

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, September 22, 2024

Rev. Kris Penrose Snyder, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Kayli L. Freeman, Associate Pastor  
Tiffany Lakatos, Faith Formation Minister of Children  
Carrie Beleno, Pastor of Visitation  
Mr. Blake Hoppes, Minister of Music

Marissa Haney, Church Administrator  
Barbara Carinci, Financial Manager  
Payge Haydt Sunday Set-up  
Hannah and Ryleigh Minnich Sunday Set-up  
Bryce and Luke Thrash, Night Lock-up  
Shelly & Ori Handwerk, Facility Caretakers

CONSISTORY OFFICERS

President: Eric Minnich, VP: Don Penrod, Secretary: Janice Metzger, Treasurer: Marianne Kitzmiller

## THIS WEEK'S PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

To share a prayer request you may use the yellow prayer slips found in the racks in your seats and place in offering plate or submit [online here](#).

### *Medical*

Dan and Deb, Beth, sister Maureen battling cancer again, daughter with Anxiety, Linda, Madeline & Dick, Martha, Rod, Sherry and her upcoming surgeries, Dad struggling with an illness, Judy, Koshy, Leah, Ashley injured serving in the Army, Michael, Dennis, Heath for positive test results, Craig, Jillian with cancer, Emily, Dixie, Cindy for good test results, Dorothy, Marlene, David, Susie, Maureen continuing her cancer battle and facing major surgery this week.

### *General*

Josh, Dylan, Gabe, and Garrett in the military, people struggling with their mental health, Xander, son who just got his driver's license, three coworkers, Suzann and Annie, Jerry for healing and peace, daughter for peace and comfort, Martha, Kate in her first year teaching elementary, sister for peace and healing, Larry for healing, daughter with depression, Dan and Michael, Barbara moving to Florida

**If you are in the hospital**, 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.

# WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Worship 8 & 10:30am in Church and Online

Sept. 1

10:30am  
Worship  
Only

Sept. 8

8am Worship Returns  
9:15 Education Hour  
Resumes

Guest  
Musician Ben  
Tyler (Ben  
Anderson)

Sept. 15

10:30  
Children's  
Church  
Resumes



**We're going  
PURPLE in worship  
in September!**

Our world seems to be consumed with division—often typified in the colors red and blue. Rather than stay in our monochromatic silos, the Golden Rule in scripture challenges us to engage in conversation and seek to create whatever common good we can with our relatives, friends, and neighbors who we might consider to be on the “other side” politically and ideologically. As we attempt to come together, the idea is not that we are obliterating either one or trying to change each other, but rather we discover the beauty that can be created when we work together to make the world a better place. The “purple space” is where we cultivate kindness, compassion, humility, respect, and love for one another and for the good of all the world, no matter what.

Sept. 22

10:30  
Baptism

Sept. 29

Harvest  
Home

Oct. 6

Communion

## Holy Grounds Coffee Hour

Enjoy some coffee, tea, juice, hot chocolate, and snacks on Sundays in Memorial Hall after both worship services.

Upcoming hosts include:  
Sept. 8 & 15 - Sunday Staff  
Sept. 22 - Fellowship Committee  
Sept. 29 - No Coffee Hour  
(Baked Potato Lunch  
with Youth Group)



**CHRISTMAS** *at Union UCC, Neff's*

Lights in the Grove with Santa  
Saturday, Dec. 7th 3-5pm

Parkland High School Chorale  
Concert  
Sunday, Dec. 15th at 7pm

Christmas Eve Eve Worship  
Monday, Dec. 23th at 7pm

Christmas Eve Worship  
Tuesday, Dec. 24th at 3, 5, & 8 pm

Sunday Worship 8am & 10:30am at church and online.  
[www.unionucc.org](http://www.unionucc.org)  
5550 Route 873 Neffs



Have you been a member at Union UCC  
for 40 or more years?  
We'd like to celebrate you!  
And give God thanks for your faithful service.

Join us in worship on October 27th  
at 8am and 10:30am when we will also  
receive new members. ▼

**PNEC Ambassador Corner  
Keystone Conference??**

The vote by all four PA Conferences to become one Conference, the Keystone Conference, will take place at the Fall meetings of all four Conferences on **Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>**. All Conferences will vote at the **same time** on the **same day** with results to be known as soon as they are tallied. Tune in following the 9<sup>th</sup> of November to find out the results! **TOGETHER WE ARE STRONGER!!**

If you have any general Conference questions, please feel free to reach out to me, Janice Metzger, at [jemrenaissinc@aol.com](mailto:jemrenaissinc@aol.com) & please put Union Ambassador in the subject line. As your PNEC Ambassador, I want to help Union members feel more connected to the Conference and the wider church.

**Serving and Loving God & Others  
At Union**

- Looking for meaning and purpose?
  - Wanting to put your faith into action?
  - Hoping to make a difference in the lives of others?
- Step into serving.**



Find opportunities at:  
<https://bit.ly/4dfQZvb>  
Or contact a pastor, staff member, or church office.



# C . R . E . W .

CONNECTION - RESOURCES - EDUCATION - WELLNESS

In our effort to be relevant, engaged, and growing Union UCC is committed to an initiative that provides Mental Health and Wellness resources and events to support our church and community.

**October 5, 2024**

**Exploration of Mental Health Awareness & Spirituality: 9am-3pm,  
Neffs Union UCC**

[Flyer/Details](#)

**Event includes:**

- Morning beverages and deli lunch, \$35
- Becoming a WISE Church
- 3 resource/informational breakout sessions (two a.m./one p.m. Selections made at event)
- Resource advocates
- Walking labyrinth/meditation space

**October 6, 2024**

**Out of the Darkness Walk –Lehigh Parkway: 10am registration, 12pm start**

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Established in 1987, the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) is a voluntary health organization that gives those affected by suicide a nationwide community empowered by research, education and advocacy to take action against this leading cause of death.

[www.afsp.org/GLVwalk](http://www.afsp.org/GLVwalk) People who have been affected by suicide or know someone who is struggling, make donations and gather to walk in honor of those loved ones. **Contact:** Jim Presto [jpresto@ptd.net](mailto:jpresto@ptd.net), 908-798-2755

On-Going Wellness Opportunities

- Faith on Tap: 9/11, 6:30pm
- Zoom meditation: 9/17, 10/15, 11/26, 7pm
- Breathe: 10/8, 11/12, 12/10, 7pm
- Labyrinth events: 9/14, 10/6, 12/10
- Tai Chi: Thursdays, 6:00pm 9/19-11/21
- GriefShare: Thursdays, 6pm

Resources

- Suicide crisis, text 988
- NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) crisis: text NAMI to 741741, 800-273-8253
- St. Luke's: (Psychiatric) 484-822-5711, (Referral) 484-629-5091
- LHVN: (Psych emergency) 484-884-2425

A vibrant poster for a 'Plant Bingo' event. The top features the title 'PLANT BINGO' in large green and orange letters, with three hanging plants against a sunburst background. Below the title, it says 'with Gallivanting Greenhouse'. The event details include: 'Join us for a fun afternoon filled with Bingo, Raffle, Baked Goods & Food!', 'Sunday, November 3, 2024', 'Doors open 1pm - Bingo starts 2pm', 'Union UCC', '5550 Route 873, Neffs PA', and 'Bingo tickets: \$25 in advance - \$30 at the door for 15 rounds'. A graphic of bingo cards and large letters 'BINGO' is on the right. The bottom left has the text 'Proceeds will support Feed My Starving Children and Union UCC's Ministry'. The bottom right features a QR code and the text 'TICKETS!!' with a white arrow pointing left.

**PLANT BINGO**

with Gallivanting Greenhouse

Join us for a fun afternoon filled with  
Bingo, Raffle, Baked Goods & Food!

-  **Sunday, November 3, 2024**
- Doors open 1pm - Bingo starts 2pm**
-  Union UCC  
5550 Route 873, Neffs PA
-  Bingo tickets: \$25 in advance -  
\$30 at the door for 15 rounds

Proceeds will support Feed My Starving  
Children and Union UCC's Ministry

 **TICKETS!!**

Use the QR Code to get tickets or watch for tickets to go on  
sale on Sundays!

A poster for 'Tai Chi Thursdays' with a background image of a person in a white Tai Chi uniform. The text is centered and reads: 'Tai Chi Thursdays', '10-week session: 9/19-11/21', '\$15 drop-in', '5-pack \$67.50', '10-pack \$110', 'Instructor: Alice Perry', 'Memorial Hall', and 'Cash/check/venmo'.

**Tai Chi Thursdays**

**10-week session: 9/19-11/21**

**\$15 drop-in**

**5-pack \$67.50**

**10-pack \$110**

**Instructor: Alice Perry**

**Memorial Hall**

**Cash/check/venmo**



How can you help change lives with us?  
 Electronic Giving use the Vanco QR code with your cell phone. FREE Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app - Look for our church Union United Church of Christ, Neffs, PA and register your information to contribute.



Vanco



Electronic Giving



Venmo

Venmo @unionuccneffs Make a donation or pay for a fundraiser or event. Complete "What's this for?" See QR code.

Cash or checks (to "Union UCC") Place in the offering plate with a member offering envelope or guest envelope (in the seat racks) on Sundays or drop in the mail if you're not in person.

Contact the church office or Pastor Kris if you have questions or if you'd like to learn more about other giving options or legacy gifts.

## Union UCC: Relevant, Engaged, and Growing...Because of YOU!

### UNION UCC: RELEVANT, ENGAGED, and GROWING



Our Steering Without Oars group has been meeting since May 2022. They were the first to step into our boat! In October 2022 we invited 40 more leaders in our church to join us and formed the Leadership Planning Team. We have been meeting almost monthly looking at and creating a vision for God's ministry and mission at Union. In June 2023 we presented all of our work to Consistory who agreed to partner with us in our next steps.

Throughout the summer we have been interviewing Architects and Capital Campaign Consultants to begin the process of discerning the scope of renovating Memorial Hall.

The Marketing Team will be launching our logo soon!

The Mental Health and Wellness is creating new opportunities for our church and community!

The Summer 2025 Grove Event Team is booking bands and food trucks for our next grove adventure!

The Open and Affirming Team has been created and attended LVPrize in August.

The LPT and Consistory enjoyed a summer break and reconvened in August. They meet for an hour about every other month at Consistory meeting and for part of a day every other month.

Next meetings are September 28 and October 26.

Contact one of us if you want to know more or participate in any of these teams.

Pastor Kris, Pastor Kayli, Consistory Officers: Eric Minnich, Don Penrod, Janice Metzger, Marianne Kitzmiller and the LPT/Consistory



## The much beloved Basket Social will return in the Spring!



Watch for more information on ticket sales and basket donation requests in the coming weeks and months!

Want to help plan the event? Join

our next meeting

November 10, 2024

11:30am (after 10:30am worship)

Room 5, basement



## GOD FIRST WEDNESDAYS and WEDNESDAY NIGHTS at Union

God First Wednesdays  
Supper, Small Groups, Worship  
Wed, Oct 2 5:30-7:30pm

5:30-6pm Supper 6-6:30pm Kids Choir or Activities

6:00-7:15 Small group for adults, Youth, and Kids 7:15-7:30pm Intergenerational Worship

OCTOBER TOPIC for Youth and Adults: The Chosen TV Series

## WEDNESDAY NIGHTS at Union

Adult and Youth Small Group on The Chosen Continues  
Oct 9, 16, 23, 30 6-7:30pm

Midweek chance to put you and God first!

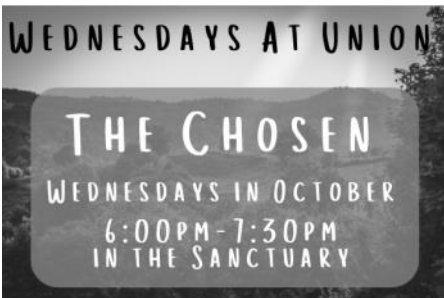
Sign up at [PastorKris@unionucc.org](mailto:PastorKris@unionucc.org) or just join us!

Future God First Dates:

Nov 6, Dec 4

A new adult topic starts in Nov

## Have You Heard About THE CHOSEN?



Everyone is welcome to join us on Wednesdays during the month of October as we explore the stories of Jesus' life as depicted in the hit series The Chosen. We'll look at some of our favorite scriptures and themes from the Bible while exploring what Jesus calls us to do as disciples in 2024. Once the 5-week series is over, and you feel like you're wanting more, you can explore the series on

Amazon Prime Video or at [thechosen.tv/en-us](http://thechosen.tv/en-us)

Join us for the kick off at God First Wednesday, October 2, 2024.



## BREATHE

TUESDAYS ONCE A MONTH  
IN THE SANCTUARY

7-8PM

OCTOBER 8

NOVEMBER 12

DECEMBER 10 WITH LABYRINTH

OPEN HOUSE 6-9PM



*Catch your Breath*

*...with God*

*Prayer \* Meditation \* Music \* Communion*

*Led by Roni Gerry, Pastor Carrie,  
and Pastor Kris*

### Meditation and Prayer Gatherings by Zoom with Pastor Kris Snyder from Union UCC, Neffs Union UCC, Friends, and Penn Northeast Conference Community

Tuesdays 7-8pm  
September 17, October 15, November 26

Zoom Link:  
[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87680378046?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87680378046?pwd=QmozYWJFemJOVENCdWJBbzRpbDVIUT09)  
pwd=QmozYWJFemJOVENCdWJBbzRpbDVIUT09  
Meeting ID: 876 8037 8046 Passcode: 954906

I'll lead us in various readings, scripture, and prayer practices like breath prayer and centering prayer, as well as meditation practices from the Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction, Buddhist, and Christian traditions.

Sign up with me at [PastorKris@unionucc.org](mailto:PastorKris@unionucc.org).  
You are welcome to attend any or all of the sessions, whatever your schedule allows.





# Labyrinth Walking at Union

Walk or sit with us  
in quiet and prayer.

Labyrinth walking is great for  
time with God  
and to de-stress.

(Wear socks, no shoes please.)

**Sunday, October 6**  
**8am-1pm**

Open House, stop by to walk  
anytime on your own. Optional  
handouts. Labyrinth will be in  
Memorial Hall all morning.

**Tuesday, December 10**  
**6-9pm**

Open House, stop by to walk anytime  
on your own. Optional handouts.  
Labyrinth will be in Memorial Hall all  
night. **Breathe** service is 7-8pm.

To save your spot and sign up please go to: <https://bit.ly/3X3LzPc>  
OR email [PastorKris@unionucc.org](mailto:PastorKris@unionucc.org)

The hills are alive! We've secured a block of tickets to see the Sound of Music at Civic Theater featuring our very own Gianna Neal (Pastor Carrie's daughter)

Join us Sunday, Oct. 20 to see **THE SOUND OF MUSIC** at Civic Theater!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

# of tickets: *Checks preferred, payable to "Civic Theater" or enclose exact cash.*

\$30.25 (adult) \_\_\_\_\_ \$26.50 (students/military/60+) \_\_\_\_\_

\$13.75 (under 13) \_\_\_\_\_

*Please note, children under 4 are not permitted in the theater. We will be dining at the Ham Fam following the show (approx. 5pm) however, we have a maximum amount permitted, 35 people. Dinners will be chosen off a pre-selected menu (gluten-free and veggie options available). First come basis, \$5/person large-group restaurant fee, cash to Carrie to hold your spot.*

Would you like to join us?

Yes # \_\_\_\_\_ \$5 enclosed per person \_\_\_\_\_

Return to church office, Pastor Carrie, or her church mailbox.

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH NEEDS YOUTH AND ADULT HELPERS



DO YOU LIKE HAVING FUN?  
DO YOU ENJOY INTERACTING WITH CHILDREN?

**JOIN US!**

EMAIL TIFFANY AT [DIRED@UNIONUCC.ORG](mailto:DIRED@UNIONUCC.ORG)  
TO JOIN THE FUN!

## UNION UCC TRUNK OR TREAT

JOIN US FOR A SPOOKTACULAR FAMILY FRIENDLY HALLOWEEN EVENT!

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2024**

**1 PM - 3 PM**

**AT UNION UCC GROVE PARKING LOT**

JOIN US AND UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH, WHICH IS JUST A SHORT WALK  
AWAY, FOR A SAFE FAMILY FRIENDLY HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION!

WOULD YOU, YOUR BUSINESS, OR AN ORGANIZATION YOU  
ARE ASSOCIATED WITH LIKE TO DECORATE A CAR AND BE  
PART OF THE HALLOWEEN FUN WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF  
WINNING AN AMAZON, TARGET, OR DUNKIN GIFT CARD?

REGISTER AT [HTTPS://BIT.LY/4DAWPBO](https://bit.ly/4DAWPBO)

## Polar Express Christmas Celebration

December  
22nd at  
9:15am in  
Fellowship  
Hall

Register at <https://bit.ly/3Telh8d>

**NOVEMBER 2ND 3PM TO 6PM**



**JOIN US FOR THIS FUN EVENT!  
ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!**

REGISTER ONLINE AT  
[HTTPS://BIT.LY/3RSOIMS](https://bit.ly/3RSOIMS)



Help support VBS and Christian Education by  
purchasing some delicious Butter Braids!

Each Butter Braid is \$15.

This fundraiser will take place October 6th-20th.

Pick up will be Tuesday, November 5th 4-6pm.

If there are any questions, don't hesitate to get in  
touch with Tiffany at [dired@unionucc.org](mailto:dired@unionucc.org).

**NOVEMBER 16TH**

**FAMILY GAME & MOVIE NIGHT**

**4-8PM IN MEMORIAL HALL**

**THE MOVIE WILL START AT 6PM**

Games

Pizza &  
Snacks

G Rated  
Movie

Register at <https://bit.ly/478RXrC>

## You're Busy Folks...



So let us meet you where you are! This year, Pastor Kayli & Deana want to be able to come cheer you on at your sporting events, activities, musicals, etc! Please use the link below to add activities to the calendar so we know!

### **Info Needed: Name (first and last), activity, location.**

\*there is no need for you to subscribe to the calendar, but if you want to support each other please feel free\*

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0?cid=a3E0NDR2aG84bnYyNHhMmJwMXVpNGJ2NGNAZ3JvdXAuY2FsZW5kYXIuZ29vZ2xlMmNvbQ>



## **Youth Group Baked Potato Lunch**

**September 29, 2024**

**11:30am**

**Fellowship Hall**

**Tickets : \$5**



Back by popular demand, the Youth Group of Union UCC will be hosting the infamous Spuds & Suds Baked Potato Lunch. If you want to donate or help please sign up using the QR code.

OR support this fundraiser by purchasing a ticket on 9/8, 9/15, 9/22 or the day of 9/29.



## **Sunday Funsies for ALL!**

Join us this fall as we kick off our program year with many opportunities for all youth!

**High School Happy Hour** October 6 & 10/20 (11:30am-12:30pm)

**Open Sunday School:** October 13 & 10/27(9:15am-10:15am)

**Youth Advisory Team Lunch:** October 13 (11:30am-1pm)



\$175. \$88 deposit due by January 1. \$87 balance due March 1.  
Payment plans & assistance available.

**Checks to Union UCC, Memo Line – Women's Retreat**  
Friends and Family members are welcome too.  
Only 30 spots available.

Leader: Pastor Kris  
Planning Team: Donna Christman, Diane Schaller, Julie Johnson, Sue Steinmann, Val Borman, Julie Wehr



# HARVEST HOME

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

*Please bring your garden gifts on Sunday morning before either church service. These items will be for our display and then given to people served by the Northern Lehigh Food Bank.*

**Suggestions:**

**Squash**  
**Peppers**  
**Apples**

**Pumpkins**  
**Tomatoes**  
**Corn**

**Beets**  
**Potatoes**  
**Pears**



*Fill up your paper bag with donations to bring anytime before September 29th. Items will go to the Northern Lehigh Food Bank. Bags will be available at services on 9/15 & 9/22.*

**Suggestions:**

**Cereals:** Raisin Bran, Cheerios, Wheaties

**Pastas:** Spaghetti, Penne, Macaroni

**Canned Vegetables:** Corn, Baked Beans, Olives

**Canned Soup:** Chicken Noodle, Tomato, Broccoli

**Canned Fruit:** Peaches, Pears, Baby Formula

**Good Stuff:** Peanut Butter, Jam, Jello mix

**Bakery:** Cake Mixes, Brownie Mixes



**THANK YOU GOD FOR GIFTS TO ENJOY AND SHARE!**

## **New Members from Pastor Kris**

New members come to us with a variety of faith experiences and backgrounds as well as a variety of interests, passions, and schedules. Maybe you have been visiting us or other churches for a long time and are still wondering if this is a fit or the right time to make a commitment to join us formally. Or maybe you visited here a few times and knew right away this is your place.

In our effort to honor this diversity, we'd like to offer you a few options of continuing this conversation.

1. You can join as a member at any time. Complete the information form (attached or use the link) and return it to the office or to me. Reach out to me to schedule a time to meet. We can then welcome you as a new member on whatever Sunday you choose at your convenience.

2. The other option (or in addition to the first option) is to attend a new member gathering. This is a chance to meet with me and with other members and hear why they love their church and love to serve God here. **Our next gathering for new members is on Sunday, October 13th at 11:30-12:30 in Memorial Hall where coffee hour is. You would be received in church on Sunday, October 27th at 8am or 10:30am worship.**

We hope both options will give you a chance to meet some new friends, get some more information about us, and ask your questions.

***To let us know you are interested, please complete this information form by using this link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeXM2pHU6Pnwd020Rpm-o8BV6-eWUoxPe2fxpZnBawImYeZ-g/viewform>***

***Or you can contact the office for a paper copy.***

We want to do whatever we can to support you in your spiritual journey here and in the community.

***Please let me know where you are in your discernment and how I can support you. Call or email me anytime.***

serving children and families experiencing homelessness

## **Every child deserves a home.**

We need your help hosting families in our church building 4 weeks a year.

- Help with set up and tear down.
- Cook and deliver a supper one night during the week. (5:30-6pm)
- Visit with families, serve supper, and clean up. (5:30-9pm)
- Host overnight (In your own area 8:45pm-6:30am).
- Assist with food shopping during the week.
- Offer financial support through your church donations marked "Family Promise."



### **Why do I volunteer?**

**Jesus tells us to love God and to love our neighbors. This is a great way to do both while helping families get back on their feet.**

~Kerry Snyder

Please contact Kerry Snyder (610) 737-7768 or Rosalie Snyder (610) 597-9302 with questions and to sign up. Other Steering Team members: Ralph and Connie Gioelli, Dennis Foster, Phil and Julie Wehr, Susan Glosan

# **Backyard BBQ Bash**

## **Saturday, Sept. 21**

Food for sale- Stand opens at 4pm

Free Music 5:30-8:30pm

Local Favorite Band: TimeWhys

Chicken and pork dinners for sale from  
Lorah's Pig Roasters

*Band sponsored by: Heintzelman  
Funeral Home &  
The Law Offices of Steckel and Stop*



## UNION UCC'S OPEN AND AFFIRMING (ONA) STATEMENT

**Adopted February 2024**

Our church is a diverse family of believers, extending extravagant welcome and hospitality to all. We affirm that all people are created in God's image and all are worthy of God's love and grace, treating all people with compassion, respect and dignity.

We inspire dedicated Christian discipleship to include persons of every age, gender, race, national origin, faith background, marital status and family structure, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, physical, cognitive, or emotional ability, economic, educational, and social status, and political and cultural background.

We treasure the spiritual gifts of everyone, welcoming all into full membership, leadership, employment, ministry, mission, fellowship, worship, sacraments, rites, responsibilities, and blessings of the life of Union UCC.

As we grow with vitality into the future, we commit ourselves to the ongoing work of being an Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ. We celebrate and honor diverse theological and biblical interpretations as we strive to remain spiritually united in Christ. We will reach out with love to any and all people who enter our doors seeking God with faith in Jesus Christ our Savior.



**The ONA Team: Deana Correll, Eric Minnich, Hannah Minnich, Payge Haydt, Sue Steinmann, Doug Brace, Pastor Kayli, Pastor Kris**

Our team is here to continue the work of Consistory and the Leadership Planning Team in becoming an ONA community and doing all that we can to sustain a safe and welcoming place for everyone here at Union.

In addition to LGBTQ+ topics we hope to also look at ways to include awareness around needs for those with physical and emotional challenges.

**Doug Brace(doug@dougbrace.com)** has agreed to help us with communication and outreach. Please contact him or anyone on the team with your ideas or interest in participation.

**Our Team was glad to participate in Lehigh Valley Pride in August with the Penn Northeast Conference.**



**Baptisms:** We offer baptisms during worship at the 10:30 service every other month. Our upcoming date is **Sept. 22**. There is a pre-baptism zoom session with the pastor the week before. Sign up by calling the church office at 610-767-6961 or emailing Marissa Haney at [administrator@unionucc.org](mailto:administrator@unionucc.org). The pastors will work with you if the scheduled dates are a conflict.

**Hearing Assistance System:** We have a wireless system on a table, as you enter from the lobby foyer. Please see an usher or a sound team person to assist you. You will need a receiver pack (turn it on) and ear piece (if you don't have a hearing aid) or a t-coil cord (if you have a hearing aid that is t-coil compatible.) Plug this into the receiver. At the end of worship, please return both pieces to the table and place the receiver back into the charger. Thank you to the Schlosser Family & Funds of Lasting Gifts for supporting this effort.

**Food and Toiletry Donations:** You're invited to bring non perishable food and toiletry donations at anytime to help our local food bank. Place items in the shopping cart in the lobby. Needed items: cereal, soup, pasta/sauce, peanut butter/jelly, vegetables, fruit, toothpaste/brush, shampoo, deodorant, soap, baby items. Thanks!

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