

Happy New Year, ULC Family!

Well... we did it. We made it to another year! Happy New Year!

Some of us stayed up to watch the ball drop, some of us fell asleep on the couch at 9:15, and some of us insisted we were “resting our eyes.” However it happened, ~~2025~~ 2026 has officially arrived. (And let’s be honest: I’ll still be writing “2025” on forms until at least Easter.)

A new year always gives us a moment to breathe—to look back at what we’re thankful for, to admit where we could use a little growth, and to wonder what God might be planning next. That last part gets me especially excited, because God has a habit of surprising us in the best kinds of ways.

As you step into this year—coffee in hand, slippers still on, trying to remember what day it is—take a moment to consider:

- What made you grateful in 2025?
- Where might God be nudging you to grow (gently... or maybe with a holy shove)?
- And what do you hope God will do in and through our church family in 2026?

Whatever your answers, I’m grateful to be walking this journey with you. I’m looking forward to laughing, learning, growing, and yes—even filling out paperwork incorrectly together as we all try to remember the new date.

~ Pastor Camp

2026 Disaster Relief Trip



3/22/26-3/28/26

Partner: NCSC Lutheran Disaster Response

Lodging: Wilderness Cabins in Lutheridge

Food: DIY at the Bischoff Center

Contact the church office if interested!



The roof replacement is complete!! The new roof looks great and should last another 40 years.

We raised a lot of money, but needed to take out a loan to pay the final invoice. We sincerely appreciate everyone who has made donations to get us this far, but we still need your support! *Please continue to donate* to the Raise the Roof campaign and help us completely pay off our loan.



- **January 22nd**— My Tequila House (Crackersport Rd, Allentown)

- **February 26th**—

Chris & Eli's (7115 PA Rt 873, Slat-ington)

RSVP for January here!

UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Women's Retreat

featuring speaker Emily Hill
Saturday, February 7th, 2026

9:00am* - 2:30pm

*(doors open at 8am)

Speaker

Emily Hill works at the intersection of ministry and healthcare as a Chaplain for end of life care. Through her intentional exploration of difficult concepts, she helps inspire others to live their faith to the fullest.



Mission Project

We will be making gift baskets for the Cay Galgon Life House. This organization supports unshowered and marginalized mothers by equipping them with tools and resources to be self-reliant.



\$25 or \$20 with donation*

*(new or gently used items for newborns or expectant mothers)

Continental Breakfast → Lunch
Speaker → Activities → Outreach



January 16th at 6:30pm—Hawk Mountain Brewery (3530 Lehigh St. Whitehall, PA 18052)

February 20th at 6:30pm—Copperhead Grill (1731 Airport Rd Allentown, PA 18109)

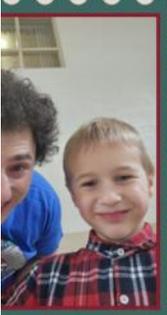
March 20th at 6:30pm—1760 Pub N Grille (1176 Trexlertown Rd, Trexlertown, PA 18087)

April 17th at 6:30pm—Miller's Ale House (913 Airport Center Rd Allentown, PA 18109)

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet Tuesday, December 13th at 1pm.

Happy Holidays!

DECEMBER WAS FULL OF LOVE AND JOY AT ULC!



Position Available

Sexton



Union Evangelical Lutheran Church (5500 RT 873 Schnecksville, PA) is seeking an individual to serve as Sexton. This person will maintain the church facility and grounds so that they are clean and maintained for worship, meetings, classes, and special functions. This position is accountable to the Pastor, Church Council, and the congregation.

- This position is part-time, 25 hours per week. Although, adjustments to hours worked may be made for the demands of the church year and event calendar. Scheduling flexibility for special events/clean up (i.e. funeral).
- This position must possess the ability to organize duties and set priorities.
- Working knowledge and ability to operate various types of cleaning equipment is needed.
- Physically able to perform cleaning and light maintenance duties.
- Willingness to serve and work with our Property Committee.
- Must be able to work independently with minimal supervision.
- Hired individual can expect an hourly rate up to \$15 per hour, contingent upon experience and probationary period.
- Appropriate background checks and clearances expected.

Interested applicants should submit a cover letter and resume to Union Lutheran Church, 5500 Route 873, Schnecksville, PA 18078, or via email to office@ulclv.org. EOE.



The Journeymen is the men's ministry group of Union Lutheran.

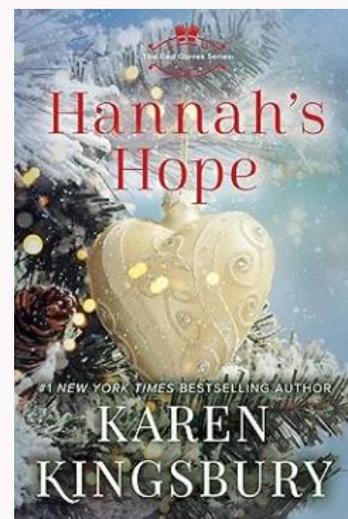
We believe in putting God's word forward, and also have a good time doing it.

This is a great way to meet other men in the church. We provide help throughout our Church Community as we can, from cash donations to helping a member in need with a project.

We meet the second Saturday of the month in Room 102, downstairs in the church. If you have any questions, please give [Ron Pugh a call \(610-442-9170\)](tel:610-442-9170) or an email (RonPugh@rcn.com) and he will be happy to discuss the Journeymen with you!

BOOK CLUB

Our next selection is ***Hannah's Hope*** by Karen Kingsbury. Raised in a political family, 15-year-old Hannah Roberts lives a lonely life with her wealthy, unaffectionate grandmother while her parents work abroad. As Christmas nears, Hannah learns a shocking truth: the man she believed was her father is not her parent after all.



In an effort to find answers, she begins a desperate search for her real father, Air Force pilot Mike Conner, who she discovers to be the man of her distant childhood memories. Local politicians and the city's newspaper catch wind of her quest, and the entire state joins Hannah in hope that she'll find her father before Christmas.

Join us on January 18 to discuss this story about memories, growing up, and hope for a future of joy.

If you are interested, please contact the church office or Brian Geren at brian.geren@yahoo.com

Be A Volunteer

Our mission is to follow Jesus and serve as He would.

We have many opportunities for you to use your special gifts and talents to help further the ministries of our church.

Congregation Council Members

We are currently looking for Congregation Council members. Members of the Church Council provide leadership and oversee the church's operations, finances, and ministries. The council meets monthly, and its members serve as liaisons to various committees. This is an excellent opportunity to learn more about the church and further its ministry.



Cemetery Commission

We are looking for a member to join the Cemetery Commission. The Cemetery Commission is made up of representatives from both Union Lutheran Church and Union UCC. The Cemetery Commission is responsible for the care, maintenance, and oversight of cemetery property. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn about the cemetery and connect with members of Union UCC. The Cemetery Commission meets four times a year.

Youth Group:

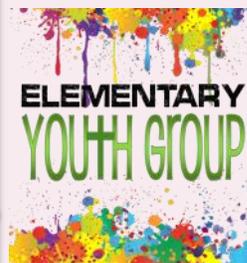
We can't wait to see you in 2026!



- **January 4th**—Sights & Sounds (Sean Nickerson)
- **January 11th**—Holiday Craft (Patti Hoffman)
- **January 25th**—The 12 Disciples, Part 3 (Pastor Camp)

Sunday School:

**No Sunday School 12/28 or 1/4.
We will see you on January 11th!**



Laser Tag

- Wednesday, January 14th from 7-8pm at Planet Trog (3578 MacArthur Rd, Whitehall, PA 18052)

SkyZone

- Sunday, February 15th from 1-2pm at SkyZone Bethlehem (2285 Schoenersville Rd, Bethlehem, PA 18017)

Vacation Bible School

Sunday, June 14th—Thursday, June 18th

We are looking for volunteers!

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Congregational Council Members

Brian Geren	Council President/Property Committee/Union Board VP
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Sue Mosser	Council Treasurer
Robert Drews	Library Committee
Debra Geiger	Fundraising Committee/Union Board Alt.
Sherwood Geiger	Worship & Music Committee/Union Board Member
Sally Grim	Social Ministry Committee/Union Board Secretary
Debra Grundstrom	Staff Support Committee/Union Board Alt.
Ryan Parker	Fellowship Committee/Union Board Member
Mike Busser	Finance Committee

A copy of the monthly Council Meeting Minutes can be found on the bulletin board in the upstairs hallway or in the church office.

