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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FEBRUARY 28, 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:** Joe for continued healing. Sharon's family, young adult, Joan, Gloria, Kay, Lou, Mary, my brother, Bob, who has Alzheimer's, Denise, Gary for speedy recovery from surgery, Fawn, Marianna, who is undergoing a heart ablation due to AFIB, Chester, Jess, Brett and family, Joyce, Stanley, Jillian, Charlie, those struggling with mental health

**General Prayers:** Peace & strength for Kathy, strength for Jenn in her upcoming move, strength and rest our students and educators and school staffs, 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, Dave, Jane and Katie, Pat, Teresa on the loss of her sister, Karen & John, Lou & Mary, Praying for the family of Beth Dymond, comfort and peace for all who grieve, healing for Nancy, Jeff, Jack, healing and strength for those suffering from COVID 19, and strength for their families, Richard and his base serving in Iraq, Susan and Bob Glosan and family

**Thanksgiving:** Thank you God for holding our lives and us, grateful for COVID vaccines. Thanks for all those people with unsaid and often unknown names doing good deeds to help others unknown, for healing and new life.

**Hospitals:** Richard Blose at LVHN

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

**February 28 Sunday Worship Online Only. March & April Sunday Worship will continue online and by phone.** Contact the office if you need help.

**February is the month of LOVE! Receive some love and share some love!**

**Sunday Drive-Through in February Feb 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.

**Sanctuary Quiet Times - Do you miss being in the sanctuary?**

Come and sit in the sanctuary for some quiet time and prayer. Stay for a few minutes or the whole hour. Doors will only be open for this hour. Attendance limited to 25. Sign up using the Sign Up Genius Link or call the office. **Wednesdays at 12noon – 1pm March 3, 10, 17, 24, Good Friday, April 2 12noon – 1pm, Sundays at 12 noon – 1pm March 14, 21, 28 with Music by Blake.** Enter using the north or south doors, the front doors will be locked. You will need to sign in, wear a mask and socially distance. Pastors will be here to greet you and say a prayer with you if you'd like.

**Holy Week Open House Worship in the Sanctuary and Parking Lot**

Join us for a 30-minute worship service in the sanctuary (Attendance limited to 40) or the parking lot (using your FM Radio). Communion included. You will need to sign in, wear a mask, and social distance. **April 1 Maundy Thursday at 7pm, April 2 at 7pm Good Friday at 7pm**

**Spring in the Grove Event Saturday March 27<sup>th</sup> 2-4pm (Rain/snow date Sunday, March 28 2-4pm)** Free Admission - bring a donation For Parkland Cares food Pantry. Most needed: Canned meat (tuna, chicken), Canned Pasta (ravioli, Spaghetios), Canned Vegetables Crafts for kids and adults to make or take home. Snacks to Go. Egg Hunt Prizes and Easter Bunny! Music, dancing and Thousands of Daffodils. Get your Palm Sunday Palms . Wear a mask, bring a chair, practice safe distancing.

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

February 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.

**EDUCATION HOUR WITH MRS. PUIA-** Mrs. Maryann Puia is serving as our Interim Director of Christian Education. We meet online every Sunday during the Education Hour, 9:30-10:00am (Preschool– 4th grade) 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. **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. **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.

**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).

### **JOB POSTING: Minister of Faith Formation for Children and Families**

Union United Church of Christ is looking for a welcoming, enthusiastic, and creative person who is able to engage and encourage our students and families in learning and practicing the Christian faith. This position focuses on serving and leading nursery age through elementary school age children and their families. Together with other staff and committees, the Minister of Faith Formation for Children and Families creates a vision and implements a plan for faith formation throughout all aspects of church and daily life. We are looking for someone to help us discern how the church can continue to meet the spiritual needs of children and families in meaningful ways as we evaluate our current model and make changes for a future model. Part-time, 18-20 hours/week, on-site office hours required but flexible, hours required for scheduled events on evenings and weekend, Sunday morning hours required. Other meetings required include staff meetings and committee meetings. Compensatory time available for busier and lighter times. Salary commensurate with education and experience. Hourly Rate. See <https://www.indeed.com/job/minister-faith-formation-children-and-families-fc24936c2de96654> for more information.

### **February Mission: Blanket Sunday and Souper Bowl Sunday**

Check donations may be made through the special envelope in the February newsletter or in any envelope. Checks made to "Union UCC" and please mark them "Blanket Sunday" (to help those facing emergencies) or "Souper Bowl Sunday" (to support the Lehigh Conference of Churches with housing and food needs) and mail to the church. Cans of soup can be dropped at the church on Saturdays or Sundays and will go to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank.

### **Easter Mission: Lehigh Conference of Church and the Parkland Cares Food Pantry**

Check donations may be made through the "Easter Mission" envelope in your envelope pack or in any envelope marked Easter Mission. Checks to "Union UCC" and mail them to church. Give online at <http://www.unionucc.org/resources/giving-and-sponsorship/ways-to-give/> for Easter Mission.

**Appeal in Response to Winder Storms** in Texas and around the Country UCC Disaster Ministries, Global H.O.P.E Team are working with leaders in the impacted communities. The current and ongoing needs include support for shelter and food, clean-up, and repair. In addition, these communities will need Emotional Spiritual Care. How you can help: Pray for the communities impacted by the storms, Make a secure online donation to help with immediate needs and the long-term recovery that will follow. <https://www.ucc.org/disaster-winter-storms/>