

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, October 30, 2022

Rev. Kris Penrose Snyder, Senior Pastor
Rev. Kayli L. Freeman, Associate Pastor
Tiffany Lakatos, Faith Formation Minister of Children
Carrie Beleno/ Susan Glosan, Interim Pastors of Visitation
Mr. Blake Hoppes, Minister of Music

Marissa Haney, Church Administrator
Barbara Carinci, Financial Manager
Kiel Baer/ Payge Haydt Sunday Set-up
AJ DiPaolantonio, Night Lock-up
Maria Beltz/ Ori Handwerk, Facility Caretakers

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

THIS WEEK'S PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

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. Or submit [online here](#).

Medical

Veronica, Jack S., Susan,
Kerry, Linda, Cheryl, Leo, Brother
in law, Barry, Debbie, Connie,
Janice, Rich and Peggy, Ed, baby
Leah, Robert, Jim and Roseann,
Mary Lou, Barbara, Dorothy,
Marlene, Sherrie, Susie, Joan, Tina,
Gino, brother-in-law with early
Alzheimer's, Ed, Grace, Vic , Fred,
Ruth, a dad recovering from a
stroke, Colleen

General

Frank, Joan, Kevin, Kate, a sister for
healing and peace, Alta, daughter for
wisdom, Alea, Dave, Kay and family,
healing for a daughter, healing for
Dave, Rich, Bruce, Jeff, Dawn, Bill,
Margaret, Alea, Tonya, Allison, Calvin,
Valery, giving the Lord thanks for
helping my mom, safe return for dad, ,
Grace, Chris, Susan for healing, Reph
family on the loss of Patches,
continued improvement for Lisa's
health , Terry, safe travels for family
and friends, thanksgiving for Nancy's
healing.

If you are in the hospital, 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.

Upcoming 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.

October 30
All Saints Sunday

Remembering our loved
 ones lost this year.

November 6
Veterans Sunday

Remembering our Veterans
 and Recognizing our
 Active Military

NOVEMBER 13

Stewardship and 401(g) Sunday with
 our Financial Leadership Team
 Our Money Story: Remembering
 God's Steadfast Love for Us Through
 It All

November 20

Celebrating Our Heritage in
 Worship- Rededicating our
 refurbished steeple to
 loving and serving
 God here in Neffs.
 (see pg. 6 for more info)

REFLECTING *The Sacred*

Advent and Worship Series Starting November 27th

The Christmas season is a time when the juxtaposition of the sacred and secular
 feels sometimes blatantly opposed, and sometimes quite blurred. The word "sacred"
 points to something dedicated as "holy" and "set apart." This year, you are invited to
 a spiritual journey of seeing ALL things pregnant with the Holy. What could our
 experience of the Advent and Christmas season be like if we lived it imagining that
 everything is reflecting the sacred?

Follow along with a daily reading book we'll be using in our small groups: *Everything is Sacred*.
 Pick up a copy on Sundays or in the bin on the South side entrance during the week.



GOD FIRST WEDNESDAYS

November 2
 5:30-7:30pm

5:30-6:30pm Supper

Menu: Spaghetti and Meatballs, Salad, Carrots, Bread, Cookies

6:00-6:30 Children's Choir with Blake (All kids are welcome but not required.)

6:30-7:30 Kids with Ms. Tiffany (Parents can join or go with adults.)

Middle and High School Youth with Pastor Kayli (no Parents ha!)

Adults with Pastor Kris

Signup here:

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

Or email or text a staff member.

Do your best to sign up - but if you miss it, just come.

Future Date: December 7 'Putting God First on First Wednesdays

Veterans Day Recognition We have kept the names that have been submitted
 through the years and will recognize that list during worship. If you have
 never given us your information, please do so by October 31. Include your
 Rank/Title and Name, Branch of Military, Current Status and any special
 honors you'd like included.

Hurricanes 2022 Emergency Appeal

The United Church of Christ has issued an appeal to support immediate needs for families and communities affected by Hurricanes Fiona and Ian.

While this year's hurricane season started slow, the last two weeks have made it clear just how dangerous and destructive these storms can be. With wind speeds topping out at 130 miles per hour and 155 miles per hour, respectively, Hurricanes Fiona and Ian have left devastation in their wake. More than a week and a half after Fiona's winds left all of Puerto Rico in the dark, hundreds of thousands of people remain without power. Communities remain in crisis mode as the delivery of food, drinking water, and medical needs is challenged in hard-to-reach places cut off by downed trees, mudslides, and washed away bridges.

Millions have lost power and access to clean drinking water. The need for emergency food support, medical care, and temporary shelter is high.

Rev. Edward Rivera-Santiago, Pastor General of Iglesia Evangélica Unida de Puerto Rico shared that congregations across the island are reporting both church and community members whose homes are severely damaged, with some facing total loss. Solidarity grants from Global H.O.P.E. and Global Ministries have been sent to assist with immediate needs while basic infrastructure is repaired and more complete assessments can be made.

Meanwhile, Hurricane Ian has brought significant damage to Cuba, Florida, and the Carolinas. It is way too early to know the full extent of damage in Cuba and in Florida, yet early indications point to a recovery that will take many years – perhaps a decade.

Emergency response personnel are active. Relief agencies are meeting immediate needs where they can gain access to communities hard hit by the storm. United Church of Christ partners through National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster who focus on relief are implementing their plans. Global Ministries Area Executive for Latin America Angel Luis Rivera is in touch with bilateral partners. Conference leaders and Conference Disaster Coordinators are making contact, assessing needs, and communicating with the Global H.O.P.E. team so that help can be channeled, now and for the long term.

Your generous financial support will be used by our partners in the areas of greatest need, for relief and long-term recovery.

Donate directly by going to: <https://support.ucc.org/donate---hurricanes-2022>
If you prefer, you may mail a check payable to the **United Church of Christ, PO BOX 71957 Cleveland, OH 44194**. Please be sure to note "Hurricanes 2022 Fund" in the memo section. Thank you for your support.

NEXT HOSTING WEEK NOV 6-13



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 about how to volunteer contact
Pastor Kris pastorkris@unionucc.org

FALL in love with choral music this season! Mark your calendars now for these two choral masterworks.

For more details, follow the link below!

<https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/2022-fall-season-1064079?fbclid=IwAR1ukaFsrK506Nhn-yozWjbPvPfDEI13Ny2s7mlbMY-cYdNA3tEjh5Llob4s>

A poster for the "FALL SERIES" of choral masterworks. The background is dark blue with a wood-grain texture and is decorated with colorful autumn leaves (red, orange, yellow) at the top. The text is in white and gold. At the top, it says "INTERRUPTED SILENCE VOCAL ENSEMBLE". The first event is "MOZART: REQUIEM" on "November 6 @4:00 PM" at "St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Allentown | FREE". The second event is "HANDEL'S MESSIAH" on "December 17 @7:00 PM" at "Union UCC, Neffs | \$15". At the bottom, it says "Tickets are available via Eventbrite, Facebook, email, interruptedsilenceensemble@gmail.com or by scanning the QR Code." and includes a QR code.

Thanksgiving Prayer

**For each new morning
with its light,
For rest and shelter of
the night,
For health and food,
For love and friends,
For everything God
sends.
Amen.**



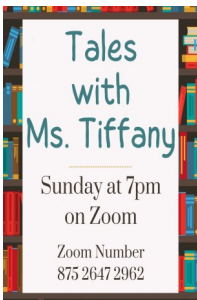
Harry Potter

FAMILY EVENT

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH

6PM-9PM

REGISTER FOR THIS FAMILY FUN EVENT AT
[HTTPS://WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/10C0F4DACA723A7FC1-HARRY](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4DACA723A7FC1-HARRY).



Reverse Advent Calendar

We will, again, be handing out baskets and advent calendars on 11/20 and 11/27 to interested families. The idea is to put something in the basket each day of Advent. If you are unable to pickup a basket we encourage you to sign up online using the link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4DACA723A7FC1-reverse1> and use your own basket, bag, or box and put in items each day of Advent. Please bring the filled basket back to church between Christmas Eve and January 1st and we will deliver your donations to the food bank. .

High School Happy Hour

All youth grades 9th-12th are invited to join Pastor Kayli and Deana Correll for a time dedicated just for you! We meet twice a month in the Youth Room (basement rm 15).

Upcoming Dates: November 6, November 20,
December 4, December 18

Talking Points: Holy Trouble Makers and Unconventional Saints

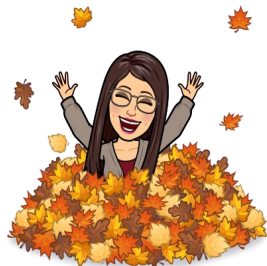
Time: 11:30am-12:30pm


Zoom or In Person Zoom Meeting ID:826 3087 5999 Passcode: 645635



Confirmation Retreat November 19, 2022 9:00am-4:30pm

All Youth 9th-12th grade are encouraged to join/help with this year's Confirmation Class for their retreat! It will be held in the Grove! Lunch will be provided. Let Pastor Kayli know if you can join & any food allergies





Celebrating Union UCC

Honoring the Past Celebrating the Present Building the Future

Serving and Loving God and Neighbor Here in Neffs for over 267 Years

Sunday, November 20 at 8am and 10:30am worship

Rededicating our 150 Year-Old Sanctuary and Refurbished Steeple
Special Music Led by Roni and Matt Gerry: Community Choir, Brass, Soloists
Quilt Raffle - Tickets available Sundays in November or Office on Weekdays

Honoring our Quilters
Cake and Refreshments

Psalms 65:1 Praise awaits you, our God... to you our vows will be fulfilled.



Raffle Prizes

- 1st: Queen size quilt by Busy Bee's
- 2nd: Quilted wall hanging
- 3rd: Quilted wall hanging
- 4th: \$25 Weis gift card
- 5th: \$25 Weis gift card
- 6th: Quilted wall hanging
- 7th: \$25 Weis gift card
- 8th: Afghan
- 9th: Wooden step stool
- 10th: \$25 Weis gift card

\$5 each / 3 for \$10

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

Meditation Gatherings with Pastor Kris

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

**Tuesdays 7-8pm
November 15**

Zoom Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87680378046?pwd=QmozYVJFemJOVENCdWJBzRpbDVIUT09>
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**

November 3 and 17, December 1

Zoom Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81188127483?pwd=TzdmTFplaXVtMjRQSHY1K1hOdkV2dz09>
Meeting ID: 811 8812 7483
Passcode: 348630

Lights in the Grove

Saturday, December 3rd

3-5pm

Raindate, Sunday, December 4th

FREE ADMISSION
DONATE HATS, GLOVES, SCARVES FOR THE 6TH ST SHELTER

- LIVE CHRISTMAS MUSIC
- CRAFTS FOR EVERYONE
- HOT CHOCOLATE AND SNACKS
- SANTA! BRING YOUR LETTER OR WRITE ONE HERE.

ENJOY THE LIGHTS THROUGHOUT DECEMBER

Union UCC
5550 Route 873 Neffs

SPONSORS LARRY, PHIL, AND JULIE WEHR
LIGHTS BY CHRISTMAS DECOR



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



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

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.

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



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



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.

November 1

~Entertainment by Joe Lazorik, "Good Times Piano Music"

~Please bring a small dessert to share

~Donations for food bank: Cereal

Upcoming dates: December 6, March 7, April 4, May 2.

New Member Session

Are you thinking about deepening
your faith commitment to Union UCC?
To share your questions and interest
in learning more about our church
family contact Pastor Kris
PastorKris@unionucc.org

Baptisms

We offer baptisms during worship at
the 10:30 service every other month.
Our next date is **Sunday, November
13, 2022 and January 15, 2023**. There
is a pre-baptism zoom session with the
pastor the week before. Sign up by
calling the church office at 610-767-
6961 or emailing Marissa Haney at
administrator@unionucc.org. The
pastors will work with you if the
scheduled dates are a conflict.

Adult Faith Formation Classes with Pastor Kris

Fridays 9:30-11am, Room 5: November 4, 11, 18 (No Class Nov 25)

Sundays 9:15-10:15am, Room 5: November 6, 13, 20 (No Class Nov 27)

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.

Church Office: (610)767-6961

Office Fax: (610)767-7128

www.unionucc.org

[Facebook.com/unionneffs](https://www.facebook.com/unionneffs)

Church Office Hours

Mondays Closed for Office Staff

Tuesday-Friday Office Open 9:15-1pm

Call/email for appointments with Pastors

All of our schedules change, it is still best to call ahead.

Urgent Pastoral Matters: Contact Pastor cell phones.

To enter the building:

- Press Intercom
Button
- Release to
Listen
- Open door