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## ANNOUNCEMENTS SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2022



**CONSISTORY OFFICERS** *President:* Eric Minnich, VP: Jason Klinger, *Secretary:* Janice Metzger, Don Penrod, *Treasurer:* Marianne Kitzmiller

## OUR PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN THIS WEEK

To share a prayer request you may use the yellow prayer slips found in the racks in your seats and hand it to a pastor.

<u>Medical Issues:</u> Bill and Vincent with recent cancer diagnoses, speedy recovery for Pat, mom Grace recovering from a stroke, continued prayers for Ethan , Lora battling cancer, Veronica, Chester, Carolyn, Donna recovering from a hip fracture, Alta with MS, Tony, Elaine, Carson, Jack S., Grace recovering from a stroke, Susan facing a potential cancer diagnosis, Kerry, Linda with cancer, Cheryl, Leo, Brother in law, Barry with cancer, Debbie recovering from brain surgery

**General Prayers:** Dorothy, David, Vaughn for healing and strength, Christopher, friends for the friendless, family and friends of Bob Roth and Dave Fleming, Nancy for urgent healing and peace, John, Molly, Sharon for healing, Vicky for strength and comfort, sister for healing, strength and comfort, for the Buccanan family on Bucky's passing, family for healing, blessings for Andrew and Liz awaiting their baby, hope for rebuilding relationship with daughter, the DePari family on the passing of their beloved cat, Tiger.

**Gladys Kuhns turns 100!** Our dear member Gladys turns 100 on August 29! Please send her a card to help her celebrate: 4058 Ettornia Drive Walnutport, PA 18088



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**Regarding masks** – this has been a more than challenging time. Let's continue to support each other and show kindness as each of us decides how to respond to the ongoing pandemic and related issues.

### Worship in August

## There will only be a 10:30am worship service every Sunday through September 4<sup>th</sup>.

8am worship will return on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

We will have outdoor worship in the grove at 10:30am on the following Sunday:

#### August 28.

We will worship in the church if the weather does not cooperate..

#### August 28 10:30am Grove September 4 10:30am Sanctuary September 11 8am and 10:30am Sanctuary

<u>Special Story Share Series:</u> Would your child like to share their favorite book with other children? Ms. Tiffany is hosting a special zoom series held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of July and August. Children can sign up to read, or have an adult read, their favorite book on Zoom to Ms. Tiffany and other children. Ms. Tiffany will also have some fun activities prepared for these Zoom events. Sign up here: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4daca723a7fc1-special</u>

<u>Creative Creations with Ms. Tiffany:</u> Creative Creations is a Zoom series for children who are in 4th-8th grade. Supplies will be available for pickup at the church the Sunday before the scheduled Zoom meeting. Use the link to sign up: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4daca723a7fc1-creative</u>

<u>Confirmation 2022-2023</u>: Pastor Kayli is gathering the list of 8<sup>th</sup> graders (or older if not confirmed) for our upcoming Confirmation Class. Letters were sent out in early August for those we already have. If you know an 8<sup>th</sup> grader who might be interested, have them contact Pastor Kayli (<u>pastorkayli@unionucc.org</u>). Orientation is September 18, 2022 at 9:15am.

<u>Acolyte Training:</u> We'll be holding acolyte training for our next group of 7<sup>th</sup> graders on Sunday August 21, 2022 after 10:30am worship.

**Y.A.T. Meeting!** Join Pastor Kayli on September 25 from 11:30-12:30 to begin planning for all the adventures for the next year.

<u>PNEC Sleep Out for Homelessness</u>: October 15-16 at St. Matthews UCC, Kunkletown. Look for more info to come and let Pastor Kayli know if you're interested .

<u>The Northern Lehigh Food Bank</u> is in need of volunteers to unload boxes of food from the Second Harvest truck on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month from 8:30 am - 11:30 am. Help is also needed every Monday from 10:30 am - 11:30 am

to lift crates/boxes of food and organize/supply the shelves. Must be able to lift 25lbs. **Must be vaccinated.** Please call the foodbank at 610-767-9525 or talk with Julie or Phil Wehr.

**Giving through the Summer:** If you are headed for vacation time this summer and will be away from home and unable to worship here at Union UCC in person, consider e-giving as a way to support Union's programs in your absence. It's safe and it's easy. Go to Union's website at <u>unionucc.org</u>. Just click on "giving" and then on "ways to give" in the drop-down box. Then click on "Give Online" and follow the prompts. Should you have any questions, about e-giving in general or if you would prefer one-on-one assistance, John Harting would welcome your call at 610-799-2508.

<u>Penn Northeast Conference Booth at Lehigh Valley Pride</u> Come visit the PNEC booth on Sunday, August 21 from 12noon to 6pm. The event is at the Jewish Community Center at 702 N. 22<sup>nd</sup> St in Allentown. Another great way to remind each other that God's doors are open to everyone.

Baked Goods Needed for Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup> Blues Night Out 5-10pm Please bake: cakes, cupcakes, cookies, brownies, muffins, fudge, rice krispie treats, bar cookies. No pies, please. Hand pies are ok. We always like to have 1 sugar free option and 1 Gluten Free option. Please do not precut, our volunteers will take care of that. If possible, please use a disposable tray. Items can be dropped off on Saturday at the grove from 12noon to 5pm on Aug 27. Sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080e4ca8a823a7fa7baked7 Or call or email Marissa at Administrator@unionucc.org 610-767-6961 Free Admission, Bring a Chair; Food and Music

Church Office Hours	
Mondays Closed for Office Staff	To enter the building:
Tuesday-Friday Office Open 9:15-1pm	Press Intercom Button
Call/email for appointments with Pastors	Release to Listen
All of our schedules change, it is still best to call ahead.	Open door promptly
Urgent Pastoral Matters: Contact Pastor cell phones.	

<u>If you are in the hospital,</u> please notify a pastor or church office or ask a family member to do so. Please be sure to give the hospital our **church code (511)**. If we missed you during your hospital stay, let us know 610-767-6961.



## serving children and families experiencing homelessness

## Every child deserves a home.

We need your help hosting families in our church building 4 weeks a year.

- Help with set up and tear down.
- Cook and deliver a supper one night during the week. (4:45-5:15pm)
- Visit with families, serve supper, and clean up. (5:15-9pm)
- Host overnight (In your own area 9pm-6am).
- Assist with food shopping during the week.
- Offer financial support through your church donations marked "Family Promise."



Why do I volunteer?

It is a good feeling to know that you have helped to make someone's days a little brighter and lifted their spirits during a challenging time in their lives. - Deb & Fred Sanek

For more information, contact Susan Smith susancarrington@hotmail.com, Liz Normann liznormann@hotmail.com or Pastor Kris pastorkris@unionucc.org



## Sip, Dip & Mingle for a Good Cause

BUY YOUR \$25 TICKET TODAY (WILL BE MORE AT THE DOOR!)

TICKET INCLUDES A WINE SAMPLER OR A BEER SAMPLER FROM HOP HILL BREWERY & LOTS OF DELICIOUS DIPS TO TRY!

JOIN US AT ONE OF THE VALLEYS NEWEST WINERIES! THERE WILL BE AMAZING VIEWS, GOOD PEOPLE, RAFFLES, LAWN GAMES & MORE!

#### JOIN US TO RAISE MONEY TO HELP THE HOMELESS OF THE LEHIGH VALLEY!

Stone Farm Cellars Vineyard 5831 Vera Cruz Rd, Center Valley AUGUST 25 | 5pm-8pm





Neighbors in Need offering is focused on supporting organizations and projects that are serving homeless and immigrant neighbors or communities. One-third of NIN funds support the <u>Council for American Indian Ministry</u> (CAIM). Two-thirds of this offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM) to provide funding grants to UCC churches and organizations leading justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects in their communities.

# **BLUES NITE OUT**

will return this summer, for one night, and one night only to the Neffs Church Grove on Saturday, August 27.

Mark you calendars now and tell your family, friends, and neighbors to attend this community favorite event.

7-10pm

Bev Com and Band Sarah Ayers and James Supra

4-6:30pm

Hot dogs, turkey BBQ, sausage sandwiches, shrimp delight for everyone to enjoy, and don't forget about the home made desserts and Friendly's Ice Cream!

# **IT'S THAT TIME!**

WE WILL START TO RECEIVE YOUR DONATIONS OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES IN AUGUST. PLEASE BRING THEM TO WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS. DONATIONS WILL GO TO FAMILY PROMISE AND LEHIGH CONFERENCE OF CHURCHES.

ITEMS NEEDED INCLUDE: BACKPACKS, LUNCH BAGS, PENCILS, ERASERS, PENS, MARKERS, CRAYONS, GLUE STICKS, SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS, PENCIL CASES, KIDS SCISSORS, AND TARGET GIFT CARDS (\$10-\$20).

WE WILL CONTINUE TO COLLECT ITEMS THROUGH THE END OF SEPTEMBER. September 11th & 18th

# Backpack BLESSING

Students, Educators, School Workers -Bring your backpack and/or yourself to worship on Sundays, September 11th or 18th and we will bless you and your school year.

> Christian Ed Committee is selling reusable bags!

> > \$4 per bag or 4 for \$15



## HARVEST HOME WILL BE CELEBRATED ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2022.

Bring your canned goods, produce, cut flowers, cornstalks, herbs, etc. Food collected will be given to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank.

Sponsor the purchase of Mums for display. Please an order by filling out the form below. Make checks payable to Union UCC or order on our website under "Give Online" or by clicking

## here Deadline to sponsor is **September 11th**.

- I would like to sponsor # potted Mum(s) for a HOMEBOUND MEMBER.
- I would like to sponsor # \_\_\_\_\_ potted Mum(s) for **DISPLAY**. (You may pick up mums after the 9/25 10:30am service.

I will pick up my mums following the service \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_NO

Giver (envelope) #\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Name:

Total # of Mums\_\_\_\_\_ x \$6 per Mum = Total \$

In Honor Of:

In Memory Of: