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ANNOUNCEMENTS APRIL 18, 2021

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, Gloria, Kay, my brother, Gary, Marianna, Jess, Brett and family, Joyce, Stanley, Jillian, Charlie, Linda, Pastor Ritter, Loyanne, Dorothy Reph and her family, Susan Andrews, Sherrie, Tom and Beverly, Tandy, Darlene, Edna, Angie and her family, Al, June, Frances, Dorothy, Edna, Elaine

General Prayers: Kathy, strength and rest our students and educators and school staffs, Richard and Lisa, strength and calmness for Kathryn, Jane and Katie, Pat, 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, Liz, family healing, and harmony, Al, Leona, Joyce, Kim and her family as they grieve

Thanksgiving: Grateful for COVID vaccines, signs of Spring, kindness and generosity of people.

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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 @

administrator@unionucc.org

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

April Sunday Worship will continue online and by phone. Contact the office if you need help.

May 2 Confirmation Day– Worship in the Grove at 10:30am, communion

May 9, 16, 23, and 20– Worship in the Grove 10:30am

June 6 (Communion & Graduate Sunday) 13,20, and 27 Worship in the Grove 10:30am

Sunday, June 27– Build Your Own Sundae Sunday after Worship

All events: Plan to sign in, wear a mask, and socially distance. Bring a chair. Online and phone worship will also be available.

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

April 23, and 30 (last class) On the Brink of Everything by Parker Palmer

See weekly emails or contact Pastor Kris or the church office for the zoom link to join us.

If you can't join us but would like a copy of the book, contact Pastor Kris.

HIGH SCHOOL HAPPY HOUR: All youth 9th-12th 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) for the info.

EDUCATION HOUR WITH MRS. PUJA-

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. Please include the best email to receive a ZOOM invite and your home address

CHILDREN'S CELEBRATION- Sunday May 23rd following our 10:30 worship in the grove.

Fire and Ice Science show/demonstration by Mad Science of the Lehigh Valley, show will start @ approximately 11:30. Bag lunch will be provided.

SVS– Summer Vacation Series- Sad there is no VBS this year? Join us in the grove for a new event....SVS....Our Summer Vacation Series. Be sure to mark your calendars! You do not want to miss these Special Evenings! Dates: June 2, 16, 30 Time: 6-7:30
Join us for 1, 2 or all 3 evenings, children and families are invited to join the fun. Each night will consist of some music, a Bible Story and a special craft/demonstration
June 2nd – Tropical Theme with Canvas Painting
June 16th – Science Theme with Experiments
June 30th – Nature Theme with a visit from Lehigh Valley Zoo
Sign-up information can be found in Weekly Updates during the month of May
Anyone interested in volunteering can contact Maryann Puia @ dired@unionucc.org

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.

PRESCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP- The Neffs Preschool Board of Directors is pleased to announce their 2021 scholarship winner. This \$250 scholarship is given every year to a high school senior who is planning on higher education and started their educational career at Neffs Preschool. The applicants are required to complete a 500 word essay in which they discuss themselves, their future plans, and a preschool memory. Congratulations to Morgan Werley, a senior at Northwestern Lehigh High School who plans on pursuing a degree in Criminal Justice.

FOOD BANK-Union UCC provided 200 five pound bags of potatoes to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank for their Easter food distribution on Saturday March 20 Thank you for supporting the Mission and Outreach envelopes in your packet. The Mission Committee.
*The Northern Lehigh Food bank is in need of clerical volunteers. No lifting or standing required. The hours that need to be covered are: 2nd and 4th Monday of the month 12:30-3pm. 1st Thursdays of the month 3:30-6pm . Last Saturday of the month 9-noon. Tuesday mornings 9-1. These hours can be divided among several volunteers. We will be happy with any time you can give. They are also in need of people to lift supplies, stock shelves, organize food, stock refrigerators and freezers, light housekeeping, and other warehouse duties. Please call the food bank to volunteer and ask for Barbara Scheirer 610-767-9525 or speak to Phil or Julie Wehr, 610-767-3657.

Looking for a church family? Reach out to Pastor Kris (pastorkris@unionucc.org) if you would like to talk more about connecting with our church. Maybe you've been worshipping virtually with us or you're looking for some extra support or a way to grow in your faith or maybe you'd like to surround yourself with an awesome community. If you're ready to join us as a member, Pastor Kris is hosting coffee hour sessions virtually on May 2 at 9:15-10am and 12-12:45. Reach out to her or the office for the zoom info. We'd love to welcome you in worship in the grove on May 9 (or virtually). She can work with you on other dates as well. Union UCC is a great church with great people who love and serve God and others wholeheartedly. Welcome to the family!

If you need something from our office, staff, or pastors please do not stop by but call or email us instead.

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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.



Watercolor in the Grove

Linda LaDue will be returning to the Union UCC Grove to present a series of 5 watercolor classes on Spring Botanicals. We will be working in a pavilion and will observe spacing guidelines and wear masks. No experience is necessary.

COST: \$60

MONDAYS 7-9

APRIL 19, APRIL 26, MAY 3, MAY 10, MAY 17

RAINDATE: TUESDAY JUNE 1

To sign up please email Dixie Gross at
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