

East Union Presbyterian Church

April 28, 2024

9:30am In The EUCC

“Where Do You Live?”

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.....Sunday, April 28, 2024

.....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.

Spring Craft Fair

This Saturday, we will host over 40 vendors for our Spring Craft Fair. We are in need of assistance in the following areas:

- ⇒ Set up on Thursday, 6:30pm - will only take about 30 mins.
- ⇒ Cookie and brownie donations to EUCC by Friday at Noon.
- ⇒ Clean up on Saturday, 2:00pm.

For questions or to offer assistance, please contact Carol McCaskey at 724.312.5656.



EAST UNION
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Spring CRAFT FAIR

SATURDAY MAY 4
9:00am- 2:00pm

FREE ADMISSION
DELICIOUS FOOD
RAFFLES

East Union Community Center, 292 East Union Rd
West Deer Twp, PA 15024
For More Info, 412.767.5750



Announcements

VBS Registration is OPEN!

Child & Volunteer Registration Forms Will Be Available Online
www.EastUnionChurch.org

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Monday, June 17th – Friday, June 21th Evenings: 6:00 – 8:30pm

For children ages 5 years old (by 9/1) through 6th grade

Everyone is invited to Mid Week Hoedown, Wednesday June 19!

We'll explore Bible stories, play games, sing fun songs, make awesome crafts, munch on delicious snacks and make new friends! Together, we'll discover the range of God's love! Haven't you herd?! Jesus Loves Y'All! (Y'Inz!)

Volunteers Needed! Join the VBS Team!

We are in need of a Recreation Station Leader! If you would be interested in taking a leadership role in this station please reach out to Mindy, Autumn or Pastor Jo!

We always welcome new volunteers and hope to see all of our amazing volunteers who have helped in years prior. Reminder that the kiddos going into 6th grade can be station helpers or participants!

If there is a specific place you would like to be stationed, please let Autumn, Mindy or Pastor Jo know!

VBS 2024

Volunteer T-Shirt Sale - \$10 each



Red t-shirt with black lettering

Name: _____

Adult XS: _____

Adult S: _____

Adult M: _____

Adult L: _____

Adult XL: _____

Adult XXL: _____

of shirts: _____ Total \$: _____

Must Order by May 26. Please specify payment on your offering envelope.

Announcements

Mission Trip 2024

Our Mission Team will be traveling back to Hazard, KY this year from August 4-9th. If you are interested in joining the team, please contact Doug Blinn at dhblinn@gmail.com or text/call 724-681-4220.

We hope you consider participating!

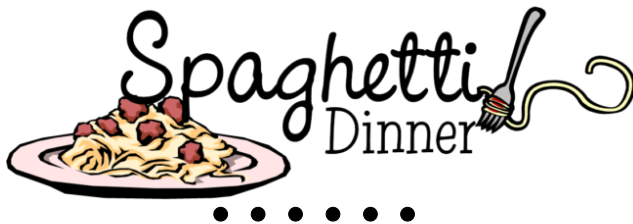
Scam Avoidance Workshop

The Deacons hosted their Scam Avoidance Workshop last week and had 20 people in attendance! It was a great success! Thank you to Shari Smallwood for facilitating and organizing!



Local Mission: Help to Provide a Meal to the Homeless

East Union will provide a meal to the EECM Homeless Shelter on Tuesday, May 7th. If you are willing to provide items for the meal, **please stop and sign the EECM sign up form at the Welcome Table. We are still in need of a Casserole, Salad and Cookies!** Contact Doug Blinn at 724-681-4220 for more information.



Our Next Spaghetti Dinner is May 8 from 4-7pm in the EUCC!

Skip the cooking and come see us! Enjoy delicious spaghetti with your choice of sauce (meat, meatball, marinara, or Clam Sauce) a scrumptious salad bar, dinner rolls, and of course, delightful desserts! Take out is still available!

As always donations are accepted and appreciated! We also accept Venmo! **Mark your calendars and bring a friend!!**

Announcements

Walnut Woods Summer Camp

Registration is Open and Space is Limited - Don't Delay!

All members of East Union Church receive a 10% discount and waived registration fee! Camp begins June 10 and lasts until August 16. We have 5 field trips planned! We will also welcome a few special guests and have theme days! You can choose to come specific weeks or the entire summer!

Summer Wish list! We have put together an Amazon wish list of items we would love to have for summer camp this year to add to the campers experience, as well as to decorate Kennedy Hall to make the space feel more inviting and welcoming. We even have a few items to make the day-to-day a little easier for our counselors. Items are on the "Wishing Tree" at the Welcome Table and accessible from our Amazon Wish list: <https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/343UMV2Z2PH7Q>

Summer Camp Sponsorship! We are still accepting sponsorships for summer camp. The sponsorships help to fund transportation for our field trips and the purchasing of items to enrich our camp!

Adopt-A-Highway Crew

Finally!...the rain held out long enough for our Adopt-A-Highway crew to get our stretch of road cleaned up! Thank you to Jan and Doug Blinn, and Joe Haynes for your work to keep our neighborhood clean!



Joe organizes an Adopt-A-Highway crew every year in early March for an early April clean-up date. Unfortunately, this year we were at the mercy of the weather and had to reschedule a few times. Often there are very few people who volunteer for this mission and we are hoping to change that for 2025! This is a great way to give back to the community, care for God's creation, and enjoy the fellowship with our amazing members! If you would like more information on how to get involved next year, contact Joe at 724.265.4921.

Worship Service

Sunday, April 28, 2024 • 9:30am in the Community Center

All lyrics projected on the screen



Prelude

Abide with Me

Gathering and Welcome

Call to Worship

* Congregational Song

My Lighthouse

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

* Confessional Song

Come As You Are

Assurance of Pardon

* Passing of the Peace

Children's Chat

Following the Congregational Song, children are invited to take a Worship Tote and library book to their seats; the totes include coloring books and a snack. We also offer a Toddler Room in the back of the EUCC for little ones (and parents) with toys, puzzles and books.

Scripture Readings:

John 15:1-17

1 John 4:7-21

Sermon

"Where Do You Live?"

Pastor Jo

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

Announcements

Offering

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



* Congregational Song

In Christ Alone

Dismissal of Online Congregation

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

* Congregational Song

Cornerstone

Charge and Benediction

* Postlude

Cornerstone

Spring Worship Schedule

Sunday, May 5 - Communion, Sunday School Celebration

Sunday, May 12 - Mother's Day Women's Service

Sunday, May 19 - PENTECOST

Sunday, May 26 - Memorial Day Weekend

Sunday, June 2 - Blessing of the Graduates

Weather Permitting, we plan to move out to the Pavilion for our Outdoor Summer Services on June 2!



Announcements

Enjoy the Benefits of Exercise

No matter what your age or shape, you should exercise daily. Not only does exercise tone your body, it strengthens your muscles, keeps your bones strong, and improves your skin. And there are more benefits of exercise -- increased relaxation, better sleep and mood, and improved immune system functioning. Enjoy the convenience of exercise right here at East Union's campus and make a healthier you!

Fitness Schedule

Programs Are Open to the Community
\$5 Donation per Class Is Asked

Instructor

Mondays

Strength & Stretching9:30am..... Kathy McDonald
Adult Basketball7:45p

Tuesdays

Fun & Freedom Youth Sports6:30pm
.....Register at www.funandfreedom.org

Wednesdays

Tae Kwon Do.....6:00pm.....Jimmy Manganaro
.....Register with Jimmy 412-609-6669

Tae Know Do is currently accepting new students!

Thursdays

Strength & Stretching.....9:30am.....Kathy McDonald



**Mother's Day
HONORS**

- All Honors must be received by May 8, 2024.
- Mother's Day Honors will be in the bulletin, on our pre service PowerPoint, 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!!**

Joys, Concerns & Prayer Requests

In Our Prayers

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

In Mission: Allie Gray (Guatemala)

Care Facility: Emily Allison (Harmar Village)
Karen Klemmensen (Quality Life Services of Grove City)
Joann Peterson (Atria's Senior Living, McCandless)

Home Care: Joan Kozub Ted Barsolo

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East Union Birthdays
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| Tom Wagner (4/22) | Denise Winter (04/23) |
| Keith Tarbi (04/26) | Jack Hollibaugh (04/27) |
| Preston Postreich (04/27) | Kevin Bick (04/29) |
| Tyler Noble (04/29) | Eric Geahry (05/01) |
| Matthew Crawford (05/02) | Macy Parise (05/02) |
| Ali Stotlemeyer (05/02) | Bonnie Wilczynski (05/03) |
| Gage Brandstadter (05/05) | |

Contact Deacon Of The Month For Deacons Care Ministry
Heather Rusek - 412-526-1868

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

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, April 28 – May 5, 2024

- Today: 9:30am - Worship (EUCC)
10:45am - End of Year Youth Group Party (DL Park)
- Monday: 9:00am - Strength & Stretching - Open To All (EUCC)
7:30-9:00pm - Adult Basketball - Open To All (EUCC)
- Tuesday: **Compass Points Deadline**
8:00-9:15pm - Deer Lakes Sobriety Meeting (Lounge)
5:00-8:30pm - Fun and Freedom Munchie Banquet (EUCC)
- Wednesday: 6:00-8:00pm - Tae Kwon Do (Kennedy Hall)
- Thursday: 9:00am - Strength & Stretching - Open To All (EUCC)
6:00-8:00pm - K-Five Tutoring (Discovery Classroom)
7:00-9:00pm - Boy Scout Meeting (Kennedy Hall)
6:30pm - Craft Fair Set up (EUCC)
- Friday: Cookies/Brownie Donations Due for Craft Fair (EUCC)
- Saturday: 9:00am-2:00pm - Spring Craft Fair (EUCC)
2:00pm - Craft Fair Clean Up (EUCC)
- Next Sunday: 9:30am - Worship, **Communion & Sunday School Celebration**
(EUCC)

***To reserve any part of the church building or grounds,
contact the church office 724.265.1381***

Now Booking Graduation Parties!

Life Recovery Bibles

This is the last week to donate for these unique bibles that will be distributed to the inmates at the Allegheny Country Jail. So far we have collected enough money to purchase and donate 11 bibles!

We are asking for donations of any amount. Bibles cost \$17 a piece. You can donate by placing your gift in the offering baskets and mark it "Bibles for Inmates."

The Bible donations are part of the presbytery-wide Matthew 25 emphasis on supporting Foundation of HOPE, an existing jail ministry which provides chaplaincy, pre-release and after care, as well as youth diversion programs.

Gifts of Bibles and monetary offerings will be dedicated at the May meeting of the Pittsburgh Presbytery.



East Union Presbyterian Church 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.

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Worship Schedule, 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.)

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Youth Group

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.

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Sunday School

Sunday School for Children and Adults is offered most Sundays during the school year. Classes for children will begin again in the Fall.

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Women's Ministry

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 have your email added to the WM's email list.

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Facebook & Instagram

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

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Clearances

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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| Rev. James C. Ramsey..... | Pastor / Head of Staff |
| Rev. Jo Ramsey | Associate Pastor of Family Life |
| Frank McCoy | Youth Director |
| Mindy Young..... | Admin Asst-Financial Secretary |
| John H. Burk, Jr..... | Treasurer |
| Colleen Zaremski | Deer Lakes Nursery School |
| Pearl Campbell | Housekeeping Custodian |
| Mike McCormick | Maintenance Custodian |

Ministry Teams & Committees 2024

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| Administration & Staff | Gail Stotlemyer |
| Christian Education | Pastor Jo |
| Christian Growth & Membership | Pastor James |
| Mission | Doug Blinn |
| Women's Ministry | Teresa Williams, Sue Vresh |
| Worship | Carol McCaskey |
| Nominating Committee | Carol McCaskey |
| Cemetery Committee | Joe Williams |
| Revenue Advisory Team | Dana Wangler |
| Outreach & Evangelism..... | Event Team Leaders |

Session

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| Carol McCaskey, Clerk | John Burk | Jared Hawk |
| Doug Blinn | Keith Russell | Todd Shaw |
| Gail Stotlemyer | Dawn Spence | Lori Crawford |
| Marcia Cook | Teresa Williams | |
| Jessica Mickail | Vicki Callender | |

Board of Deacons

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| Bonnie Braun | Bree Hansen | Jeanne Walter |
| Heather Rusek | Jan Blinn | Shari Smallwood, |
| Janet Wangler | Denise Winter | Moderator |
| Rachel Hetrick | | |

Board of Trustees

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| Tom Crawford | Joe Andrie | Carol Bock |
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