

September Worship

Sundays 8:00 am and 10:30am in the Sanctuary and Livestream on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/unionneffs>

or on Facebook and Youtube <https://www.youtube.com/c/UnionUnitedChurchofChristNeffsPA>
anytime during the week.

September 4
10:30am Worship only

Labor Sunday

September 11
8am & 10:30am Worship

9:15 Education Hour/Sunday School
for Children Resumes, Blessing of
Students/School Staff/Backpacks

September 18
8am & 10:30am Worship

Blessing of Students/School Staff
Backpacks, Baptism, Children's
Church at 10:30 Worship Returns

September 25
8am & 10:30am Worship

Harvest Home

October 4
8am & 10:30am Worship
Communion Sunday

We've returned to ushers serving
communion in your seats. There is
cut bread and red wine/white juice
cups with a prepackaged gluten
free/juice option.

October 23
8am & 10:30am Worship

Guest Musician
Steven Courtney
with Special Coffee
Hour after both
services



STEVEN
COURTNEY
♥ ☆ ☺
SHARING
KINDNESS
& LOVE

Future Dates-watch for more information

Saturday, Oct 22nd
Trunk or Treat

Saturday, Dec 3rd
Lights in the Grove

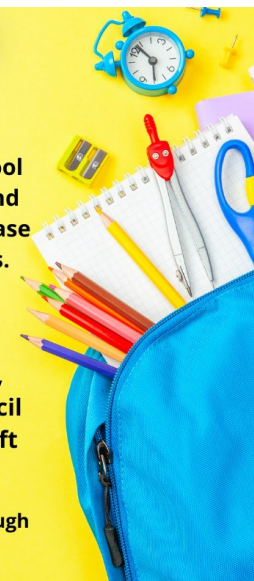
Sunday, Dec 11th
Parkland Chorale

SCHOOL SUPPLY DONATION

We are collecting donations of school
supplies to go to Family Promise and
Lehigh Conference of Churches. Please
bring them to worship on Sundays.

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.



PIG OUT at Union UCC's

BACKYARD BBQ BASH

September 24, 2022

4:00-8:00pm Neffs Church Grove

Free Admission

Live Music by **TimeWhys** (5:00-8:00)

Lorah's Pig Roasters and Chicken Dinners



UNION UCC, 5550 ROUTE 873, NEFFS PA 18065
610-767-6961

Band Sponsored By Heintzelman Funeral Home

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STEERING WITHOUT OARS FROM PASTOR KRIS

I'm about to start my 6th year as your senior pastor and my 26th year here at Union. I barely have any more grey hair than when I first started, ha ha. Time does indeed fly when you're having fun.

Thank you for all that you do to support my work here and the work that we do together. Union is one of the biggest blessings in my life. I do love my job and my calling here among you.

You know that one of the things I also love to do with you is dream and scheme about what more we can be or do to share God's love and grace. And that is what I'm feeling called to dig into next with our staff and leaders.

I've been working with a "Steering Without Oars" steering group made up of: Pastor Kayli, Aften Hamm, Eric Minnich, Jason Klinger, Brynn Buskirk, Brian Horwith, Carrington Smith, Susan Smith, Deana Correll, Don Penrod, Donna Christman, Jason Klinger, Phil Wehr, Marianne Kitzmiller, Joe Kornfeind, and myself.

We've been looking at the spiritual tradition of pilgrimage to talk about strategic planning. We're using a book called *Without Oars* that invites us to look at the oars in our lives that guide us and to ask what oars are still helpful and which ones might now hinder our journey. The idea is based on a tradition of early Christians who would set off in a boat with supplies for a few days but without any oars and wherever they landed that's where they would serve God. This pandemic time has certainly helped us hold onto the important oars in our lives as well as forced us to evaluate what oars we need to drop or pick up.

Soon I will be inviting a larger group of leaders and volunteers to jump into the boat with us on this pilgrimage for several retreats and gatherings over the course of the year. Please hold us in your hearts and prayers and find ways to jump into the boat with us as we look to God to steer and guide us.

I've also offered to serve on a Visioning and Discernment group for the Penn Northeast Conference of the UCC and another group doing this work with all 4 of the UCC Pennsylvania Conferences. I believe this work is important and that it's an important time to be doing it as we find ways to be the church here and now.

Giving God thanks for you. You're always in my heart and prayers, Kris

ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASSES WITH PASTOR KRIS

Fridays 9:30-11am, Room 5

September 16 and September 23

Sundays 9:15-10:15am, Room 5

September 18, September 25

Watch for more information about our next topic and book.

Please contact Pastor Kris if you'd like to join us in person or virtually by zoom or if you'd like a copy of the book if you can't join us.

MISSION THANK YOU LETTERS

Thank you for your generous gift of \$925 for our 2022 Summer Camp program. Every year we look forward to welcoming back the children in our community to our annual Summer Camp program. It is one of our favorite times of the year as we get to watch our new and returning campers make new friendships, create long-lasting memories, and participate in group sports and activities. We are so thankful for your support.

From Northeast Community Center of Bethlehem

Thank you for supporting our athletes in the Greater Lehigh Valley with your \$1,000 donation. Special Olympics uses the universal appeal of sport to bring people together and provide opportunities to be connected, get and stay physically active and fit, address health challenges and have fun. Your support is critical to allow our athletes to compete and shine.

From Special Olympics of the Greater Lehigh Valley

Today, Phoebe has one more reason to be grateful - You! Each year, thousands of older adults rely on Phoebe's compassionate, person-centered senior health care, programs and activities to enrich the mind and strengthen the body, and spiritual support through pastoral care. We are able to provide all of this and more to Phoebe's residents because you share our values and support our mission. We are grateful you chose to support Phoebe Ministries.

From Phoebe Ministries

We thank you for supporting our Habitat Madagascar project with your \$1,000 donation. Your support helps us play a vital role in conservation education and animal care programs, as well as support international animal conservation programs. Every day, the Lehigh Valley Zoo provides memorable experiences that connect people with nature and inspires them to protect animals and their habitats. Your contributions keep the zoo vibrant and growing with new experiences for our visitors.

From the Lehigh Valley Zoo

FROM THE MISSION COMMITTEE:

Thank you to all who have supported the Christmas in July collections of socks and underwear for 6th Street Shelter and the Allentown Rescue Mission. Thank you to all who have supported the collections of school supplies for Family Promise and Lehigh Conference of Churches.

Reminder - toiletry collections happen all year long - soap, toothpaste, hair care products, deodorant are items always needed at Lehigh Conference of Churches and the NL Food Bank. Please drop off toiletry items in the basket in Memorial Hall. Food collections also happen all year long for the Northern Lehigh Food Bank. Items needed all year long include cereal, canned soup, crackers, pasta, cake mixes and condiments.

These simple items make difference in the lives of our local families, thank you for caring and sharing God's Love. Peace to all.

FROM THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE:

This summer has been an exciting time to drive along Route 873 in Neffs to see the roofing crew working on our 160 foot tall steeple. Jake Diirner and his team make the drive up from Ephrata every day to work on the steeple. Only a few rainy days keep them from making the long drive to Neffs, and then they are back in their shop working on making new pieces of copper or aluminum for the steeple.

For six to eight hours a day, Jake is up in the high lift cage replacing bad slate, repairing the copper valleys and seams, installing new aluminum flashings and replacing deteriorated wood. When he is not in the high lift, he is sitting in the bosun's chair, hanging from long ropes and pulleys attached to the top of the steeple, talk about a chair with a view. He definitely is closer to God when working on our steeple.

We are grateful for their skills and talents in performing this major renovation to the steeple, a true landmark to the community, a testament to sharing God's spirit and love to the world. Stay tuned as they finish their work in the next few weeks.

STAFF UPDATES FROM PASTOR KRIS

Welcome to Payge Haydt! She's our Sunday Set Up Substitute! Payge is a junior at Northampton High School. Her parents are Tammy and Leon Haydt. You've seen and heard her beautiful viola music in worship.

Kiel Baer, our previous Sunday Set Up Substitute, is now the every Sunday Sunday Set Up Person. Welcome Kiel!

Thank you Maggie Cygan for serving this past year in this position. You did a great job and we wish you all the best in college.

Pastor of Visitation Pastors

Carrie Beleno and Susan Glosan will continue as our Interim Pastors of Visitation through April 31. Carrie's hours have been increased to 10-12/week to help her oversee Helping Hearts and Golden Times and Susan's have been moved to 2-3/week to accommodate her seminary schedule. They will continue to preach about once a quarter. They can be reached by contacting the church office.

Thank you church for welcoming them into your homes and hearts.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN FROM PASTOR KRIS AND ELIOT LIGHTNER

At this time, we have decided not to host a meal packing event this fall. We're using this time to regroup and reorganize.



Here are some ways that you can help us:

1. Offer to serve on the committee that organizes this event. Contact Eliot or Kris to get more info. Eliot Lightner (Eliot5779@gmail.com) We need at least 6 people willing to serve as coordinators. Areas needing your heart and hands: publicity, set up and clean up, organizing volunteers, sponsors, communication and appreciation.
2. Help us find businesses and people who would serve as financial sponsors and partners in helping to feed kids. Any amount is a huge help!
3. And the best part - we'll need hundreds of volunteers to take a shift or two at the event.

Our goal is to pack 100,000 meals which means we need to raise \$25,000. We've done it before, can you help us do it again?

FALL 2022 CHOIR SCHEDULE

Kids Choir

- Rehearsal's are on Wednesday's from 6-6:30pm
- Monthly performances at the 10:30am service
- **First rehearsal- September 14th**

High School Choir
(8th thru 12th grade)

- Rehearsal's are after the 10:30am service and last about 20 minutes
- Monthly performances at the 10:30am service
- **First rehearsal- September 18th**

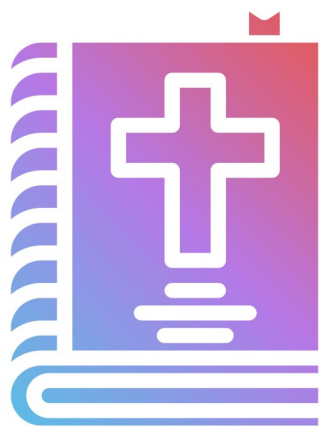
Heritage Choir

- Rehearsal's are every Sunday from 7:15-7:45am
- Performances are every Sunday at the 8am service
- **First rehearsal- September 18th**

Horizon Choir

- Rehearsal's are every Sunday from 9:15-10:00am
- Monthly performances at the 10:30am service
- **First rehearsal- September 18th**

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions and I'm looking forward to the upcoming musical season! Blake Hoppes
blake.charger@gmail.com 610-295-7805 (feel free to text)



FAITH FORMATION

FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Contact: Tiffany Lakatosh

Email: dired@unionucc.org



First Day of Children's Church is
September 18th.

Children ages 3 and up are welcome to attend.



BRING YOUR
BACKPACK AND/OR
YOURSELF TO
WORSHIP ON
SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 11TH
OR 18TH AND WE
WILL BLESS YOU
AND YOUR SCHOOL
YEAR.

DONUT FORGET ABOUT SUNDAY SCHOOL
KICK OFF EVENT

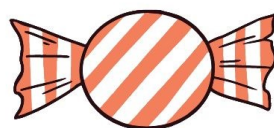


SEPTEMBER 11TH @ 9:15
IN FELLOWSHIP HALL



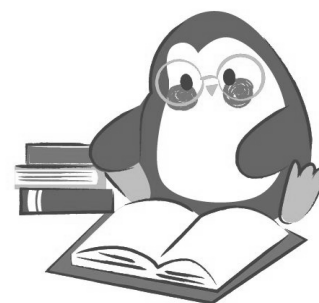
Children ages 3 to 7th grade and their
parents/guardians are invited to join Ms. Tiffany
and the Sunday School teachers and helpers for a
fun morning of games, crafts, and, of course,
donuts and drinks.

Sunday School takes place on Sunday mornings in
the months of September - May during Education
Hour, 9:15-10:15am.



Trunk or Treat will be
Saturday, October 22nd
1-3pm.

If you would like to
decorate a car and
hand out treats, please,
register at
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4daca723a7fc1-trunk1>



TALES WITH MS.
TIFFANY

EVERY SUNDAY ON
ZOOM
7-7:30PM

THE ZOOM NUMBER IS
875 2647 2962.



Sneaker Stroll

October 9th

Children should wear
sneakers to Sunday
School and Children's
Church that day.

Donations for Crop
Walk are appreciated!

CHURCH FAMILY WORSHIP
OCTOBER 23RD
WITH SPECIAL GUEST

STEVEN
COURTNEY



SHARING
KINDNESS
&
LOVE

**Superhero
Sunday**
September 18th
Wear a shirt with
your favorite
superhero or the
colors of your
favorite superhero.

Union UCC Youth Group

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith- 1 Timothy 4:12



**All Are
Welcome**



PNEC

Sleep Out for Homelessness

When: October 15-16

Where: St. Matthews UCC,
Kunkletown

More Info To Come

Let Pastor Kayli Know if
you're interested

YAY BACK TO SCHOOL!!!

Wishing all of our students a wonderful school year as you head back to the classroom! Holding all of you in prayer!



**BACK TO
SCHOOL!**

Sunday Education Opportunities for Youth 9:15am-10:15am

Munch Bunch—(5th thru 7th grades); 2nd Floor

Confirmation Class—(8th Grade); Youth Room
(Rm 15, basement)

High School Happy Hour— (9th thru 12th grade); Youth Room
(Rm 15, basement) or Zoom. 11:30am-12:30am

***New Opportunity Coming October 2022: God First
Wednesdays***

Y.A.T. Meeting!

(Youth Advisory Team)

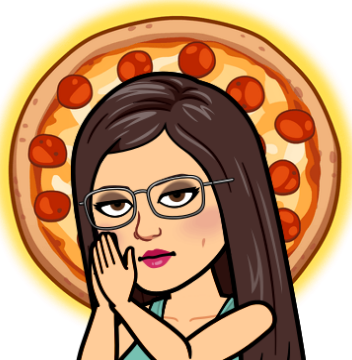
When: Sunday September 25, 2022

Time: 11:30am-12:30am

Where: Youth Room

Join Pastor Kayli to begin planning for all the adventure for the next year!
Everyone is invited! Lunch will be provided. RSVP using the link below

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F48AEAD2BA2FE3-yat>



KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS

We're wondering if you have any blankets to share?



1. We're looking for baptism blankets to give to our children and families. These are usually a softer yarn and smaller size.
2. St. Luke's Hospital in Bethlehem is seeking donations of handmade knitted or crocheted prayer shawls to comfort adult and pediatric hospital patients in times of need
~ Chaplain Naomi Madaras

Please drop off any donations on a Sunday or in our church office during the week.

ROOM OR HALL USE FOR MEMBERS

Members are now able to reserve the use of rooms in the church again. Contact Marissa in the office to see if your date is available, to complete the necessary forms, to learn the guidelines and process, and to pay the fees. One time use fees are \$60 plus a \$25 cleaning fee. We do not offer room use to non-members.

Little Lambs Nursery

As we begin to kick off the program year, and return to our fall worship schedule, we want to share the re-opening of our during-worship space for our youngest friends/parents. In the past, the Little Lambs Nursery has been a place that families can take their children, to be watched by a volunteer during worship. As we re-open the space, we are now encouraging parents to stay with their littles while still being able to enjoy worship. As part of our worship technology upgrades, we will be installing a TV set so experiencing worship is still accessible. We plan to also have a nursery supervisor, that will be there as an extra pair of hands, to help with questions, and welcome you into the space. We will still ask that parents sign into the nursery on the provided clipboard, just in case of incident. Besides the technology upgrade, as well as some minor cosmetic upgrades, we are proud to offer a space for nursing mothers. Within the nursery there is a dedicated clean space that welcomes mothers with infants for feedings during worship, or any time you are in the building. We appreciate everyone's patience as we have tried to reimagine how this space functions best for everyone. If you have a little, please use our Little Lambs Nursery.





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: _____

NEW ONLINE CAMERA AND SOUND EQUIPMENT FOR THE SANCTUARY

The last 2 years have taught us so much. One thing our church staff and volunteers are learning about is how to include people in worship and our life when they can't be in the building. I have about 20 sermons on this topic to share at some point! To say it's been a learning curve is an understatement. BUT our pastors and staff and volunteers keep stepping up their game, willing to try new things and learn new things all the time.

Our most recent upgrade is a new camera in the sanctuary which will be plugged directly into our sound system which should create better sound quality for those worshipping at home. The camera will also allow us to change the view of what's being seen at different points in the service.

This upgrade also included installing a TV in the nursery so that people can be watching the service from there.

All of these upgrades should improve the quality of online worship. Thanks for your grace and patience when we have technical difficulties. Let us know what you think when we get things up and running.

We couldn't do these things without the support of the **Funds of Lasting Gifts, Selig Electric, Entertainment Services Group (Mike and Nate), Jeff and Ronnie Herbine, Ed Normann, Phil Wehr, our awesome Sound Team, Pastor Kayli, Marissa Haney, and Sunday set up staff. THANK YOU!**

See Pastor Kris or Pastor Kayli if you are interested in being a Digital Host on Sunday mornings. You'll get to help with the camera and interact with our online community during worship.

August 2022 Consistory Actions:

These notes reflect items that needed action and approval by Consistory. Standing and routine items are reported by Committees and Staff throughout the newsletter. A complete copy of the Consistory minutes can be found in the church office.

Property & Maintenance:

Request for funds from FOLG for exterior painting of the NB addition and (2) sets of church doors and for trimming the oak trees in front of the church, dead branches and steeple lights.

Financial Leadership Team:

Request for funds from FOLG for Trunk or Treat and Lights in the Grove

This above request was given unanimous conditional approval.



Join Us For the Fall Season!



I am so excited to announce our first season as Valley Voices Community Choir! Our ensemble (formerly the Tri-Cees) has a new name, and new home in Union UCC in Neffs, PA. While our name and location has changed, our mission has not. This ensemble strives to provide the Lehigh Valley with a vocal music experience open to all! The ensemble is open to all ages and abilities, and hopes to enrich the

local community through music. The group will rehearse on Monday nights from 7pm-8:30pm and will start rehearsals on Monday, September 12th. Our season will conclude with a Holiday concert on **Tuesday, December 6th at 7pm**. There is a \$50 membership fee to join in each 15-week season. To join us for a season of fun and singing, click the button below to register online. If technology is not your forte (pun intended), registration can be completed the night of our first rehearsal. Please feel free spread the news, and I can't wait to get back to singing with all of you!

William Marshall, director
Valley Voices Community Choir <https://forms.gle/QZhBWkL6b87FM3kQ9>

Registration



**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

"Sigh's Turned into Song"



*Sacred
Voices*

IN CONCERT

DIRECTED BY SUSAN L. FRICKERT

Sunday, September 25, 2022 at 4:00 pm

**TICKET DONATION
\$10**

**UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH
5500 RT. 873 SCHNECKSVILLE, PA**

**610-767-6884
OFFICE@ULCLV.ORG**

God First Wednesdays

Are you interested in helping host supper?
Would you like to partner with one of us to
lead one of our groups? Do you have an
idea for a topic or activity? Reach out and
jump in with us.

Do you find it hard to make
time to put God first?

Or maybe Sunday morning
doesn't always fit your
schedule?

Are you trying to find more
ways to put God first?

We'll be offering a chance to put God first on the first
Wednesdays of the month starting on Oct 5th at 6pm.

Here's the schedule:

5:30-6:30pm Supper

6pm Kids Choir with Blake

6:30-7:30pm Children Offering with Tiffany, Middle and High
School Youth with Pastor Kayli, Adults with Pastor Kris

Other dates: November 2, December 7,
February 1, March 1, April 5



"A great place to share questions and meet
others while I'm working on my relationship
with the church."

Faith on Tap **God, Beer, and Conversation**

At the NEW Korny's Tavern at
Kornfeind's Market
2228 Old Post Rd, Coplay

Watch for the schedule on the Facebook page of our church or Kornfeind's
or in Sunday's worship bulletin.

Cost: Your drink (Beer, Wine, Iced Tea, Water), FREE Admission
Space is limited so you'll need to sign up to save your spot.

Led by **Joe Kornfeind**, the owner of Kornfeind's Market and Business
Professor at Muhlenberg College, and
Kris Snyder, Senior Pastor at Union UCC in Neffs.



"The 401G idea really has me
thinking about my spiritual
portfolio."



"What a good
night out!
No kids!! And
food for the soul."



"Thanks for FOT, it's an interesting
concept you are exploring."



OUR NEXT
DATES ARE
SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 18
AND
NOVEMBER 13.



401(g) Discipleship Portfolio

How are your summer faith investments doing?
In a 401(k) one invests resources for the future and retirement.
In a 401(g) (g=God) we are investing in our spiritual lives hoping for short and long term returns (blessings!), on earth as in heaven.

401(g) Ways to Invest in Loving God, Neighbor, & Self Wholeheartedly:

- g = God - worship, prayer, meditation, study, relationship. ALL the g's!
- g = good - do good/serve, create goodness, notice goodness.
- g = grace - receive and share God's grace.
- g = gratitude - express gratitude to God and others.
- g = generosity - give and love with your whole heart and life.
- g = gold - money, resources, treasures, material goods.
- g = goals - hopes and dreams, God's dream and mission.
- g = gifts—talents, friendship, compassion, kindness, love, fruits of the spirit, your passions and the world's needs intersect.
- g = grit and grind - perseverance, patience, hope, trust, courage, strength, growth, meaning, purpose.

From Pastor Kris and the Financial Leadership Team:
 Don Penrod, Marianne Kitzmiller, John Harting, Rick Klingensmith, Larry Todd, Aften Hamm, Phil Wehr



Caitlin Carlson and Daniel DeNure on July 30, 2022
 Cynthia Foerster and John Sarko Jr. on August 14, 2022

Women's Group Events



Contact: Pastor Kris

Saturday, October 8th Laughing Yoga with Alexa Drubay

Arrive at 10am in the Grove - Session is 10:30-11:30

We will end in the sanctuary with a meditation. Lunch is 11:30-12:30.

We'll come inside if it's too cold.

Cost: \$12 Sign up using link and sending in money (Checks to Union UCC - memo: Women's Yoga)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4CA8A823A7FA7-laughter>

Anyone and everyone can do this! A typical session includes laughter, movement, singing, dancing, breathing exercises, playfulness and stillness. It will be an up-lifting, energizing and joyful experience, and a great way to feel more creative, renewed, and free. Wear comfortable clothing and footwear and bring a water bottle. Bring a grumpy friend, your best friend, a family member, everyone is welcome!

Women's Retreat * April 28-30, 2023 * Trout Lake Retreats, Stroudsburg

Cost: \$150. \$75 deposit due December 4, \$75 balance due March 5.

Payment plans and financial assistance available.

Checks to Union UCC, Memo Line - Women's Retreat

Friends and Family members are welcome too. Help us meet our minimum of 25.

Leader and more Info: Pastor Kris

Join us by zoom for our monthly prayer and meditation gatherings.

Tuesdays 7-8pm

September 20, October 11, November 15

Zoom Link: [https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87680378046?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87680378046?pwd=QmozYWJFemJOVENCdWJBbzRpbDVIUT09)

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Meeting ID: 876 8037 8046 Passcode: 954906

Prayer and Meditation Retreat in Person

Saturday, December 10 9am-11am in person at Union UCC

**Meditation and prayer gatherings with folks from the
Penn Northeast Conference**

Thursdays at 12noon

September 15, October 6 and 20, November 3 and 17, December 1

Zoom Link: [https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81188127483?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81188127483?pwd=TzdmTFplaXVtMjRQSHY1K1hOdkV2dz09)

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Our blessings and prayers go to the friends and families of those who have passed.

David Fleming passed on June 22, 2022. Service was held July 23, 2022 at Union UCC. Donations were made in his memory by: Richard and Deborah Wenner, Brian & Karen Selig, David Porter and Suzanne Lilly, Dorothy Tzetzso, Bill and Janice Metzger, Kevin and Diane Richter, Vince and Nikki Smolczynski, Jacquelyn D. Beard, Lawrence and Linda Clemens, Douglas and Claire Kern, Krista and Benjamin Maxwell, Dr. Fred Kephart and Dr. Cynthia Patterson, Susan and Donald Rumble, Jane and Jeff Kunkle & family, Barbara & Robert Jennings, James & Susan Ondrey, Daniel & Debra Topp, Shirley Johnston, Philip & Julie Wehr, Donna & Nicole Teklits, Lloyd & Ardith Kuhns, Lois Dilliard, Donna Christman, Daniels and Halloran Families, Charles & Carol Mesics, Jeffrey & Elisabeth Gates, Dennis & Kathleen Foster, Gail Lafferty

Robert Roth passed on June 25, 2022. Service was held on June 30, 2022 at Heintzelman Funeral Home.

Golden Times

Golden Times is a gathering for our senior adults. Everyone is welcome, including friends. We start at 12noon with lunch (often soup, salad, and a sandwich) and then have a program until about 1:30pm. There is no charge to attend. Your support of the budget and the Funds of Lasting Gifts provides the funds. Contact the church office if you'd like to receive post card mailing reminders.

Dates for this year: October 4, November 1, December 6, March 7, April 4, May 2.

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Financial Report

Fiscal Year	Operating Fund	Designated Funds	Grand Total All Funds
7-1-2021	(\$4,682.00)	\$5,953.00	\$1,271.00
Income	\$34,200.00	\$8,710.00	\$49,916.00
Expenses	\$28,248.00	\$11,418.00	\$39,666.00
7-31-2022	\$1,270.00	\$3,245.00	\$4,515.00

Designated Funds category includes offerings for NIN, Mother's Day, OGHS, Lenten, Advent, Improvement Fund, Flowers, Directory, Bulletins, Phoebe Campaign, & special gifts.

Electronic Giving

If you are 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 unionucc.org. 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.

Dual Member Status Dual membership is available to people who wish to join our church but who want to also maintain membership at another church. Dual members will have the same rights and duties as a member. According to our Constitution members are required to commune and donate yearly. We look forward to continuing to welcome new members into the Christian journey with our faith family here at Union UCC.

New Member Sessions Are you thinking about deepening your faith commitment to Union UCC? We are hosting new member gatherings on **Sunday, October 9 and 16 at 9:15-10:15am**. To share your questions and interest in learning more about our church family contact Pastor Kris PastorKris@unionucc.org

Baptism We offer baptisms during worship at the 10:30 service every other month when we meet in person. Our next dates are Sunday, September 18 and November 13, 2022. Families can sign up to have their children baptized during the worship service in the sanctuary or in a private service with family and pastors. To sign up: Call the church office at 610-767-6961 or email Marissa Haney at administrator@unionucc.org

Weddings To schedule your pre-marriage sessions and wedding at our church or a venue with one of the pastors, please see be in contact with one of the pastors.

There is information on our website, forms to complete are downloadable. More information on the site: <http://www.unionucc.org/resources> for New Member, Baptism, and Wedding forms. To sign up: Call the church office at 610-767-6961 or email Marissa Haney at administrator@unionucc.org

SUPPORT GOD'S MINISTRY AND MISSION AT UNION UCC WITH YOUR DONATIONS.

OFFERING ENVELOPES. If you can't attend worship, you can mail your envelopes to the church. The church address is on one side, just add a stamp.

ELECTRONIC GIVING. Choose to give a repetitive contribution on a regular basis (i.e weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly), or make single contributions whenever you desire in an amount of your choice. These contributions can be made from a credit/debit card or be deducted from a checking or savings account. Electronic contributions are initiated from Union UCC's website (UnionUCC.org). Click on 'giving', then on 'Ways to Give' and follow the prompts. Feel free to contact John Harting (610-799-2508) or Don Penrod (610-398-2654) to answer your questions or demonstrate the process.

MOBILE GIVING. If you would like to give on the go, Vanco, the company that processes our e-giving transactions, has a mobile app that allows you to do so. Open your app search screen, search under "Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement" and follow the prompts.

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