

East Union Presbyterian Church

May 18, 2025

9:30am In The EUCC



"The 'Green' Clean"
Pastor James at the Pulpit

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East Union Presbyterian Church

..... Sunday, May 18, 2025

..... *Compass Points*

Welcome To East Union Church

We are delighted you are here! Please refer to page 11 for information about Worship Services, Christian Education and Outreach Programs. **Sign-Up Genius Listings** for all current activities and service opportunities are available on the church website near the bottom of the landing page.

Youth Mission Trip Paperwork

All adults and teens 18+ must fill out their paperwork through the Praying Pelicans website ASAP. You should have received your log in information from Frank a couple of months back. Please reach out to Frank if you are having difficulties. If you are in need of any links to complete your clearances, please reach out to Mindy. She has sent the links out to all who was in need. **All paperwork needs to be completed and submitted by May 21.**

Mission Trip Meeting

Frank will be meeting with the youth and parents who will be attending the mission trip this summer today at 11:30 in the pavilion. He will be sharing some more information as well as distributing a booklet they have provided to us.

Baptism of Alexander Dean Latronica

Alexander (Alex) is the son of Sara and Nick Latronica. He is also the Grandson of Sue and John Katich. He was born on January 2, 2025. John Paul Katich, Cristin Katich, and Michael Katich have the privilege of being Alex's God-Parents. We are grateful for Alex's precious life and are blessed to officially welcome him into our East Union Church Family!

May God Bless & Keep
Alexander Dean Latronica!



Announcements

Father's Day HONORS

- All Honors must be received by **June 11, 2025**.
- Father's Day Honors will be in the bulletin, and on Facebook!
- We are asking for a \$10 donation for this special honor.
- Email Mindy at mindy@eastunionchurch.org with your honor.
- ***Photos are encouraged!!***



Blessing of the Graduates

Graduate Sunday is just a couple weeks away, to be held on June 1 at our first Outdoor Summer Service! Mindy has emailed all of our HS seniors requesting their information. **If you have a college, technical school or other graduate you would like to highlight**, please send an email to Mindy@eastunionchurch.org and she will give you the information we need for the bulletin. **All information needs to be received by next Tuesday, May 27th to be featured in our bulletin and social media outlets.**



Vacation Bible School 2025

East Union Church

PRESENTS

STEP RIGHT UP

★ VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ★

THE GREATEST BIBLE SCHOOL ON EARTH



MONDAY, JUNE 16-FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 2025

EVENINGS, 6:00-8:30PM

FAMILY CARNIVAL NIGHT FRIDAY

Must be 4 yrs old by 9/1 and potty trained
thru Rising 6th graders.

Must register by May 23rd to receive a t-shirt.

\$10 DONATION SUGGESTED

Volunteer T-Shirt Sale - \$10 each



Name: _____

Adult XS: _____

Adult S: _____

Adult M: _____

Adult L: _____

Adult XL: _____

Adult XXL: _____

Yellow t-shirt with Red lettering

of shirts: _____ Total \$: _____

Vacation Bible School 2025

STEP RIGHT UP

REGISTRATION IS STILL OPEN!

4 years old by 9/1 – 6th Graders — Register at www.eastunionchurch.org

Register by May 23 to receive a free t-shirt!

June 16-20 | Evenings from 6:00-8:30pm

Volunteer Training Today and Tuesday!

*-We will meet today, in Founders Chapel following worship at 10:40am and Tuesday, May 20 at 6:30pm. It's never too late to register to volunteer! **You are only required to attend one training.***

*-**Order your VBS Volunteer T-shirt by May 23.** Text Mindy (412-709-2066) or fill out one of our forms.*

*-**We are looking for volunteers for our Friday night Carnival!** You will be supplied with everything you need, we just need volunteers to man the games. A sign up is located on the Welcome Table.*

Donations!

Below is a list of items we are hoping to borrow or are in need of. We have an Amazon Wishlist as well as a sign up genius for the various items. Some are listed below. If you are interested in donating or have questions, feel free to ask Pastor Jo, Mindy Young, Autumn Stotlemeyer, Justine Slavin or Katie Postreich!

Items to Borrow:

-Patio umbrella **stand** only

-8 10x10 pop up tents

Items we are in need of:

-100 empty toilet paper rolls

-5 red OR orange pool noodles

-5 blue OR green pool noodles

-8 round RED table cloths

-8 round YELLOW table cloths

-8 round BLUE table cloths

-50 two liter bottles of pop, any kind

-Any kind of prizes; gently used stuffed animals (any size), fidgets, party favors (some ideas on our Amazon Wishlist)

Items from our Amazon Wishlist:

-backdrops/decor

-clown noses

-balloons

-inflatable swim rings

-command strips

-wiffle balls

-duct and packing tape

Worship Service

Sunday, May 18, 2025 • 9:30am in the EUCC

All lyrics projected on the screen

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Prelude

Blessed Be Your Name

Gathering and Welcome

Call to Worship

* Congregational Song

Blessed Be Your Name

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Confessional Song

Your Grace is Enough

Assurance of Pardon

* Passing of the Peace

Sacrament of Baptism

Alexander Dean Latronica

Children's Chat

Children are invited to take a Worship Tote and library book to their seats; the totes include coloring books and a snack. Families with younger children are welcome to use the Toddler Room, which features a carpet, rocking chair and a variety of toys.

Scripture Readings:

Psalms 51:1-3, 6-7, 10

Mark 1:4-11

Sermon:

"The 'Green' Clean"

Pastor James

*** All who are able, please stand**

Announcements

Offering

Thank you for your generous financial contributions which support East Union Church, our ministries and missions. The Offering Plate will be passed. (We also accept Venmo for donations, you can scan this QR code or set up online donations at our church web site. Call the church office...Mindy can help!)



* Congregational Song

Build My Life

Dismissal of Online Congregation

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer

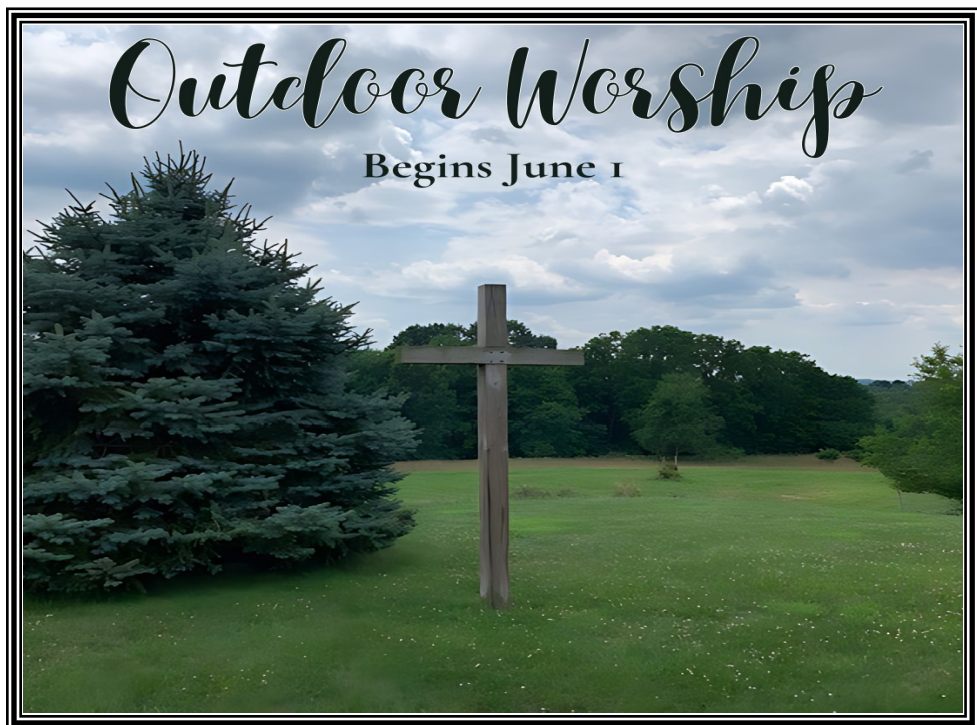
* Congregational Song

Mighty to Save

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Mighty to Save



Announcements

Walnut Woods Summer Camp

Registration is open! Visit our website to register today!

We are now utilizing a waitlist for Week 1! Weeks 2-10 still have availability but most are almost at capacity! Don't delay, sign up today!

We are still accepting Sponsorships for 2025. There are various levels of sponsorship available. Email Mindy for more information.

All active members of East Union Church receive 10% off their weeks and a waived registration fee!

\$200.00 per week, \$50 non-refundable registration fee, field trip weeks are subject to an additional \$15.00 Fee.

Check out our weekly themes and field trip locations

Week 1: All About Birds—Field trip to The Aviary

Week 2: Native Americans Week

Week 3: Amazing Race Week—Field Trip to the Carnegie Science Center

Week 4: Patriot Week—No Camp July 4.

Week 5: Time Travelers Week—Field Trip to The Museum of Illusions

Week 6: Ancient Egypt Week

Week 7: Inventors and Inventions Week

Week 8: Our Town History Week—Field Trip to the Heinz History Center

Week 9: Amusement Parks Week

Week 10: Colonial Living Week—Field Trip to the Depreciation Lands Museum

Mission Trip 2025—Returning to Hazard, KY!

The East Union Mission Team is returning to Hazard, Kentucky, August 3-8.

Trip Details: Leave on Sunday morning, August 3rd to travel to Hazard. We will have 4 working days, Monday thru Thursday, and leave Friday morning, August 8th to return home. HDA allows unaccompanied youth volunteers 14 and above, but also allows children down to the age of 10 as long as they are accompanied by a parent or guardian. The team will be staying at The 1st Presbyterian Church of Hazard. You do not have to commit to the entire trip to attend.

Interested?

If individuals or families are interested in participating on this trip or would like further information you can contact Doug Blinn (dhblinn@gmail.com or text/call 724-681-4220).

Joys, Concerns & Prayer Requests

In Our Prayers

(To include someone on the prayer list, please call the church office)

In Mission: Allie Gray (Guatemala)

In Seminary: Allison Blackwell (Vanderbilt)

Care Facility: Emily Allison (Harmar Village)
Leslie Dodson (Allegheny General Hospital)
Karen Klemmensen (Quality Life Services of Grove City)
Joann Peterson (Atria's Senior Living, McCandless)
Bob Fyala (Concordia, Cabot)
Jan Fyala (Concordia, Cabot)

Home Care: Joan Kozub Glenn Reed

• • • • • *East Union Birthdays* • • • • •

Theo Latronica (05/19)	Colton Spence (05/21)
Ben Ramsey (05/22)	Mindy Young (05/22)
Mary Hetrick (05/23)	Katie Postreich (05/23)
Hudson Garrett (05/24)	Olivia Hitchens (05/24)
Kristie Forsman (05/25)	

Contact Deacon Of The Month For Deacons Care Ministry
Shari Smallwood—(724) 448-0745

Prayer Requests...Please contact Carol McCaskey (724-312-5656 / camc@consolidated.net) or Teresa Williams (412-613- 4375/ dlins@verizon.net.) to share your prayer request or join the Cloud.

You Are Not Alone — Your pastors are here for you! If you need support, assistance or prayer... If you have questions about who God is and how to grow in your faith... If you are struggling with grief, anxiety or depression... If addiction or conflict is affecting your relationships... We care about you...in body, mind and spirit! Please contact the church office or email the pastors to schedule a confidential visit. In case of an emergency, Pastor James can be reached at 724-681-5672.

Also available to provide information and support:

Samaritan Counseling Center.....(412) 741-7430
Hope Center (Abuse and/or Domestic Violence)(888) 299-4673
ReSolve Crisis Services.....1-888-7YOU-CAN (796-8226)
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline.....**988** or 1-800-273-TALK (8255)
National Substance Abuse Hotline.....1-800-662-HELP (4357)

The Week At A Glance

Sunday, May 18 – May 25, 2025

- Today:** 9:30am - Worship (EUCC) **Latronica Baptism**
10:45am - VBS Training Meeting (Founders' Chapel)
10:45am - Session Meeting (Choir/Conference Room)
11:00am - Private Rental (Kennedy Hall)
11:30am - Youth Mission Trip Meeting (Pavilion)
- Monday:** 7:30pm—Men's Basketball - Open To All (EUCC)
6:00-8:00pm - Cub Scouts (Kennedy Hall)
- Tuesday:** **Compass Points Deadline**
6:30pm - VBS Training Meeting (Founders' Chapel)
8:00-9:15pm - Deer Lakes Sobriety Meeting (Lounge)
- Wednesday:** 6:00pm—DLNS Graduation Ceremony (EUCC)
6:00-8:00pm - Tae Kwon Do (Kennedy Hall)
- Thursday:** 9:00am-3:00pm—DLNS Graduation Ceremony (Founders' Chapel)
1:00pm - Pittsburgh Presbytery Meeting (Eastminster PC)
5:00-7:00pm—KFIVE Tutoring (Sunday School Hallway)
6:00-8:00pm - Boy Scouts (Kennedy Hall)
- Friday:** **VBS T-Shirt Orders DUE**
- Next Sunday:** 9:30am - Worship (EUCC) **Caton Baptism**

**To reserve any part of the church building or grounds,
contact the church office
by email eastunion@eastunionchurch.org**

Now Booking

Graduation Parties ~ Birthday Parties ~ Family Reunions

Mission Opportunity – Pilgrimage to Malawi!

The International Partnership of the Pittsburgh Presbytery is beginning to select people for the next pilgrimage to Malawi, East Africa. The Pittsburgh Presbytery has an established relationship with churches in the Synod of Blantyre (Church of Central Africa: Presbyterian), and the South Sudan Presbyterian Evangelical Church. **They are planning to send missionaries in October 2025.** *Anyone interested in being part of this team should reach out to Pastor James or Doug Blinn for more information.*



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A Church With Direction

A Warm Welcome Is Extended To Our Guests!

What a pleasure to have you worship with us this morning! Please take a moment to fill out our Connection Card, available at the Welcome Table, and return it in the offering plate or Connection Card box. (We respect your privacy and do not share this information.) Please know that you are invited to participate in all of our activities and events.

Worship Schedule

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Sundays at 9:30am in the EUCC

Weekly Services are **broadcast on YouTubeLive**. Directions are available at our website and on our Welcome Table.

(If you have trouble hearing and would like a printed copy of the sermon to follow along in worship, please contact Pastor James.)

Youth Group

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Teens, 6th–12th grade, are invited to Youth Group! Meeting notices and event details will be sent out through TeamSnap. Contact the Church Office or Frank McCoy to have your name added to the contact list.

Sunday School

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Sunday School for Children and Adults is offered most Sundays. Classes meet after worship from 10:45—11:30am

Save the Date! VBS is scheduled for June 16-20, 2025!

Women's Ministry

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All ladies are welcome to participate in our events, Bible Studies, Annual Retreat and Book Club. Please call or text Teresa Williams (412.613.4375) to be added to the WM's email list.

Facebook & Instagram

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Like and Follow us on Facebook and Instagram to stay up to date on all the happenings here at East Union Church!

Clearances

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PA State Law requires East Union to maintain a file of current PA Criminal and Child Abuse Clearances for all adults, age 21 and older, who have contact with children without their parents present. Clearances are free, easy to obtain online and last for 5 years. Please make sure yours are up-to-date. If you need help, please contact Mindy or Pastor Jo.

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Church Office Hours - 9:00am - 2:00pm Daily

Our Pastors' regular day off is Friday (Available in emergencies)

Rev. James C. Ramsey	Pastor / Head of Staff
Rev. Jo Ramsey	Associate Pastor of Family Life
Frank McCoy	Youth Director
Mindy Young	Admin/Financial Secretary &
.....	Walnut Woods Director
John H. Burk, Jr.	Treasurer
Colleen Zaremski	Deer Lakes Nursery School
Mike & Stephanie McCormick	Housekeeping/Maintenance

Ministry Teams & Committees 2025

Administration & Staff	Gail Stotlemeyer
Christian Education	Pastor Jo
Christian Growth & Membership	Pastor James
Worship	Marcia Cook, Lori Crawford, Wanda Blackwell
Mission	Doug Blinn
Women's Ministry	Teresa Williams, Sue Vresh
Nominating Committee	Carol McCaskey
Cemetery Committee	Joe Williams
Revenue Advisory Team	Dana Wangler

Session

John Burk Jr.	Carol McCaskey, Clerk	Jared Hawk
Keith Russell	Doug Blinn	Todd Shaw
Dawn Spence	Gail Stotlemeyer	Lori Crawford
Teresa Williams	Marcia Cook	Patricia Martinez
Vicki Callender	Jessica Mickail	Wanda Blackwell

Board of Deacons

Bonnie Braun	Heather Rusek	Hannah Runas
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Jan Blinn	Rachel Hetrick	Kristin Parise
	Shari Smallwood,	Janet Volkman
	Moderator	

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