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# ANNOUNCEMENTS JUNE 14, 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:** Dorothy, Patsy, Rose Marie, Marie, Carolyn, Shirley, Nancy, Sonia, Bobbi, Charlie, Rosemary, Phyllis, Marilyn, Harrison and Lynn, Nancy, Eleanor, Christine and Gary, Denise, Victoria, Ferne, brother in end stage ALS, Mikey, Fawn, Jillian whose cancer has returned, David facing a procedure.

**General Prayers:** people returning to work and more places opening up, workers who have lost their jobs because of the pandemic and the struggling business, leaders making decisions on our behalf, for conversations and actions that will end racism, for our church family and all communities of faith, our country and world during this COVID time, for those who have lost loved ones - Jack who lost his wife, the families and friends of Norman Hunsicker and Ray Hoffman, Rhonda's family and friends as they mourn her passing, Prayers for Ed and Liz Normann on the passing of Ed's father, the Micocci family, peace and solidarity to be restored in not only our country, but around the world.

**Thanksgiving:** for summer strawberries and asparagus, for high school and college graduates and the schools and communities that nurture them, kindness and compassion, God's love and grace.

**Prayers and Blessings:** To the friends and family of **Sandro Micocci**, who passed on Sunday, June 7, 2020. A private funeral service will be held in the Heintzelman Funeral Home

<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.

June 21 Online Worship at 10:30am Celebrating the fathers and men of Union UCC. June 28 Online Worship at 10:30am July 5 Online Worship at 10:30

#### PRAYER VIGIL

On **Sunday**, **June 14**, **2020 at 2 pm**. The Penn Northeast Conference is asking our UCC churches to hold A Prayer Vigil for Peace and Justice. Please join me on the front steps of our church to pray together. Bring a candle to light. Each of our UCC congregations across the conference and the country, utilizing good social distancing and protection guidelines (wear a mask), are asked to gather outside their church buildings to hold lighted candles, offer prayers for peace, and stand in solidarity with our siblings of color. Our mobilization of nearly 5,000 congregations makes a huge impact on the spiritual health of our nation and speaks to our willingness to act in faithfulness. - Pastor Kris

## VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR BY ZOOM

After Worship **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!

## WATER BALLOON CHALLENGE

**Sunday, June 28** (raindate Monday June 29) Join us in the Union UCC parking lot for our water balloon challenge. Arrive at 7:45-8pm. Event ends at 9pm. BRING a TOILETRY (Shampoo, Toothpaste, Soap, Deodorant) as a Donation to Lehigh Conference of Churches. For every item you bring you get a water balloon to use to help 'cool off' the pastors and staff. Stay to hang around for ice cream (non-dairy option too), sparklers, a blessing and church bell songs. Plan to wear a mask and practice 6 feet social distancing. We encourage everyone to stay in their cars.

## 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 (<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 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.

**<u>GOLDEN TIMES</u>**– June gathering is cancelled.

<u>UNION UCC'S FIRST FITNESS FUSION FESTIVAL – Cancelled.</u>

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.

**FAMILY PROMISE:** The steering committee for Family Promise is very grateful to report that we had a successful( alternative) hosting in May. 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 to very appreciative families. Thank you to all who helped to fulfill our commitment to this important mission.

OUTDOOR YOGA: Yoga is a beautiful mind-body practice to ease stress and find balance on and off the mat. Learn how to connect breath to movement and "move" better in your body. This all level class will be held outside in the beautiful grove. Dates: June 18,25 July 2,9,16,23,30 August (no class 8/6) 13,20 & 27 Time: 6-7pm Bring: your own mat, blocks and a strap (if you have), a beach towel, water, a pen (to sign in/waiver weekly), a mask. Payment: \$8 drop in fee (with a portion of proceeds given back to church each class) preferred payment links: Venmo: sharon-schnyder OR PayPal: paypal.me/sharonschnyder however cash or check in an envelope accepted as well. \*Following Governor's guidelines regarding COVID-19 masks are to be worn for arrival and departure but can be removed for practice and we will adhere to social distancing. We do have access to pavilion in case of rain but If I need to cancel class I will post it to my website: <u>1asanamama.blogspot.com</u>, to a Facebook post thread and perhaps an email.

Offering (e-giving, envelopes, and plate)	
Last Week	\$9,864.00
Calendar 2020 (Jan- April)	\$158,605.00
Calendar 2019 (Jan- April)	\$143,816.00
Change from Last Year	+10.1%
Budget (July-April)	\$360,190.00
Actual (July-April)	\$342,423.00
Giving vs. Budget	-4.9%
Additional financial information available in Consistory Minutes	
2020 Donations to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank:	

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

140lbs, \$30

5,138lbs, \$2,065

Last <u>Week:</u> Total YTD:

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