



The Lutheran Letter

March Newsletter 2019



Lenten Challenge

Provide a Community Farm through the ELCA Good Gifts Program

The season of Lent historically calls for us to "give up" something as a sign of our penitence. This year I call upon you to **GIVE** rather than give up.



To recognize God's abundant blessings to us and to honor the agricultural history of ULC's community, I invite you to participate in our Lenten Challenge to provide a farm for a community in need through the ELCA Good Gifts program. Our goal is to raise \$2415 to provide (see list below).

Our Sunday School has already gotten us started by raising money for a number of chickens. It would only take 60 people willing to **donate \$1 per day for the \$40 days of Lent** to reach our goal.

Would you be able to do that? Any amount, more or less, is certainly welcome. The Sunday School will continue their coin drive and envelopes will be available in the Gathering Space for your contributions that can be dropped in the offering plate or brought to the office. We will keep you updated on our progress each week so that you can watch our farm grow. And if we raise more money, we will purchase more animals.

The farm would include a cow (\$500), two goats (\$100), 20 chickens (\$20), a rooster (\$15), 2 piglets (\$60), farming tools (\$25), agricultural training (\$75), bees (\$20), a fruit tree nursery (\$150), a community vegetable garden (\$200), a fish farm (\$250) and a pair of oxen and plow (\$1000).

It would take 60 families/individuals willing to give \$1 per day for the 40 days of Lent to raise \$2400.

During the season of Lent, let us ponder the gifts of God's abundant grace and blessings and consider how we can reach out in faith and love to those in need.

Pastor Camp

Your Lenten Journey...

It's an ordinary weekday, and in the middle of your daily tasks, you stumble into a moment of prayer. The church is the place where God has come to meet you. It's Ash Wednesday, and you're invited to wear your ashes, to claim repentance, grace and deep relationship with God for the challenges of your Daily life.



The **11:00 AM Ash Wednesday service** is about spirit, belief, and belonging. This is a simple event with deep meaning, drawing on centuries of tradition and worship to provide a moment of grace.

At the **7:00 PM Ash Wednesday service**, the drama of Lent begins with a dramatic service of Ash Wednesday, a service of prayer meditation and moving music that leads us towards the Passion of Christ. From the early days of our faith, Christians have observed Christ's death and resurrection with great respect.

Lenten Soup and Bread Dinners Wednesday's beginning March 13th served with fresh baked breads from 5:45 PM – 6:45 PM. **7:00 PM we will gather in the Nave for Lenten Services** with those who could not make the meal joining us. We will be using the Holden Village Evening Prayer Service along with Voices by J. B. Quisenberry, a weekly dialogue series pointing out the contrast between the teachings of Jesus and our modern lives. This series brings to light the grace and love that Christ offers to the repentant believer.



By keeping the season of Lent, we take to heart God's call to repentance and the assurance of forgiveness proclaimed in the gospel, and practice in our daily lives the work of reconciliation. I invite you, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word. And, begin this season, let us come together to receive the ashes as a reminder of our mortal nature.

Pastor Camp

February 2019 Church Council News...

By Cathy Shaffer

Assistant to the Pastor

- ❖ Financial report: offerings increased 11% comparing January 2019 to January 2018. Family Life Center Rental income was transferred to the General Fund to help cover budgeted expenses.
- ❖ Our Family Life Center will be used by Lehigh County as an election polling location beginning with the May 2019 primary election.
- ❖ Worship/Music Committee is continuing to monitor our current two worship service format.
- ❖ The Social Ministry Committee has grown to ten members which will allow them to increase programming.
- ❖ Property Committee received proposals to repair/replace two HVAC units and to have the tile floors waxed. The proposals were forwarded to the Finance Committee for review.
- ❖ Next Council meeting is Monday, March 18th at 7:00 PM. All are welcome.

Children's Sunday School News...

by Josh Dietz

"Sunday School is in full swing! Join us on Sundays from 9:15-10:15 in the Nave for an hour of learning, sharing, and FUN!! Also, we are always on the lookout for more teachers and volunteers.

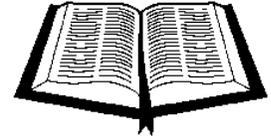
Please reach out to Josh Dietz at suprman@ptd.net if you are interested!"


Palm Sunday

**PROCESSION OF
CHILDREN'S CLOTHING**

*watch for details in Sunday
Bulletins and Newsletter.*

Happy Hour By Cathy Shaffer



March 3 – Kaiti Snyder will be leading class today. Let's watch and discuss the DVD, "Modern Parables-The Shrewd Manager."

March 10 – How does disaster response work? What is Lutheran Disaster Response? What role do social ministry organizations, congregations and individuals have in recovery? Where is God in all of this? Join us for Happy Hour on Sunday, March 10th at 9:15 when Cindy Camp, Director of Disaster Response Ministries for Diakon, will share a PowerPoint and lead us in a discussion about the realities, joys and challenges of disaster response in today's world.

March 17 – Pastor Camp leads our class - Guinness: Dedication, Loyalty, Friendship. The choices we make reveal the true nature of our character. Happy St. Patrick's Day!

March 24 – Bud Shaffer will be introducing his lifelong friend, Edward N. Cahn, to the class. Judge Cahn is a former United States District Judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

March 31, April 7 & 14 – Cindy Pugh will lead us through a study of The Women of Easter by Liz Curtis Higgs, a seasoned Bible teacher and award-winning novelist. Let's meet three women named Mary, each of whom has a life-changing encounter with Jesus. Mary of Bethany prepares the way for the Lord's burial when she anoints His feet and fills the air with her perfume. His mother, Mary of Nazareth, remains by His side from His first breath to His last, her loyalty unwavering. Mary Magdalene, delivered of seven demons, bravely supports her Teacher through His darkest hours, then proclaims the glorious news of His resurrection. **What a trio. What a Savior!** Your mind and emotions will be engaged and your faith strengthened as each scene unfolds, preparing your heart for a richer, deeper Easter experience.

ZIMBABWE

*With women in power,
malaria doesn't stand
a chance*

It's easy to think of malaria prevention as simply providing mosquito nets and medication but there's more to it than that.

Burure is bordered by rivers that are notoriously difficult to cross during the rainy season. It is an area that has been plagued by outbreaks of malaria in the past. It is one of the most remote areas served by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Zimbabwe (ELCZ).

Your gifts to **ELCA World Hunger** support Burure's schools and the Burure Gokwe Clinic – institutions that provide education and health care to an area of approximately 10,000 people.

Jairos is a village health worker supported by the ELCA Malaria Campaign. With an enthusiastic and upbeat demeanor, Jairos teaches malaria prevention and control in Burure and surrounding villages and is a “trainer of trainers” for income-generating savings groups in each of the villages.

“Health and income that reduces poverty must never be separated”, Jairos said. “When a household's income rises, so does the likelihood of good health.”

Savings and loans groups -- all women – contribute money each month which is pooled together to invest in income-generating activities. The women plant nutritional gardens growing squash, peanuts, greens and spices. They also harvest honey from bee hives they built and maintain.



Profits from these activities are then used to provide goats, hens, pots, pans, mosquito nets and other necessities for each member of the group and their households.

Women are at the center of Burure's journey toward a future of hope and possibility.



From the Director of Music Ministries

By Susan Hartney

Union Evangelical Lutheran Church is an architecturally beautiful building. There are so many features that enliven and enhance worship and other church activities. The Nave and Chapel, both precious to me, have been places of personal meditation and contemplation.

The stained glass windows in the Nave are particularly lovely. The windows in the transepts show the elements of the Eucharist. From my Sunday morning perch on the organ bench, I can see the reflection of the Resurrected Christ window on the back wall of the Nave. One of the verses of the hymn “O Love, How Deep” emphasizes the meaning of this window:

For us he rose from death again;
for us he went on high to reign;
for us he sent his Spirit here
to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

The last line of this verse, “to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer” are significant as we approach the penitential season of Lent. Ash Wednesday starting this year on March 6. Let us ask our Lord to guide, strengthen, and cheer us as we walk with Him in our Lenten journey.

MEET...David G. Schneck **By the Communications Committee**

If you want to know how things were in the Lehigh Valley many years ago, you need to talk with someone like David Schneck who was born on the farm between Neffs and Slatington on August 25, 1930. A lifelong member of Union Lutheran, David was baptized and confirmed by Pastor Elmer Kidd.



David says it wasn't easy going to First Grade. On the farm they spoke Pennsylvania German which he learned from his Grandfather, but in school that language was not allowed. Perhaps even more difficult was the fact that the "town kids" looked down on the "farm kids."

When you visit David at the Fellowship Community where he is a resident, you'll see all kinds of family pictures and memorabilia. One item that holds a central place is a 1948 Slatington High School pennant signifying the year of David's graduation.

It was while he was in high school that he met the love of his life, Ruth Bleiler of Lynnville. When Ruth died in 2017, she and David had been married for 67 years. They had 4 children, 3 daughters (Ann, Cindy, and Sue) and a son (Dennis) along with 3 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. At Ruth's funeral, daughter Cindy said of her parents: "Our dad was her first and only boyfriend, and she was his first and only girl friend."

After high school, David stayed on the farm – the Hilltop Poultry Farm – where they raised chicks and potatoes. David says, "In those days everybody in the Lehigh Valley planted potatoes." As for the chicks, they raised them for 20 weeks (until they were able to lay eggs). They were raised in "sets" and the farm could manage roughly three sets a year. How many chicks were in a set? Between 30 and 32 – thousand, that is!

David and his brother Harold had an interest other than chicks and potatoes. Both had pilot's licenses and the farm was big enough to have an airstrip on which they

took off and landed their Luscombe Silvaire for close to 30 years.

In 1960, David became a truck driver for Matleck Transportation Co. of Northampton. The company billed itself as a "Pipeline on Wheels." Ten years later, David became a tanker driver for Shell Oil, retiring on December 31, 1979. In 1984, he and Ruth opened the Stor-Mor storage facility on Route 873.

David says he always believed that Lutherans should sit in the back of the church, but Ruth always wanted to sit up front. So they compromised and sat in the middle. And it was a rare Sunday when they did not attend.

At Fellowship, David volunteers to help where he can. He has slowed down a bit, but over the years being very active, he has no desire to just sit and do nothing.

When you next see David, ask him to tell you about the "Berkie," the train that Ruth took to get from Lynnville to Slatington for school and back home again. And also ask him about the 22-foot shuffleboard. Just be prepared to listen for a while, because it's somewhat long, but a very interesting story. And should you ever get the chance to visit him at Fellowship, be sure to ask to see the photo album from his and Ruth's 65th wedding anniversary. You'll learn a lot. And you'll be glad you did.

**Come and join us as
we celebrate the wonderful
Life of Grandparenthood**

Sunday, March 31st

**We invite
Grandparents and Grandchildren
to our 10:30 AM Worship Service and
then enjoy lunch and activities at
11:30 AM in the
Family Life Center.**

RSVP to the Church Office.



From The Church Office...

If you are going away for an extended period of time, please contact the Church Office. We will gladly hold your church mail for you until you return or send it to you if you have a temporary address.



**Meet new members,
Jeffrey Petrusky and Josette Sosar**



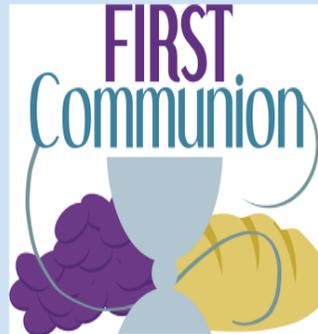
Women's Fellowship & Bible Discussion

1st Sat. of each Month @ 8:00 AM

Schnecksville Diner.

More info? Contact the Church Office,

JoAnne Bailey, or Cathy Shaffer



First Communion Classes
Sundays, April 7 & 14, 2018
9:15 AM

Our congregation's communion fellowship is open to children in First Grade and above.

First Communion will be received during the ***Maundy Thursday Service***

April 18th at 7:00 PM

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CALLING JOURNEYMEN!!!

ALL MEN WELCOME!

The Journeymen meets on the 2nd Saturday of every month at 7:00 AM. Join them at The Parkland Restaurant, 2702 Walbert Ave, Allentown. Your FIRST breakfast is FREE.

Men's RETREAT



Thank you to Robert Heintzelman and the Heintzelman Funeral Homes for their generous donation of \$1000 to the Learning Ark Christian Preschool. Thanks to this wonderful gift, we will now be able to offer partial scholarships to any student in need.

Mission Interpreter Event April 6, 2019

Mission Interpreters tell the stories of the ministries of our Synod and the ELCA that are supported by our giving that goes beyond our congregation to our wider church. If you may be interested in learning more about our Mission Interpreter ministry, we invite you to a gathering on Saturday, April 6, at 11:30am to 2pm, at the Starlite Diner, at Routes I-78 and 100, Allentown. Julia Menzo, Director of Liberty Lutheran Congregational Services, will share about the ministries of her organization, one of many supported by our mission support giving.

Please call Charlotte Gross at 484-695-1641 to register. Seating is limited. Lunch will be provided.

Prayer Shawl Ministry



All women are welcome to be part of this important ministry. If you like to knit or crochet, please join us. We'd love to have you!

If you have any questions, contact Carolyn Bottjer, 610-395-6867, cbottjer@gmail.com. If you know of someone who lives out of the area who could use a prayer shawl, please contact Cathy Smith, 215-872-4013, kckkcsmith@hotmail.com, and she will be happy to mail one for you. You can also contact her if you would like to deliver one in person.



The Learning Ark
Christian Preschool
UNION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Learning Ark Christian Preschool

By Jackie Bucks, Director

Ash Wednesday will soon be here and our church season will be changing to Lent. I have started to prepare our preschoolers that we will be moving from Epiphany, the "Season of Light", to a more reflective season. One where we talk about following Jesus's example of sacrifice by giving up something. Miss Lori and I tell them that they have to give up whining...it usually works for a day or so!!!

We also talk about adding something extra, helping our parents by setting the table before dinner or cleaning up our toys without being asked. Most importantly we talk about being kind to everyone we share our lives with even if it is a difficult thing to do.

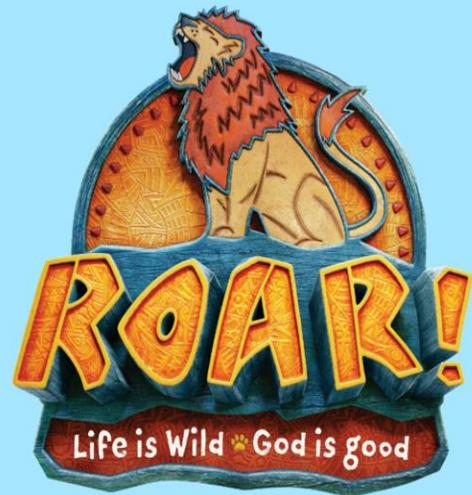
We teach a unit on the Lord's Prayer and discuss different ways we can pray to Jesus since not everyone we meet prays the same way. We hope that this will teach that diversity is a blessing from God and nothing to fear. We also look forward to making "Prayer Pretzels" with Chef Terry!

March is also the month for our "Read Across America" celebration in honor of Dr. Seuss. Each child reads with their

parents for 20 minutes every day and then creates a book project of a favorite book. During this time we also work on a class book project. At the end of the month we have a day where everyone shares their projects and then we celebrate with a special craft and of course lots of Dr. Seuss themed foods!

If this sounds like a great experience for your children, please come and join us. We have open enrollment throughout the year, so you are welcome to register your children at any time. For more information, please contact the church office at 610-767-6884 to set an appointment to visit our preschool.

SAVE THE DATE



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 23 – 28, 2019

Fundraiser for our Youth

Clothing Drive



What's in your closet?



CLOTHING & HOUSEHOLD ITEMS COLLECTION

Clothing

usable and wearable clothing for all seasons
(men's women's, children's)

Accessories

belts, hats, scarves, gloves, ties, shoes, boots

Household Items

(made of fabric)

blankets, bed sheets, bedspreads, pillows, quilts, comforters,
towels, table cloths, curtains, bath rugs

All items donated must be in good, usable condition.

Drop Off Schedule

March 13 thru 15 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Saturday, March 16 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM



UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH

All You Can Eat Italian Dinner Buffet

March 16, 2019
4:00 - 7:00 PM



Menu includes:

Salad & breadsticks
Chicken Marsala
Baked Ziti
White Vegetable Ziti
Pasta w/Alfredo, Sausage or Marinara

Tickets can be purchased
in the Church Office between 9:00 AM—3:00 PM
\$13/Adults (in advance)
\$15/Adults (at the door)
\$6/Children (3-12)/under 3 free

CALL 610-767-6884

Proceeds benefit the Youth of ULC

Parish Nurses

By Dottie Bealer

Jane Borbe

4 ways to get better sleep

Finding an effective solution requires uncovering the cause. Nearly half of insomnia cases stem from psychological or emotional issues. Stressful events, mild depression, or an anxiety disorder can make falling asleep and staying asleep difficult. Ideally, once the underlying cause is treated, the insomnia improves. People with insomnia struggle to get a good night's rest and wonder how to sleep better. They may be plagued by trouble falling asleep, unwelcome awakenings during the night, or fitful sleep — alone or in combination. They may feel drowsy during the day and yet be unable to nap. Insomnia can leave a person feeling anxious and irritable or forgetful and unable to concentrate.

4 First-line treatment: Behavioral changes

If you are having trouble sleeping or sleeping well, the following four techniques may help you sleep better.

Sleep restriction. Fight the tendency to spend a lot of time in bed with the hope of falling asleep. In reality, less time in bed helps you to sleep better and make the bedroom a welcome sight instead of a torture chamber.

Reconditioning.

A few simple steps can help people with insomnia to associate the bedroom with sleep instead of sleeplessness and frustration. For example, use the bed only for sleeping or sex and go to bed only when you're sleepy. If you're unable to sleep, move to another room and do something relaxing. Stay up until you are sleepy, and then return to bed. If sleep does not follow quickly, repeat.

Relaxation techniques.

A racing or worried mind is the enemy of sleep. Sometimes physical tension is to blame. Techniques to quiet a racing mind — such as meditation, breathing exercises, progressive muscle relaxation, and biofeedback — can help you sleep better.

Cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT). CBT for insomnia aims to change the negative thoughts and beliefs about sleep into positive ones. People with insomnia tend to become preoccupied with sleep and

apprehensive about the consequences of poor sleep. This worry makes relaxing and falling asleep nearly impossible. The basic tenets of this therapy include setting realistic goals and learning to let go of inaccurate thoughts that can interfere with sleep.

Better sleep, naturally

Prescription or over-the-counter sleep aids can help you drift off, but these drugs also have side effects. These include morning drowsiness, which can make activities like driving or using machinery dangerous, and an increased risk for falling. There are other ways to sleep better than medications. The world looks very different at 3 a.m. when you're lying in bed staring at the ceiling or the clock. "How will I make it through tomorrow without any sleep?" you worry. You may wonder how to sleep better every night. If you regularly can't get to sleep — or stay asleep — and it's affecting you during the day, then you may have insomnia.

Try simple lifestyle changes to help you sleep better, recommends Dr. Hadine Joffe, associate professor of psychiatry at Harvard Medical School. Two good tips to help you sleep better include avoiding caffeine and sticking to a regular sleep schedule. If these steps don't help you sleep better, it's worth a call to your doctor to see if a medical condition — such as thyroid problems, anemia, sleep apnea, menopausal hot flashes, heartburn, incontinence, or depression — is affecting the quality or the quantity of your sleep. Treating the health problem may take care of the sleep problem.

The guide below can help you establish a sleep routine to promote restful nights and to help you sleep better.

Your Daily Sleep Guide	
<i>This morning-to-evening, sleep-promoting schedule may help you sleep better.</i>	
Morning	
7:00 a.m.	Wake up at the same time each morning, even on weekends.
8:00 a.m.	Limit yourself to just one cup of caffeinated coffee at breakfast, or

	drink decaf. Too much caffeine in the morning can stay with you until bedtime. (If you're used to drinking several cups of coffee a day, wean yourself off it gradually over a few weeks.)
9:00 a.m.	Get outside for a 30-minute walk. Both exercise and morning sunlight can help you sleep better.
Evening	
6:00 p.m.	Eat a light dinner. A heavy meal can lead to heartburn, which can keep you awake. Avoid caffeinated tea, coffee, and soda, as well as alcohol and chocolate.
9:15 p.m.	Turn off your TV, computer, cell phone, and tablet at least 30 minutes before bed. They stimulate the brain. Read a book (not on a tablet), take a warm bath, or listen to soft music to help your body and mind unwind before bed.
9:45 p.m.	Get your bedroom ready for sleep. Dim the lights, close the curtains, make sure the temperature is cool and comfortable, and cover your alarm clock so you can't see the time if you do wake up in the middle of the night.
10:00 p.m.	Use the bathroom.
10:15 p.m.	Lights out. Try to go to bed at the same time every night. If you can't fall asleep in 15 minutes, leave the bedroom. Sit somewhere quiet, like the couch, and read a book for 15-20 minutes or until you get sleepy. Then go back to bed.

From our Library Committee...



Miracles from Heaven (2016) is one of the many family DVD's you can check out from the church library. Based on an incredible true story, this movie received high reviews. Here's what our member J. R. Marchetti has to say about a scene in the movie:

"Anna was climbing a tree and her sister saw something strange happen. The sister got worried about what happened to her so she climbed the tree and saw her inside the tree head first. The movie is emotional. It got to me when I saw the sister at the hospital."

Please come by the library to check out this or any other movies!

Sunday Morning Fellowship

Your Help Is Needed!!!

Volunteers are needed to host our Sunday Morning Fellowship. All you need to do is set up coffee, tea, and cold drinks, and clean up afterwards. The Fellowship Committee will provide cookies. If you are interested, please sign-up on the bulletin board or call the church office. Your help will be greatly appreciated!



ULC Library Book Club

By Barb Mahoney

Our next book will be *The Great Alone* by Kristin Hannah. Ernt Allbright, a former Vietnam POW, comes home a changed and volatile man. When he loses yet another job, he makes an impulsive decision: he will move his family to Alaska, where they will live off the grid in America’s last true frontier.

His daughter thirteen-year-old Leni is caught in the riptide of her parents’ passionate, stormy relationship. She dares to hope that a new land will lead to a better future for her family. Her mother, Cora, will follow the man she loves anywhere, even if means following him into the unknown.

At first, Alaska seems to be the answer to their prayers. In a wild, remote corner of the state, they find a fiercely independent community of strong men and even stronger women. But as winter approaches and darkness descends on Alaska, Ernt’s fragile mental state deteriorates and the family begins to fracture. Soon the perils outside pale in comparison to threats from within. In their small cabin, Leni and her mother learn a terrible truth: they are on their own and there is no one to save them but themselves.

Join us, **Sunday, March 17th at 9:15 AM** to discuss this unforgettable portrait of human frailty and resilience, where we learn the indomitable character of the modern pioneer and the spirit of a vanishing Alaska—a place of beauty and danger.

OUR LITTLE PANTRY

By Irene Folk

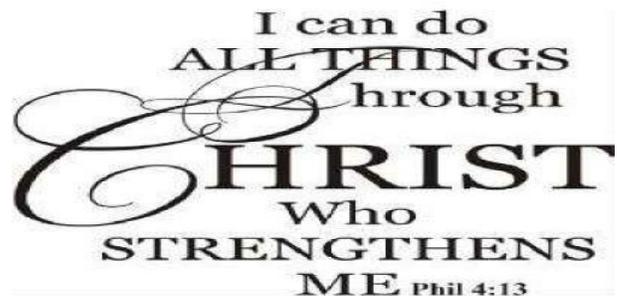


One thing I am grateful for is the Ministry of The Little Pantry and of all who participated in making this Ministry happen. Your generous donations have helped many of our neighbors.

As we go into the winter months we again will ask for dried food products. We suggest: cereals, pancake mixes, dehydrated soups and stews, and pasta. We also ask for personal care products.

If you would like to see what we have in stock or get some ideas, speak to me on a Sunday morning and I will be glad to show you the donated items.

Dianne Gillikin and I are working together to coordinate donations to both the Pantry and Food Bank. We hope to make the most use of your donations. To those who find it hard to shop for food, we do accept monetary donations for the Pantry.



Upcoming FUNSTERS' Activities

Pines Dinner Theatre, Allentown.

Thursday, March 7th a matinee performance of "I Do! I Do!" This funny and charming musical is a contemporary look at the trials and tribulations of the perils of meeting that perfect someone. It's everything you have secretly thought about dating, romance, marriage, lovers, husbands, wives, and in-laws but were afraid to ask. Price is \$50 per person (\$47 if we get 20 people), gratuity not included. 5 luncheon selections - 2 meat, 2 pasta, and 1 seafood. Doors open at 12 noon, entrees start around 12:30 PM, and show starts at 2 PM. For reservations or more information contact Ruth Weaver at 610-767-8834 or ruth.weaver.pa@gmail.com. Deadline for reservations and payment is February 20th.

Hunterdon Hills Playhouse, Hampton,

NJ. Thursday, April 4th. Carpool or drive-on-your-own to see the original musical production "TAKE ME AWAY". This Spring musical transports you to the bustling city of London for a one of a kind, immersive dinner theatre experience. The matinee show is at 11:30 AM (plan to arrive by 11:00 AM) and the cost is \$72.50pp (\$66.00pp if we get 20 people). Price includes show, table-served meal (choice of 7 entrees), dessert buffet, coffee/tea, tax and gratuity. For additional information and show reservations contact Millie Ruth at mildredchrin@aol.com or 610-760-1731. All reservation deposits (Make checks payable to Mildred Ruth) must be submitted by March 3rd.

Penn's Peak, Jim Thorpe. Tuesday,

May 7th a luncheon & tribute to Johnny Cash with Terry Goffee singing many of Johnny's classics songs. They say, "Nobody does Johnny Cash like Terry Lee Goffee". The price is \$47/person (\$2pp discount if we get 20 attendees). The family style meal includes a salad, two

meat dishes (pot roast and chicken breast/stuffing), vegetables, and non-alcoholic beverages. Doors open at 11:30 AM, lunch is at 12:00 noon, and show time at 1:00 PM. **Should you plan to attend you must make your reservations by April 7,** by contacting Roy Bottjer (610-395-6867) or rbottjer@gmail.com. Make checks payable to Roy Bottjer.

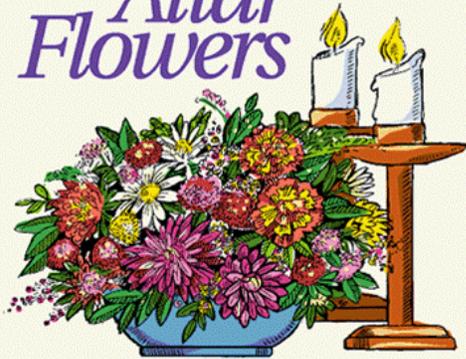


*Matthew Querio
Eagle Court of Honor
January 6, 2019*

Thank You To Our Office Volunteers

Jane Borbe, Sally Crowe, Thomas Crowe, Barbara Fung, David Geiger, Debbie Geiger, Linda Geissinger, Judy Gifford, Deb Grundstrom, Richard Handwerk, Don Hoffman, Patti Hoffman, Sandy Hoffman, Robert Krause, John Krisko, Marion Krisko, Ellen Miller, Kathy & Adam Parker, Shirley Rennolds, Stacey Rice, Richard Ruth, Art Schneck, Carol Schneck, Shirley Schneck, Barbara Spohn, Peggy Twardzik, Donald and Ruth Weaver.

Altar Flowers



Bulletin & Flower Sponsors

Each week, we ask people to sponsor bulletins and flowers for the worship services. Sign-up lists are on the Gathering Space bulletin board for 2019. Please sign-up on that list or call Cheryll Kosar for bulletins (610-417-1340). The cost for worship bulletins is \$20.00, and children's bulletins are \$3.00.

We also need sponsors for the worship flowers. The cost per vase is \$15.00. Please sign-up on the bulletin board or call Linda Houser at 610-799-2396. (Please note: after the worship services, **ALL of the vases of flowers will be delivered to homebound members of our congregation.**) Your Sponsorship may be paid when you sign-up or paid on the Sunday you are sponsoring. Please use a pew envelope and indicate "bulletin or flower sponsor".



Tabs for the Ronald McDonald House.

Little things can make a difference. We can help support the Ronald McDonald House in Philadelphia by collecting beverage tabs. The funds generated from recycling these tabs help offset the House's expenses and give families with children in the hospital an affordable place to stay. The ones on the soup, cat food etc. are good too. Place your tabs in the can in the Gathering Space. Thank you so much. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me, Cathy Smith 215-872-4013.



Bear Creek Camp's residential program, for all children who have completed grades 1 -12, is a traditional camp program centered on spiritual growth, outdoor living and small group development. Each age group experiences a mix of small-group and all-camp activities throughout their week to meet their group's spiritual, social and developmental needs.

Try and Juniors Campers will stay in our cabins with modern bath facilities. Middlers and Junior High Campers are in our NEW CABINS, with Seniors staying in platform tents. Campers will be with 6-8 other campers according to their gender and year in school. Each cabin or tent is paired with another to make a Quest Group. Quest Groups form the campers' main family group for their time at camp.

Register online at: bearcreekcamp.org



Youth Group Dance



March 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 8:00 AM WOW @ Schnecksville Diner 7:05 PM ULC @ LV Phantoms Hockey
3 Transfiguration Sunday 8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Christian Education Hour 10:30 AM Worship	4	5 6:45 PM Prayer Shawl - Room 202 7:15 PM Glory Ringers - Nave	6 11:00 AM Ash Wednesday Service 6:00 PM Kids of the Kingdom - Nave 7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service 8:00 PM Union Chorale -Nave	7	8	9 7:00 AM Journeymen @ Parkland Restaurant
10 First Sunday In Lent 8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Christian Education Hour 10:30 AM Worship	11 11:00 AM Staff Meeting - Room 202 7:30 PM Christian Ed Committee - Christian Ed Room	12 6:45 PM Social Ministry - Room 208 7:15 PM Glory Ringers - Nave 7:00 PM Property - Room 201	13 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM Used Clothing Drop Off - Room 102 5:45 PM - Lenten Soup Dinner - Family Life Center 6:15 PM Kids of the Kingdom - Nave 7:00 PM Midweek Lenten Service 8:00 PM Union Chorale -Nave	14 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM Used Clothing Drop Off - Room 102 1:00 PM Finance Committee - Room 201 7:00 PM Worship & Music Committee - Room 202	15 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM Used Clothing Drop Off - Room 102 APRIL NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE	16 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM Used Clothing Drop Off - Room 102 4:00 PM-7:00 PM Italian Dinner Buffet - Family Life Center
17 Second Sunday In Lent 8:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM Christian Education Hour 10:30 AM Worship	18 11:00 AM Staff Meeting - Room 202 7:00 PM Council - Room 202	19 6:30 PM Library Committee Meeting - Library 7:15 PM Glory Ringers - Nave	20 5:45 PM - Lenten Soup Dinner - Family Life Center 6:15 PM Kids of the Kingdom - Nave 7:00 PM Midweek Lenten Service 8:00 PM Union Chorale -Nave	21 7:00 PM Fellowship Committee - Room 202 7:30 PM Staff Support Committee - Room 201	22 9:00 AM Newsletter Collating - Room 202	23 4:00 PM-7:00 PM Italian Dinner Buffet (Snow Date) - Family Life Center
24 Thlrd Sunday In Lent 8:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM Christian Education Hour 9:15 AM Rejoicing Spirits - Nave 10:30 AM Worship	25 11:00 AM Staff Meeting - Room 202	26 7:15 PM Glory Ringers - Nave	27 5:45 PM - Lenten Soup Dinner - Family Life Center 6:15 PM Kids of the Kingdom - Nave 7:00 PM Midweek Lenten Service 8:00 PM Union Chorale - Nave	28	29	30
31 8:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM Christian Education Hour 10:30 AM Worship 11:30 AM Grandparent's Day - Family Life Center						

Union Lutheran Parish Register

New entries from January 16, 2019 – February 15, 2019

New Members

Jeffrey Petrusky and Josette Sosar February 10, 2019

Deaths

Phyllis L. Berger February 9, 2019

TREASURER'S REPORT				
January 31, 2019				
8% of year complete				
		Current Period	Year to Date	% of budget
INCOME:				
Unrestricted Contributions		29,168.00	26,286.00	7.77%
Other Income		15.88	10.68	
Total Income		29,183.88	26,296.68	
EXPENSES:				
Budgeted		31,140.90	33,514.41	8.30%
Nonbudgeted	*	-24637.57	-708.84	
Total Expenses		6,773.33	32,805.57	
Excess Income over Expenses		22,410.55	-6,508.89	
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January Contributions -				
Vision20/20		\$5,039.00		
*This represents a transfer of money from the Designated Fund (rental income from Family Life Center) to the General Fund.				

***You can lay the foundation for ministry for future generations.
Remember Union Lutheran Church in your will.***



Union Evangelical Lutheran Church

The mission of UELC is to follow Jesus; to be a Christ centered worshipping, learning and serving family of faith; to teach the Word; and to witness God's inclusive love for individuals, our community and the growing and ever changing world.

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