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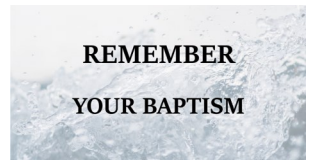


Pastor's Corner

Remember Our Baptism and Be Thankful!

A few months ago, we had the opportunity to remember our baptism. Those who are baptized were invited to touch the waters of baptism in a bowl and to take a glass droplet as an act of remembrance from the bowl.

As we remember our baptism, we renew our vows of love and service. Each time that we baptize an infant, child, or adult, we renew our vows once again. Each time that we receive someone into the membership of the church, we renew our vows once again. All of these are acts of remembrance.



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But what are we really remembering? The water reminds us to be grateful for all that God has already done for us in Jesus' baptism, life, death, and resurrection. The waters are reminders of our need to be washed clean of our sin and renewed in our spirit as we are purified by God's love and by the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives. We are remembering that long before we knew or heard of God, God's gracious love was already at work in our lives seeking to woo us into relationship.

How do we live out that relationship to which we have been invited? In the vows that we take, we pledge that we will faithfully "participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness."

... by our prayers... Pray! Talk with God! Share your concerns and your thanksgivings with God. Pray for your family, your friends, your neighbors, your church, and your pastor!

... by our presence... Be here! Attend frequently so that you may be encouraged in your journey with God and that you can share encouragement with others in their journey with God.

... by our gifts... Give! Give of your time, give of your talent, give of your treasure! When we learn to generously give we begin to see the many ways in which God has already given to us. At the same time, through our gifts, we participate in blessing others through the ministries of the church and in turn discover the many ways in which we are blest.

... by our service... Serve! This one is particularly about our time and talent. This is about being a blessing in the lives of others around us. Find ways to put your time and talents to serve others whether it be through as a Scout Leader, a youth leader, a Sunday School teacher, a greeter, the list goes on... Help other people!

... by our witness... Witness! 1 Peter 3:15-16 tells us to "Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and (continued on page 5)



PRAYER CHAIN

Begins In The Church Office

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Prayer concerns for our Church Family & Friends...



Home Touch

Lohra Allcorn
Joe Biddle
Bim Brightwell
Don & Nancy Deutsch
Dave & Linda Eiler
Pat Elick
Paul Grimes
Sylvia Hendrickson
Elmira Hollingshead
Lee Jenkins
Thelma Koch
Josephine Lopic
Jim & Esther Miller
Thelma Miller
Dawn Mohrbacher
Jackie Neal
Janet Pfaff
Tim Ramsey
Duane & Diana Rape
Amie Ritter
Carole Young

Missionaries

Karl & Deb Crossman
Franz Payout
Darlene Rimer
Skybacher Ministries

Mourning Loss

Tina Chirico Family
Tom Clinton Family
William Godfrey Sr Family
J.T. Weissert Family

Praise

Walt & Terry Everly
Sage Harlow Knopp

Other Prayer Needs

Dick & Pat Ream
Broken Relationships
Schools

Surgery & Procedures

Elmira Hollingshead
Terry Mohrbacher
Rosebud O'Neill & child

General Health

Tiffani Keil
Charlene Murray
Pat Ream
Jo Shane



Extended Care

Ella
Nora Baker
Donna Beckert
Joyce Beglin
Jim Boffo
Mike Book
Teresa Brown
Judy Cantner
Jerry & Joyce Cobb
TJ Cooper
Terry Dempsey
Caitlin Edge
Connie Elliot
Lindsey Novak Errett
Caroline Ewing
Margaret Ewing
Brendan Gifford
Mike Gray
Peggy Hostettler
Abby Hudak
Susan Kabre
Connie Katekovich
Rebecca Kirkland
Freida Kughn
Stevie Jane Kruger
Gary Lucente
Mark McCaskey
Mark Milbert
Richard Moody
Sheldon Murphy

Christy Nadzam
Jaxon Nicklas
George Peffer
Janet Pfaff
Bob Pflugh
Betty Revay
Tim Shane
Wendy Shellhammer
Alice & Sam Short
Jarred Shouder
Dave & Amy Smail
Eva Valentic
Alvin Whitehall
Jennifer Whitman



Names will appear on the prayer list for four consecutive weeks with the exception of the Home Touch and Extended Care lists. The Extended Care list is for those with Chronic Illnesses who will likely need prayer long term. From time to time, if we have not received an update on a person or if a person has been doing well, they may be removed from the Extended Care list until we are asked to put them back on with an update to their condition.

Prayer Chain

If you or anyone you know would like to be added to the prayer list or to either the telephone or email prayer chain, please contact the church office

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Happy Birthday To You...

10/02	Elijah Miller	10/16	Brian Beige
10/02	Brian Spielman	10/16	Farah Donaldson
10/04	Sharon Miller	10/17	Autumn Ashurst
10/04	Hannah Chaousy	10/19	Emily Ames
10/06	Madeline Rodecker	10/26	Teresa Lawrence
10/06	Joseph Fash	10/27	Michelle Davidson
10/06	Chelsea Carpenter	10/27	Donna Grimes
10/07	Debby Catalano	10/27	Jim Miller Jr
10/09	Esther Miller	10/30	Jessica Donawitz
10/09	COLUMBUS DAY	10/31	Jacob Simpson
10/10	George Flickinger	10/31	HALLOWEEN
10/13	Mike Lewis		
10/14	Emily Lawrence		
10/14	Paul Grimes		



*We enjoy being able to share your special dates.
Please, if we overlook you or someone you know, let us know
so that we can add the special date to our records.
Please hold these special people in prayer this month.*

Happy Anniversary

10/04	Robert & Amy McKinney
10/05	Orrin & Holly LeFebvre



OCTOBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- October 1 Sunday Worship, Take~15, Sunday School
Kids' Club, Youth Group, Time, Talent & Treasure Class
- October 4 Choir Practice, Adult Bible Study, 30 & over Men's Basketball
- October 7 Community Breakfast
- October 8 Sunday Worship, Take~15, Sunday School
Kids' Club, Youth Group, Time, Talent & Treasure Class
- October 10 All Church Conference
- October 11 Choir Practice, Adult Bible Study, 30 & over Men's Basketball
- October 13 UWF Tea Set -up
- October 14 UWF Tea
- October 15 Sunday Worship, Take~15, Sunday School
Yeck's Farm Fieldtrip
- October 17 Compassionate Ministries Food Pantry
- October 18 Choir Practice, Adult Bible Study, 30 & over Men's Basketball
- October 22 Sunday Worship, Take~15, Sunday School
Kids' Club, Youth Group, Time, Talent & Treasure Class
- October 25 Choir Practice, Adult Bible Study, 30 & over Men's Basketball
- October 27 Newsletter Deadline
- October 28 Youth Trick or Treat Trail
- October 29 Sunday Worship, Take~15, Sunday School
Fifth Sunday Dinner, Kids' Club, Time, Talent & Treasure Class,
Skybacher Dodgeball

LOOKING AHEAD...

- November 19 Giving Tree Starts
- November 22 Thanksgiving Eve Worship
- November 26 Soup Dinner and Evening of "Hanging of the Greens"
- December 3 Santa Breakfast
- December 4 United Women of Faith Christmas Party
- December 9 Youth Group Lock-In

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

PASTOR'S CORNER

Pastor Alan

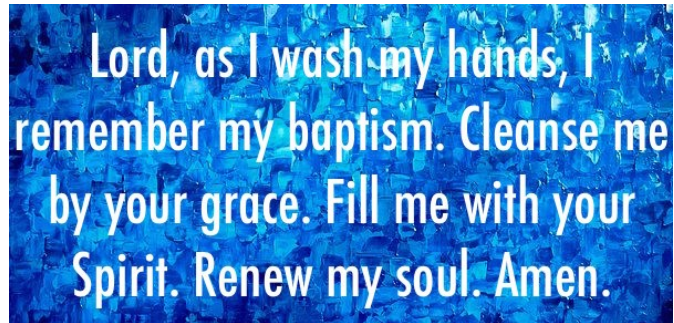
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reverence.” Remember that in this case the word “defense” is intending that you “explain” and show “evidence” of the “hope that is in you”. Be ready to share what God has done and is doing in your life. Share how God has given you hope!

These are all ways in which we demonstrate how we love the Lord, love our church, and love others.

Remember Your Baptism and Be Thankful!

Alan



OCTOBER WORSHIP SERIES

Pastor Alan



October 1	“I Love My Church”	John 13:34-35
October 8	“Love in Community”	Hebrews 10:19-25
October 15	“Love by Serving”	1 Corinthians 12:4-7 Romans 12:3-8
October 22	“Love by Giving”	Acts 4:32-35
October 29	“Love by Sharing”	Matthew 5:13-16

CHURCH CONFERENCE

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Annual Unionville Church Conference

Tuesday, October 10th at 7:00 PM
In the Sanctuary

All Professing members have a voice and vote.

UNO TOURNAMENT

And the Champion is.....

For all who missed out on the tournament, a great time was had by all!!

Check out our website for more photos!



Our next intergenerational event will be held at Yeck’s Farm. (See page 12 for details)



EVERY DAUGHTER'S TEA

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14TH BEGINNING AT 12:00-2:00PM

FAMILY LIFE CENTER

See Elizabeth Deal or Linda Eiler to get your tickets.

~ Entertainment, Food and Fellowship. ~

\$5 Per Ticket- All Ages Invited

PRAYER MINISTRY

Father we lift our praises to you for all the ways that you are working within our lives and the life of your church at Unionville. We are in awe of and thankful for all the ways that you are providing for us and for our ministry.

Help us Lord to keep our eyes on you, to trust in your direction and to focus on the mission at hand, to make disciples. Give us faith Lord to trust in your mercy and grace that has been poured out for all through the blood of Christ Jesus; knowing that the power that flows out from the cross is able to change minds, hearts and lives in a mere instance.

Give us the desire to love others and to share the Gospel with all who will listen and for those who will not; change their mind Lord, give them ears to hear and hearts to receive Jesus.

Help each of us Lord who have made the decision to follow you, help us to be good listeners. Give us ears to hear your voice and the voice of those crying out to know you, even when they don't know that it is you they are missing.

And Father just as we ask for your mercy and grace; give us hearts to offer mercy and grace to others.

We ask all these things in the name of Jesus, the One who Saves. Amen

The SAFE Corner

A few years ago, Unionville created a team that was working on the Safe Sanctuaries policy and program for our church. We took on the name of “Unionville Safe”. Much of what was put together has been implemented in the life of our ministries, but COVID stalled out completing the policy. We’ve picked up that mantle again as we seek to make sure that our children, youth, and vulnerable adults are kept safe in our activities.

The Administrative Council has adopted the newest version of the policy. We recognize that we have more to address to provide the SAFE environment we want. So, more updates to the policy are in the future. We will share a portion of the policy each month in the newsletter as one of the ways to help everyone in the church to know our process to be safe.



Three Basic Rules

At the heart of the “protection procedures” are three basic rules that speak to how we provide supervision of our ministries with children, youth, and vulnerable adults.

- **Two-Adult Rule:** Preferred supervision is two non-related adults in each program space throughout the whole event. Alternatively, one adult in each program space with an adult floater rotating through each program space throughout the event time.
- **Rule of Three:** No adult is to be alone with a singular unrelated youth or child. There should always be at least three people.
- **Five Year Rule:** There must be a Five-year gap between a volunteer and the age-group assigned:
 - Nursery & Preschool volunteers must be sixth grade or older.
 - Kindergarten – Fourth Grade volunteers must be ninth grade or older.
 - Fifth Grade – Eighth Grade volunteers must be 18 or older.
 - Ninth Grade – Twelfth Grade volunteers must be 22 or older.

These rules are essential to providing ministry in a safe environment. Adult volunteers are defined as 18 and above. Youth volunteers are defined as under 18 with a minimum age of entering 6th grade. Youth are assistants and operate as part of a team with an adult in-charge.

These rules are designed not only to protect children, youth, and vulnerable adults, but also to protect our volunteers and staff as they work to provide these vital ministries.

Clearances are required to be on file in our office for all volunteers 14 years of age and older working with our children and youth. They are good for 5 years. Check with Linda Miller to make sure yours are up to date or for help in getting them.

FINANCE

GENERAL FUND 2023

MONTH		INCOME		EXPENSES		SURPLUS/DEFICIT
JANUARY		\$ 15,621.38		\$ 19,521.13		\$ (3,899.75)
FEBRUARY	*	\$ 17,535.15		\$ 19,613.02		\$ (2,077.87)
MARCH	*	\$ 25,546.94		\$ 21,442.68		\$ 4,104.26
APRIL		\$ 17,761.19		\$ 17,960.11		\$ (198.92)
MAY		\$ 21,173.91		\$ 21,468.78		\$ (294.87)
JUNE		\$ 13,632.69		\$ 15,066.56		\$ (1,433.87)
JULY		\$ 15,158.81		\$ 14,653.99		\$ 504.82
AUGUST		\$ 15,773.16		\$ 21,480.79		\$ (5,707.63)
SEPTEMBER						
OCTOBER						
NOVEMBER						
DECEMBER						
YEAR TO DATE		\$ 142,203.23		\$ 151,207.06		\$ (9,003.83)

This chart includes the month to month budget income and expenses.

*includes fish fry net income

GIVING
as an act of worship
BEFORE GOD
 2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-15



Service Nights

Matthew 5:16 reminds us to Let Our Light Shine!

Service Nights are a way to share the gift of service alongside your church family. If you love mission trips – you will love a service night! Come join us! You will be hooked! God has big plans for you!

Mark your calendars!

October 28th, 9am-11am—Big Brothers\Big Sisters of Beaver County needs volunteers for their Monaca Monster Mash Mad Dash 5k walk/run race. Folks in costume are asked to come stand throughout the 5k race loop to cheer on the runners.

December 11th, 6pm - Lutheran Senior Life, Zelenople

We will bring our singing voices and Christmas cheer to the residents of Lutheran Senior Life center. On this evening, we will carol thru the hallways and in a gathering room with the residents. Hearts will be full indeed!

January 29th, 6pm - Community Hero Bags

It was a BIG hit the last time we packaged and delivered goodie bags to our local police, medic, and fire rescue teams. This is an opportunity for donations to be collected in church and then we assemble and deliver.

March 19th, 6-7:30pm - Ready Yourself Youth Ranch

Saddle Up for an evening of hardwork and big fun! The Ranch staff will direct us in a variety of outside tasks that need to be accomplished. Then we will spend time grooming and caring for the horses.





October is Pastor Appreciation Month. Please take a moment to thank Pastor Alan for all that he does in the life of our church! We will be collecting a love offering to present to Pastor Alan. Should you wish to contribute, there will be a box in the narthex each Sunday in October for the collection. We ask also that you hold Pastor Alan and Lois in your prayers always. Below you will find a list of 31 things to pray for Pastor Alan throughout the month of October, one each day.

1. Pray that his relationship with the Lord continues to thrive.
2. Pray for godly wisdom.
3. Pray for his marriage.
4. Pray that he takes time to rest.
5. Pray for his relationship with his family.
6. Pray that his love for the church increases.
7. Pray for his sermon prep time.
8. Pray that he flees temptation.
9. Pray for his mental health.
10. Pray for his physical health.
11. Pray that he develops friendships.
12. Pray that his financial needs are met.
13. Pray that the church is supportive of his leadership.
14. Pray for his prayer life.
15. Pray for his wife, Lois.
16. Pray for your pastor's son, daughter-in-law and granddaughter.
17. Pray that he studies the Bible to nourish his own soul.
18. Pray that he can withstand the pressure of unrealistic expectations.
19. Pray that he practices personal evangelism.
20. Pray for his unknown burdens.
21. Pray for his endurance.
22. Pray that he takes a day off each week.
23. Pray that he resists bitterness.
24. Pray as he attempts to pastor absentee church members.
25. Pray that he finds encouragement in his calling.
26. Pray that he trusts in the Spirit's power.
27. Pray that he is proactive in preventing ministry burnout.
28. Pray that he will remain biblically faithful to God's Word.
29. Pray that he will seek to please Jesus more than anyone else.
30. Pray that he feels appreciated.
31. Insert your own prayer here.

CHRISTIAN ED

Linda Miller

So much has happened in the course of a couple of weeks, I am in complete awe!!

And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. ~2 Corinthians 9:8

I'm going to be perfectly honest right here, I had my doubts about moving the bulk of our Christian Ed programming to Sunday! But here we are two almost three weeks in and we are averaging 40.5 in attendance at Sunday School following Worship and 39.5 in attendance for the evening programming; not sure where that half a person came from. (*Haha*) I trust that these numbers will hold if not build throughout the year, not just because we have such an exciting line-up, but because we have prayed that God would fill up our classrooms this year; and God is Faithful!!

Kids' Club under the direction of Robin & Jon Beige and Youth Group under the direction of Wendy Kline and Tiffani Keil, have both switched up their programs a bit this year and are having a lot of fun with them. Read more about each of these groups on pages 14 and 15 of this newsletter! Kids' Club is in need of some helpers so if you have an evening to spare to help out, please consider lending a hand.

Adults on Sunday evening are now able to enjoy some adult time while waiting on the kiddos! The new Time, Treasure & Talent Class has been a HUGE success thus far! Farmer Brent from Nature Way Farms joined us the first week and taught us how to make cheese along with a lot of other interesting things about his farming techniques. Ross Brandenburg, a local beekeeper and his wife Cathy taught us about bees and honey and how God provides!

The format is that we open with prayer, share a scripture verse and reflection on that verse. We then share some reflections about what we learned the previous week before moving on to the evenings presentation. This has been God's class all the way from the moment he placed the class on my heart and in my head to figuring out a format, to lining up presenters and then bringing out the people to participate in the class! I really hope and pray that everyone will take the time to stop in on a Sunday evening and check out this class!

I will share a few pics here in the newsletter, but you can check out our website at unionvilleumc.org for more. What's up in the coming weeks? On the schedule are....so many good things!!! Check out our Facebook page for details each week or just trust that God has something great planned for you and come on out!!



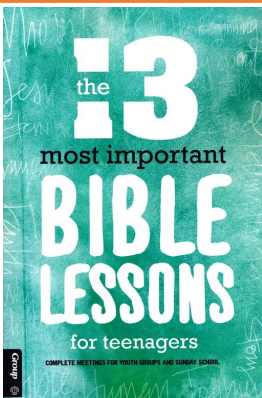
CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Linda Miller



Miss Wendy's class is aged 3 years to 2nd grade and is using the Simply Loved Curriculum geared towards all these ages. Miss Wendy is loving the curriculum and the kiddos seem to be enjoying it as well. Due to the growth of this class size, we are in need of helpers each week to assist Miss Wendy.

Miss Heather's class is for 4th–6th grade and is using the Be Bold curriculum geared towards these specific grades. Miss Heather is loving the curriculum as are the kids in the class! We have already had to order additional student packets and hope to see the classroom continue to grow!



Miss Tiffani has 7th grade and above! She is teaching from the book, "The 13 most important Bible Lessons for Teenagers" We agree that this was a book that God wanted taught when we found that both Sunday School and Youth Group had intended to do this study!

Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it.
Proverbs 22:6

It's a Hayride! It's a Campfire!

It's Hotdogs & S'mores!

It's a great time of fellowship for the entire congregation!

Come and join us at Yeck's Farm

Sunday, October 15th from 6-8 pm

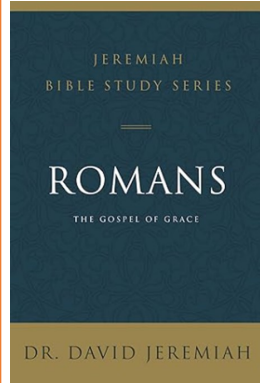


This is open to ALL the congregation along with the families of Kids' Club and Youth participants!

See Heather Salter for more details.

Hope to see you there!

ADULT BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES



The **7:00 PM Wednesday evening** study on the book of Romans started in September, and it looks like it's going to be a great study! There is still time to join us, either in person or online. Please reach out to Jon or Robin Beige or the church office if you are interested in participating!



Sunday evening 6:30—8:00 pm

Join us as we learn something new and also discover how God uses our unique knowledge and skills for kingdom purposes!

Each week we begin with prayer, a bible verse and brief reflection over the prior week's presentation before introducing the presenter for the evening.

We have been blessed to have a line-up of presenters willing to share with us their time, talent and treasure in the form of a skill, hobby, business or professional knowledge. Hope to see you there!

Lori Calve will be leading a **daytime study** on 1 Corinthians beginning **Wednesday, November 8th**. Mark your calendars and watch for further details!



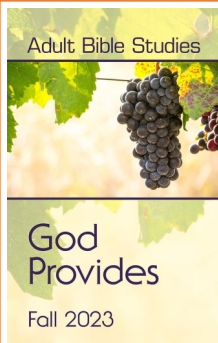
20 Questions Study in James **Adult Sunday School Class**

provides an in-depth study opportunity. This class has begun a study of the New Testament book of James using "Good Questions Have Small Groups Talking" by Josh Hunt. This class meets in Classroom #5, each

lesson will take approximately 2 Sundays to complete. A complete list of weekly class titles can be found in the September newsletter.

The Wired WORD™

Jack's Adult Sunday School Class meets in the Conference Room and uses "The Wired Word" which features conversation around current events and their biblical impact in our lives.



Our third **Adult Sunday School Class**, is doing the Cokesbury study "God Provides" and meets in Classroom #3.

This is a small class so far and a more basic bible study to offer an in between choice on Sunday mornings.

Roy and Dawn Alexander have offered their home in Cranberry Twp for an additional Adult Study time on Thursday evenings. If you are interested in another option and this day works for you, please reach out to the church office.

Take-15 Meet & Greet
Each week following worship
in the conference room.

*We are never too young
And we are never too old
To learn God's Word.*

Kids Club*Robin Beige*

September kicked off our first Kids Club of the year! We talked about the fruits of the spirit while singing, snacking, learning and playing apple relay and pin the fruit in the basket. The following week was music night! The kids learned scripture about music and praise, rang bells, sang, danced and played the boomwhackers....which was a big hit! Kids club will be joining the youth on October 1, for a game night in the Family Life Center, so bring your favorite board game and bring a friend!

During the month of October, the kids will learn about how Christians are like pumpkins; and using candy corn to understand the Trinity. Also, we are kicking off our rehearsals for the annual Christmas pageant which will begin October 22.

This year, we'd like to showcase the many talents of our kiddos throughout the pageant. If your child plays an instrument, sings, dances, does magic or just likes telling jokes; see Miss Robin so we can feature all of their talents!

We are excited about our successful kick off to our Fall programming! Anyone who would like to volunteer to be a helper with our program, please see Jon or Robin Beige.

Friends are always Welcome!

Invite a Friend Today!

Mark Your Calendar!

October:

- 1: Game Night (bring a friend to Kids Club)
- 8: Christians are like Pumpkins lesson
- 15: Yeck's Farm Fieldtrip
- 22: Candy Corn lesson
- 29: Music Night

November:

- 5: Fall For Jesus Lesson
- 12: Music Night
- 19: Movie Night
- 26: Hanging of the Greens

December:

- 3: Christmas Program Rehearsal
- 10: Music night/rehearsal

YOUTH GROUP

Tiffani Keil & Wendy Kline



We kicked the start of Youth Group off with the first season of The Chosen series created by Angel Studios. After discussing future lessons with the youth and receiving their feedback on the first episode of The Chosen we have decided to revamp our lesson plans for this year. We will continue to have mission nights at least once a month but will be changing movie nights to game nights as we are combining our movie nights and lessons nights into one.

We will start each lesson night off with an episode of The Chosen, followed by looking up the scriptures that episode was about and have a group discussion on the similarities and differences between the show and God's word. We will also discuss the next steps in personal grow through God's word each week and give them guidance on how they can strengthen their relationship with God throughout their week.

October 1st: Game Night

October 8th: The Chosen season 1, episode 3
"Jesus Loves the Little Children"



October 15th: Yeck's Farm Fieldtrip

October 22nd: The Chosen season 1, episode 4
"The Rock On Which It Is Built"



October 28th: Green Valley Parks Trick or Treat Trail.

We are asking any available youth group to come pass out goodie bags that include an informational card with UUMC kids programs on it.

Please consider donating individually wrapped candy for the Trick or Treat Trail at Green Valley Park on Oct 28th. Youth will put together all the goodie bags along with a information card for our UUMC kids programs. There will be a box in the Narthex for the donations.



October 29th: No Youth Group since we gathered together for the Trick or Treat Trail the night before. If you are an adult attending the Time, Treasure and Talent class your older youth child may attend the class with you this day or Skybacher Dodgeball in the Family Life Center.

Moving forward:

Nov 5th: Mission night- Operation Christmas Child

Nov 12th: The Chosen, episode 5

Nov 19th: The Chosen, episode 6

Nov 26th: Hanging of the Greens

Jumping Ahead:

Dec 9th: Lock-in (baking cookies fundraising, Christmas party, dinner, watching Angel Studios The Chosen Christmas special "The Shepard")

Our first fundraiser for 2024 Calendars are now available. Keep an eye out for one of our older youth after each church service who will be running the youth group table. \$8.00 per calendar all proceeds go into the youth group account to help fund future outings and outreach programs.

On a Personal Note...

Wendy Kline

Psalm 91

Those who live in the shelter of the Most High
will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

This I declare about the Lord:

He alone is my refuge, my place of safety;
he is my God, and I trust him.

For he will rescue you from every trap
and protect you from deadly disease.

He will cover you with his feathers.

He will shelter you with his wings.

His faithful promises are your armor and protection.

Do not be afraid of the terrors of the night,
nor the arrow that flies in the day.

Do not dread the disease that stalks in darkness,
nor the disaster that strikes at midday.

Though a thousand fall at your side,
though ten thousand are dying around you,
these evils will not touch you.

Just open your eyes,
and see how the wicked are punished.

If you make the Lord your refuge,
if you make the Most High your shelter,
no evil will conquer you;

no plague will come near your home.

For he will order his angels
to protect you wherever you go.

They will hold you up with their hands
so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone.

You will trample upon lions and cobras;
you will crush fierce lions and serpents under your feet!

The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me.

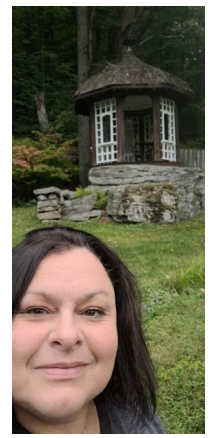
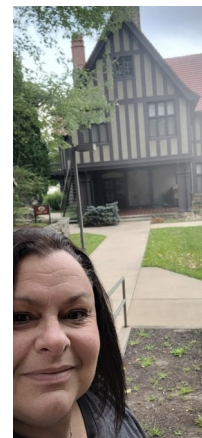
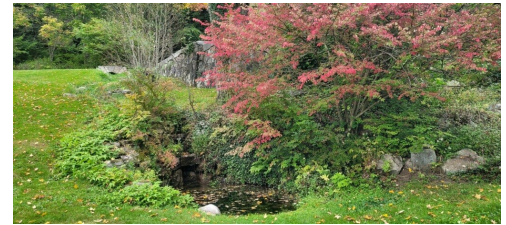
I will protect those who trust in my name.

When they call on me, I will answer;

I will be with them in trouble

I will rescue and honor them.

I will reward them with a long life
and give them my salvation."



I was very blessed to be able to attend a youth group leader retreat at Olmstead Manor. The drive to the retreat location was nothing short of beautiful. For the first time in a long time, I was relaxed and at ease with the thoughts of another weekend away from home and away from my family. I knew I would gain a lot of strength from the people and atmosphere I would be around. I was correct! I have so much to share with our youth in the years to come. So many new ideas, plans, and goals. I pray our youth will be as excited as I am right now. With Jesus guiding us, we will all be excited!

SKYBACHER MINISTRIES

PUMPKIN BLAST

Dodgeball Tournament

Sunday
Oct. 29th

\$5 a person

5-8 players per team
Text team name to
724.312.7247

Ages K-6 - 6:30 - 8:00p
Ages 7-12 - 8 - 10p



Looking for individuals who would be willing to share their time, hobby, talent, skill, etc with an adult bible study class on a Sunday evening from 6:30-8:00 pm

See Linda Miller for more details and for scheduling.

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who came out to worship and picnic in the park! We had perfect weather, a great time of fellowship and great food to share!



Candy Donations Needed

Youth group is asking for candy donations for distribution during the New Sewickley Township trick-or-treat trail on Oct 28.

We will put tricks and treats in baggies with a card stating detailed information about Sunday school, Kid's Club, and Youth Group.

There will be a box in the Narthex for the donations.

Tiffani and Wendy have set up a decorated canopy for the last two years. It is such a joy to share our blessings and to reach out to so many kids. It is amazing how quickly 1,000 pieces of candy are handed out.

Thank you all!!
Trick-or-Treat!!!!!!



Nursery

The nursery is open on Sunday morning
 9:00 AM until noon for Worship
 and Sunday School.

Nursery staff, Charlene Murray and a volunteer
 will care for your children each week.

Children infant through preschool
 are welcome!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Sign up sheet is in the narthex.

*Jesus said, "Let the little children come
 to Me, and do not forbid them; for of
 such is the kingdom of heaven."*

Matthew 19:14



New Choir Members Welcome!

Do you love to sing?!

Please consider sharing your gift
 with the Unionville congregation.

All ages welcome!

Choir practice is Wednesdays 6:00—6:45 pm



Volunteers will be placed on a rotation
 schedule. Both teachers and helpers are
 needed.

Children's Church is held year round
 except on holidays. Please consider
 helping out when you can. If you have
 questions, See Linda Miller



Be a Greeter

Greeters welcome and hand out bulletins to those
 attending worship and are the first line of contact to
 visitors. See Linda Miller to be added to the schedule.



Acolyte volunteers are needed. Please see Linda
 Miller to be added to the rotating schedule.

COMPASSIONATE MINISTRIES

Jo Shane

Just a reminder:

Do you have a neighbor, friend, or family member who is having financial difficulties?



Pantry Distribution

October 17th & November 14th

5:00—7:00 PM

Questions? Call Jo Shane @ 724-846-5146

Current Food Pantry needs can be found on Unionville's Website @ unionvilleumc.org

We are into the fall season and are watching the trees change colors. Each day there a difference in the landscape. It won't be long until the trees are fully in vibrant color and then the leaves will be on the ground. The seasons are coming and going too fast.

The Pantry has been busy with new people coming and some old ones returning. This past month we had 34 families that needed help, an increase of 8 over the prior month. You can imagine the shelves were pretty empty when the bags were filled. Usually there are a list of about 10 things we need to restock but this time the list was much longer.

Each month's list of needed items can be found on the Compassionate Ministries page on the church's web site (www.unionvilleumc.org). Some of the things we will be looking for when Harvest Home tables go up the last Sunday in October; are sugar, apple juice, Sunny D, crackers, pineapple, baked beans, kidney beans, ketchup, mustard and potato side dishes. The list could go on and on. If you have questions, be sure to ask one of Compassionate Ministries team members. We always need toilet paper, paper towels, dish soap, cleaning products, tooth brushes and tooth paste.



We will no sooner get done with Thanksgiving, then the Giving Tree will go up. We have already started to hand out papers to receive names for the Tree. Alice Ketterer will be handling that project this year. If you have not been attending church but want to participate with the Giving Tree, you can send a check to the church and mark it for the Giving Tree or you can contact Alice about your desire to help. There is a warm feeling that you get when you can help someone with a special gift.

I talked to the Mental Health Association today and they are still planning their Christmas Party. The Quilters have made stockings for them for several years and they would like 100 stockings this year. The Quilters will make the stockings but we need you to provide the candy and chips to fill them. We will put a box in the narthex in November for your donations. The Mental Health Association will also be collecting personal care items for individuals as well as specific gifts which will be listed next month. Your help is always appreciated with this project.



It seems that I am always asking for something or your help and I guess I am. But it is not for me. I need your help to serve others. If you are not able to come out and help, please pray for those that are working to help others.

It is through those prayers that much is accomplished.

Thank you and God Bless!



SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS



OCT 22 | 1-3PM | AT BURRY'S CHURCH

find hope for the holidays | free lunch & book provided

register at griefshare.org
 or contact Burry's church
 724-452-6941 | burryschurch.org
 1835 Route 68 | Rochester, Pa. 15074

*Childcare available upon request

Mark your calendar for our first—5th Sunday Dinner!

Join us on October 29th at 4:30 pm
 for a covered dish congregational dinner.



Bring your favorite covered dish, entrée, casserole, side or dessert and join us for a great time of fellowship as we break bread together! You might also plan to join us afterwards as we have a full slate of evening programming planned for you and your family!

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Looking for individuals interested in being a part of a hospitality committee. The tasks would be to put into place processes to greet folks as they enter our facility, welcome visitors into our midst, check in on individuals by phone or card who have not been in worship for a time, etc.

If you feel God calling you to this ministry,
 please see Pastor Alan or notify the church office.



HOME TOUCH*Linda Miller***Lohra Allcorn**

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Beaver Falls, PA 15010

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902 Eighth Avenue
Freedom, PA 15042

Bim & Deb Brightwell

1290 Route 68
Rochester, PA 15074

Don & Nancy Deutsch

535 Lincoln Blvd
Freedom, PA 15042

Dave Eiler

125 Pflug Road
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1310 Route 68
Rochester, PA 15074

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157 Powell Road
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Amie Ritter

141 R Harold Street
New Brighton, PA 15066

Carole Young

512 Allola Drive
New Brighton, PA 15066

We lift praise and ask God's
continued blessing over the
marriage of
Walt & Terry Everly.

Their new address is
203 Smith Lane,
Beaver Falls, PA 15010
if you wish to drop them
a card.



***Please take a moment to remember our
Home Touch Friends***

With a note, card, phone call and especially a prayer.

***If you know of someone who should be
added to our Home Touch Friend List,
Please contact the church office.***

***If you would like a visit from our Home Touch Team or
Pastor Alan, please notify the church office.***

**Community Breakfast
October 7th & November 4th
8:00—10:00 am**

Please come and lend a hand; come and eat;
invite your friends & neighbors!

An all-you-care-to-eat buffet for only \$12.00!

The proceeds from these meals help fund
various ministries throughout the year.



**Meet
for
Breakfast**

**FAMILY LIFE CENTER
RENTALS**

We are currently taking
Rental reservations.

Call the Church Office

At (724)843-0862

Join us for Sunday Worship
In our Sanctuary @9:30 am
or virtually. via
Our YouTube channel.

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

**Tuesday
Noon—2PM**

**Thursday
Noon—4 PM**

*Messages and emails are being checked
throughout the week*