music and PowerPoint presentations. Students will be entertained and educated about the composers and the history behind their greatest works. The orchestra partners with world-class soloists and an internationally recognized conductor to bring the finest quality of music to their audience. Each student will receive one free concert ticket to use at any of their four season concerts at Calvary Baptist Church in Lansdale.

**Jane Nechin** (principal flute of the SPSO) graduated from West Chester University and teaches music in the Abington School District, where she has received commendations from Pennsylvania Music Educators Association for excellence in music education. She is also principal flute with Orchestra Society of Philadelphia and directs the Chancel choir and Herald Ringers at Sanctuary Church in North Wales.

Along with Jane, musicians **James Day** (past principal viola), **Emily Guglielmi** (principal second violin), **Beth Vilsmeier** (principal clarinet), and **Nancy Franchetti** (associate principal cello) will perform for us.



## S2403

### Field Trip to Stoneleigh: A Natural Garden

Wednesday, September 11

10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (plus travel time)

Stoneleigh

1829 East County Line Road, Villanova

*This trip has an extra cost of \$26.00 per person and is limited to 20 people who will ride the shuttle from one of our campuses.*

Discover the historic landscapes, ancient trees, and dazzling displays of native plants at Stoneleigh, one of the newest public gardens in the Philadelphia area.

September at Stoneleigh boasts a plethora of brilliant colors, from brilliant yellows of goldenrods and sunflowers to striking purples and pinks of native asters. This guided tour of the gardens also includes a peek inside the spectacular Tudor Revival Main House.

Formerly the home of three prominent Main Line families, this statuesque manor is now shared with the Organ Historical Society.

Please bring along a packed lunch and drink. Following the tour, we will eat lunch together in the pavilion before departing. This tour will occur rain or shine.



## F2404

### Engaging and Being Engaged by the Old Testament

WITH MANFRED BRAUCH, Ph.D.

Monday, September 23 (Part 1),  
Wednesday, September 25 (Part 2), and  
Friday, September 27 (Part 3)

10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Summit View Auditorium at  
Souderton Mennonite Homes

In this series, we will survey the story of Israel and its faith traditions via an overview of its “birth” over the course of an 1,800-year history, the great variety of its literature, its problematic dimensions, its history and cultural contexts, its major themes, its importance for our understanding of the New Testament, and its continuing significance for Christian faith and life.

**Manfred Brauch, Ph.D.** taught New Testament Interpretation for eight years at Northern Baptist Theological Seminary in Oakbrook, Illinois. During 26 years at Eastern Baptist/Palmer Theological Seminary of Eastern University in St. Davids, he was professor of Biblical theology, academic dean, and president.



**F2405**  
**Nutritious Snacks in a Time Crunch**  
**WITH GINA ELLERY**

**Tuesday, October 1**  
**10:00 to 11:30 a.m.**  
**Summit View Auditorium at**  
**Souderton Mennonite Homes**

*This class is free to attend.*

Explore the building blocks of creating balanced meals and snacks without spending too much time in the kitchen. After the lecture, enjoy a live demo of how to make a high protein chocolate peanut butter mousse.

**Gina Ellery**, a registered dietitian, is the owner of Gina M. Ellery, LLC- Nutrition Counseling. She enjoys working with clients to help improve their overall well-being and confidence in themselves. She obtained a bachelor's in nutrition and dietetics from Messiah College and a master's degree from Rutgers School of Health Professions.



**F2406**  
**The Healing Power of Music**  
**WITH CAROL ANN MULLER, Ph.D.**

**Wednesday, October 2**  
**10:00 to 11:30 a.m.**  
**Summit View Auditorium at**  
**Souderton Mennonite Homes**

*This class is free to attend.*

Join Carol Ann Muller for a talk about music and the brain. She will discuss the work of music for individual and collective regulation and well-being.

**Carol Muller, Ph.D.** is a professor of ethnomusicology at the University of Pennsylvania. She earned a bachelor's degree in ethnomusicology from the University of [KwaZulu] Natal and a doctorate from New York University. She teaches classes on music and health and a first-year seminar on well-being that helps Penn freshmen transition to the university.

# ACTIVE AGING WEEK

These classes are free to attend as part of Active Aging Week, an educational celebration founded by the International Council on Active Aging, from September 30 through October 6. Registration is required for



**F2407**

## **As We Age: Stress Management Techniques**

**WITH RUTH HOSKINS, Ph.D.**

**Thursday, October 3**

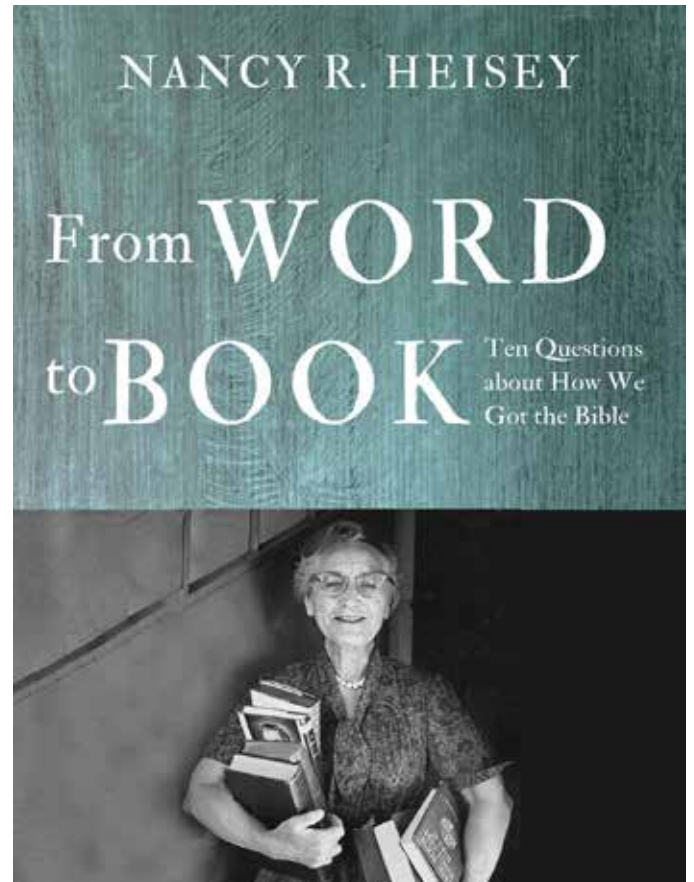
**10:00 to 11:00 a.m.**

**Fisher Auditorium at Dock Woods**

***This class is free to attend.***

A new environment, too much time on our hands, the loss of a loved one, or a change in health can all increase stress. This workshop will demonstrate the relaxation response elicited by meditation, a technique we can practice anytime to reduce stress and anxiety. We will discuss setting small, realistic goals to help increase our sense of well-being.

**Ruth Hoskins, Ph.D.** is a licensed clinical social worker, psychotherapist, and trainer employed by Caring Hospice. She has a Ph.D. in holistic health science and taught health psychology locally for 25 years.



**F2408**

## **Chapters in the Story of the Bible**

**WITH NANCY HEISEY, Ph.D.**

**Tuesday, October 8 (Part 1),**

**Wednesday, October 9 (Part 2),**

**and Thursday, October 10 (Part 3)**

**10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

**Summit View Auditorium at**

**Souderton Mennonite Homes**

Drawing from Heisey's recently published book, *From Word to Book: Ten Questions about How We Got the Bible*, this three-session course will discuss oral tradition and archeological context for ancient biblical stories, issues in the emergence of biblical canons, and how modern research has shaped and changed understandings of the Bible.

**Nancy Heisey, Ph.D.**, retired after teaching biblical studies and church history for 23 years at Eastern Mennonite University. Her life is shaped by a childhood among the Navajo people with Brethren in Christ missionary parents. She studied at Messiah College, Eastern Mennonite Seminary, and Temple University.

Active Aging Week classes.

## F2409

### Past Lives: Tales from the Teeth

WITH SHARA BAILEY, Ph.D.

Tuesday, October 15

10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Derstine Chapel at Dock Woods

How did people live thousands of years ago, and how have we changed since then? Anthropologists use a suite of tools to examine human skeletal remains to uncover who a person was and what they did in life. Teeth preserve better than any other body part and can inform us of the biology and culture of people in the past. In this class, Dr. Bailey will illustrate how anthropologists use dental remains to learn about how ancient people lived and their ancestry, sex, age at death, diet, health, and stress.

**Shara Bailey, Ph.D.** is a professor in the Department of Anthropology, Center for the Study of Human Origins, at New York University. Dr. Bailey's research focuses on using teeth to answer questions about human evolution. She has extensively researched Neanderthals and modern human origins, including the earliest modern humans from Europe and Africa. She has collected human dental data from around the world. Her work has been featured on NPR, The History Channel, National Geographic, and PBS/Nova.



## F2410

### Important Financial Topics for Prudent Decision Making

WITH JIM JACOBSON AND T. WES REMMEY

Tuesdays, October 22 (Part 1) and 29 (Part 2)

10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Summit View Auditorium at  
Souderton Mennonite Homes

Come to learn some facts and gain clarity about the following financial topics. Session 1 will address: financial planning and goal setting, charitable giving – when is the right time to give, and outliving your money – careful considerations. In session 2, we will look at how the federal tax code works, the pros and cons of annuities, and opportunities and decisions now that interest rates are normal.

As a senior vice president and manager of wealth services at Girard: A Uninvest Wealth Division, **Jim Jacobson** helps his clients achieve their wealth management goals using holistic financial planning, appropriate asset allocation, tax-efficient investment vehicles, and by integrating with their team of attorneys and accountants. A certified financial planner (CFP), Jim earned a bachelor's degree in finance from Bradley University. **Wes Remmey**, a wealth advisor at Girard, is committed to being a reliable, trusted resource to his clients by helping them strategize their investment needs and goals and establishing a comprehensive investment plan to help achieve them. He earned a bachelor's degree in finance and economics from Penn State University. Jim and Wes both hold FINRA Series 7, NASAA Series 63 and Series 65, along with the Pennsylvania Life, Accident, & Health Insurance licenses.





**F2411**  
**Field Trip to the Boyertown Museum of Historic Vehicles and the Americana Diner**

**Thursday, October 24**  
**10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (plus travel time)**

***This tour is limited to 20 people and has an extra cost of \$19.00, which includes shuttle service from one of our campuses. Please bring money to purchase your own lunch.***

Discover Pennsylvania’s transportation history at the Boyertown Museum of Historic Vehicles! See vehicles of all types: gasoline, electric, and horse-drawn, including carriages, wagons, and sleighs. You will see “high wheelers” and “safety bicycles,” vehicle builders’ tools, and local historic roadside architecture. The museum is housed in the former home of the Boyertown Auto Body Works, which had continuous operations on this site from 1872 to 1990 and retains the factory setting, making it a unique and interesting setting for the vehicles.

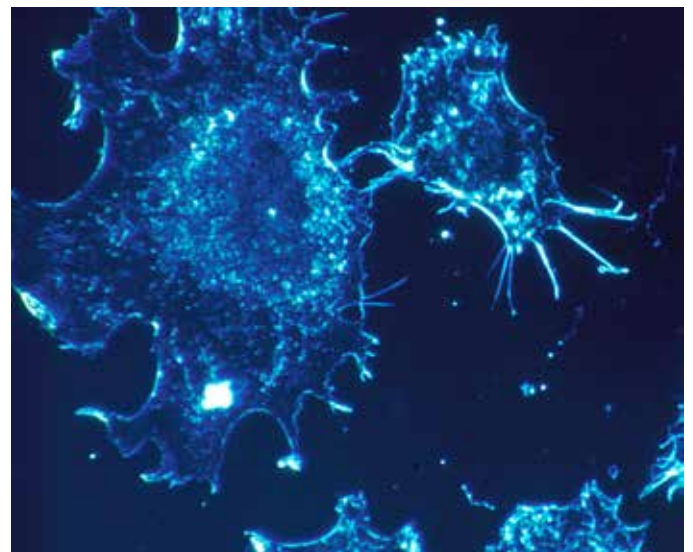
Following a one-hour tour of the museum, students can order off the menu at the Americana Diner in Bechtelsville.

**F2412**  
**How the African Clawed Frog, Common Baker’s Yeast, and Sea Urchin Eggs Won a Crucial Battle in the War on Cancer**  
**WITH JOHN TYSON, Ph.D.**

**Wednesday, October 30**  
**10:00 to 11:30 a.m.**  
**Fisher Auditorium at Dock Woods**

When Richard Nixon declared a “war on cancer” in 1971, the world’s health scientists had little understanding of how cancer cells grew and spread, so they didn’t know how to wage a war against this terrifying disease. But over the next few years, scientists studying the maturation of eggs in frog ovaries, the idiosyncratic behavior of mutant yeast cells, and the contents of sea urchin eggs made unexpected discoveries that laid bare many mysteries of cell growth and division, opening up new avenues for understanding and treating cancers.

**John Tyson, Ph.D.** was a professor of biological sciences at Virginia Tech for 42 years. John’s research focused on the cell division cycle and cancer. He and his wife, Linda, moved to Dock Woods in 2020. John grew up nearby in Horsham and Linda in Southampton. Besides Virginia, they have lived in Germany, Austria, England, and Hungary over the years, as John pursued his academic career.



## F2413

### The Wonder of Birds WITH DIANE ALLISON

Tuesday, November 5

10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Summit View Auditorium at  
Souderton Mennonite Homes

In the Wonder of Birds, we will explore the habits, migration, nesting strategies, and other things that make birds special. From hummingbirds to hawks to owls, come learn how birds interact with their environment and their strategies for survival in a dangerous world. We will also explore efforts in conservation that can help to protect our bird populations.

**Diane Allison** has been birding in Bucks County for nearly 45 years and has traveled internationally for birding. Diane has been the compiler for the Central Bucks Audubon Christmas Bird Count since 1999 and was the compiler for all of Bucks County for the Pennsylvania Migration Count from 1999 until its completion last year. She is a captain with Birdability, an advocacy group for more inclusive birding opportunities.



## F2414

### The History of Automobile Styling WITH WHITNEY "TIM" HARKLEROAD

Thursday, November 7

10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Fisher Auditorium at Dock Woods

The automobile, being a large visible purchase, has much to say about you and what you value. This talk will trace the influences that have driven the way automobiles have looked at any given time in their history.

These influences differ in other countries, so this talk is confined to cars made and marketed in the United States.

**Tim Harkleroad** earned a bachelor's degree in industrial design from the Pratt Institute in 1964. His first job was in the Styling Studios of the Ford Motor Company before moving to consulting. Jim started his own consulting business, Harkleroad Design Associates, which he ran until 2004. He has owned over 30 cars, including his current Tesla S, a Nissan Leaf, and a 1931 Ford Street Rod.



**F2415**  
**Composting: Turning Garbage into Gold**  
**WITH LEIGH KIESER**

**Tuesday, November 12**  
**10:00 to 11:30 a.m.**  
**Summit View Auditorium at**  
**Souderton Mennonite Homes**

Come learn to compost! This talk will cover beginning composting, including the different techniques for effectiveness, what you can and cannot put into your compost piles, and the three ways you can turn garbage into gold for your garden soil. There will be time for a Q&A following the discussion.

Master Gardener and Watershed Steward **Leigh Kieser** is a certified beekeeper and Audubon Ambassador.

**S2416**  
**Indian Cultures of the Northwest Coast: Haida, Tlingit, and Coast Salish**  
**WITH JIM TUFANO**

**Thursday, November 14 (Part 1) and**  
**Tuesday, November 19 (Part 2)**  
**10:00 to 11:30 a.m.**  
**Derstine Chapel at Dock Woods**

American Indian cultures of the Northwest Coast are unique compared to other American Indian cultures. They were never displaced from their native homelands, they were among the richest in food supply and natural resources, and they had complex social, economic, and spiritual practices. Learn a sampling of interesting characteristics and historical facts which best communicate the wonders of these great “salmon cultures.”

**Jim Tufano** has made a lifelong study of Native American history and cultures, traveling extensively to visit many reservations, museums, and other places of significance. Jim and his wife, Jean, are residents of Dock Woods.





**F2417**  
**Create a Tabletop Christmas Tree**  
**WITH GARY HAGUE**

**Tuesday, December 3**  
**10:00 a.m. to noon**  
**Hague's Wreath Barn**  
**755 Forty Foot Road, Hatfield**

***This class has an extra cost of \$33.00 and is limited to 15 people who can ride the shuttle from one of our campuses. All materials and tools will be provided.***

You'll leave this workshop with a finished tabletop Christmas tree to enjoy all season long! You will be given a demonstration and instructions on making an evergreen tabletop Christmas tree 18 inches tall. It is made in floral foam in a bowl and placed on a white birch base. The decorations on the tree are glass balls, mini pinecones, real winterberry, and gold star garland, and the tree is topped with a small bow.

**Gary Hague** has been making and teaching others to make evergreen wreaths and creations for over 40 years. He has won many state and national awards for them. His tabletop Christmas tree won first place at the PA Farm Show in 2023, and his centerpiece received first place at the 2024 Farm Show. Gary has been a Christmas tree grower for 51 years and was a middle school teacher for 36 years. Both classes will be held in his heated ground-level workshop with an accessible restroom.



**F2418**  
**Create a Christmas Centerpiece**  
**WITH GARY HAGUE**

**Wednesday, December 4**  
**10:00 a.m. to noon**  
**Hague's Wreath Barn**  
**755 Forty Foot Road, Hatfield**

***This class has an extra cost of \$33.00 and is limited to 15 people who can ride the shuttle from one of our campuses. All materials and tools will be provided.***

You'll leave this workshop with a beautiful centerpiece to enjoy throughout the Christmas season! You will be given a demonstration and instruction on making a Christmas centerpiece in a bowl and floral foam set on a white birch base. You will arrange evergreens and decorate your centerpiece with glass balls, real winterberry, pinecones, and yarrow. A candle or a stem of winterberry may be used in the center.



## F2419

### Music of the Christmas Season - 2024 Edition

**Tuesday, December 10 (Part 1) and  
Thursday, December 12 (Part 2)**  
10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.  
Derstine Chapel at Dock Woods

Come join us for this annual Christmas music class that will lift your spirits for the holiday season! Once again we will be listening to some beautiful Christmas music to help you kick off this festive time of the year. Session 1 focuses on the secular music of the season. In session 2, we will be listening to sacred music and carols. New this year will be a second listening of some recordings from previous classes as well as new recordings for 2024.

**Jim Smith** earned a degree in music education from Commonwealth University-Mansfield. A retired elementary vocal music teacher, he is the organist at Sanctuary United Methodist Church in North Wales. Jim and his wife, Sue, live at Dock Woods.

## CONNECT WITH LIVING BRANCHES

Curious about life at Living Branches? Get to know our campuses, residents, and activities on our website or Facebook page!

The website has calendars, menus, construction updates, photos, and digital editions of our Branching Out magazine. Visit [livingbranches.org](http://livingbranches.org) to browse our website.

You can also check the Facebook pages for Living Branches, The Willows of Living Branches, Souderton Mennonite Homes, and Dock Woods to see what residents are up to.

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		F2401 Accidental Presidents	Thursdays, September 5, 12, and 19 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.	Fisher Auditorium Dock Woods
		F2402 Mozart by Candlelight and Much More!	Tuesday, September 10 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.	Derstine Chapel Dock Woods
		F2403 Field Trip to Stoneleigh: A Natural Garden	Wednesday, September 11 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	Stoneleigh in Villanova Field Trip
		F2404 Engaging and Being Engaged by the Old Testament	Monday, September 23 Wednesday, September 25 Friday, September 27 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.	Summit View Auditorium Souderton Mennonite Homes
		F2405 Nutritious Snacks in a Time Crunch (FREE)	Tuesday, October 1 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.	Summit View Auditorium Souderton Mennonite Homes
		F2406 The Healing Power of Music (FREE)	Wednesday, October 2 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.	Summit View Auditorium Souderton Mennonite Homes
		F2407 As We Age: Stress Management Techniques (FREE)	Thursday, October 3 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.	Fisher Auditorium Dock Woods
		F2408 Chapters in the Story of the Bible	Tuesday, October 8 Wednesday, October 9 Thursday, October 10 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.	Summit View Auditorium Souderton Mennonite Homes
		F2409 Past Lives: Tales from the Teeth	Tuesday, October 15 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.	Derstine Chapel Dock Woods
		F2410 Important Financial Topics for Prudent Decision Making	Tuesdays, October 22 and 29 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.	Summit View Auditorium Souderton Mennonite Homes

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*Please be prepared to provide payment and contact information (including your phone number).*

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		F2413 The Wonder of Birds	Tuesday, November 5 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.	Summit View Auditorium Souderton Mennonite Homes
		F2414 The History of Automobile Styling	Thursday, November 7 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.	Fisher Auditorium Dock Woods
		F2415 Composting: Turning Garbage into Gold	Tuesday, November 12 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.	Summit View Auditorium Souderton Mennonite Homes
		F2416 Indian Cultures of the Northwest Coast: Haida, Tlingit, and Coast Salish	Thursday, November 14 Tuesday, November 19 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.	Derstine Chapel Dock Woods
		F2417 Create a Tabletop Christmas Tree	Tuesday, December 3 10:00 a.m. to noon	Hague's Wreath Barn Hatfield
		F2418 Create a Christmas Centerpiece	Wednesday, December 4 10:00 a.m. to noon	Hague's Wreath Barn Hatfield
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#### **THE LIVING BRANCHES MISSION**

Together we empower older adults and families to lead lives of purpose and joy, guided by the Mennonite tradition of care and service to others.

#### **The Willows of Living Branches**

2343 Bethlehem Pike  
Hatfield, PA 19440  
Tel: 215-822-0688

#### **Souderton Mennonite Homes**

207 West Summit Street  
Souderton, PA 18964  
Tel: 215-723-9881

#### **Dock Woods**

275 Dock Drive  
Lansdale, PA 19446  
Tel: 215-368-4438

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