

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, October 9, 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, Carolyn, Donna Alta,
Elaine, Carson, 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, a friend Ray

Hospital

Good Shepherd- Ron Pope
LVHCC- Grace Schneck

General

Frank, Joan, Kevin, Kate, Barry, a sister
for healing, Alta, daughter for wisdom,
Alea, Dave, healing for parents and son
-in-law, 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, safety for
Grandmom through the Hurricane,
healing for PopPop's knee and give
him strength and happiness, all those
affected by Hurricane Ian, Grace

Thoughts and prayers

To the family and friends of Chester Bostick who passed on Sunday, October 2,
2022. Services were held on October 7, 2022.

To the family and friends of Miriam Wehr who passed on Monday, October
3, 2022. Services were held on October 8, 2022.

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 16
**Healing Service/
 Pray with a Pastor**

Jazz Ensemble

November 6
Veterans Sunday

Remembering our Veterans
 and Recognizing our
 Active Military

October 23

Guest Musician
 Steven Courtney at
 both services, New
 Members
 Received



STEVEN
 COURTNEY
 ♡ ☆
 SHARING
 KINDNESS
 & LOVE

November 20

Celebrating Our Heritage in
 Worship- Rededicating our
 refurbished steeple to loving
 and serving God here in Neffs.

October 30
All Saints Sunday

Remembering our loved
 ones lost this year.

Future Dates-watch for
 more information

Saturday, Dec 3rd
 Lights in the Grove

Sunday, Dec 11th
 Parkland Chorale



GOD FIRST WEDNESDAYS*

November 2 & December 7

5:30-7:30pm

5:30-6:30pm Supper

Menu: Hot Dogs, MacNCheese, Apples, Tastykakes

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.

Putting God First on First Wednesdays

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 autumn leaves in shades of orange, red, and yellow. 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.



UNION UCC
**TRUNK
OR
TREAT**

JOIN US FOR A SPOOKTACULAR FAMILY
FRIENDLY HALLOWEEN EVENT!

OCTOBER 22, 2022
1 PM – 3 PM
AT UNION UCC GROVE PARKING LOT

Join us and Union Lutheran church, which is just a short
walk away, for a safe family friendly Halloween
celebration!

WOULD YOU, YOUR BUSINESS, OR AN ORGANIZATION YOU ARE
ASSOCIATED WITH LIKE TO DECORATE A CAR AND BE PART OF
THE HALLOWEEN FUN?

REGISTER AT
[HTTPS://WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/10C0F4DACA723A7FC1-
TRUNK1](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4daca723a7fc1-TRUNK1)



**KIDS NIGHT OUT
A.K.A.
PARENTS NIGHT OUT**

October 24th 5-8pm
Kids age 4 to 10 are welcome to attend!

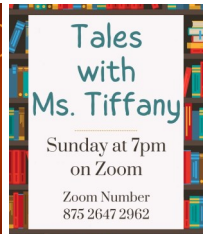
Dinner and snacks will be provided.
We will also have crafts, games, and fun
activities.

Register your child at
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4daca723a7fc1-kids1>



OCTOBER 30TH

WEAR YOUR HALLOWEEN
COSTUME TO CHURCH



**Tales
with
Ms. Tiffany**

Sunday at 7pm
on Zoom

Zoom Number
875 2647 2962

Youth Group

PNEC Sleep Out for Homelessness

When: October 15-16

Where: St. Matthews UCC, Kunkletown

Let Pastor Kayli Know if you're interested



Trunk Or Treat!

Join Pastor Kayli in decorating her car for our Annual Trunk
or Treat!

When: October 22, 2022 (rain or shine)

Time: 1pm-3pm (arrive at 12pm to begin decorating)

Where: Grove Parking Lot

Sign up using the link provided: [https://
www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0f48aeadd2ba2fe3-trunk2](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0f48aeadd2ba2fe3-trunk2)



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.

Women's Group Events

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

October 11, November 15

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

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

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)

[pwd=TzdmTFplaXVtMjRQSHY1K1hOdKv2dz09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81188127483?pwd=TzdmTFplaXVtMjRQSHY1K1hOdKv2dz09)

Meeting ID: 811 8812 7483

Passcode: 348630


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 problems and 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, and our awesome Sound Team. 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.



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.

Upcoming dates: November 1, December 6, March 7, April 4, May 2.

New Member Session

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

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
October 21 (No class Oct 14 and 28) Sundays 9:15-10:15am, Room 5
October 16, 23 (No class Oct 2 and 30) 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.

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.

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