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# ANNOUNCEMENTS MAY 24, 2020

# 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.

**Medical Issues/Cancer:** Ron and Sueann, Dorothy, Patsy, Rose Marie, Marie, Carolyn, Shirley, Nancy, Sonia, Bobbi, Charlie, Rosemary, Charlotte with cancer and her family during this time, Laura in ICU and her family, Robin at home with covid 19 who lost her partner to the disease and for all who must work now and be placed in uncertain conditions, Phyllis facing testing and surgery, strength and peace for Marilyn during her upcoming surgery, Harrison and Lynn with health issues, Nancy facing a recurrence of cancer, good test results for a two year old, Maverick, Eleanor, Norman, Jan's mother Evelyn, Christine and Gary starting cancer treatments, Denise facing procedure, Victoria, Ferne Strauss.

**General Prayers:** those who have lost loved ones, the family of Mary on her passing, prayers to Sybil, Jerry, & Herman on the passing of brother Alton, the workers who have lost their jobs because of the pandemic and the managers who have to make the call, Jack who lost his wife, Rhonda's family and friends as they mourn her passing.

**Thanksgiving:** grateful for local farmers and food banks doing all they can to support the community, our teachers and educators, all the nurses and doctors who are taking care of our loved ones.

Hospital: Richard Blose and Ferne Strauss

**Prayers and blessings**: To the friends and family of **Rhonda Santilli**, who passed on Monday, May 18, 2020 in her home. A memorial service will be announced at a later date.

<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.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### 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.

**May 31 Online Worship at 10:**30am "Y[our] Story" YOUTH SUNDAY – Pastor Kayli Virtually or not, our youth have a story to tell! Join us as we celebrate the youth in our church and all they do. High School seniors will be giving the sermon, other youth will participate in readings, and music. And it will be an awesome way to show that our stories are all connected.

June 7 Online Worship at 10:30am Holy Communion – please plan to have bread/ crackers and wine/juice/water prepared in your home to share in communion together. June 14 Online Worship at 10:30am LIVE Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting at 11:30am by Zoom. Watch for directions to log in online or by phone.

June 21 Online Worship at 10:30am Celebrating the fathers and men of Union UCC. June 28 Online Worship at 10:30am

# Virtual Coffee Hour by Zoom

After Worship **May 31,** June 7 and June 28 (no June 14 due to Semi-Annual Meeting and no June 21 due to Father's Day) 11:30 AM –12noon

Watch for a separate weekly email with the zoom info or contact one of the pastors for login information. Bring your snacks and coffee and see your friends. We miss you!

## **Children's News**

Rocky Railway VBS 2020 has been derailed until 2021.

<u>Sunday School and Children's Church</u> coin exchange is postponed until fall. Put your coins in a safe place!

### Youth and Young Adult News

<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 (<u>pastorkayli@unionucc.org</u>).

### Groups

<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 date: June 9 and 23. Pastor Kris and Carrie Beleno.

**IRON PIGS GAME**-Church Trip to the Iron Pigs will be on Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup> 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. **GOLDEN TIMES**-June gathering is cancelled.

# UNION UCC'S FIRST FITNESS FUSION FESTIVAL - Cancelled.

SEWERS AND HELPERS. 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. https://vimeo.com/user11252937/review/399305630/8e27c1181c Thank you! CLOTHING SHED- The clothing shed will be closed for a few weeks. They are not able to accept any new donations at this time. Please do not leave any bags or donations outside of the bin.

**FOOD AND TOILETRY COLLECTION-** To help support the Northern Lehigh Food Bank and Lehigh Conference of Churches, we will begin collections of food and toiletries. Please drive to the large northside parking lot, and drop off your donations in the large boxes under the porch entranceway. Collections will take place every Sat. and Sun. through June 28 from 8 - 4, just drive by and drop off, the Mission Committee will deliver to both agencies on a regular basis. Items needed include: cereals, cake & brownie mixes, jelly, condiments, hand soap, toothpaste and toilet paper. Local families continue to be served by both agencies, your donations continue to make a difference in their lives. Thank You, The Mission Committee.

ATTENTION ALL GRADUATES- Please fill out the form at <a href="https://docs.google.com/">https://docs.google.com/</a> forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeiBw-xC1vqD8rwShwt7u2 oXCdmdF7cJ93V6x46SJB1nbPaw/</a> viewform?usp=sf link so that we can recognize your accomplishment.

**FAMILY PROMISE-**The steering committee for Family Promise is very grateful to report that we had a successful( alternative) hosting this week. The last two families are staying at Staybridge Suites on Airport Road. Our church was asked to provide meals or gift cards to aid the families during this unusual hosting situation. We were blessed with 8 Volunteer families who donated either restaurant or grocery gift cards. These cards were delivered on Saturday to very appreciative families. Thank you to all who helped to fulfill our commitment to this important mission.

<u>Mission Moment</u>: One of our young adults, **Nate Kern**, is training for a triathlon in July in memory of his friend **Kyle Burkey** who died by suicide. Please show your support by cheering him on and praying for him as he trains. If you are able to make a financial donation here's the information: Donations to the Jed foundation can be made in our effort at <u>donate.jedfoundation.org/fundraiser/2727444</u> Donations for the KB Memorial Scholarship Fund can be made at <u>gofundme.com/f/iron-mind-fund</u>

#### Community and church groups have been cancelled through the end of June. 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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