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OUR PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN THIS WEEK

Please <u>click here</u> to put a prayer request in. The pastors will include your prayers in their daily devotions and in next week's worship bulletin. We invite you to take this list home and include it in your prayers during the week as well.

Medical Issues: Maverick, Traci, Johanna, Harry, Shirley, Mel, Ron, Marlene, David, Fawn, Rhonda, Sally, Tami, Eleana, Bertha, Carolyn, Lynn and Jeanne, Norman.

Life's Challenges: health care workers, essential workers, those without work, people who feel unsafe going to work, families that have lost loved ones to this virus, everyone dealing with stress and anxiety, Periann and her family on the loss of her grandmother.

Gratitude: for educators and students, for people helping others, for the sun and signs of Spring, for God's gift of Easter and new life, healing and hope.

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.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS APRIL 10 & 12, 2020

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WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Look for us on our Facebook page, website, Instagram page, and Youtube channel.

If you can't be there at 10:30am, you can watch anytime after that.

April 12 Easter Sunday Worship online at 10:30am

We will share in virtual communion. Try to have a cracker or bread or something available to represent the body of Christ and some juice, wine, or water to represent the blood of Christ.

April 19 Worship online at 10:30am Red Nose and Easter Joy Sunday with Tootsee the Clown

April 26 Worship Online at 10:30am

Children's News

Congratulations to **Dimitri Shivok**, **Zoey Slade**, **Gavin Gross and Sabastian Young** for completing their First Communion Class. It was our very first ZOOM First Communion Class, where they learned the how's, why's, when's, what's and where's of communion. They will be able to celebrate their first communion virtually. We can't wait until we are all together again to celebrate communion together in person.

We miss our children and our children miss their friends. **Send us an EASTER PICTURE!** It can be hunting for eggs, eating a chocolate bunny, watching our church service, having Easter dinner, anything! Please send the picture to 484-262-9470. Mrs. Bonsell will put the pictures together and post them on our facebook page and Instagram. The kids can then see their church friends celebrating Easter! (Not limited to pictures of just children!)

GRATITUDE CHALLENGE: We challenge you to jot down three things a day that you are grateful for. Our VBS friends can look for God Sightings. Look for the positive, the silver lining, what makes you smile! Snap a picture of a God Sighting or a picture of your gratitude list for the day and send it to us. Send to 484-262-9470.

Youth and Young Adult News

<u>Youth Group Virtual Hang-outs!</u> Make sure to watch for emails! If you want more information contact Pastor Kayli (pastorkayli@unionucc.org)!

<u>Youth Sunday!!</u> Youth Sunday has been postponed until May 31. Our hope is that those who signed up to participate on the original date, will be available on May 31. Seniors, you'll still need to write your sermons. Look for emails with more information.

<u>Youth Group T-Shirt Sales!</u> We will continue to sell t-shirts when we can be together again. T-shirts are \$6.00 with proceeds benefitting the youth group. Thank you to Dylan Kuntz for designing the artwork on the front.

<u>Young Adults</u> (ages 18-35) are welcome to join in our Computers, Coffee, and Conversation. A virtual group that gathers to discuss TED talks or podcast episodes, how they relate to where we are in life, and how our faith shapes that. If you'd like more information or would like to join the group, please contact Pastor Kayli (pastorkayli@unionucc.org). The next virtual gathering is **April 14 @ 7pm**.

Friday Morning Adult Class with Pastor Kris 9:30 am-10:30am Online—contact Pastor Kris to log in. April 10 and 17 – No Class

April 24 (chapters 3&4) (and May 1 chapters 5&6)

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The Grace of Les Misérables, author and pastor Matt Rawle

<u>MEDITATION GATHERINGS</u> – Looking for new ways to handle stress? Want to try or deepen your meditation practice? **Join us online—contact Pastor Kris to log in**.

Future dates: April 21, May 5. Pastor Kris and Carrie Beleno.

COUNTRY SALE-The country sale on May 2 is cancelled this year.

<u>UNION UCC'S FIRST FITNESS FUSION FESTIVAL</u> — Saturday, June 13th from 9am-12pm - This event is free and will offer 30 minute classes on Zumba, Yoga, Pilates Yoga Fusion and Reiki/Meditation. You are invited to sign-up for 1 or more than 1 class. There will be light, nutritious snacks and drinks along with wellness vendors available for healthy lifestyle information and purchases. We hope to see you for some exercise, networking and to help you learn something new about wellness. Please contact Jenna Hoffert (484 -695-6223 or <u>jenna_stout@yahoo.com</u>) with questions, to register for a fitness class or to sign-up as a vendor.

<u>IRON PIGS GAME</u>-Church Trip to the Iron Pigs will be on Saturday, June 27th for a 6:30 p.m. game. John Snyder-Samuelson has 45 out of 66 tickets still available. Please contact him at 484-809-3815 if you are interested. Cost per ticket is \$11.

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<u>SEWERS AND HELPERS.</u> Karla Bachl works at Lehigh valley Hospital and is collecting home made masks for hospital staff there. She has placed a bin on the south (Schnecksville) porch at church for your donations. All patterns and fabric are accepted. Here's one link to use for making the masks. There are several out there.

 $\underline{\text{https://vimeo.com/user11252937/review/399305630/8e27c1181c}} \ \ \textbf{Thank you!}$

<u>FOOD BANK</u> Union UCC provided 215 five pound bags of potatoes to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank for their Easter Distribution of food on Saturday April 4. Thank you for supporting Union UCC's mission to the community.

HELPING MEALS MINISTRY

Thank you Amy McCoy! Amy has been the coordinator of our Helping Meals ministry for the last several years. She has been the voice and face of this important ministry and has always done an excellent job coordinating volunteers and the needs of our members. We cannot thank her enough for her devotion and care. Amy, thank you for being a blessing to our church family.

Welcome to Pam Minnich and Connie Gioielli who will be our new coordinators.

Please contact them if you'd like to be added to the list to help cook and deliver meals. Pam Minnich (Pip.edrn@gmail.com) Connie Gioielli (c gioielli@yahoo.com) We are always looking for people who can make a meal for our families when they face a challenging time. You can also donate a Weis or DiFiores Restaurant card and give it to the church office for a pastor to share with a family. You would probably only need to help about 4-5 times a year. If you are in need of meals, please contact one of the pastors.

Welcome New Consistory! From Pastor Kris

Giving Thanks to God to Consistory Members Finishing Their Service: **Jeff Herbine, Don Wingate, Suzanne Schneider, Edie Fella, Dede Bilger.**

Giving Thanks to God for those returning for a second term: **Aften Hamm**

Giving Thanks to God for those starting their first terms: Suzanne Lorah, Todd McCoy, Michael Roth, Donna Christman, Kerry Snyder, Jason Klinger

The April newsletter is cancelled, since news is changing so quickly. We are using postcards, emails, Facebook, and Sunday's online worship to help share information. We are also mailing the bulletin to those who might not be online. If you'd like to receive the bulletin by mail, or if you'd like to receive our weekly emails, please contact Marissa at the office 610-767-6961 or administrator@unionucc.org.

Community and church groups have been cancelled through the end of April. The building will remain locked.

If you need something from our office, staff, or pastors please do not stop by but call or email us instead. Church Office 610-767-6961

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Easter Flowers

Thank you for sponsoring Easter flowers for our members on the visitation list and/or to decorate the sanctuary. Your thoughtful generosity is such a blessing to us.

The flower order has been cancelled from our vendor due to the Corona Virus. We are sorry they won't be available for you.

If you'd like to use your order to sponsor Mums in September, we will be glad to transfer your donation to do so. You can also get a refund. Please contact Marissa at 610-767-6961 or

administrator@unionucc.org to let her know your preference.

Easter Blessings, Pastor Kris and Pastor Kayli

Easter Flower Sponsors

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Mother & Father Wehr

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Albert B. Stubbmann

Shirley A. Long/ Stanley J. Correll

Fred & Ruth Roberts by: children, grand-

children & great-grandchildren

William D & Hattie Nagel George/ Allen M & Ethel Schneck George/ William D George II/ Allen M George Jr. / Oliver & Lena Peter Schneck/ Paul E & Mabel Kleckner Kern/ Jacob & Esther Holben Weber/ Ruth Roberts/ Kitty Schneck/ Warren & Joyce Kuntz

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parents and grandparents

Clifford Reph

Mothers

Mom and Dad

Grandparents and Father, Fred Selig III

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Dorothy Follweiler

Ida Heim & Beverly Stout

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Leoma Kern and family

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and Peggy Ressler Husband & Father

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Farmers

grandchildren & great-grandchildren

Richard Blose

Ray, Dawn, Jennifer, & Jolene

Veronica J Fabian