

*“For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven; a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted.” (Ecclesiastes 3:1-2)*

When the calendar is flipped from September to October, we have definitely changed from one season into another. The eighty and ninety degree days have changed to sixty and seventy degree days. The warm nights are now cool nights in the forties or lower. The wind that blew green leaves through the branches of the trees all summer are now tantalizing our eyes with bright colors of red, yellow and orange. The rustling has become little louder as the leaves start to become dry and soon the beautiful colors will be rolling along our lawns into piles to be raked. Kids have already forgotten the carefree days of summer and have been in school with teachers and friends learning new things and growing. Yes, the season has changed from summer into full blown fall.

As we witness the change of the seasons, we can't help but notice the change of seasons in our lives. We witness children grow through first days of school in elementary school, then middle school, high school and suddenly first days of college. We look back on the first day pictures and wonder how did that happen so fast? The seasons come and go. We also witness this in our own lives. We remember when we were young, graduating from high school, going to college, first jobs, getting married, marveling at the miracle of our children. As the seasons passed anniversaries celebrated from five, ten, twenty, thirty, forty, fifty years and more. We are wowed at the blessings and adventures of the years. Yet, at the same time some of us have lost grandparents, parents, spouses, friends, and even some children. The adventure of the seasons and the celebration of blessings, the times of joy, the times of sadness, a time to be born and a time to die.

Even though we have been witnesses to the different seasons and we have seen things change and we have changed, at least one thing has been constant. God is always walking with us. The Lord claimed us in the beginning of our seasons, a time to be born, as the baptismal waters washed over us and we were marked with the cross of Christ and sealed by the Holy Spirit. The Lord was walking with us as we walked through our first seasons growing up with our families. The Lord is present through each season we have experienced, time for planting and time for harvesting. Our Lord Jesus has promised to be with us always. The Lord has a vision of every season, the seasons that have been, the seasons that are and the seasons yet to come.

*Pastor Camp*

**Calling all bakers** – We need your help! We have certainly missed your wonderful home baked goodies since Covid. Looking forward to tasting them again. Sign up in the office. Thank you so very much. We will need bakers for:

-Sunday, Oct 16<sup>th</sup> Apple Sunday for Coffee and Conversation. Make your best Apple treats.

-Friday, Oct 28<sup>th</sup> Bake Sale for the 2022 Fall Basket Party. Bake whatever your heart desires

-Sunday, Nov 13<sup>th</sup> Pumpkin Sunday for Coffee & Conversation. Pumpkin Goodies



What do you  
call a red-  
haired  
baker??



The ginger  
bread man

# JOURNEYMEN

## MEN'S MINISTRY

Journeyman-- Second Saturday of the month 7 am meet at church for the meeting portion, After the meeting, anyone who wishes will drive to breakfast and socialize from there. If you are male, attending service at Union Lutheran, you are already a member of Journeyman. This is a Men's Ministry group of our church, serving the community providing an opportunity for the men of the church to meet each other and enjoy the activities. You can contact the church office or Journeyman Secretary, Ron Pugh at [RonPugh@rcn.com](mailto:RonPugh@rcn.com) or by calling 610-442-9170.

Upcoming Journeyman events - Participate in Trunk or Treat, December Christmas Party and Gift Exchange, and Chicken Pot Pie Dinner on January 14th.

## HAPPY HOUR

Oct 2 Herb Gifford will talk about the Nicene Creed

Oct 9. Susan Frickert, Director of Music Composers

Oct 16 Movie and lunch. "I am Gabriel"

Oct 23 God's work our hands. We will be working w the Sunday School Kids to make pumpkin Cards for the folks at My Home

Oct 30 Pastor Camp. Comparing Lutherans

# ELCA WORLD HUNGER

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### Bolivia



Twelve-year-old Lorena lives in El Alto, Bolivia, with her mother and two younger sisters. El Alto is adjacent to La Paz and it's the second largest and fastest growing urban area in Bolivia.

Lorena's family is migrant Aymaran. The Aymara people are indigenous to the Altiplano (High Plateau) region of western Bolivia and southeastern Peru.

Lorena's mother works long hours. Like many other migrants in the area, Lorena's mother had little time to help Lorena and her sisters with their schoolwork. And Lorena did need help.

It was by chance that they learned about the Mt. Esperanza School Support Center, a project of the Iglesia Evangelica Luterana Boliviana (the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Bolivia). Passing by the center one day, Lorena and her Mom saw a poster on the door offering children help with their schoolwork.

Supported in part by **ELCA World Hunger**, the center is dedicated to serving migrant Aymara families like Lorena's by responding to the children's social and educational needs. Making sure students receive sufficient education is a key way communities can equip them to deal with hunger and poverty.

The center offers support in math, spelling, language and other subjects in which students may be falling behind. It also offers workshops for parents, giving them the tools to develop their skills and improve their families living conditions.

Thanks to **ELCA World Hunger**, Lorena found help at the center, help with her schoolwork along with school supplies and spiritual guidance. Lorena says, "I must not tire of practicing the values I have learned in my life, knowing that I must love my neighbor as myself and that God has a purpose for me."

The Baroque Baker is hosting a gourmet cookie decorating class at ULC. June is fully licensed by the Pa. Dept. Of Agriculture and owns **The Baroque Baker**, which specializes in custom decorated cookies, macarons and cupcakes. She is also the sister of our very own Valerie Snyder!!!



## Holiday Stained Glass Decorating Class

November 19th

10am-Noon in FLC

(enter back of church)

Ages 12 and older

\$45/student

Beginner Class

Step by Step instructions    Seating is limited    RSVP call 610-349-5269



*Prayer Shawl  
Ministry*

October 11th

1:00 pm

Room 206-207

**KNIT. CROCHET. PRAY.**

# **Soup & BBQ Sale**



**BROCCOLI CAULIFLOWER CHEDDAR SOUP -\$6/quart**

**TURKEY NOODLE SOUP \$6/quart**

**TURKEY BBQ-\$8/quart**

Order by Oct. 19

Pick up Oct. 29 from 9-2pm in Family  
Life Center

[Click here to order](#)

or contact the office

**15th Anniversary** UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH  
**Basket Party**  
5500 Rt. 873 Schnecksville, Pa



**October 28 5-8pm & October 29 9am-2pm**

Drawing will start at 2 pm

Pre-order Tickets  
5 sheets for \$20  
or  
\$5 sheet at  
the door

Tickets on sale 10/1  
-www.ulclv.org  
(Fundraisers Page)  
-Office hours  
-after worship

Bag of personal care  
of non perishable  
food  
items get 1  
FREE sheet of tickets

Kids-  
come in costume  
for a chance to win  
Giant Kids Basket

**Special Raffles for High Priced Items! Coach, Vera Bradley, FREE tickets and more!!!**

? | 610.767.6884 office@ulclv.org  
or Patti Hoffman 484.223.5760

Pick up Baskets | Oct. 29 3-5pm Family Life Center  
Oct. 30 10am - Noon Family Life Center  
Oct. 31 4pm - 7pm Front Dor

Kitchen will be open.

We are going to celebrate. Lots of supprises!

**Advanced tickets orders:**

**October 2, 9, 16, 23**

**After worship in the Gathering Space**

**Cash or check**

Part-time employment opportunities are available for caring for the Union Church Cemetery. Duties include the mowing of the cemetery property, weed eating around the memorials, preparing for and oversight of burials and cremations, prepare foundations for memorials, and general maintenance of cemetery grounds and property.

Candidates shall enjoy working outdoors, in all weather conditions, be familiar with lawn mowing equipment, be able to lift 50 pounds and perform light digging and raking of ground. Please contact Union Church Cemetery secretary/ treasurer Phil Wehr at 610-767-3657 for more information.

Welcome To Our  
**TEAM**



PT Faith Formation Coordinator

Josh Dietz

[faithformation@ulclv.org](mailto:faithformation@ulclv.org)

### Our Lil Pantry

- Tuna & Chicken in cans
- Canned Pasta
- Jelly Grape & Strawberry in Plastic Jars

### Parkland Cares

- Cereal
- Mac & Cheese
- Applesauce
- Cups or pouches

### NL Foodbank

- Cereal
- Dry Pasta
- Crackers

**No time to shop? Look for an envelope in the pews or [click here](#) to donate!**



## BOOK CORNER

Many, many, many thanks to all who made the 2022 Bookfest event a success!



Did you know that all of the past books that were read by the book club are kept in the library?

Sign one out today!

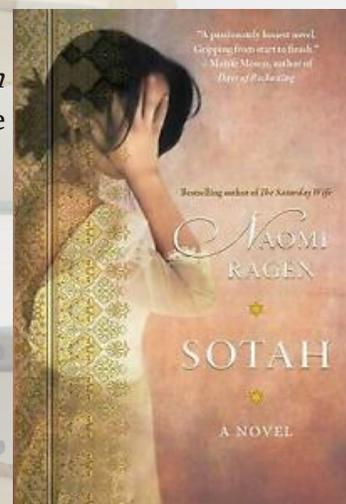
**Why are libraries the tallest buildings in the world?**

**Because they have so many stories!**



Our next book will be *Sotah* by Naomi Ragen. A glimpse into the ultra-orthodox world of the Haredim in modern Jerusalem.

Ninety three weeks on the best-seller list. *Sotah* introduces us to a family from Jerusalem's ultra-religious haredi enclave with three daughters approaching the



age of marriage. In the strict orthodoxy of their world, a *Sotah* is a wife suspected of infidelity who can be tried by ordeal to prove she is guiltless. This is the story of beautiful, fragile Dina Reich who is accused of the community's most unforgivable sin: adultery. Although Dina was brought up to be an obedient daughter and dutiful wife, she has yearnings -- for knowledge, for romance, for excitement -- that she knows her life will never satisfy. In her willing, but arranged marriage, Dina finds these deeply repressed passions increasingly difficult to ignore. Even her loving and generous husband cannot completely satisfy her, and eventually, her frustration finds a dangerous outlet in a sudden and intense obsession with a married man. But when the flirtation is exposed by the community's self-appointed vigilantes, Dina is separated from her husband and child and forced to leave the country. In New York City, the freedom and the shallowness of modern American life appall Dina, but they also inspire her to fashion her own tradition, one that will enable her to confront her accusers and reclaim her life. Set against the backdrop of Jerusalem's ancient rituals, *Sotah* is a contemporary story of sacred and blasphemous love, and a young woman's struggle to reconcile tradition with freedom.

Watch for the discussion date in the weekly bulletin and October newsletter.

# CHURCH COUNCIL

## **Highlights from the meeting.**

### **Next meeting will be October 17th at 7:00pm**

Financial Review: Giving was lower by 11.1% this month and YTD giving is lower by 2.9%

Property Expenses for August are 31.1% higher due to higher property expenses.

YTD expenses are higher than last year by 10.5%. We are still in a strong cash position.

-Hearing devices are needed and more will be purchased to be used as needed.

-The WIFI system has been upgraded at ULC!

-Keep your eyes peeled for the Stewardship Campaign Train, maybe you have seen it's cameos already. If not, keep looking!

-A candidate has been identified to fill the Faith Formation Coordinator Position.

-The 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Basket Party is only a month away, prepurchase your tickets today!

-Over 75 people attended the Book Fest and there are still books available, please contact the Library Committee if you are interested.

-The Outdoor LED Sign is in process to be approved by the township.

-Please plan on attending the Sacred Voices Concert on September 25th, tickets are available at the door.

-Sunday School has begun and Confirmation Class will begin on September 25th.

-Thank you to the congregation helping ULC to fight hunger in our area!

Please continue supporting our food banks, needed items are listed in the bulletin.

-College Care Packages and Scarves are being assembled for ULC college kids. Please sign your college student up to receive one today!

Upcoming Events, October Fest 10/2, Trunk Or Treat 10/22, God's Work Our Hands 10/23, Basket Party 10/28 & 10/29, Ingathering 12/1



*What Cancer cannot do  
Cancer is so limited.  
It cannot cripple love,  
It cannot erode faith,  
It cannot eat away peace,  
It cannot destroy confidence,  
It cannot kill friendship,  
It cannot shut out memories,  
It cannot silence courage,  
It cannot invade the soul,  
It cannot reduce eternal life,  
It cannot quench the spirit,  
It cannot lessen the power of  
resurrection.*

*-Kay Kischer*

## Blessing of the Animals



## October 16

## Noon—1:00 PM

Bring along your  
furry family  
members and drive  
through as Pastor  
Camp extends a  
blessing!

# TRUNK or TREAT

For all of you ghosts, goblins, princesses and pirates it's that time of year again to plan our annual Trunk or Treat to be held Saturday, **October 22 from 1-3** in our lower parking lot. This is a free, fun, family event providing a safe (parking lot will be closed to traffic) alternative from door to door trick or treating. Neff's UCC Church will be hosting a trunk or treat in the Grove so families can walk through our parking lot, take a stroll through the cemetery and back for lots more treats. To make this a success we will need lots of decorated car trunks. Costumed trunk owners will fill your bags with lots of goodies. Last year we had the most trunks decorated, (even had Neff's firetruck) let's make this another record breaking year. We need volunteers to donate candy, decorate their trunks and hand out candy or treats and of course LOTS of trunk or treaters. The sign up sheet for trunk decorating is in the office or you can call Cathy Smith 215-872-4013 with any questions.

We look forward to seeing there.



**God's work.  
Our hands.  
Sunday, Oct. 23rd**

Please help the Social Ministry Committee as we gather together as one to provide for the less fortunate. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

**Blanket Tying** - we have 5 fleece blankets that we will be tying to send to **Ripple** in Allentown

*(Ripple is an independent, non-profit organization in Allentown that services over 150 residents including people experiencing homelessness, housing instability, social isolation, experiencing trauma, mental illness and the working poor)*

**Supplies for Northern Lehigh School Districts Nurses**  
-we are collecting the following NEW items for the nurses offices at the elementary and middle schools.

Underwear

Kids: sizes 4-6X, 7-16  
Women's: small and med.  
Men's: small and med.

Socks

Kids: sizes 4-16  
Women's: small  
Men's: small & medium

Gym Shorts

Boys & Girls sizes: 8-20

Hoodies

Kids: med., lg., XL  
Adult: small and med.  
(neutral colors)

Sweatpants

Kids: sm., med., lg., XL  
Adult: small and med.  
(neutral colors)

# Lehigh Valley Pops Orchestra

with director George Fennell

present

## BENEFIT CONCERT

All proceeds going to  
ABIGAIL GRAHAM



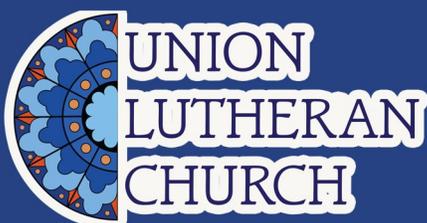
Sunday, October 23rd

3:00 pm

Union Lutheran Church, Schnecksville

FOR TICKETS CALL 610-767-6884

OR EMAIL [OFFICE@ULCLV.ORG](mailto:OFFICE@ULCLV.ORG)



Tickets are \$10 each  
Children 12 and under are free



Women  
of the  
Word

**WOW Bible Study**  
**9 am (please note new time)**

Once again let us turn to Women in the Bible—some of their names we know and have already studied, others we've only heard, and others are unnamed.

We'll be using the book *FIERCE* by Episcopalian Pastor and college chaplain Alice Connor who “introduces these women and invites us to see them not as players in a man's story—as victims or tempters—nor as morality archetypes, teaching us to be better wives and mothers, but as fierce foremothers of the faith. These women's stories are messy, challenging, and beautiful.”

“*Fierce* will provoke you, open up possibilities for you, invite you to imagine the inner lives of other women, even offend you at times, like the prophets did. Although separated by centuries and cultures, we aren't so different from these women; we share their desires and abilities. We are all part of the story that God is telling.”

Books will be provided. I'm looking forward to this study and hope you are too! Questions? Call or text Linda Rebuck at 610 613 6196 or email [Linda.Rebuck@gmail.com](mailto:Linda.Rebuck@gmail.com)

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<b>Sexton</b>	Terry P. Hoffman
<b>Faith Formation Coordinator</b>	Josh Dietz
<b>Parish Nurses</b>	Dottie Bealer and Jane Borbe

### Congregation Council Members 2022

<b>Officers</b>		<b>Committee Liaisons</b>	
<b>President</b>	Patti Hoffman	Worship and Music	Lynne Banzhoff
<b>Vice President</b>	Gail Lafferty	Worship and Music	Sherwood Geiger
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