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ANNOUNCEMENTS MAY 3, 2020

OUR PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN THIS WEEK

Please [click here](#) 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: Maverick, Traci, Johanna, Harry, Shirley, Mel, Ron and Sueann, Marlene, David, Fawn, Rhonda, Sally, Tami, Eleana, Bertha, Carolyn, Lynn and Jeanne, Norman, Jean, Traci and family, Friend Nancy with cancer, Martha, Luther, Cheryl and Leia, Mary in the hospital.

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, the Stahley and Schlosser family on the loss of their father and grandfather Glenn, Fred Wagner and family on the passing of his dad. Helen Lewis and Carol and their family on the loss of Helen's brother Rick, Roger and Deb Moyer on the passing of Deb's father, Gloria Christman Toner and her family on the passing of her husband, Liz's nephew Ryan, Fawn's friends who have lost loved ones

Gratitude: flowers in our grove, Easter joy, finding ways to be grateful, heart pictures of our church family, worry stones to help us ask God to hold our hearts and worries.

Prayers and blessings: To the friends and family of **Ruth Miller**, who passed on Thursday, April 23, 2020 at The Phoebe Home, Allentown. Private services were held on Monday, April 27, 2020 in the Heintzelman Funeral Home, Inc.

To the friends and family of **Dr. Richard Wotring Gemmel** who passed on Saturday, April 25, 2020 at Cedarbrook Fountain Hill. A private service was held Friday, May 1 in the Heintzelman Funeral Home, Inc.

To the friends and family of **Hilda Nagel** who passed on Monday, April 27, 2020 at Fellowship Manor, Whitehall. A private service was held 10:30 a.m. Friday, May 1, 2020 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.

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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.

May 10 Online worship at 10:30am, Guest Preacher Rev. Allan Kramer-Moyer, Celebrating the women and moms in our church family

May 17 Online Worship at 10:30am Heart of the Matter- Kept in Our Heart – Pastor Kris

May 24 Online Worship at 10:30am Heart of the Matter – Open the Eyes of My Heart – Pastor Kris

Memorial Sunday - We will remember those who have lost their lives in military service and give thanks to all who serve. Our brass and instrumentalists will join us.

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.

Youth and Young Adult News

Youth Sunday!! 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.

Youth Group T-Shirt Sales! 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.

Young Adults (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

MEDITATION GATHERINGS— 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: May 5 and 19. Pastor Kris and Carrie Beleno.

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

UNION UCC'S FIRST FITNESS FUSION FESTIVAL – 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 jenna_stout@yahoo.com) with questions, to register for a fitness class or to sign-up as a vendor.

IRON PIGS GAME—Church Trip to the Iron Pigs will be on Saturday, June 27th for a 6:30 p.m. game. John Snyder-Samuels 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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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.

FROM THE FINANCIAL LEADERSHIP TEAM-Good news....Union UCC is the recipient of a federal loan under the Paycheck Protection Program established under the recently passed CARES act. The intent of the Program is to help small businesses, including organizations like the church, to sustain their ongoing operations and keep their staff employed. Importantly, the act allows for a portion of the loan to be forgiven as long as the proceeds are used to cover eight weeks of payroll costs and other costs like utilities and rent. For Union UCC, it is estimated that approximately \$50,000 of the loan proceeds related to our payroll and utility costs (**about 70% of the total loan**) can be forgiven....a huge help in keeping our staff employed during these critical few months

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 on May 2 & 3. 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. in May 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 https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeiBw-xC1vqD8rwShwt7u2_oXCdmdF7cJ93V6x46SJB1nbPaw/viewform?usp=sf_link so that we can recognize your accomplishment.

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.

Congratulations

Confirmation Class 2020

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Maxwell Bilger	Robert & Tracey Bilger	J.D. Fekula
Samantha Christman	Gregory & Wendy Christman	Ardith Kuhns
Lila Cygan	Brendan & Molly Cygan	Dixie Gross
Kelsey Gelb	Damon & Kelly Gelb	Ashleigh Albert
Zachary Grim	Gavin & Jodie Grim	Randy Bilger
Payge Haydt	Leon & Tammy Lorah-Haydt	Eric Minnich
Naomi Henninger	Dion & Tara Henninger	Judy Stubbmann
Leah Horvath	David & Rachel Horvath	Kathi Charles
Tori McCoy	Todd & Amy McCoy	Dave DiPaolantonio
Kayla Schwarz	David Schwarz & Kelly Pahlus	Edie Fella
Katilin Solt	Michael & Patricia Solt	Deana Correll
Gracie Trexler	Scott & Michelle Trexler	Deana Correll



Kudos to Our Confirmands

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