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## ANNOUNCEMENTS JANUARY 24, 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/Cancer:** Healing for Marilyn, Jeff, Jack for healing, healing for Janet, For Gale who has cancer and is undergoing surgery, June recovering from surgery, Larry and Chris, Arlene and Beverly, Jane, Dorothy, Susan, Sherrie, Jane, Jane, Dave and Dolly, Sue, Paul, Emily facing surgery, a daughter and her family, Nancy for strength, peace, and healing after surgery, Darren for strength & healing as he battles COVID, Joe for continued healing. All the people battling COVID, their families, their nurses, doctors, Sharon's family, young adult, Joan, Gloria, Tara, Kay, For my sister Mary who's cancer has returned and is going through additional treatment, Lauren, Lou, Mary

**General Prayers:** Peace & strength for Kathy, strength for Jenn in her upcoming move, for those that grieve the loss of loved ones, strength and rest our students and educators and school staffs, Nancy, Jack, Jeff, Fran, Marilyn, Richard and Lisa, strength and calmness for Kathryn, Ann for guidance and peace, Patty and her children, Sharon and her family, Judy's family and friends, strength for new parents Jillian and Jeff, Dave, Jane and Katie, Pat

**Thanksgiving:** Thank you God for holding our lives and us, grateful for COVID vaccines.

**Congratulations and blessings** to parents Lora and Jeff Frey on the birth of **Rowan Jeffrey Frey** on January 16, 2021. Grandparents are Sharon and Paul Schenkel.

Hospital Information: Pastors are 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.

# 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](mailto:administrator@unionucc.org)

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

**January 31, February 7,14,21,28 Sunday Worship Online Only - Log in on our website/ youtube channel or Facebook page or call in by phone to listen 610-410-9595.** Contact the office if you need help.

**January 24 11:30am LIVE Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting by Zoom.** See information for details to log in online or call in by phone (Just like we did in June 2020).

**February is the month of LOVE!**

**Receive some love and share some love!**

**Sunday Drive-Throughs in February Feb 7, 14, 21 and 28 11:30am-12:30pm**

Stop by at the church parking lot (North/Neffs side) and see Pastors Kris and Kayli. We will be masked and handing out communion (for you to take at home) and offering an individual blessing or prayer. The Welcoming Committee will have a goodie bag for you too.

This is also a good time to drop off your soup donations for Souper Bowl Sunday and any other food or toiletry donations for the month.

If the weather is awful, we will cancel and post it on Facebook or you can call or email us to check.

**Rev. Patience will be available on these days and times by phone for anyone who wants to call in for a blessing or a time to pray. 610-248-5587**

You are welcome to call any of the pastors anytime to set up a time to talk or visit. We send our love and prayers. We're here for you.

**Adult Class on Fridays, via Zoom 9:30-10:30am**

January 22, 29, February 5, 12, Everything Happens for A Reason (and Other Lies I've Loved) by Kate Bowler Kate Bowler, a professor at Duke University school specializing in the prosperity gospel, was living a "blessed" life: At thirty-five, she had a great job, a loving husband and a new baby. Then she is diagnosed with Stage IV colon cancer. Forced to reckon with her mortality, she faces the limits of the prosperity gospel and the can-do spirit it celebrates. Is illness a moral failure? What does it mean to die in a society that insists everything happens for a reason Kate is stripped of this certainty and discovers that without it, life is hard but beautiful in a way it never has been before.

February 19, 26 March 5, 12, 10, and 26 The Passion Play with Rob Fuquay. Travel to Oberammergau, Germany as we learn about Jesus' last days and how this story is presented in this town each year since 1634. Contact Pastor Kris for a book and the zoom info.

**HIGH SCHOOL HAPPY HOUR:** All youth 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join in our "new" Breakfast Club Sunday gathering. Join us when you can or every time! It's a chance to build your faith, talk real talk, and be together. We will meet via Zoom every other Sunday at 3:30pm-4:30pm. Watch your email for the log-in and our virtual classroom or contact Pastor Kayli ([pastorkayli@unionucc.org](mailto:pastorkayli@unionucc.org)) for the info. Next meeting January 24.

**EDUCATION HOUR WITH MRS. PUJA-** Mrs. Maryann Puia is serving as our Interim Director of Christian Education. She and a team of awesome teachers and helpers are excited for this new adventure. You can sign up to join us at any time. We meet online every Sunday during the Education Hour, 9:30-10:00am (Preschool-4th grade) If you sign up we'll send you leaflets that include family activities for during the week. Children earn 5 coins for every attended session. If you are interested in having your child(ren) participate, please send an email to Marissa in the office at [administrator@unionucc.org](mailto:administrator@unionucc.org). Please include the best email to receive a ZOOM invite and your home address so we can send you a packet of the fall leaflets.

**TUESDAY CHURCH NIGHTS ON ZOOM ( CONTACT PASTOR KRIS OR THE CHURCH OFFICE FOR LOG IN INFORMATION)**

**Meditation Gatherings** Looking for new ways to handle stress? Want to try mediation or work on deepening your practice? Join us on the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 7-8 pm. **February 9, March 9, April 13**

**Happy Hour** Pastors Kris and Kayli will offer a time to catch up, hang out, laugh and relax together from 7-8 pm on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. **February 16 Shrove Tuesday, March 16, April 20**

**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.

**2021 ENVELOPES-** The 2021 envelope packets have all been mailed out. If you have not received yours, please contact the church office. Members on the e-giving program do not receive envelopes. Please use the initial envelope in your packet to offset the cost of printing and mailing the envelopes. During the past year, while worship has been virtual, or in the grove, we have been so grateful for members mailing in their donations in their envelopes on a regular basis to support the missions and ministries of Union UCC. We are equally grateful to those on our e-giving programs. Thank you, The Financial Leadership Team

**Do you play an instrument?** If so, please contact Mitchell Roth, our new Instrumental Choir Director. He will help to organize players to play special music or hymns and to play on special occasions like Veterans Day and Christmas.

**Mitchell Roth** [mgroth2005@gmail.com](mailto:mgroth2005@gmail.com) (484) 633-1152

**ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!** The Neffs UCC Preschool is offering a \$250 Scholarship to a graduating senior who plans on continuing their education. The senior must be a graduate of the preschool and submit an essay by March 1<sup>st</sup>. The essay should be 500 words or less in which the applicant tells about themselves, their future plans, and a preschool memory. Application forms are available online at [neffsuccpreschool.org](http://neffsuccpreschool.org).

**Semi-annual meeting zoom info:  
January 24 11:30am LIVE Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting by  
Zoom.**

Join Zoom Meeting online with this link:

[https://zoom.us/j/98624524688?  
pwd=OU54eG0zRXZ3V0xER1RNOHV4RUFGZz09](https://zoom.us/j/98624524688?pwd=OU54eG0zRXZ3V0xER1RNOHV4RUFGZz09)

Meeting ID: 986 2452 4688

Passcode: 354936

Or call in by phone:

+1 646 876 9923 US (New York)

**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  
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