

# OUR COMMUNITY



Sunday, July 24, 2022

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

## PRAYER & AWARENESSES

### Ongoing Prayer Concerns

- Martha Seif
- We pray for an end to the gun violence across the United States and for healing and hope for those families torn apart by the 15 mass shootings that occurred during the weekend of July 15—17 across 14 states where 14 people died and 51 people were injured.
- We pray for the community of Highland Park, IL where 7 people died, 30 people were injured, and numerous others traumatized when a sniper opened fire on the crowd of parade goers. Those who died are: Katherine Goldstein, Irina and Kevin McCarthy, Stephen Straus, Jacquelyn Sundheim, Nicolas Toledo-Zaragoza, Eduardo Uvaldo.
- *Local Champaign-Urbana Gun Violence Victims*
  - Ronald Miller, Jr.
  - Latoya C. Gwin
  - Joshua E. Berg
- Violence against our black, brown, and LGBTQ+ siblings
  - Kitty Monroe
  - Martasia Richmond
    - *Names from [www.hrc.org](http://www.hrc.org)*
  - Jayland Walker
  - Robert Adams
- Residual trauma all black and brown people experience every time there is trauma against black and brown people in this country.

### Prayer Requests shared in worship Sunday, July 17:

- **Kathy** prayers for safe travels for Larry as he returns from Korea this week.
- **Connie Bandy** 2 prayers of gratitude— that my granddaughter Caroline doesn't have Lyme Disease; and that a blessing long in the works has come to fruition
- **Peg Wade** prayers for Denise Oligney-Estilla & family on the passing of her mom this morning. Denise & Tony & daughter Isabella were active members here for several years.

## CUCC BY THE NUMBERS

**4 members** of the Individuals Together group gathered for CUTC's Murder Mystery Dinner at the Champaign Holiday Inn, **07/15**  
**32 adults, 5 kids, 6 Zoom Users 3 Facebook Users** for a Total of **46 people/devices** participated in worship on Sunday, **07/17**  
**81 meals** were provided, Jubilee Café was closed on Monday, **07/18**  
**12 people** met for Pub Theology, **07/18**  
**19 people** gathered for lunch, conversation, and fun at Casa Del Mar for the CUCC Retiree's Monthly Lunch Gathering, **07/19**  
**2 AA groups** met in our space this week

## FUTURE OF YOUTH MINISTRY AT CUCC: PARENT AND YOUNG PEOPLE CONVERSATION IS TUESDAY, JULY 26 AT 6PM

The Second Future of Youth Ministry at CUCC: Parents and young people (grades 5 and up) conversation to share their hopes and dreams for what they want youth ministry to look like here at CUCC going forward is Tuesday, July 26 at 6pm on Zoom. We hope all parents and young people (grades 5 and up) will participate. Watch for an email Tuesday with Zoom invite and link.

## INTERFAITH ALLIANCE C-U Community Gathering to End Gun Violence Event

Join a variety of interfaith and community organizations for three days of events devoted to ending gun violence and growing community! Together with RAW Tools, an organization that turns guns into garden tools and facilitates community nonviolence training **Friday, July 29—Sunday, July 31**. The event begins at 6PM Friday, July 29 with Jewish Shabbat and Muslim Maghrib prayers followed by music by Afro D. and Global Soundwaves at Randolph St. Community Garden (1001 N Randolph St, Champaign, IL 61820). Gather at 5pm for Free food (donations welcome). Join a Peace Training Saturday morning, see a live blacksmithing demo Saturday afternoon. Check the RAWTools Facebook page ([6 RAWTools Guns to Garden Tools Community Gathering to End Gun Violence | Facebook](#)) for the complete schedule of activities.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CUCC?

**07/24, SUNDAY, CUCC Offices Closed**

**10:15am** CUCC Sunday Hybrid Classic Worship

**8:00pm—9:00pm** Manhattan AA Group (Parlor)

**07/25, MONDAY**

**2:00pm** Jubilee Café Prep

**5:00pm—6:30pm** Jubilee Café

**6:30pm—7:00pm** Jubilee Café Clean-up

**6:30pm—8:30pm** UCC-CM Jubilee After Party (Campus Ministry Office)

**7:15pm** Pub Theology

**07/26, TUESDAY**

**6:00pm** Future of Youth Ministry Parent and Young People (grades 5 & up) Zoom Conversation with Church Leaders

**07/27, WEDNESDAY**

**12:00pm** ITEMS FOR BULLETIN & WEEKLY EMAIL DUE (FOR 07/31/2022)

**07/28, THURSDAY**

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

**07/29, FRIDAY, CUCC Offices Closed**

**5:00pm** Interfaith Alliance C-U Community Gathering to End Gun Violence Event through Sunday, July 31 at various locations

**6:30pm** CUCC Ice Cream Social and Games at Hessel Park Small Pavilion

**07/30, SATURDAY**

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**08/02, 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!*

## PASTORAL CARE JUL 27—AUG 1

Pastor Leah is taking some comp and vacation days Wednesday, July 27 – Monday, August 1. Pastor Connie is on call. She will also be on Grandma duty during this time, so understand that she may have a delay in responding.

## JUBILEE CAFÉ DELAYS RETURN TO IN-PERSON SERVICE DUE TO COVID RATE

The kitchen has been thoroughly cleaned, the dishes washed, but COVID rates are too high to return to in-person service at this time. However, there are still opportunities to serve at Jubilee Café. Check the sign-up Genius at this link to volunteer for a shift or two in August. <https://tinyurl.com/JubileeCafe-Volunteer>

## MOWING OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND AT CUCC

There are still many opportunities to mow and pick up around the church and 510 Daniel. A mower and trimmer are available at the church for your use or you can bring your own equipment from home if you wish. Sign-up for a week or two to mow the grass and pick up around the church at this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0449A5AF2CA1FB6-mowing> Contact Matthew Hart at (217) 377- 8762 or [matthewlorenhart@gmail.com](mailto:matthewlorenhart@gmail.com) with questions.

## WORSHIP ASSISTANT OPPORTUNITIES ARE PLENTIFUL

Would you consider serving as a Liturgist, Usher, or Greeter for a Worship Service? Check the open dates and sign-up for one that works with your schedule. Thank you so much.

**Liturgist:** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a4fadaf2aa1fa7-liturgist4>

**Usher:** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a4fadaf2aa1fa7-usher3>

**Greeter:** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a4fadaf2aa1fa7-greeter4>

## MISSION MINISTRY: 5K for Climate Justice

The Mission Ministry Team invites you to be part of the 5K for Climate Justice, a Global Ministries of the National UCC program. Individuals can do a 5K (running, walking, jogging, or rolling) anytime during the month of August. There is a \$25 registration fee, although if the fee is a barrier to your participation, please contact Jeanne or Kristy and we can use some mission money to assist. After registering, you may set up your own fundraiser page, but this is not required for participation. If you do not wish to participate through activity, you can simply choose to donate to the cause. The money raised is being used to tackle climate justice issues for people who are in areas around the globe most affected by changes related to climate change. To register to participate or to donate, go to this link: <https://runsignup.com/cucc> If you need a password to sign up, try CUCC2022.

Run, walk, or bike with your fellow CUCCers on Saturday, August 6 at 8:30am or Saturday, August 13 at 8:30am. Location details will be shared soon. Or you may complete the event on your own. Contact Jeanne Ward, Kristy Brownfield, or Kathy Lee with any questions.

## MISSION MINISTRY SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR CHURCH WORLD SERVICE

Please start shopping for those school supplies for the kids' mission project of assembling school kits for Church World Service. The shopping list of items needed is available on the box in the church narthex (outside the office). The items needed include: blunt scissors, three 70-count bound notebooks or notebooks totaling 200-210 pages (no loose-leaf or filler paper), one 30-centimeter/12" ruler, one hand-held pencil sharpener, one larger eraser, six new, unsharpened pencils with erasers, one box of 24 crayons (24 only).

## MISSION MINISTRY CAMINOS PROGRAM ITEMS NEEDED

Caminos Program through Cunningham Children's Home (which provides a temporary home for unaccompanied immigrant minors until they can be reunited with family) continue to have needs that we can help with. They need some bicycles, bike locks, and bike helmets. The e-mail we received from Cunningham says: "We could use 3 adult/big kid bikes, 24-inch to 26-inch wheel size. Gently used or new bikes are welcome. We also need bike locks and new or never used bike helmets. We will also accept bikes as small as 18-inch wheels, but the majority of our youth are bigger and can universally use the larger or adult bikes." So if you have a gently used bike or are willing to purchase one, or a helmet or bike lock, this would be a great place to donate them! Jeanne or Kristy would be happy to help with pick up from you and transportation to Cunningham - just let us know!

## PHOTOGRAPHY AS PRAYER

Our Photography as Prayer group will gather next on Wednesday, July 27, at 8 a.m. at the Idea Garden on Lincoln Avenue. Select and complete a practice from the free *Photography as Prayer* app then when we meet we'll catch up, share our photos and our experiences. Please let Pastor Connie know your intention of participating so that she can let you know if the weather or some other unexpected condition necessitates a change of location.

## CUCC ICE CREAM SOCIAL AT HESSEL PARK FRIDAY, JULY 29

Come for ice cream and games Friday, July 29, 2022 beginning at 6:30pm at Hessel Park at the small pavilion near the playground. Bring lawn chairs or blanket and yard games. Stay for the movie "Viva Las Vegas" beginning at 9:00pm. There will be a variety of ice cream flavors and toppings. The Hospitality Team could use the help of 4 people to scoop ice cream and help with toppings and 3 coolers to store the ice cream in. Contact Peg Wade at 217-369-0474 or [peg.wade@comcast.net](mailto:peg.wade@comcast.net) or Randy Musser at 779-861-0952 or [randy1253@hotmail.com](mailto:randy1253@hotmail.com) if you can help.

## MISSION MINISTRY GREAT HOUR OF GIVING

One Great Hour of Sharing is one of four special mission offerings of the United Church of Christ that CUCC participates in. This offering supports the disaster, refugee, and development of ministries of the UCC in the wider church ministries. Watch for the opportunity to donate to this special mission on Sunday, August 7 and Sunday, August 14 or online at <https://support.ucc.org/ways-to-give/our-churches-wider-mission/one-great-hour-of-sharing/one-great-hour-of-sharing-donation>.

## SAVE THE DATE

**Sunday, July 24, 10:15am:** Hybrid Traditional Worship

**Monday, July 25, 9:00am:** Articles for August Communion due

**Wednesday, July 27, 8:00am:** Photography as Prayer at Idea Garden

**Friday, July 29, 6:30pm:** CUCC Ice Cream Social at Hessel Park Small Pavilion

**Friday, July 29, 5:00pm:** Interfaith Alliance C-U RAWTools Guns to Garden Tools Community Gathering to End Gun Violence at Randolph Street Community Garden