

UNITED In CHRIST
NEWSLETTER
LENT 2016
Feb. through mid-March



TWO SERVICES OFFERED FOR
ASH WEDNESDAY, Feb. 10

**1:00 P.M.—Bible Study and service for
imposition of ashes (no communion)**

**7:00 P.M.—Ash Wednesday service
with communion**

**Sermon Series and
Bible Studies in Lent:
“Healing, Health and
Wholeness”**

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 A.M.
SUNDAY WORSHIP with HOLY COMMUNION 10:00 A.M.

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Church Office Hours: Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.
The offices are located across from the Restrooms.

UIC COUNCIL MEMBERS

Annette Baker (2nd term, term ends 2019)
Elwood Brown (2nd term, term ends 2017)
Frank Danowsky (1st term, term ends 2019)
Charlie Dinsmore (1st term, term ends 2019)
John Sheaffer, Vice President (2nd term,
term ends 2019)
Dalton Shearer, youth rep (1st term, term ends
December 2016)
Tina Snyder, Secretary (1st term, term ends 2017)
Bob Swartz, President (1st term, term ends 2017)
Wendy Wirth (2nd term, term ends 2018)
Cami Zimmerman, Treasurer (1st term, term
ends 2019)
Pastor Schade

Notice: *Deadline for submissions for the Easter newsletter (mid-March through April) is **Feb. 29th**. If you have articles/reports to include, please submit them to: uiclutheran@dejazzd.com*

United in Christ's Mission Statement:

Led by the Spirit, we follow Christ's call to honor God and neighbor through worship, learning, service, prayer, stewardship and invitation.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb. 3 - Church lunch, Carriage Corner, Mifflinburg, noon

Feb. 6 - Souper Bowl bag collection, meet at church at 10 a.m.

Feb. 7 - SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY CELEBRATION

 blessing collection of food and funds for the hungry

Feb. 10 - OAKs Monthly Senior Center, 10 a.m.—2 p.m.

 Ash Wednesday Bible Study and Service, 1 p.m.

 Ash Wednesday Service w/ Communion, 7 p.m.

Feb. 19-20 - "Grow in the Snow," Camp Mount Luther,

 Youth in Grades 6—12

Feb. 24 - Council meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Feb. 28 - CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

March 2 - Church Lunch, Ards, noon

March 5 - Youth Turkey Waffle Dinner, 4—7 p.m.

March 9 - OAKs Monthly Senior Center, 10 am.—2 p.m.

 Heritage Celebration Day

March 16 - Council meeting, 6:30 p.m.

March 19 - Scout Spaghetti Supper, 4—7 p.m.

March 20 - Palm Sunday

March 24-26 - Holy Week Services

March 27 - Easter Sunday

A Congregational Meeting
will be held February 28, after
worship to hear committee
reports, and the audit report.





SUNLIGHT FROM SCHADE

HEALING, HEALTH AND WHOLENESS: COMMITMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

This Lenten season I'm encouraging our congregation to take steps toward better health, healing and wholeness in mind, body, emotions and relationships. And I'm taking this call seriously for myself as a pastor. I recently learned from Portico, the Benefit Service provider for the ELCA, the serious nature of the overall health of ELCA clergy and what the church is trying to do to change it.

Click on this link if you'd like to learn more:

<https://employerlink.porticobenefits.org/home/CallToLiveWell/FaithBasedWellBeing/WellnessReformation>

Clergy have such high instances of hypertension and heart problems that it is becoming a characteristic of the profession. Our health costs as a group are 23% higher than other comparable groups. And this is reflected in the skyrocketing costs of health benefits for congregations. Clergy work in more stressful environments. And our population has a higher incident rate of chronic conditions like diabetes, heart disease, asthma, kidney disease, and heart failure.

One of the things the ELCA is asking clergy to do is to make lifestyle choices and changes that have tangible positive outcomes. In response, this year I'm committed to being accountable to the Council, and to you—the congregation—about the steps I'm taking to improve my health. I will be including that information in my pastor's report, writing about it in my Sunlight from Schade column for the newsletter, and designing a Lenten sermon series on "metanoia" - turning toward health and faith. My hope is that this will model for our congregation taking positive steps toward better health for all of us, taking care of the temples of our bodies which God has entrusted to us.

As I shared in a recent sermon, the Commandment that I break most often is the one about honoring the Sabbath. Yes, I lead worship nearly every Sunday. But I have not been taking a weekly day of rest for the last several months. I am also not exercising as much as necessary. Add to this the history of heart disease, stroke and high blood pressure in my family history, as well as my

level of stress, and I realize that I could be a risk for the congregation and the church as a whole if I do not take steps to better care for myself. So here are things I'm committed to doing in the coming year:

1. **Sabbath:** Honor the day of rest once a week. Usually this will be on Fridays. On these days I will engage in the activities that strengthen my relationship with God, family and friends, and God's Creation (taking walks, meditating, journaling, playing games with my kids, having "dates" with my husband, etc.).
2. **Exercise:** Add one additional day of high-energy exercise each week (in addition to my current practice of exercise once a week) and walking 20 minutes each day.
3. **Nutrition:** Eliminate meat from my diet (I've committed to being a "pescatarian" - not eating meat, but allowing fish). This is not only good for my health, but also for our planet's well-being.
4. **Accountability:** Being accountable to these commitments in my monthly reports to Council and asking for their prayerful support and encouragement.

I ask for your prayers that God may give me the will and the willpower to take care of the temple of my mind, body and emotions that have been entrusted to me, as well as the relationships that are a reflection of the Divine Love that seeks to enfold me in grace.

And if you are inspired to take steps in improving your own health in mind, body, spirit and relationships, I welcome hearing from you. Supporting each other on this journey together will help us all live in to being the Body of Christ.

Blessings,
Pastor Schade

**LENTEN SERMON SERIES and
SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDIES, 9 A.M.
"HEALING, HEALTH AND WHOLENESS"
Healing prayer stations available
every Sunday during worship in Lent.**



UNITED IN CHRIST NEWS ITEMS

THE FLOOR IS FIXED!



Thanks to Elwood Brown, Jeff Snyder, Clint Snyder and Nick Cook, the floor in the Social Hall is now repaired! After jacking up the floor, they installed beams underneath to keep the floor stable. Instead of having to tear up the floor to put in the beams, they discovered they could bring the beams in through the vent from the outside. This avoided the cost of having to tear up and replace the carpet, which is a huge savings. All that remains is to get

the fan installed and repair the floor in the closet. Many thanks to these guys for a job well done!



Islam, the Middle East and Christianity:



Misconceptions, Facts and Surprises

Special Forum: February 7, 9 a.m.

Do Muslims hate Christians?

Are Arabs taking over the world?

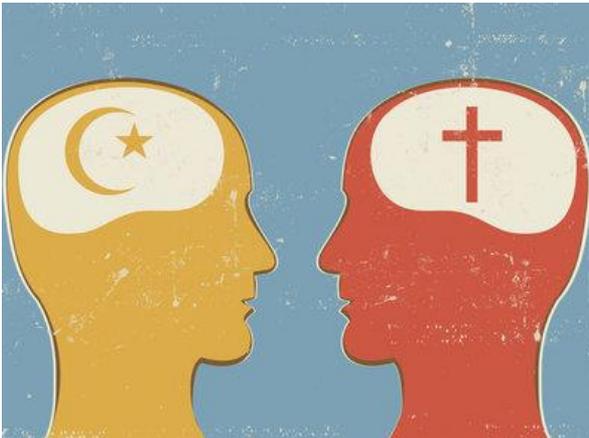
Is Islam a religion that oppresses women?

What does jihad really mean?

Join the conversation led by Pastor Schade to address these questions and more as we learn some basic facts about Islam and the Middle East that may surprise you.

For example, did you know that Jesus is referenced more times in the Koran than anyone—even the Prophet Muhammed?

Come to this forum to ask questions, engage in conversation, and discover aspects of Islam, Muslims and the Middle East that will help you gain a better understanding of this religion and its adherents.



ALTAR FLOWERS ARE CHANGING



We will be ordering one single arrangement, which will be placed on the floor in front of the altar, with a cost of \$30. See the 2016 flower chart next to the kitchen to place your order, or contact the church office at 570-568-2254 or email uiclutheran@dejazzd.com. Sunday altar flowers are a beautiful expression of our love for God. It honors loved ones and gives thanks for special people and events in our lives. There are lots of open slots to order flowers in memory of a loved one or in commemoration of a special event. You can take them home after service or you can designate that they go to one of our homebound members.

VALENTINE GIFTS FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS & MILITARY PERSONNEL

The congregation is asked to bring small-denomination gift cards (Dunkin' Donuts, Dominoes, Subway, gas cards, etc.) for our college students and military personnel by Feb. 7.



We will have greeting cards for the congregation to sign to be sent to our students as a sign that we are thinking and praying for them during their spring semester and in serving our country.

Parents—please be sure to give us your son or daughter's mailing address at college so we can send their card to them! You can put it in Terri Cromwell's mailbox.)

Stewardship Reflection

“In the new year, as I add my \$1.00/day to help support God's work in United In Christ, I'm also writing down each day how God has blessed me. I keep my journal near my container so I remember to jot something down. Each entry begins " God blessed me today ...". At the end of the year I will be reminder of the many blessings I have received throughout the year.” - Cami Zimmerman, Council Member

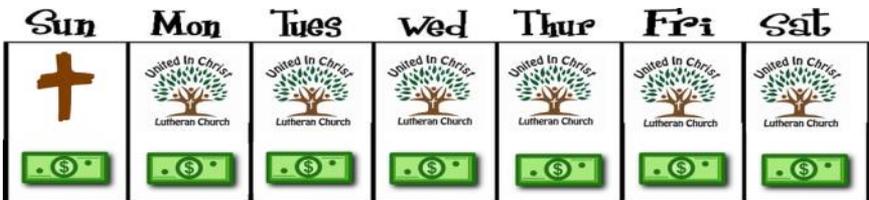
Following Cami's lead, the youth now have a “Blessing Book,” where we record the blessings for which we are thankful. We do this on Sunday evenings when we have dinner together as part of Youth Nights at church. How is God blessing you? Post your reflections on the church Facebook page, or send us your reflection—uiclutheran@dejazzd.com.

Good news! January offerings and contributions have been strong, so we are starting out the year with a great response to our Dollar-a-Day Campaign. Five families have already given their “first fruits” - gifts of \$365 for the year. And many more are using their dollar-a-day containers to collect their extra change to add to their regular offering. So our giving for January is very close to meeting expenses.

Also, donations totaling over \$4000 have been collected for our Capital Expense Fund, which is earmarked for repairing the floor in the social hall.

REMEMBER TO USE YOUR DOLLAR-A-DAY CONTAINERS!

Put aside one dollar each day in the container you received, then add that to your regular offering each week. Together we can sustain the good ministry of this congregation!

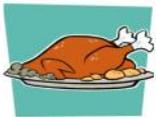


DOLLAR-A-DAY 2016

YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY

YOUTH PRE-NEW YEAR'S LOCK-IN

Thirty of our youth and their friends gathered the day before New Year's Eve to play hide and seek in the church, enjoy snacks and movies, and take part in devotional moments throughout the night. Just before midnight everyone gathered in the sanctuary for a devotion by candle-light, followed by a toast in the fellowship hall with sparkling grape juice and cider. **Five of the youth were first-time guests!**



Mark your calendars:
TURKEY WAFFLE DINNER!



Saturday, March 5, 4—7 p.m.
Adults—\$8; Children 12 and under—\$4

All proceeds benefit youth scholarships for Camp Mount Luther.

Volunteers needed for turkeys, food donations, set-up and clean-up and helping the youth with serving.

Please see sign-up table in fellowship hall.

YOUTH VALENTINE TREATS SALE

Alli Arndt will be making her delicious treats again this year.

- * Chocolate covered Oreo pop for \$1
- * Two chocolate covered medium pretzels for \$1.50
- * Chocolate dipped heart shaped rice krispie treats for \$1.50
- * Two chocolate dipped pretzel rods for \$1.50.

All items are packaged & decorated for Valentine's day. Alli will be selling her treats at social hour on Sunday, January 31, February 7 and 14. All money raised will help support the youth.



Communion Instruction Classes



Children of any age are welcome to take Communion at UIC as parents see fit. Instruction classes will be held on Sundays in March after worship, 11:30-12:30, with a special recognition on Maundy Thursday for students completing instruction. If you would like your child to be part of the class, please notify Pastor Schade.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

(Note: No Youth Group on Feb. 7 or 14.)

Feb. 21, 28—Youth Group and Confirmation, 6—8 p.m.

March 6, 13, 20—Youth Group and Confirmation, 6—8

March 12—Turkey Waffle Dinner (youth arrive by 3)

March 26—Community Egg Hunt, 1 p.m.

My Soul Looked Back and Wondered

A Celebration of African American History

February 17, 7:00 p.m.

Campus Theatre, Lewisburg

As part of Black History Month, the CommUnity Zone in partnership with the Gaspipe Theatre Ensemble, is staging a play entitled *My Soul Looked Back and Wondered*, by local playwright, our own **Derek W. Scott**, and directed by **Danielle Murphy**.

The play centers on our nation's African American experience beginning with the capture and sale of men and women of color during colonial times, and ending with the Rev. Martin L. King's Mountaintop speech. Audiences will gain insight into the mindset of African-American historical figures throughout the course of history, including Frederick Douglas, Harriet Tubman, Nat Turner, Ida Wells, Bert Williams, Paul Robeson, Billie Holliday and others.

The play also addresses efforts of those embroiled in the Civil Rights moment and is based on actual events but tells the story through a fictionalized accounting of the characters' thoughts and words.

Tickets are \$10 at the door.



Social Ministry



As 2015 came to a close, members at UIC continue to be involved in Social Ministry activities reaching out to those in the community. Our members help in serving the weekly Community Harvest Meal at St. Andrew's UMC, and to the new bi-monthly community meal being served at Christ Lutheran in Milton.



Social Ministry's focus during the Christmas Season was providing gifts to Country Comfort Assisted Living residents who would receive few or no visitors over the holidays. On December 13, a group of our youth and adults visited the facility in New Columbia to sing some Christmas carols and give out small useful gifts to everyone there. What a great way to spread the Christmas spirit!



WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

	2/7	Ash Wed. 2/10	2/14	2/21
Acolyte	A. Danowsky	R. Schade	O. Arndt	L. Shearer
Asst. Minister	T. McPherrin	Confirmation students	M. Shearer	B. Swartz
Lector	F. Van Dyke	B. Swartz	C. Zimmerman	Ken Baker
Comm. Asst.	H. Marsh B. Swartz	S. Danowsky	S. Weiser W. Wirth	M. Shearer M. Baker
Altar Guild	C. Zimmerman	C. Troxell	K. Guffey	S. Keifer
Greeters	B Swartz T. Swartz G. Weiser	T. Swartz J. Snyder T. Snyder	D. Baker Karen Baker L. Danowsky	E. Brown S. Brown K. Floyd
Ushers	S. Dinsmore C. Dinsmore S. Keifer Rosemary K.	Confirmation students	K. Koch A. Loss H. Marsh J. Mertz	B. Koch K. Arndt W. Wirth B. Troxell
Social Hour	A-D		E-K	L-R
Bread/ Wine	K. Floyd	S. Keifer	V. Marsh	Rosemary K.
Offering Counters	T. Snyder M. Rabuck		W. Wirth M. Shearer	C. Zimmerman T. Snyder

* Watch for the Easter schedule in the next newsletter.*

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE, Part Two

	2/28	3/6	3/13	3/20
Acolyte	E. Danowsky	B. Martz	B. Schade	Z. Scott
Asst. Minister	R. Baker	A. Baker	T. McPherrin	C. Zimmerman
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Ushers	T. Swartz C. Troxell M. Rabuck L. Rabuck	L. Caris C. Dinsmore S. Dinsmore K. Guffey	S. Keifer K. Koch S. McPherrin L. Rabuck	K. Arndt B. Koch Karen B. B. Keifer
Social Hour	S-Z	A-D	E-K	L-R
Bread/Wine	S. Noll	S. McPherrin	J. Mertz	P. Swinehart
Offering Counters	M. Rabuck W. Wirth	M. Shearer C. Zimmerman	T. Snyder M. Rabuck	W. Wirth M. Shearer

Confirmation Corner

Martin Luther and Martin Luther King, Jr. Sharing more than just a name!

Many people confuse the man who started the Protestant Reformation with the man who led the Civil Rights movement in America. As our country celebrates Black History month, our Confirmation students learned about why the connection between the two men goes beyond just their names. Here are some of their reflections:

Martin Luther and Martin Luther King have a lot more in common than their names. According to Forbes.com, Martin Luther King Jr.'s father was originally named Michael King. After a trip to the Holy Land and Germany, Dr. King's father was inspired by what he learned about and changed his name and the name of his young son.

Even though Martin Luther and Dr. King were born over 400 years apart and half a world away, both men were raised to have a deep faith in God. Martin Luther's parents wanted their son to be a lawyer. But instead, he became a monk and then a pastor. Dr. King like Martin Luther, also got his doctorate in theology and became a Baptist minister in his father's church.

Both men were inspired to respond to issues in their countries. Martin Luther responded to unfair practices put in the Catholic Church which he viewed as corruption. The Catholic Church sold indulgences which were ways for people to pay their way into heaven. Martin Luther saw this as unjust and unnecessary. He believed that God's grace got a person to heaven and the money people were spending was being used for financial gain in the city of Rome. This angered Martin Luther and he spent his life's work writing and lecturing against such practices giving birth to the Protestant Church. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. responded to a different type of injustice. Dr. King was inspired to tackle the issue of racial segregation in America. Dr. King organized non-violent protests such as the Montgomery bus boycott, peaceful protest marches, and lunch counter sit-ins to address the segregation issue and inspire change in the laws and rights of Black Americans.



Both Martin Luther and Dr. King were fathers and husbands who balanced their love for their families with their struggles for justice. And finally, both warriors admitted their weariness towards the end of their fights with Martin Luther falling ill and dying at the age of 62, and Dr. King falling to an assassin's bullet at the age of 39.

Despite their early deaths both men made a tremendous impact on our nation, our churches, and our world.

- Zoe Scott

There are many things that Martin Luther and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. had in common. Both of these two men are very inspirational hard workers, motivators, and achievers. Both men worked to make a change in the world. More specifically, to change the unfairness going on during their time. While Martin Luther King, Jr. worked to abolish slavery, Luther worked to reform the Catholic Church. However, these two men can be described similarly through these two words: Protestant and Reformation.



Both Martin Luther and Martin Luther King, Jr. *protested* against the wrongdoings of the things going on around them (indulgences, and discrimination, respectively). And both men worked at reforming things—Luther worked to reform the Church and King worked to reform society so that there was equality of black and white races.

Both were very good public speakers, encouragers, and leaders. Even though they were from different times, they acted in similar ways.

These two men have been large role model figures throughout my life. They are great inspirational people that have shown me what it means to stand up for what I believe in and to be myself. Even though they went through tough times, they achieved what they wanted through hard work and persistence. These two extraordinary men have taught me to do the same.

- Rachel Schade

Both Martin Luther and Martin Luther King, Jr. were religious leaders. Also, they both protested peacefully for what they thought was right. It makes sense that King was named after Luther because they were both important leaders of their times who sparked social change. Because King was named after Luther, I believe this inspired him to live up to the model that Martin Luther set for us.

- Owen Arndt

OAKs Senior Center Reaches 50 Participants

Older Adults Kickin' it up (OAKs) has reached 50 people with this outreach ministry to the seniors in our area. December saw a record number of participants in our monthly senior center, with 30 people enjoying bingo, free lunch, and holiday harp music with Pastor Schade.

January also saw close to 30 people who enjoyed the classic Shirley Temple movie, *Curly Top*.

Join us on Wed., Feb. 10, for a special Ash Wednesday Bible Study and service.





**Older Adults
Kickin' it UP!
Monthly Senior Center**

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 10, 10am-2pm

10 am - Fellowship

11 am - Free Bingo with Prizes

12 pm - Free Lunch

**1 pm - Bible Study and Worship with
Imposition of Ashes**



**United in Christ monthly senior center
is open to the public.**

TACKLE HUNGER!

In 20 years, **Souper Bowl of Caring** has raised over \$100 million for local charities. Through this mission, we make a positive difference in the world, collecting food, raising money, and contribute to sheltering the homeless and feeding the hungry.



February 7th, 2016

We are in need of volunteers to help collect food bags in the community on Saturday, Feb. 6, 10 a.m. Please see Mike Baker if you can help.

Also, a collection of canned goods and monetary donations will be accepted that Sunday at church.

For more information, visit tacklehunger.org or speak with Mike Baker.



HEALTH TID-BITS

From our Parish Nurses



February is *Bake For Family Fun Month* and *Hot Breakfast Month*. What could be better on a cold, snowy, winter day than heating up the oven and filling the house with the delicious aroma of something baking? Imagine the smell of Berry Cobbler or Banana Muffins. What could be better than doing it with your kids or a friend? And since February is also Hot Breakfast Month, make something hot as your baking activity. Something like Apple Cherry Cinnamon Oatmeal or Applesauce Breakfast Cake.

When baking, be sure to follow safety rules. Wash hands before starting. Tie back or cover long hair. Roll up long sleeves. If you have pans on the stove, be sure the handles are turned towards the center of the stove. Kids, make sure an adult takes pans in and out of the oven. Adults, be sure your hot pads are dry. Otherwise the heat will penetrate the hot pad and burn you.

These can be beautiful memories for your children. Be sure to take lots of pictures of your activity and the finished product. Maybe instead of just baking for your family, bake something for a neighbor, or a shut in.

In Christian Love, Irene and Celia

APPLE-CHERRY CINNAMON OATMEAL

Yield: 2 Servings

Ingredients:

- 1 cup water
- 1/4 cup unsweetened apple-cherry juice
- 1 small apple (peeled and chopped)
- 2/3 cup steel cut oatmeal
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 cup 1% low-fat milk



Instructions:

Combine water, apple-cherry juice, and apple in a small saucepan.

Bring to a boil over high heat; stir in the oatmeal and cinnamon.

Return to a boil, then reduce heat to low and cook until thick, about 2 minutes. Spoon oatmeal into 2 bowls. Pour 1/2 cup milk over each serving.

THANK YOU's

Thank you to all those who helped make and bag cookies for the Youth Cookie Sale.

Thank you to all the children, parents and members that helped with the Christmas Pageant.

Thank you to our Rich Huff committee for all the time you ladies take in organizing and shopping for less fortunate children in our area.

Thank you to the youth for wrapping and gift bagging all of the presents that were purchased this year for children in our area and also for the residents at Country Comfort.

We had a great turn out for Caroling at Country Comfort. Thank you to all who came to sing and hand out gifts.

Thank you Worship and Music Committee for decorating the sanctuary for Christmas Eve service.

Thank you to those that purchased poinsettias for our altar at Christmas.

Dear United in Christ Family,

I was surprised and grateful for the day of celebration of my ministry with you on Jan. 17. The cake was lovely (and delicious!), and the gift cards are much appreciated! Our family is so blessed!

With thankfulness,

Pastor Schade, Jim,
Rachel and Ben



Thank you for your generous donation of \$1,056.59 to Snyder-Union-Northumberland Habitat for Humanity which now makes you a member of our Dream Builder Club. You will now



be listed as a *Dream Build Club Member* in our quarterly newsletters, in our "Thank You Ad" in the Daily Item and on our website, you have now been placed on a special list for invitations to all events, your name will be announced, and you will have the opportunity to participate at each of those events. Most importantly you have been guaranteed a spot for you and three of your friends to participate in our next build! With this donation you have helped us to complete two homes in Northumberland County located in Sunbury and the Borough of Northumberland. The Sunbury home has been rehabilitated for the Underhill/Cheeseman Family and in August we broke ground for the new home to be built in Northumberland for the Lenker Family of four. The Lenker home now has a roof and walls and we have begun to start all of the interior construction. We cannot build homes without people like you that open up their hearts and support our cause. On behalf of our entire affiliation, I extend our gratitude.

Sincerely,

Sandra N. Hopkins (Development Officer), Habitat for Humanity

Thank you for your prayers, cards and sending a crew of workers to help me. May God bless your ministry.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Pete and Ruth Bergstesser

Dear United in Christ and Dick Kling,

Thank you for your thoughtfulness, kindness and helpfulness for my daughter with the Walmart Gift Card during my difficult time at Christmas. It was appreciated and used well.

God bless,

Barb Wolfe and daughter



Glen Van Dyke's Retirement

After five years of service to United in Christ, and 55 years of serving as an organist in numerous churches throughout his career, Glen Van Dyke retired after the Christmas Eve service. Thank you, Glen, for your faithfulness and worship leadership for our congregation!

Thanks to our Scouts who did a fall clean-up on the beds outside the church!



ICE Card (In Case of Emergency)

EMERGENCY INFO CARDS

To be prepared for emergencies that may arise for members while at church, we are asking everyone to please fill out Emergency Information Cards. In your newsletter, you will find a form for you to fill out, and there are extras in the fellowship hall on the sign-up table. Please fill out one for each member of your household.

When you have it filled out, please place it in the "Completed" tray. In the future, if you need a change made, please request a new sheet to fill out from the church office.

FORMS ARE DUE BY FEBRUARY 28.

Member Updates



Larissa Shearer 2/3
Dalton Shearer 2/4
Delroy Caris 2/5
Eleanor Phillips 2/5
Jeffrey Snyder 2/6
Desiree Swartz 2/6
Aaron Guffey 2/10
Maiya Hauck 2/12
Eleanor Brouse 2/14
Annette Baker 2/19
Elwood Brown 2/19
Gwen Murphy 2/19

Mary Lou Keifer 2/21
Brittany Guffey 2/27



Bob Troxell 3/1
Krista Wirth 3/2
Leah Schade 3/7
Gerald Baker 3/8
Irene Stark 3/9
Robert Yost 3/12
Grace Yost 3/15
Glen Van Dyke 3/18
Pam Brouse 3/26
Allyssa Stark 3/26
Chad Cromwell 3/29
Donna Kling 3/30

HAPPY *Anniversary*

Mel and Nancy Baker 2/14/03
Gerald and Carolyn Baker 2/17/62
Ken and Margaret Kahler 2/17/58
Jack and Cheryl Stiber 2/26/65

Herb and Viv Marsh 2/28/59
Frank and Bertie Danowsky 3/12/67
Allen and Kathy Loss 3/16/01

NEW ADDRESSES

Allyssa Stark
237 Buffalo Rd
Lewisburg, PA 17837

Alecia Engle
221 Mill Street
Danville PA 17821

Pastor Catrina Ciccone
2228 Carter Ave Apt 2
St. Paul, MN 55108

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE IN NEED:

Our Members: Nelson and Esther Minium, Barry and Louella Swanger, Eleanor Phillips, Mel Baker Jr., Marie Tanner, Margaret Kahler, Ruth Stump, Kathy Loss, Grace and Bob Yost, Arna Dershem, Cheryl Baker, Becky Divers, Jeffrey Byerly, Alice Ann Snyder, Willard Hauck, Lana Rote, George Rice, John Russell, Dick Kling, Woody Warren, Meda Moyer, John and Shirley Russell, George Weiser, Irene Stark, Kim Floyd, Bob Keifer, John and Jen Sheaffer, Laurel Hertz, Frank Danowsky, Ellen McCormick, Only Rishel, Michelle Shearer and family on the death of her grandmother.

Friends and Family: Ray Beachy, Sherry Goff, Paul Cromwell, Chad Cromwell, Anthony DeLong, Sam Rice, Hallie Loubach, Amy Loreman, Richard Thomas, Ed Bauer, friends and family of Martha McMormick, Bob Franks, friends and family of Jim Stahlnecker.

TO ADD NAMES: SEND EMAILS TO:

UICLUTHERAN@DEJAZZD.COM or CALL 570-568-2254

Let us know!

If you so desire, please let us know when you or your family member is in the hospital. Please call the church at 570-568-2254 and/or Pastor

Schade at 610-420-6861 and let us know you have been hospitalized or have an upcoming surgery. **Please do not assume that if you tell someone in the church that the pastor will be notified. Because of confidentiality issues, it's best if you contact Pastor Schade or the church office directly.**

Also, please contact the church office if you would like to have a visit from the Pastor, one of our homebound communion visitors, or would like to be listed for prayer support.



MINISTRY COMMITTEES

**Sunday, Feb. 7 and March 6
after fellowship.**



The First Community Foundation Partnership of Pennsylvania (FCFP) will again hold its “Raise the Region” event to help the communities of Columbia, Lycoming, Montour, Northumberland, Snyder, and Union counties support local nonprofit organizations fundraising efforts. This is a 30-hour fundraising event starting on Wednesday, March 9, 6:00 p.m. through 11:59 p.m., March 10.

There are many local non-profits listed on the site that you can support including:

Camp Mount Luther

Golden Rule Love INC

Hand-up

Haven Ministry

Visit www.raisetheregion.org and select the participating nonprofit(s) of your choice to support. All gifts are tax deductible and will help make your favorite nonprofits’ mission possible.

**ADVENT OFFERINGS DONATED TO
TRANSITIONS CRISIS CENTER**

Every year we designate our Advent offerings to support a local charity or need in the community. This year the Council voted to send the funds to Transtions, a crisis center that provides advocacy, empowerment, and education to victims, survivors, families, and communities to end patterns of violence and abuse. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to give a gift of \$430 to this organization which does such important work in our area.

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