

OUR COMMUNITY



Sunday, January 12, 2025

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, January 5, 2025

We pray for:

- **Joanne and her family**, Keri's friend. We pray for peace and comfort during her Hospice care, after her years long battle with cancer.
- Julia Hundley is giving thanks for every moment with **her dog Cora** who the ER vet had no medical explanation how she is still here and came back from being gone. Thanks be to God. I welcome anyone who would pray for her last days to be happy and pain free. **Giving thanks for you all**, and prayers for **my cousins** who lost their father Friday. And finally, protection prayers for **everyone traveling**.
- Prayers for **safe travels for those who must be on the roads today and tomorrow**; and for the **safety of those who must work** in these conditions
- **Folks of Trinity United Church of Christ in Westville, IL** where the other Reverend Robberts-Mosser serves and Pastor Connie served prior to David. Trinity's office manager of 50 years, Nancy Gallion, passed away. She had been ill, but her death was not expected. David and Connie will officiate her funeral on Monday, January 6 in Danville.

CUCC BY THE NUMBERS

40 Adults, **2** Kids, **9** Zoom Users, **7** Facebook Users for a Total of **58** people/devices participated in worship on Sunday, **01/05**

34 eat in meals **5** heat-at-home meals, for a total **39** meals were served to our Jubilee Café guests by **20** volunteers on Monday, **01/06**

7 Folks gathered for Pub Theology, **1/7**

3 AA groups met in our space this week

1 NA group met in our space this week

OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND TO SERVE AT JUBILEE CAFÉ

Jubilee Café invites you to sign-up for one or more of the many openings to serve at Jubilee Café while the UIUC Students are away from campus for winter break including **Monday, January 13, 20, 27**

by scanning the QR Code or accessing the Sign-Up Genius at tinyurl.com/mw5zeeky



ADULT MISSION TRIP 2025: ASHVILLE — DEPOSIT DUE TODAY

Registration is now open for the Adult Mission Trip 2025 to Ashville. Please complete the registration form and pay the deposit of \$50 by Sunday, **January 12, 2025**. You can access the Registration form (a Google document)

by scanning the QR Code or go to <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeJN-Vtle13Ta4d3LGuWp7dxSdPqWRWUC8karNUSfbArn9keA/viewform>



CUCC ANNUAL MEETING IS SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

CUCC's Annual Meeting is **Sunday, January 26th**. Besides electing new officers at the meeting, the congregation also approves the budget for the next operating year.

Please join us for the annual meeting and potluck immediately following worship on Sunday, **January 26th**. Please bring a dish to share with serving utensils. Hospitality will provide drinks, plates, and silverware. Drop off your dish to share in the Fellowship Hall/Kitchen prior to worship, as early as 9:00am.

Your annual report will be emailed to you when it is completed, usually about a week before the Annual Meeting.

PASTOR LEAH'S BLOG POST

Pastor Leah Robberts-Mosser is now contributing to the *Enter the Bible* blog, a resource from Luther Seminary, which offers a fresh take on scripture. Her first post is up — a personal connection to the book of Acts and the story of Tabitha. Read Pastor Leah's post by scanning the QR Code or clicking on the link. <https://enterthebible.org/draped-in-love?>



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CUCC?

01/12, SUNDAY, CUCC Offices Closed

10:15am Traditional Hybrid Worship, Baptism of Jesus Sunday

12:00pm John Bandy Center presents Planning Your Memorial Service

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

01/13, MONDAY

12:45pm Staff Meeting

2:00pm Jubilee Café Prep

5:00pm—6:30pm Jubilee Café

6:30pm—7:00pm Jubilee Café Clean-up

01/14, TUESDAY

7:00pm-8:30pm Tuesday Night LGBTQ+ AA Group (Parlor)

7:00pm Pub Theology (Fellowship Hall)

01/15, WEDNESDAY

12:00pm Items for Bulletin & weekly email due (for 01/19)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

01/16, THURSDAY

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

01/17, FRIDAY CUCC OFFICES CLOSED

01/18, SATURDAY CUCC Offices Closed

8:00pm-10:00pm Narcotics Anonymous Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

01/19, SUNDAY CUCC Offices Closed

10:15am Traditional Hybrid Worship, Second Sunday after Epiphany

12:30-5:00pm Kelly Wurth Ordination Service (Sanctuary, Parlor, and Upstairs Kitchen)

8:00pm—9:00pm Manhattan AA Group (Fellowship Hall)

01/20, MONDAY

2:00pm Jubilee Café Prep

5:00pm—6:30pm Jubilee Café

6:30pm—7:00pm Jubilee Café Clean-up

01/21, TUESDAY

7:00pm-8:30pm Tuesday Night LGBTQ+ AA Group (Parlor)

7:00pm 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

It's a New Year, why not start a new tradition? Purchase gift cards from Raise Right for everyday expenses. Remember every card purchased provides support to CUCC.

To create an account, scan the QR Code or go to the <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 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.



LITURGISTS, USHERS, GREETERS

Sign-up to be a worship assistant (greeter, usher, liturgist) for January and February. 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 in the Parlor or by going to the Sign-Up Genius at <https://tinyurl.com/cuccgul>



PICK UP PRODUCE FROM SOLA GRATIA FARM FOR JUBILEE CAFÉ

Did you know that Sola Gratia has become a year round farm? Even though the primary growing season is now over they still have produce to share with Jubilee Café. Support Jubilee Café by picking up produce from Sola Gratia farm (**note: new pickup location E. Mumford Dr.**) on **Mondays at 10:00am**. Sign up for a Monday or two by scanning the QR Code or by going to the Sign-Up Genius at: <https://rb.gy/uii5j8>



SAVE THE DATE — QUEERING FAITH 8.0 IS FEBRUARY 7, 2025

We are thrilled to welcome Rev. Malcolm Himshoot, writer, teacher, pastor. He is author of the forthcoming book, *Reading Secrets - A Queer Inheritance of Life and Scripture*. His journey to ordination in the United Church of Christ as an out trans man was shown in the documentary feature film *Call Me Malcolm in 2005*. Please save the date. Tickets will be available soon.

LEADERSHIP RETREAT JANUARY 25, 2025

New and renewing leaders – mark your calendars for **Saturday, January 25**. We will gather in the Fellowship Hall at 8:45 for a Leadership Retreat. We will get to know one another, orient ourselves to the task before us, and make some plans for 2025. We will conclude at 2:30.

Please note: lunch will be ordering sandwiches in rather than the previously published potluck. There is no need to bring a dish to share.

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, January 12, 10:15am: Traditional Hybrid Worship, The Baptism of Christ

Sunday, January 12, 12:00-1:30pm: John Bandy Center presents Planning Your Memorial Service

Tuesday, January 21, 12:00pm: CUCC's Retirees Monthly Lunch Outing at El Paraiso, 126 W. Main in Urbana

Saturday, January 25, 8:45am-2:30pm: Leadership Retreat in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, January 26, 11:30am: Annual Congregational Meeting and Potluck (bring a dish to share)

Friday, February 7, TBA: Queering Faith 8.0