

OUR COMMUNITY



Sunday, June 09, 2024

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

PRAYER & AWARENESSES

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

- 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, May 26

We pray for:

- **Susan** for a quick, easy, and successful recovery following eye surgery.
- **Sebastian's little brother** who is now living away from family for the first time. Pray that he is able to navigate this time in his life safely and happily.
- **Sarah** as she presents her oral defense Monday. May it go smoothly as she is so close to being done!
- **Alison's mother** asking for prayers of healing and relief from boredom as she endures a long recovery from ankle fusion surgery.
- **Jherilyn's friend's daughter** who was shot Saturday night. We pray for thanksgiving that she has survived. Prayers that the young woman, her family and friends may find the strength to cope with the trauma of being shot moving forward.

CUCC BY THE NUMBERS

12 Middle Ages folks gathered for dinner at Fiesta Café, **06/01**

42 Adults, 4 Kids, 7 Zoom Users, 4 Facebook Users for a Total of **57** people/devices participated in worship on Sunday, **05/26**

74 eat in meals, 21 heat-at-home meals, for a total **95** meals were served to our Jubilee Café guests by **20** volunteers on Monday, **06/03**

12 People gathered for Pub Theology, **06/04**

3 AA groups met in our space this week

OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND TO SERVE AT JUBILEE CAFÉ

Opportunities abound to serve at Jubilee Café 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



JUST 4 FUN BFEFFAS BREAKFAST IS TUESDAY, JUNE 11

Everyone is invited **Tuesday, June 11 @ 8:30 a.m.** for our monthly gathering at Perkins. If you would please RSVP if you're coming, it will help us know how many tables are needed. RSVP by texting or calling and leaving a message for Rocio at 217-418-6185. Remember you're still welcome whether you RSVP or not. Orders will be placed by 8:45 a.m.

THE BIG ROOM SHUFFLE WORK PROJECT JUNE 11, 12, 13

To better facilitate current space needs in the building spaces have been reassigned. The Christian Education Office (across the hall from the main office) will become Pastor Nicole's office. The Conference Room (on the lower level) will become a proper Music Room and office for Kathy Lee. The current Choir Room and adjacent storage room (located under the choir loft on the far south end of the building) will become storage for worship supplies, AV equipment, the Bandy Center, and Faith Community Nursing supplies. The current Worship Supply Closet (to the right of the chancel) will become Chime storage. **But we need your help.** Kathy and Pastor Leah have set **times for the congregation to come and help move things** from one space to another. We will have a set of tasks for each day. Can you help **June 11, 12, 13 from 9 am to noon?** Please **sign-up on the sign-up sheet in the Parlor.**

MISSION MINISTRY'S HANDS ON MISSION PROJECT IS JUNE 11

Join other CUCCers, 8 years old and up, for the Community Repack event at the Eastern Illinois Food Bank on **Tuesday, June 11, 2024 from 4pm-7pm.** The event will take place at the **Eastern Illinois Food Bank's Volunteer Center** located at **2405 North** the of end of the Cul de Sac. Parking in the gravel lot on north side of building. Please **wear closed-toe shoes** and **remove all loose jewelry.**

Please **sign-up on the sign-up sheet in the Parlor** so the Mission Ministry Team knows who is participating. **Then scan the QR Code** or **go to the Eastern Illinois Food Bank Event page and sign up** (required by EIFB)

<https://www.mobilize.us/eifoodbank/event/631434/> .



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CUCC?

06/09, SUNDAY, CUCC Offices Closed

10:15am Traditional Hybrid Worship,
Faces of Our Faith — Shiprah & Puah
8:00pm—9:00pm Manhattan AA Group
(Parlor)

06/10, MONDAY

2:00pm Jubilee Café Prep
5:00pm—6:30pm Jubilee Café
6:30pm—7:00pm Jubilee Café Clean-up

06/11, TUESDAY

8:30am Just 4 Fun BFEFFAS Breakfast at
Perkins — RSVP to Rocio Arroyave-
Jamison
9:00am-12:00pm: The Big Room Shuffle
Workday
4:00pm-7:00pm Mission Ministry Workday at
Eastern Illinois Foodbank
7:00pm-8:30pm Tuesday Night LGBTQ+ AA
Group (Parlor)
7:00pm-8:00pm Pub Theology (Fellowship
Hall)

06/12, WEDNESDAY

9:00am-12:00pm: The Big Room Shuffle
Workday
12:00pm Items for Bulletin & weekly email
due (for 06/164)

06/13, THURSDAY

9:00am-12:00pm: The Big Room Shuffle
Workday
8:00pm-9:30pm Denver AA Meeting
(Parlor)

06/14, FRIDAY CUCC Offices Closed

06/15, SATURDAY CUCC Offices Closed

06/16, SUNDAY CUCC Offices Closed

10:15am Traditional Hybrid Worship,
The Daughters of Zelophehad
8:00pm—9:00pm Manhattan AA Group
(Parlor)

06/17, MONDAY

12:45pm Staff Meeting
2:00pm Jubilee Café Prep
5:00pm—6:30pm Jubilee Café
6:30pm—7:00pm Jubilee Café Clean-up

06/18, TUESDAY

11:30am CUCC Retiree's Monthly Lunch
Gathering at Aspen Tap House, Champaign
6:30pm CUCC CLB Monthly Meeting
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 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.



LITURGIST, USHERS, GREETERS

There are many opportunities to serve in worship at CUCC during June and July. 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>



DONATIONS FOR JUBILEE CAFÉ

We are so grateful for your generosity towards our neighbors! Help us serve in the best ways we can by making donations we can use.

FOR HYGIENE KITS: we will always accept these NEW items - wash cloths, soap, travel shampoo, travel conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant. We will announce if we need sunscreen donations. We cannot accept other hygiene items.

FOR MENSTRUATION KITS: we will always accept NEW, INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED tampons and pads. We cannot accept other menstruation items like menstrual cups.

FOR WINTER: September through March we will accept adult size socks, coats, jackets, fleeces, and hoodies. We cannot accept sweaters, sweat shirts, or other clothing items. We cannot accept children's size items. If we need hats or gloves we will make an announcement but have plenty currently.

LARGE AMOUNTS OF FOOD: If you have a large amount of food that is prepackaged or left over from a catered event, we ask that you text Pastor Leah to ask if Jubilee can use it currently. We are so glad to be thought of but can't always use certain items nor do we always have the space to store certain foods. Remember that Jubilee Cafe meals are prepared by volunteers and food that is donated must be processed by those volunteers so checking ahead of time to see if we have the capacity is helpful.

OTHER ITEMS: sometimes we need back packs, hand warmers, foot warmers, and other items. Watch the announcements and the weekly Jubilee report to for more info.

Thank you again for your generosity, Community. The way you love our neighbors is astounding.

NEWCOMERS GROUP FORMING AND STARTING SOON

Newcomers to CUCC: Whether you've been attending CUCC regularly for a while now, or are brand new to our congregation, you are most welcome to attend the next Newcomers Group. The first session is scheduled for **Sunday, June 30** following worship with a light lunch being served. Please contact Jeanne Ward at jeawa@comcast.net or the Office Manager at info@community-ucc.org to indicate your interest in participating in this Newcomers Group.

Session 1 - CUCC 101, UCC 101 – After a short “meet and greet” this meeting will be an opportunity to find out more about how the UCC is organized, what our core beliefs are, and something of our history. We will also look at the basic structure of our local church, CUCC, and answer questions you may have about the church. If you just want to find out about the church, you may only want to attend this meeting. If you would like to pursue getting more involved, or becoming a member of the church, then sessions 2, 3, and 4 are for you.

Session 2 - Opportunities to Plug-In at CUCC - Leaders from some of our Ministry Teams will come to this meeting to talk to you about their roles here at CUCC and opportunities for participation in the life and ministry of CUCC.

Session 3 - How do Your Gifts and Talents Mesh with CUCC? - Partners in Faith who are members of the church will be invited to this meeting to meet each of you and begin connecting with you. We will look at the spiritual gifts each of us brings to CUCC and talk about the values we have as individuals and as a community. We'll look at ways to get connected to the church and its work.

Session 4 - Committing to CUCC - Partners in Faith who have been paired with you will again attend this meeting. We will share faith stories, discuss what a commitment to the church means and answer your questions about membership. For those who have decided to join the church, plans will be made for a New Member Sunday.

SUMMER MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES

We are seeking volunteers of all ages and ability levels to offer instrumental or vocal music at CUCC.

We have a list of special requests that you can pull from, or you may offer another song of your choice.

Song suggestions: Here Comes the Sun (The Beatles), He Lives in You (Lion King 2), This Time Tomorrow (Brandi Carlile), You Say (Lauren Daigle), Let it Be (The Beatles), Stand By Me (Ben E. King), a song by Fred Small, I Choose Love (Mark Miller), The Center of my Joy (Richard Smallwood).

Sign-up by scanning the QR Code, or by writing your name on the paper sign-up sheet located in the Parlor or by going to the Sign Up Genius at <https://tinyurl.com/CUCCSummerMusic>

Please contact Kathy with questions: music@community-ucc.org.



SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, June 9, 10:15am: Traditional Hybrid Worship, Summer Worship Series Faces of Our Faith — Shiphrah & Puah

Tuesday, June 11, 8:30am: Just 4 Fun BFEFFAS Breakfast at Perkins — RSVP to Rocio Arroyave-Jamison

Tuesday, June 11, 9:00am-12:00pm: The Big Room Shuffle Workday

Tuesday, June 11, 4:00pm-7:00pm: Mission Ministry Workday at Eastern Illinois Foodbank

Wednesday, June 12, 9:00am-12:00pm: The Big Room Shuffle Workday

Thursday, June 13, 9:00-12:00pm: The Big Room Shuffle Workday

Sunday, June 16, 10:15am: Traditional Hybrid Worship, Summer Worship Series Faces of Our Faith — The Daughters of Zelophead

Tuesday, June 18, 11:30am: CUCC Retiree's Monthly Lunch Gathering at Aspen Tap House

Tuesday, June 18, 6:30pm: CUCC CLB Monthly Meeting

Sunday, June 23, 10:15am: Traditional Hybrid Worship, Summer Worship Series Faces of Our Faith — Deborah

Monday, June 24, 9:00am: Articles for July eCommunigram due

Thursday, June 27, 6:30pm: Campus Ministry Board Meeting

Sunday, June 30, 10:15am: Traditional Hybrid Worship, Faces of our Faith: Queen Vashti

Sunday, June 30, 11:30am: Newcomers Group Session 1