

OUR COMMUNITY



Sunday, February 2, 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 26, 2025

We pray for:

- **Norah Springborn**, choir member, as she heads to England for the semester. We will miss her and hope she has a wonderful time.
- **Johnell** as she celebrates 27 years since her kidney-pancreas transplant surgery on January 27, 1998. Johnell is forever thankful for the donor that saved her life.
- Prayers of gratitude for the example and for the voice of **Bishop Marianne Budde** who during the inaugural sermon on January 21 asked for mercy for those marginalized in our society, may she be an inspiration to others to speak out even when it's hard.
- **Rev Wally Mohr**, a retired UCC pastor who is a dear friend of our family. Wally is nearing the end of a long bout with cancer.
- **Alison Ander's cousin** we pray prayers of thanksgiving for new beginnings with the cousin's release from jail.
- **Heather**, Brenda's daughter in Chicago who slipped on ice and hit her face on January 25 while walking her dog. The fall necessitated an emergency root canal. She will be okay, her husband on the other hand is pretty shaken up by the accident.
- **All who are experiencing strained relationships** as relationships become more challenging to navigate.

CUCC BY THE NUMBERS

78 Adults, 3 Kids, 3 Zoom Users, 2 Facebook Users for a Total of **86** people/devices participated in worship on Sunday, **01/26**
65 Folks gathered for the potluck lunch and CUCC Annual Meeting, **1/26**
80 eat in meals **20** heat-at-home meals, for a total **100** meals were served to our Jubilee Café guests by **20** volunteers on Monday, **01/27**
9 Folks gathered for Pub Theology, **1/28**
3 AA groups met in our space this week
1 NA group met in our space this week

QUEERING FAITH 8.0 IS FEBRUARY 7, TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE

We are thrilled to welcome Rev. Malcolm Himschoot, 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*. Tickets are now available by scanning the QR Code or going to <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1146151753749?aff=oddtcreateo>



Before Queering Faith 8.0 you can catch the 2005 documentary "*Call Me Malcolm*" featuring our Queering Faith speaker, Malcolm Himschoot at St. Andrew's Chat and Chow on Wednesday, February 5th at 6:30pm in the Murphy Gallery at the University YMCA, 1001 S. Wright St. Students are invited to share dinner at 5:45pm. The general public can join them at 6:30pm for the film.

If you'd like to watch the documentary at home, "*Call Me Malcolm*" is available on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sh4Pv10IFyc>

YOUTH & FAMILIES AT QUEERING FAITH, FEB. 7, 5:45PM

Youth (6th-12th grade) and their families are invited to an LGBTQ panel discussion before Queering Faith. After doing some quick community building games, youth and their families will be invited to ask questions of our LGBTQ panelists to get ready for the main event with Rev. Malcolm at Queering Faith! Please Register for the main Queering Faith event plus RSVP for the Youth and Families at Queering Faith by scanning the QR code or going to <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeEJsxnKp-EcQ6LPtulQnZ47MYb2tG7lys-mcl-CZRtiBnP-g/viewform?usp=sharing> (a Google Doc)



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CUCC?

02/02, SUNDAY, CUCC Offices Closed
10:15am Traditional Hybrid Worship, Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
8:00pm—9:00pm Manhattan AA Group (Parlor)

02/03 MONDAY
2:00pm Jubilee Café Prep
5:00pm—6:30pm Jubilee Café
6:30pm—7:00pm Jubilee Café Clean-up

02/04, TUESDAY
7:00pm-8:30pm Tuesday Night LGBTQ+ AA Group (Parlor)
7:00pm Pub Theology (Fellowship Hall)

02/05, WEDNESDAY
12:00pm Items for Bulletin & weekly email due (for 02/02)
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

02/06, THURSDAY
7:00am Men's Monthly Breakfast Gathering, check with Tom Ward for location
8:00pm-9:30pm Denver AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

02/07, FRIDAY CUCC OFFICES CLOSED
5:45PM Youth & Families at Queering Faith
7:00PM Queering Faith 8.0 with Rev. Malcolm Himschoot

02/08, SATURDAY CUCC Offices Closed
9:00am Campus Ministry Students Brunch with Rev. Malcolm Himschoot
8:00pm-10:00pm Narcotics Anonymous Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

02/09, SUNDAY CUCC Offices Closed
10:15am Traditional Hybrid Worship, Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
8:00pm—9:00pm Manhattan AA Group (Fellowship Hall)

02/10, MONDAY
2:00pm Jubilee Café Prep
5:00pm—6:30pm Jubilee Café
6:30pm—7:00pm Jubilee Café Clean-up

02/11, 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 ber: **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.robennolt@gmail.com.



LITURGISTS, USHERS, GREETERS

Sign-up to be a worship assistant (greeter, usher, liturgist) for February and March. 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>



PICK UP AND DELIVER DONUTS TO CUCC ON MONDAYS FOR JUBILEE CAFÉ

Jubilee Café is seeking volunteers to pick up doughnuts from the Ye Old Donut Shoppe at 1401 S. Neil St, Champaign, IL 61820 **Monday afternoons at 12:55pm** (when the shop closes) and bring the doughnuts to CUCC so they are here for the Jubilee Café volunteers. If you are interested in helping please check your calendar then sign-up for one or more Mondays by scanning the QR Code or go to the Sign Up Genius at <https://tinyurl.com/53xajssy>



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?>



MEN GATHER FOR BREAKFAST, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6

The Men of CUCC meet the first Thursday of each month for breakfast. Join us at 7:00am **Thursday, February 6** for breakfast. We would love to see you at The Original Pancake House Restaurant. Anyone who identifies as a man is welcome.

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, February 2, 10:15am: Traditional Hybrid Worship, Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Thursday, February 6, 7:00am: Men's Monthly Breakfast, check with Tom Ward for location

Friday, February 7, 5:45pm: Youth & Families at Queering Faith Panel Discussion

Friday, February 7, 7:00pm: Queering Faith 8.0

Saturday, February 8, 9:00am: Campus Ministry Students brunch with Rev. Malcolm Himschoot

Sunday, February 9, 10:15am: Traditional Hybrid Worship, Fifth Sunday after Epiphany