

OUR COMMUNITY



Sunday, November 21, 2021

Community United Church of Christ—CUCC, UCC Campus Ministry—UCC-CM

PRAYER & AWARENESSES

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

- Peg and Roger are excited to report that Noa Elizabeth Wade passed her 3 tests and came home on November 16. They went up on Wednesday to meet her and help out for a few days.
- Tysha, Osborne's daughter-in-law
- *Local Campaign-Urbana Gun Violence Victims*
 - Jadeen T. Moore
 - Brandon D. Kelly
- Violence against our black and brown siblings
 - Jo Acker
 - Jessi Hart
 - Rikkey Otumuro, a.k.a. Tru Starlet
 - Marquiisha Lawrence
 - Jenny De Leon
- Residual trauma all black and brown people experience every time there is trauma against black and brown people in this country.
- **Erin Ewoldt** prayers for healing and clarity for her dad Mark

CUCC BY THE NUMBERS

44 adults, **3** kids, **5** Zoom Users, **0** Facebook Users for a Total of **52** people/devices participated in worship on Sunday, **11/14**
74 hot meals were provided to our Jubilee Café guests by **12** volunteers on Monday, **11/15**
11 people met for Pub Theology, **11/15**
15 people enjoyed lunch, conversation & laughs at Casa Del Mar for CUCC Retiree's Luncheon, **11/16**
2 AA groups met in our space this week

LET'S DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR ADVENT TODAY

We will be staying after worship today to decorate the church so it is ready for Sunday, November 28 the First Sunday in Advent.

There will be fun and decorating for all ages - and yes, of course we will have Christmas music playing! Many hands make lite work.

Thanks!

-Chase Skye and Susan Pawlicki, Worship Co-Chairs

-Randy Musser and Peg Wade, Community Building/Hospitality Co-Chairs

INDIVIDUAL'S TOGETHER

THANKSGIVING/FRIENDSGIVING DINNER NOVEMBER 27

All those who live alone — for ANY reason — are invited to gather together for a Thanksgiving/Friendsgiving dinner at Houlihan's, 1900 S. 1st Street, Champaign, IL 61820 on Saturday, November 27, 2021 at 6:00pm. Call Linda Morgan, Faith Community Nurse (217-649-3778) with any questions.

UPDATE TO CUCC COVID GUIDELINES

After reviewing current guidelines, the Church Life Board approved some changes to our covid protocol. Here are the major changes:

- We are still requiring masks and social distancing. However, households who associate outside of church can sit together.
- Post-worship socializing can take place inside, with masks. We will not be serving coffee yet.

Beginning Sunday, December 5:

- Worship may include short responsive congregational prayers.
- The choir can begin singing during worship, and the congregation can sing the final hymn.

The full guidelines will be included with the December newsletter. If you have questions or

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CUCC?

11/21, SUNDAY, CUCC Offices Closed
10:15am CUCC Hybrid Classic Worship
10:15am Thanksgiving Celebration of Pledge Total
11:30am Decorating the Church for Advent/Christmas
8:00pm—9:00pm Manhattan AA Group (Parlor)

11/22, MONDAY

9:00am ARTICLES FOR DECEMBER ECOMMUNIGRAM DUE
12:00pm ITEMS FOR BULLETIN & WEEKLY EMAIL DUE (FOR 11/28)
2:00pm Jubilee Café Prep
5:00pm—6:30pm Jubilee Café
6:30pm—7:00pm Jubilee Café Clean-up
6:45pm—8:00pm UCC-CM Jubilee After Party (Campus Ministry Office)
7:15pm Pub Theology

11/23, TUESDAY

11/24, WEDNESDAY CUCC Offices Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

11/25, THURSDAY CUCC Offices Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

8:00pm-9:30pm Denver AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

11/26, FRIDAY, CUCC Offices Closed
5:00-11:00pm UCC-CM (Entire Building)

11/27, SATURDAY

6:00pm Individuals Together Thanksgiving/Friendsgiving Dinner at Houlihan's

11/28, SUNDAY, CUCC Offices Closed

10:15am CUCC Hybrid Classic Worship
10:15am All 6th—12th grade youth invited to participate in Sunday School (FH)
8:00pm—9:00pm Manhattan AA Group (Parlor)

11/29, MONDAY

2:00pm Jubilee Café Prep
5:00pm—6:30pm Jubilee Café
6:30pm—7:00pm Jubilee Café Clean-up
6:45pm—8:00pm UCC-CM Jubilee After Party (Campus Ministry Office)
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11/30, TUESDAY

Did you know that CUCC sends out a weekly email announcements and a monthly newsletter? If you would like to be added to the distribution list, [email: info@community-ucc.org](mailto:info@community-ucc.org) and ask to be added to the list!

JUBILEE CAFÉ IN NEED OF WINTER ITEMS TO SUPPORT OUR GUESTS

As winter quickly approaches Jubilee Cafe needs a few things to help our guests. If you can donate any of these items, please drop them by the church Monday – Thursday 9am – 3pm or Sunday when you come for worship (leave in church office) Items needed include new or freshly laundered winter coats, XL coats, leggings and tights, XL sweatpants that can be worn over other pants, hand warmers, warm winter hats, warm gloves, warm socks. Thank you! Email jubilee.cafe@community-ucc.org with questions.

HELP BEAUTIFY THE WORSHIP SPACE FOR CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP WITH POINSETTIAS

Order forms to purchase Poinsettias will be in the worship bulletins November 21 and 28. **November 28 is the deadline to place your order for Poinsettias.** We are purchasing Poinsettias from County Market this year so checks should be made payable to CUCC with POINSETTIAS noted on the memo line. Payment must be included with your order or poinsettias requested will not be ordered.

LOOKING AHEAD: BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 9, 2022 is the day the church rejoices in God's blessings. We recall and celebrate our adoption as God's children, the gift of the Holy Spirit, and the promised company of almighty God when we "pass through the waters, the rivers, the fire." *words from ELCA SundayandSeasons*

The sacrament of baptism is an outward and visible sign of the grace of God. Through baptism a person is joined with the universal church, the body of Christ. In baptism, God works in us the power of forgiveness, the renewal of the spirit, and the knowledge of the call to be God's people always. [About Baptism - United Church of Christ \(ucc.org\)](https://www.ucc.org/about-baptism)

If anyone is interested in being baptized or having someone in their family baptized by Pastor Leah Robberts-Mosser on Sunday, January 9, please contact Carla in the church office at 217-344-5091 or by email at info@community-ucc.org

SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday, November 24: CUCC Offices Closed — Happy Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 25: CUCC Offices Closed — Happy Thanksgiving

Saturday, November 27, 6:00pm: Individuals Together Thanksgiving/Friendsgiving Gathering at Houlihan's

Sunday, November 28, 10:15am: All youth 6th—12th invited to attend Sunday School in the Fellowship Hall

November 28: Last Day to order Poinsettia

Sunday, December 12, 6:30pm: Longest Night Worship Service