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## ANNOUNCEMENTS AUGUST 2, 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, Frank who is dealing with diabetes and vision issues, Nancy for continued healing, Rock starting dialysis, Veronica, Sharon recovering from surgery, Amber and Scott's baby, neighbor Linda, Nancy, Emily, Ann, Christina, Stanley, Gale, Mary going through chemotherapy, Luke, Barbara

**General Prayers:** Patty for peace and strength, Eugene's family, Jess, Isabella, and Mickey and their family, Gabe, Max and Jared, Sherri and granddaughter Autumn, Paula, for the various ways that we are struggling with Covid issues.

**Thanksgiving:** our Consistory, Pastors and Staff as they lead us during this time, for fresh vegetables and fruit (even zucchini), the faithful generosity of our church family, the chance to worship together in person

**Hospitals:** LVCC: Ann Fortney, LV17: Bob Smith, St. Luke's: Bertha Recovering at home: Marilyn Hill, Barbara Kidda, Susan Andrews

Congratulations and blessing to **Steve and Leslie Strack** on the birth of **Sylvia Katherine Strack** born on July 23, 2020 at 7 lbs 13.9 oz and 20 inches.

Prayers to the family and friends of **Lorraine A. Van Norman**, who passed on Monday, July 27, 2020. Private services were held on Friday, July 31,2020.

Hospital Information: Pastors are still not allowed to visit church members when they are in the hospital, however, we'd like to be able to call on the phone and pray with you or your family. Currently most chaplain offices are no longer able to provide us with accurate information by church code. We suggest that if you or a loved one is in the hospital that you or a family member contact the church office directly to let us know. Better yet, please use our email or cell phones to contact a pastor directly. We don't want to miss the chance to walk through this time with you. Thank you! Pastors Kris, Kayli and Patience

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

We will continue to offer online worship through Facebook, our website, and Youtube. Please join us there every Sunday. We are now posting the service at 8am. Join us then or any time after that on Sunday or during the week. Bulletins and announcements are posted through links on these pages too. If you are not able to go online, we are glad to mail you a paper bulletin of the service each week, this includes weekly announcements. Contact Marissa in the office if you'd like to receive the bulletin in the mail or receive our weekly emails. 610-767-6961 administrator@unionucc.org

You can now listen to our service by phone by calling 610-410-9595

You can view the weekly bulletin and announcements on your phone by scanning the QR Code below. (open your camera app, point at code, and tap to open link)



August 9 Outdoor worship at 10:30 am in the Grove. Online worship posted at 8 am. August 16 Outdoor worship at 10:30 am in the Grove, Online worship posted at 8 am. August 23 Outdoor worship at 10:30 in the Grove, Online worship posted at 8 am. <u>CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC MUST GO ON!</u> Join your church family for our annual picnic, with a few upgrades. Sunday August 23. 10:30am worship will be held in the Grove, featuring the musical stylings of Bev Conklin and the BC Combo, following all social distancing guidelines. After worship, stick around for a pre-made bagged lunch made by Kornfeind's (vegetarian and gluten free options available) as well as some music...almost like a mini Blues Night Out! If the weather doesn't cooperate...come by anyway for some lunch and a smiling face to greet you on the North (Neffs) side parking lot covered patio.

# A complete letter was mailed, emailed and posted. Please be sure to read the rules and guidelines to worship in person.

<u>Calling all 8<sup>th</sup> graders!</u> Letters have been sent out inviting you to join in this years confirmation class. If you haven't received your letter or know someone who may be interested in joining us, please let Pastor Kayli know so she can get you all the information. All information can be found on our website as well. Orientation will happen on September 20, 2020 at 9:15am.

<u>Kathy Bonsell is retiring!</u> We are so sad to announce that after 23 years Kathy has announced her plans to retire on September 30th . We are so very grateful for her incredible ministry here and for all that she (and her family) have done on behalf of our children and families all these years. We wish her all the best in this next chapter of her life. We will plan to celebrate her on Sunday, September 27th . If you'd like to participate in a church-wide gift for her, <u>please send your check made to Donna Christman to 5820 PA</u> <u>Route 873, Slatington, PA 18080</u> or you can mail it to the church as well. Please consider writing her a thank you note from you and/or your children (both young and now adult!). Your thank you notes will be compiled into a book for her. <u>Send your thank you</u> <u>notes to Pastor Kris at the Church (Union UCC 5550 Route 873 PO Box 66, Neffs,</u> <u>PA 18065</u>). Please make sure all gifts and notes are received by September 20, 2020. We will be forming a search committee search and will share information as we move through the process.

FOOD AND TOILETRY COLLECTION- Please share your donations to help support our neighbors at the Northern Lehigh Food Bank and Lehigh Conference of Churches. Come to Northside (Neffs) parking lot, and drop off your donations in the large boxes under the porch entranceway. Collections will take place every Sat. and Sun. from 8 - 4. The Mission Committee will deliver your donations on a regular basis. Items needed include: cereals, cake & brownie mixes, jelly, peanut butter, canned soup/veggies, pasta, condiments, hand soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothrush/toothpaste and toilet paper. SCHOOL SUPPLY DONATIONS As you shop for school supplies please consider donating additional supplies to area agencies. You can share your donations on the North Porch (where the food and toiletries are being collected) on Saturdays and Sundays. Items needed include: pens and pencils, crayons, markers, wirebound notebooks, and folders. **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: 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: 1asanamama.blogspot.com, to a Facebook post thread and perhaps an email.

**Excersice Classes in the Grove** Wednesdays 8/12, 8/19, 8/26, & 9/2 **PiYo Live** is a music driven fitness class that combines elements of yoga and Pilates to strengthen and sculpt your body using your own bodyweight. \$5 Tine: 7-7:45 pm. Core & More is designed to strengthen and tone the body core using a variety of exercises and weights. \$4 Time: 8-8:30pm Things to bring: yoga mat, water, sweat towel, light weights (core & more) a pen (to sign in/waiver weekly), a mask To pay online using PayPal use the following link <a href="https://paypal.me/tiffanylakatoshfitne">https://paypal.me/tiffanylakatoshfitne</a> Cash and check are also accepted but must be in a sealed envelope. If I need to cancel class I will post it to my Facebook page (Tiffany Lakatosh Fitness), Instagram (tiffanylakatoshfitness) and send an email. Teacher: Tiffany Lakatosh Contact her with questions:

<u>tiffanylfitness@yahoo.com</u> \*Following Governor's guidelines regarding COVID-19 masks are to be worn for arrival and departure but can be removed for class and we will adhere to social distancing.

Offering (e-giving, envelopes, and plate)	
Last Week	\$9,556
Calendar 2020 (Jan- June)	\$183,538
Calendar 2019 (Jan- June)	\$201,052
Change from Last Year	-8.7%
Budget (July-June)	\$492,000
Actual (July-June)	\$470,023
Giving vs. Budget	-4.5%
Additional financial information available in Consistory Minutes	

2020 Donations to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank:	
Last	\$25
Week:	
Total YTD:	5,570lbs, \$2,210

Community and church groups have been cancelled until further notice. 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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