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> Sunday, October 19, 2025 10:30 am Worship

Adapting, Welcoming, Serving, Growing in Faith

One United Church of Christ

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Bold face type indicates optional congregational responses.

* Indicates you are invited to rise in body and/or spirit.

Gathering

Welcome & Greetings

Call to Worship (responsively)

Righteous One, you are ever listening.

We come boldly, lifting our praise to you, because we know you hear us.

Bringer of Justice, you reveal truth to us.

You help us to see how things are and how they can be.

Eternal God, you persist in love and justice.

We want to persist in love and justice too.

*Hymn "Christian, Rise and Act Your Creed"

Hymnal #537

Christian, rise and act your creed; let your prayer be in your deed; Seek the right, perform the true, raise your work and life anew.

Hearts around thee sink with care, you can help their load to bear; You can bring inspiring light, strengthen them to do the right.

Offer others hope and joy, and God's worship your employ; Giving thanks in humble zeal, learning all God's will to feel.

Come then, law divine, and reign; faith that doubt assails in vain, Perfect love bereft of fear, born in heaven and radiant here.

Confessing

Call to Confession

Friends, God desires to restore us to wholeness, to heal broken community, to extend grace upon grace. But too often, we don't accept it, we think we know better, we believe we have the answers, but we are wrong. Let's turn to the Lord and ask for forgiveness.....(silence is observed for personal reflection and confession).

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Source of Wisdom, we confess that at times, we can be self-serving and we lose sight of community. Sometimes, we don't respect you, ourselves, or each other. Yet, you are just to us even when we are not. We know that we can trust you, so we yield our hearts and minds to you. You are persistent in your desire to restore us because you want us to have what is best for us. Thank you for this moment of transformation. We give you thanks that we are better for it. Amen.

Musical Response (unison, singing)

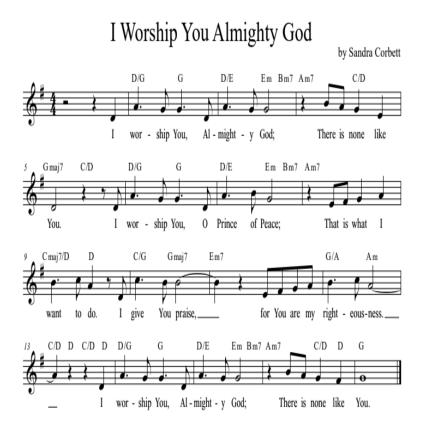


Words of Assurance (responsively)

Beloved, God is the source and the provider of grace, love, and justice, and because we are Imago Dei, we have the assurance that those gifts flow through us. God's justice makes a difference in us and compels us to show up in the fullness of who we are.

Amen!

Musical Response (unison, singing)



Listening

Scripture Readings

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 (CEB)

14 But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, ¹⁵ and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so

that the servant of $God^{[a]}$ may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

4 In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: ²Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. ³For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. ⁴They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. ⁵But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.

Luke 18:1-8 (NIV)

The Parable of the Persistent Widow

18 Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. ²He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. ³And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'

⁴"For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!""

⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? ⁸I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

*Hymn "Children of God"

Hymnal #533

Children of God, lift hearts to one another, where pity dwells, the peace of God is there; To worship rightly is to love each other, each smile a hymn, each kindly deed a prayer.

For God whom Jesus loved has truly spoken: the holier worship which Christ deigns to bless Restores the lost, and binds the spirit broken, and feeds the widow and the parentless.

Follow with reverent steps the great example of Christ whose holy work was doing good; So shall the wide earth seem a holy temple, each loving life a psalm of gratitude.

Then shall all shackles fall; the stormy clangor of wild war music o'er the earth shall cease; Love shall tread out the baleful fire of anger, and in its ashes plant the tree of peace.

Sermon "Act Boldly, Persist!"

Let us unite with the church in all times and places in confessing our faith in the triune God.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I

^{*}Affirmation of Faith (responsively)

believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Special Music

"Somewhere"

Christy Hylton

Pastoral Prayer followed by Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Sending

*Hymn

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" Hymnal #506

What a friend we have in Jesus All our sins and griefs to bare! What a privilege to carry Everything to God in prayer.

Oh what peace we often forfeit Oh what needless pain we bear. All because we do not carry Everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged Take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden Burdened with a load of care? Precious Savior still our refuge Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer. Jesus' arms will take and shield you You will find a solace there.

*Blessing

The Liturgist for today is: Robin West

The greeters for today are: Cathie Kantner and Nancy McNabb

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"Christian, Rise and Act Your Creed" Words: Francis Albert Rollo Russell; Music: 13th Century French melody (author unknown)

"Children of God"

Music by Alfred Scott-Gatty; Lyric by John Greenleaf Whittier

"Somewhere"

Piano Arrangement by: Marcia Wells; Music by: Leonard Bernstein

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Music by Charles C. Converse; Lyric by Joseph Scriven

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https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCHUua_X9q0AuoI1gEn7vah Q?view as=subscriber



Stacy Delinko's office hours for the week of October 19 are as follows:

Monday, 10/20, 9:15 am to 1:00 pm, Wednesday, 10/22, 9:15 am to 1:00 pm, and Thursday, 10/23, 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm

Pastor Tammie has a very flexible schedule and is available for pastoral calls/emergencies. Please reach out to her either at revtammiewisniewski@gmail.com OR by her cell phone,

484-651-4166. She is available for appointments most evenings and Mondays through Wednesdays, during the day, if needed.

Also, please reach out if a member is in the hospital/rehab or just can't make it to church, if you feel they would like a pastoral visit.

Please call the office before you stop by to make sure there is someone available.

In case you need the contact information:

 We are on Facebook and search for One United Church of Christ! Like our page!

Please keep in your prayers the following people and situations: Sheldon Ash, Gavin Baker, Gwen Baker, Diane Clouser, John and Liz Dumond, Jim Geiger, Catherine Good, Joy Himmelmann, Ken and Cathy Hoshauer, Dennis and Christy Hylton, Alice Kline, Kenneth Lausch, Maggie and Skyler Lutz, Sally Pierson, Nancy Ritter, Gleniz Rodriguez, Bob Seidel, Sam Snyder, Stephanie Sowers, Bonnie Szajek, Carol Thomas, Brenda Walker, Gary Winters, Clarence Yoh, Zach, those with addictions and those who love them, and our U.S. military personnel.

If anyone has any pictures of church events that we can project on the screen prior to the services, please email them to Teri Schilling at <u>ta.schilling@gmail.com</u>. We may not use every picture, depending how many we receive, but if we, at least, have a pool of pictures to choose from that would great! Thank you!

Mark your calendars!! Save these dates!!

Candy making for the Holiday Bazaar will take place on Monday and Tuesday, October 20 and 21, starting at 7 a.m. As we did last year, we will only be making peanut butter, butter cream, and coconut cream candy for the Bazaar. If we have great workers like we did last year, we should be able to finish up before noon on both days. We know that everyone's time is valuable, but we hope that you will please consider joining our team of workers. Feel free to come and go as needed. We are willing to train all newcomers. Come out and see what the candy-making process is all about!! Thanks for all your support!

In preparation for the Bazaar, we will again be making our delicious **apple dumplings** on **Thursday, October 30**, starting at about 8 a.m. We need all hands-on deck for this venture—peelers, corers, mixers, rollers, packers, etc. The room always smells so good on this day—come and help and smell for yourself!!

We are still looking for additional volunteers to decorate trunks and hand out candy. Please let Samantha Reaser know if you are interested. Thank you!



OFFICIAL CALL

Covenant Association Fall Meeting October 26, 2025

Good Shepherd UCC, 170 Tuckerton Road, Reading, PA 19605

2 p.m. Choir Practice 2 p.m. Registration 3 p.m. Worship

At the spring Association meeting held at St. Paul's in Amityville, I heard your comments regarding our meetings. Many wrote on their cards that it was boring, why should they attend. Others thought that having different choirs or music would be appreciated.

Well, I have exciting news regarding Covenant Association's Fall meeting! Your Executive Committee is hard at work to make this a new and an inspiring time to gather as the body of Christ. Our meeting will be in the form of a worship service. All of the items that the Association needs to legally take care of, will be done in a way that glorifies our Lord and Savior.

We are also making time for all of us to make connections with people from other churches. Be thinking about what exciting ministry is taking place in your congregation. We want to know how you are providing for the people in your community. We want to know all those events that are outside the walls of your building. So be thinking about that and be ready to share.

We will also have a combined choir. We will have inspirational music that praises and gives thanks for all that God is doing in our lives. PLEASE email me with the number of singers that your church will be sending. Also send me your mailing address and I will mail the music to your church. Your folks can practice on their own or with your minister of music's help. Then we will gather at 2 p.m. in the sanctuary of Good Shepherd UCC in Tuckerton to practice as one choir.

I can't wait to see you on Sunday, October 26, 2025. If you have been saying, why do we have to go to the Association meeting, or what does the Association do for us? Then you need to attend this time! Because we are going to talk about how we are stronger when we work together. AND we will be talking about how our Association can help you, your pastor, and your church. SO you do not want to miss this new event!!!!

All reports and documents will be posted on the Covenant Association website 30 days prior to the gathering. PLEASE Make sure to read those ahead of time! The website is covenantassociation.org.

SEE YOU SOON!

Sharon S. Morris Moderator



HOLIDAY BAZAAR

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1 9 AM - 2 PM

ONE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 1730 NEW HOLLAND ROAD KENHORST, PA 19607

HOMEMADE FOOD – BARBEQUE, SOUP AND HOT DOGS CHURCH MADE APPLE DUMPLINGS HOMEMADE BAKED GOODS, CAKES & COOKIES CHURCH MADE CANDY WHITE ELEPHANT (AFTER 1 PM FILL A BAG FOR \$1.00) BASKET RAFFLE DIRECT SALES & CRAFT VENDORS

10% OF THE CHURCH'S PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT SAFE BERKS FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 610-777-5211





You can start to bring in White Elephant items for the Holiday Bazaar on November 1. Please put the items downstairs near the white elephant or the nearby table. Thank you!

All Saints' Day will be recognized on November 2^{nd} . Please reach out to Pastor Tammie with names of your loved ones (members or not) that we have lost since the last remembrance. We want to remember and celebrate each one on this day!

Final Meeting of the Pennsylvania Southeast Conference

November 8 @ 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

On November 8, we will gather for the final meeting of the Pennsylvania Southeast Conference at St. Paul's UCC in Amityville. There will be no business conducted at this meeting. This will be a heartfelt time of remembering, grieving, and celebrating together—a chance to honor where we've been and to look forward with hope as we join together in the new Keystone Conference.

To register, please let Pastor Tammie know.

Day's agenda:

1:00 pm to 2:00 pm - Registration and dessert reception. A time to visit and share memories.

2:00 pm - Program begins

3:30 pm - Final worship service

Venue

St. Paul's Amityville 1312 Old Swede Road Douglassville, PA 19518



Things You Need to Know This Week at One UCC

The Remembrance Candle! A candle is placed in the sanctuary that we will light to remember our loved ones who now live in the eternity of God's care. If you would like to sign up for the Remembrance Candle, please do so



on the sheet outside of the sanctuary or contact the church office. On your week for the Remembrance Candle, you are welcome to bring in a picture of your loved one to place next to the candle. There is no fee to sponsor the Remembrance Candle.

One UCC is officially a partner with CommunityAid! Going forward, we will be collecting clothing, shoes, accessories, linens, etc. in good and sellable condition at church. These



items then will be taken to CommunityAid for resale, and One UCC directly receives financial credit for any donations made under our name and with our partner number. The Mission Ministry team has set up a collection container in the church building. If you wish to take items directly to CommunityAid (any location), you can donate them under One UCC's name and partner number, and our congregation will get credit for your donation. Our partner number is 50161. For more information about CommunityAid and types the of donations thev accept, please visit www.communityaid.org.



**We're so excited to tell you we have an online giving platform, easyTithe! If you would like to set up a gift on the new platform so you can become familiar with it and



help our donors as we move forward, please use this link: https://app.easytithe.com/app/giving/oneucc

You can set up an account or contribute without setting up an account. (If you think you would like to regularly give to One UCC online, you might wish to set up an account.) When you donate online, you can select what category in which you would like your contribution to be designated. All physical envelope offering categories are included. If you have no idea where you would like your contribution to go, please select "General Fund" or other category. We are continuing to test easyTithe, and so any feedback you have is most appreciated. If online giving is not your thing, that's perfectly fine. One UCC will continue to receive your financial contributions as we always have.



**Want to sing in choir, or be in the bell choir? Or want to try it to see if you enjoy it? No commitment! Simply talk to Jeff, or contact him via cell (610-406-1664), or email (jeff@simonapple.com). For now,

rehearsals are as needed, not weekly. Choir rehearsal is occasional, at 10:10 am on Sundays, prior to the service. Bells are also occasional, typically on a Wednesday, for 45 minutes starting at 6:30 pm or 7:00 pm. Reading music is not required, or necessary. It's all very low-

key, no pressure, and flexible to accommodate everyone's schedule.

Also, anyone who would like to perform special music in the service at any time, please contact Jeff.

Help Both Our Church and Our Planet at the Same Time!

Recycle your used printer ink cartridges through Planet Green Recycling! Drop off used ink cartridges at church and we will submit to "Planet Green Recycling." The church will receive funds directly from Planet Green Recycle, \$1.00 for every cartridge (commonly used cartridges).

If you choose to mail in your cartridges yourself, it is very important to make sure to include the church's Organization Program Code so we receive credit for your cartridges. See the weekly church email for details about how to send in cartridges yourself.

Thank you so much for your support!!!

The Little Food Pantry is getting good use in front of the church! The kiddos are back to school and folks are trying to pack lunches that are filling and healthy. Perhaps consider some donations that can be packed up for school. Of course, all non-perishable items are welcome.



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We are still collecting aluminum cans for recycling
- ONLY aluminum cans.
No other trash is accepted.
Thank you for your consideration!



CHURCH CALENDAR: October 19 through October 26

Sunday (10/19)

10:30 am Worship

Monday (10/20)

7:00 am Candy Making

Tuesday, (10/21)

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Wednesday (10/22)

6:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous

Thursday (10/23)

10:00 am CD&B Group Meeting

Saturday (10/25)

3:00 pm Trunk or Treat

6:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous

Sunday (10/26)

10:30 am Worship

2:00 pm Covenant Association Fall Meeting

*Note: If you have an event or meeting that is scheduled at the church, please let the church office know (oneucckenhorst@gmail or 610-777-5211) so that it can go on the calendar for the bulletin. Thank you!