

# OUR COMMUNITY



Sunday, April 21, 2024

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

## PRAYER & AWARENESSES

### Ongoing Prayer Concerns

- We extend prayers of sympathy to Izzy Collazo and her family upon the death of her mother on April 10, 2024.
- We pray for an end to the gun violence across the United States and for healing and hope for those families affected. May all our weapons be turned to plowshares.
- We pray for an end to escalating violence against LGBTQ+ people.
- We pray for an end to racially charged violence.

### Prayer Requests shared in worship Sunday, April 7

#### We pray for:

- **Anyone** who needs a little extra help right now.
- Comfort and peace for **Kristy Brownfield's family** on the passing of her beloved grandma, Bettie Mellendorf.
- **Pat**, Dennis and Rocio's dear friend, who was hospitalized and will have heart surgery that their recuperation and healing goes quickly.
- **Richard**, a family friend of Dennis and Rocio, who was hospitalized last night.
- **Rocio**, as she completed a class she was taking, not for the first time, and as she prepares for the final exam on Tuesday evening.
- **Richard**, Scott's mother's husband, who was taken to the hospital with pneumonia.
- **Amanda Dobson**, one of our Campus Ministry students, as she undergoes surgery Wednesday. We pray all goes well with the surgery and Amanda's healing is fast.
- For comfort for the family and friends of **Charles Mills**, a beloved special education teacher and friend to many at Jones College Prep High School in Chicago and 1985 classmate of Jesus Yopez at Kennedy High School in Chicago.
- The **family of Aiden Howard Hyland**, who died at the age of 3 days. Prayers for his **mother, Casey, father, Erik, and his two siblings**, friends of Anita Stein.
- **Izzy** and all who loved her and all who loved Izzy's sweet mother, Judy, who died this week. We hold Izzy and all who love her in God's light and love.
- Prayers of Thanksgiving and Gratitude for **Queering Faith 7**. We give thanks for **Flamy Grant** and **Campus Ministry folks** who put on this event as well as all the **volunteers**. We are so grateful for you.
- With joy we celebrate **Caryle Hinkle** who joined this church **51 years** ago, **Iris Swanson** who joined this church **50 years** ago today, and **David Willcox** who joined this church **50 years** ago. We are so thankful for your years in this church.

## CUCC BY THE NUMBERS

**62** Folks attended Queering Faith 7.0 with Flamy Grant, Friday, **04/12**  
**64** Adults, **3** Kids, **5** Zoom Users **4** Facebook Users for a Total of **76** people/devices participated in worship on Sunday, **04/14**  
**64** eat in meals, **17** heat-at-home meals, for a total **81** meals were served to our Jubilee Café guests by **20** volunteers on Monday, **04/15**  
**4** Folks gathered for Just 4 Fun BFEFFAS Breakfast at Perkins, **04/16**  
**8** Folks gathered for CUCC Retiree's Monthly Lunch Gathering at Hendricks House, **04/16**  
**5** people gathered for Pub Theology, **04/16**  
**3** AA groups met in our space this week

## WELCOME REVEREND NICOLE HAVELKA

Together, the United Church Foundation (UCC Campus Ministry UIUC) and Community UCC are pleased to announce our new Campus Minister/Youth Minister: Rev. Nicole Havelka. She brings over 20 years of experience in working with youth and young adults in a variety of settings including the local church, conference, and national setting of the United Church of Christ. Rev. Havelka is an entrepreneur and innovator who knows how to ask important, and hard, questions. She comes to us via unanimous recommendation of the Joint Search Committee, and following a presentation by Rev. Havelka on Saturday to both boards. Their Vote was unanimous too. Welcome, Pastor Nicole!



Look for more information about Rev. Nicole, how you can connect with her, and how you can support the vital ministries she will lead in CUCC's May e-communigram and in a special e-announcement from UCC Campus Ministry.

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CUCC?

**04/21, SUNDAY, CUCC Offices Closed**  
**10:15am** Traditional Hybrid Worship, Fourth Sunday of Easter Worship  
**11:30am:** Light Lunch, Fellowship Hall  
**12:00pm:** Mental Health 101 Workshop, (Fellowship Hall)  
**6:00pm-8:00pm:** Springside Dinners  
**8:00pm—9:00pm** Manhattan AA Group (Parlor)

**04/22, MONDAY**  
**9:00am** Articles for May eCommunigram due  
**2:00pm** Jubilee Café Prep  
**5:00pm—6:30pm** Jubilee Café  
**6:30pm—7:00pm** Jubilee Café Clean-up  
**7:00pm** Inclusive Campus Ministry (Fellowship Hall)

**04/23, TUESDAY**  
**7:00pm-8:30pm** Tuesday Night LGBTQ+ AA Group (Parlor)  
**7:00pm-8:00pm** Pub Theology (Fellowship Hall)

**04/24, WEDNESDAY**  
**12:00pm** Items for Bulletin & weekly email due (for 04/28/24)  
**7:00pm** Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

**04/25, THURSDAY**  
**8:00pm-9:30pm** Denver AA Meeting (Parlor)

**04/26, FRIDAY CUCC Offices Closed**

**04/27, SATURDAY CUCC Offices Closed**

**04/28, SUNDAY, CUCC Offices Closed**  
**10:15am** Traditional Hybrid Worship, Fourth Sunday of Easter Worship  
**8:00pm—9:00pm** Manhattan AA Group (Parlor)

**04/29, MONDAY**  
**9:00am** Names for Milestone Sunday due  
**2:00pm** Jubilee Café Prep  
**5:00pm—6:30pm** Jubilee Café  
**6:30pm—7:00pm** Jubilee Café Clean-up  
**7:00pm** Inclusive Campus Ministry (Fellowship Hall)

**04/30, TUESDAY**  
**7:00pm-8:30pm** Tuesday Night LGBTQ+ AA Group (Parlor)  
**7:00pm-8:00pm** Pub Theology (Fellowship Hall)

*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!*

## RAISE RIGHT GIFT CARDS

Purchasing gift cards from Raise Right supports the ministry of Community United Church of Christ. To create an account, go to <https://www.raiseright.com> and click on the "signup" button to begin the process of "Joining" an existing program and then enter Community United Church of Christ's enrollment code number: **279D2C266L1L9** to complete the process. If you encounter any problems during your enrollment process, call 1-800-727-4715, option 3 for assistance or contact Jen Robbennolt at [Jennifer.robbennolt@gmail.com](mailto:Jennifer.robbennolt@gmail.com).



## LITURGIST, USHERS, GREETERS

There are many opportunities to serve in worship at CUCC during April and May. Sign-up by scanning the QR Code, or by writing your name and checking the task you wish to fill on the paper sign-up sheet located in the Parlor or by going to the Sign Up Genius at <https://tinyurl.com/cuccgul>



## UCC GREAT LAKES REGIONAL YOUTH EVENT

Registration is now open for the UCC Great Lakes Regional Youth Event. The event is **July 17-20** at Augustana College, Rockford Island, IL. This event is for **youth who will complete 6-12 grade** prior to attending. **Register before March 31** to receive Early Bird registration. **Please indicate to Pastor Leah by March 24 that your youth would like to go.** Find more information about this event at <https://www.wcucc.org/ministries-missions/youth-programs/regional-youth-event/> or by scanning the QR Code.



## OUR WHOLE LIVES FOR OLDER ADULTS

The OWL Class for older adults started on January 21, 2024. Classes will take place in the parlor from 1pm-3:30pm on Sundays going through June. The class schedule is:

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| <b>May 5</b>  | Body Image; Dating as an Older Adult |
| <b>June 2</b> | Safer Sex; Sex Play Beyond Basics    |

## JUBILEE CAFÉ SEEKING DONATIONS OF TRAVEL SIZE TOILETRIES

Jubilee Cafe needs supplies for hygiene kits including small tubes of toothpaste, travel-size shampoo, and conditioner, and packs of new washcloths. We also need menstruation supplies of new, individually wrapped tampons and pads. Other travel-sized personal care products are included in the kits if we have them, so if you would like to donate your other unopened travel-sized products (lotions, floss, soaps) we can share those with our guests too. You can drop donations off any time the office is open or when you come for worship.

## OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND TO SERVE AT JUBILEE CAFÉ

UIUC graduation day is quickly approaching and many of the student volunteers will be leaving the area. Nonetheless, we still have hungry guests who will come to Jubilee Café seeking dinner. This means opportunities abound to serve at Jubilee Café beginning Monday, May 13 and throughout the summer months. Jubilee Café invites you to consider the many open positions needing filled to serve those who look to Jubilee Café for a homecooked meal on Monday evenings and to sign-up for one or more of those openings by scanning the QR Code or accessing the Sign-Up Genius at [tinyurl.com/mw5zeeky](https://tinyurl.com/mw5zeeky)



## TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, WESTVILLE RUMMAGE SALE

Trinity United Church of Christ, 311 E. Moses Avenue, Westville, IL is having a rummage sale on Saturday, April 27, 2024. Sale hours are 7am to 2pm. The sale will be in the Fellowship Hall in the lower level of the church. Trinity UCC Westville promises "there is something for everyone" at this sale.

## MENTAL HEALTH 101 IS TODAY, SUNDAY, APRIL 21

Plan to join us **today, Sunday, April 21, 2024** for Mental Health 101 training course beginning at 12pm. A light lunch will be served beginning at 11:30am. This event will be taught by Chestnut Health Systems and takes about 45-60 minutes. *Pastor Leah would like to have at least 38 people attend the Mental Health 101 training.*

## MILESTONE SUNDAY INPUT DUE MONDAY, APRIL 29

Milestone Sunday, our annual recognition of all graduates — High School, College, Graduate School, December graduates, as well as any **seniors who have reached their 85th birthday** in the past year, will be celebrated on **Sunday, May 5**. To have your graduate or senior honored during this worship service, please submit their name to [info@community-ucc.org](mailto:info@community-ucc.org) by **Monday, April 29**. For graduates include the degree earning, name of school, and future plans. Thank you in advance for your help in ensuring that everyone who has reached these milestones is recognized.

## SAVE THE DATE

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**Sunday, April 21, 11:30am:** Light Lunch, Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, April 21, 12:00pm:** Mental Health 101 Workshop, Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, April 21, 6:00pm-8:00pm:** Springside Dinners

**Monday, April 22, 9:00am:** Articles for May eCommunion due

**Saturday, April 27, 7:00am-2:00pm:** Trinity UCC Westville Rummage Sale

**Sunday, April 28, 10:15am:** Traditional Hybrid Worship, Fifth Sunday of Easter Worship

**Monday, April 29, 9:00am:** Names for Milestone Sunday due

**Thursday, May 2, 7:00am:** Monthly Men's Breakfast at Urbana Family Garden Restaurant

**Saturday, May 4, 8:00am-10:00pm:** What You Will Shakespeare Group rehearsing and presenting their Spring Show in Sanctuary

**Sunday, May 5, 10:15am:** Traditional Hybrid Worship, Sixth Sunday of Easter Worship, Milestone Sunday

**Sunday, May 5, 1:00pm-3:30pm:** Owl for Older Adults in Parlor

**Tuesday, May 7, 8:30am:** Just 4 Fun BFEFFAS Breakfast at Perkins