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### OUR PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN THIS WEEK

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

MAY 31, 2020

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: 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, Christine and Gary starting cancer treatments, Denise facing procedure, Victoria, Ferne Strauss, Raymond Hoffman

**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, Jan and her family on the passing of her mother Evelyn.

**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: Raymond Hoffman at LVCC

**Prayers and blessing** to the friends and family of **Curtis J. Frantz** who passed on May 25, 2020. Private services were held in the Heintzelman Funeral Home, Inc.

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.

### **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.

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>Graduates</u> Congratulation's to our 2020 graduates. Please note the list was printed prior to all information being obtained. If you were missed please let Pastor Kayli know.

<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).

#### 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 is cancelled. John Snyder-Samuelson will be in contact with those that have purchased a ticker.

GOLDEN TIMES- June gathering is cancelled.

UNION UCC'S FIRST FITNESS FUSION FESTIVAL - Cancelled.

<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. https://vimeo.com/user11252937/review/399305630/8e27c1181c Thank you!

<u>CLOTHING SHED-</u> 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.

Mission Moment: 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 <a href="donate.jedfoundation.org/fundraiser/2727444">donations for the KB Memorial Scholarship Fund can be made at <a href="gofundme.com/f/iron-mind-fund">gofundme.com/f/iron-mind-fund</a>



## **High School Graduates**

#### Jeanette Abel

Graduating from LCTI w/ focus on early child care. Attending LCCC to obtain associates degree to pursue career as paraprofessional to work with children with special needs.

### **Madison Amorim**

Graduating from Northern Lehigh HS. Attending Moravian College in fall for Nursing.

#### Rachael Bath

Graduating from LCTI. LCCC to finish academics w/ major in fine arts & graphic design, followed by art school.

# **Christopher Bath**

Graduating from LCTI. Plan to go into workforce and fire academy to be a career firefighter.

#### **Nicholas Beers**

Graduating from Northwestern Lehigh HS. Attending Penn State in fall majoring in Mechanical Engineering.

### **Jason Check**

Graduating from Northern Lehigh HS, valedictorian. Plans to attend Drexel University in the fall, majoring in Business Management with a minor in Economics.

Future plans include running for President of the United States in 2044.

# Abbey Hafler

Graduating from Parkland HS. Attending Florida Southern College, majoring in Exercise Science on the pre-physical therapy track.

## **Tegan Haley**

Graduating from Parkland HS.
Attending LCCC in fall on Honors
Scholar program, majoring in Chemistry.
Abby Hill

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Graduating from Parkland HS. Attending Duquesne University in fall majoring in Music Education with a vocal concentration.

#### Gabriel Horvath

Graduating from Parkland HS. Attending LCCC in fall to study Mechanical Technology.

### Madelyn Kohler

Graduating from Emmaus HS. Attending University of Maryland in fall majoring in Bioengineering.

### **Dylan Kuntz**

Graduating from Northern Lehigh HS. Attending Lock Haven University in fall, majoring in the Accelerated Physician's Assistant Program and a member of the Global Honors Program.

#### Rebeka Lorah

Graduating from CCTI. Attending LCCC in fall majoring in Business Administration.

### Madison Milander

Graduating from Parkland HS.
Attending University of Rhode Island in the fall, majoring in Marine Biology.

### Jacob Roth Nathan Zazo

Graduated January 2020 from CCA.

#### **Brandon Zellner**

Graduating from Northern Lehigh HS. Attending Cedar Crest College in fall majoring in Nursing.

## **College Graduates**

## Kimi Bath

Graduated, Magna Cum Laude, from Temple University, with a B.A. in Advertising. Hoping to get a job in strategy at an advertising agency.

# Megan Bonsell

Graduated from LCCC, with an AAS in Hotel Resort Management.

## Michaela Boyer

Graduated from Muhlenberg College, with a B.A. in Political Science. Plan to take some time off, then apply to law school.

### Mitch Carlson

Graduated from University of Maryland, with a bachelor's degree in Biomedical Engineering. Plans to work as an engineer for a year then go to medical school.

## **Courtney Gelb**

Graduated from Elizabethtown College, double major in Health and Occupation and French. Plans to return to Elizabethtown in fall to pursue a master's degree of Occupational Therapy, after summer internship at St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem.

## Abigail Kern

Graduated from Thomas Jefferson University, with a B.S. in Interior Design. Plans to continue master's education for an M.S. in Sustainable Design.

# Jillian Krempasky

Graduated from Westminster Choir College with a Bachelor's in Voice Performance. Plans on attending Shepherd School of Music at Rice University to pursue Master's of Music in Voice performance.

## Trisha Nagle

Graduated, Suma Cum Laude, from Kutztown University, with a B.S.E.D. in Elementary Education. Currently applying and searching for a teaching position, once job attained, plans to get master's degree.

## Josephine Steidinger

Graduated from North Carolina State University with a degree in Biomedical Engineering. Attending Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine in the fall.

# **Advanced Degrees**

## **Ashleigh Albert**

Graduated from Lehigh University, with a Master's in Special Education. Certifications in English and Special Ed. 7-12. She is seeking a full-time teaching position.

### **Caitlin Carlson**

Graduated from James Madison

University, with a Master's Degree in Elementary Education. Hopes to get a teaching position in the Lehigh Valley.

## Lauren Klingensmith

Graduated with a Doctor Of

Medicine (MD) degree from Albert Einstein College of Medicine, starting a residency in Pediatrics at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.



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.

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