

OUR COMMUNITY



Sunday, June 7, 2026

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 Sundays, May 31, 2026

We pray for:

- **A Jubilee guest** as she is feeling discouraged. She also appreciates our church's ministry and is grateful for the prayers.
- **Todd**, as he mourns the death of his friend of 30 years who was killed in the construction zone recently.
- Good health, safe travels, & financial opportunities for **Dev's partner** this summer.
- **Brenda, Izzy's friend, and her family**. Brenda's father had a massive heart attack a few weeks ago and is now on hospice.
- **Jennifer Cromley** as she travels to her mother's house where she will spend a couple of months.
- **Amanda's sister** as she begins her first job June 1.
- **Andrea's friend** who is in Mexico getting his papers in order and hopes to return to the USA.
- **Andrea's family member** recently diagnosed with dementia.
- **Longtime member, Pru** who is attending worship today.
- Discernment for **Sarah, Susan's daughter** as she makes a decision about a job offer.
- **The prisoners and protesters** at the detention center in New Jersey who are making a stand against ICE.
- **Chase** as he continues to recover from foot surgery and is grateful to be out today.
- Prayers of joy for **Brenda's one daughter** celebrates her birthday today and the **other daughter** is moving into a new condo.
- Prayers of joy for **Carla's nephew as his family** adopts 3 siblings they have been fostering for 3 years on June 5.
- Prayers of gratitude for **Carla's work with us** over these past 6 years.
- **Max and his siblings** that they may have a nice world to be in.

CUCC BY THE NUMBERS

50 Adults, 4 Kids, 0 Zoom Users, 0 Facebook Users for a Total of 54 people/devices participated in Easter Resurrection Sunday worship, **05/31/2026**

67 eat in meals, 6 heat-at-home meals, for a total 73 meals were served to our Jubilee Café guests on Monday, **06/01/2026**

15 Folks gathered for dinner at Sangeet with Pub Theology, **06/02/2026**

3 AA groups met in our space this week

1 NA group met in our space this week

SUMMER MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES

Kathy is seeking volunteers of all ages and ability levels to offer instrumental or vocal music at CUCC during services this summer. Participation is more important than perfection, and songs do not need to be sacred to be appreciated in our services. You may pick a song of your choosing.



To contribute a musical offering this summer, please sign up below. If you would like to collaborate with our pianist Andrey Ivanov (andreyi2@illinois.edu) or someone else in the congregation, please get in touch with them ASAP. Out of courtesy to Andrey, please get sheet music to him at least a week before your Sunday anthem: <https://tinyurl.com/2026SummerMusic>

OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND TO SERVE AT JUBILEE CAFÉ

Summer has arrived, and the students are gone—but Jubilee Café is still a place that nourishes more than empty bellies. We would love for you to be part of our community on Monday evenings. Please note that we will not be open on Memorial Day, Monday, May 25, 2026. To volunteer for one or more tasks, scan the QR code or visit tinyurl.com/mw5zeeky to sign up.



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CUCC?

06/07 SUNDAY, CUCC Offices Closed
10:15am Traditional Hybrid Worship, Hope for this Moment in History, Apocalyptic Emotions: Sadness

06/08 MONDAY
2:00pm Jubilee Café Prep
5:00-6:30pm Jubilee Café
6:30-7:00pm Jubilee Café Clean-up

06/09 TUESDAY
8:30am Just 4 Fun BFFERRAS Monthly Breakfast at Perkins, RSVP to Rocio
3:00-6:00pm Campus Ministry Drop-In
7:00pm-8:30pm Tuesday Night LGBTQ+ AA Group (Parlor)

06/10 WEDNESDAY
12:00pm Items for Bulletin & weekly email due (for 06/14)

06/11 THURSDAY
3:00-6:00pm Campus Ministry Drop-In
TBD Youth and Campus Ministry Mission Trip returns to Champaign
8:00pm-9:30pm Denver AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

06/12 FRIDAY CUCC Offices Closed

06/13 SATURDAY CUCC Offices Closed
8:00pm-10:00pm Narcotics Anonymous Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

06/14 SUNDAY CUCC Offices Closed
10:15am Traditional Hybrid Worship, Hope for this Moment in History, Apocalyptic Emotions: Anger

06/15 MONDAY
12:45pm Staff Meeting
2:00pm Jubilee Café Prep
5:00-6:30pm Jubilee Café
6:30-7:00pm Jubilee Café Clean-up

06/16 TUESDAY
11:30am Cool "Young at Heart" Kids monthly lunch outing at Houlihan's, Champaign
6:30pm CUCC CLB Monthly Meeting
7:00pm-8:30pm Tuesday Night LGBTQ+ AA Group (Parlor)

Email: info@community-ucc.org to be added to the email list to receive the weekly email announcements and monthly newsletter.

MISSION MINISTRY RECEIVING A SPECIAL OFFERING FOR UCC'S STRENGTHEN THE CHURCH TODAY

As a church, we participate in 5 national UCC offerings. One of these we fund through our annual church budget - it is a separate line item which we send every year. But the rest of these offerings are ones that you can directly participate in through your generous donations. Each of these has a slightly different focus. On **June 7th**, we will be collecting for "Strengthen the Church". The Strengthen the Church (STC) Offering reflects the shared commitment of people across the United Church of Christ to cooperatively build up the UCC. Conferences and the national setting equally share the gifts given by members and friends through their local congregations. The funds raised support leadership development, new churches, youth ministry, and innovation in existing congregations. **By your generosity to this offering, you build up the Body of Christ.** As God calls our congregations to be the church in new ways, your generosity will plant new churches, awaken new ideas in existing churches, and develop the spiritual life in our youth and young adults. Our own campus ministry was the recipient of one of these grants during the COVID era, and used that money to fund special online gatherings that carried the group through and found ways to connect. We hope that you will be able to donate this year to enable this fund to continue to help build up ministries in the UCC. You can donate with cash in the globes, by writing a check to Community UCC and writing "Strengthen the Church" in the memo line, or by using the donate link on the Community UCC website and clicking the link titled "Strengthen the Church". Thank you!!

JUST 4 FUN BFFERRAS MONTHLY BREAKFAST JUNE 9

The Just 4 Fun BFFERRAS group's monthly gathering at Perkin's is **Tuesday, June 9** at 8:30am. Please RSVP if you're coming to allow the group to determine how many tables are needed for the gathering. You can text Rocio @ 217-418-6185 OR call and leave a message. And even if you do not RSVP, all are welcome to attend.

IDENTITY TEAM NEEDS YOUR HELP

CUCC's Identity Team is asking for your help. If you plan or attend an event for CUCC, please send the event promo flyer and any photos taken at the event to Keri Evans at kevans1984@yahoo.com

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP OR LEARNING MORE ABOUT COMMUNITY UCC?

Are you new to Community UCC or are you considering membership? Discover more about our church and what it means to be part of our community.

We look forward to getting to know you better when you sign up for the next Newcomers Group, which is holding its first session on June 14 following worship. Contact Jeanne Ward at [Jeanne Ward at jeawa@comcast.net](mailto:Jeanne.Ward@comcast.net) or 217-840-0668, or the church office at info@community-ucc.org or 217-344-5091 if you would like to join us.

LITURGISTS, USHERS, GREETERS

Sign up to serve as a Liturgist, Ushers, or Greeters for **June and July** by signing up on the **paper sign-up** in the Parlor by writing your name and checking the task you wish to fill on the paper sign-up sheet.

HELP JUBILEE CAFÉ

Pick up produce from Sola Gratia Farm

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 donuts at Ye Old Donut Shop

Support Jubilee Café by picking up donuts at 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>



CAMPUS MINISTRY ACTIVITIES

SUMMER DROP-IN HOURS, TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS, 3-6PM

Campus Ministry students are invited to stop by CUCC Tuesday and Thursday afternoons for a time to hang out with Pastor Izzy and other campus ministry students, work on homework, play games, have a snack in the Campus Ministry Room. If you would like to meet with Pastor Izzy at a different time, please email her at izzy@ucccampusministry.org to schedule it.