

# East Union Presbyterian Church

October 5, 2025

9:30am In The EUCC



**“The Table of Welcome”**

**Pastor James at the Pulpit**

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.....Sunday, October 5, 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.

### ***World Communion Celebrated***

Our World Communion service this morning features bread from all over the world. Our Bread Presenters are:

- David Parise— MATZAH
- Autumn Stotlemeyer— SOURDOUGH
- Jared Hawk— NAAN
- Doug Blinn— TORTILLAS
- Donna Paszek— IRISH SODA BREAD
- Gail Stotlemeyer— CORNBREAD

Worshippers will be invited up the center aisle, to share the elements by way of Intinction. Our six bread presenters, standing in front of the Communion Table, will have their baskets of bread. Worshippers may choose whichever bread they would like and then proceed to either side to dip in the chalice held by one of our pastors. After partaking, worshippers should return to their seats by way of the outside aisles.

### ***Serving Communion To Our Homebound***

If you are unable to come to church and would like to take communion, Pastor James and an elder are available to serve communion in your home. Please contact the church office, so arrangements can be made.

### ***Trustees Meeting Today***

The Trustees will meet today at 10:45am in the Admin Building.

### **East Union Legacy Tree Campaign**

Thank you to all who donated to the East Union Legacy Tree Campaign. We were able to reach our goal of \$3,000.00 and surpass it by \$200. These additional funds will help cover the cost of top soil. The dedication will take place on Nov 2, during our All Saints' Day worship service, celebrating East Union's 175th birthday!

# Announcements

## Trunk or Treat Fall Festival

*Our Trunk or Treat Fall Festival is just 6 days away!!*

**Join us this Saturday, October 11 from 5-7pm** for a spooktacular night! Kristin Parise and Robin Tarbi are co-chairing the event this year!

- ⇒ **We still have many open spots to host a Trunk.** Will you be able to host a trunk and help make this event a success? Please use this link to sign up, or visit the welcome table! <https://bit.ly/HostATrunkorBooth>
- ⇒ If you are interested in helping in another way, you can donate your time or items on this list! <https://bit.ly/TrunkorTreatVolunteerorDonate>
- ⇒ **The Women's Ministry Team** is looking for donations of baked goods for their Bake Sale that will happen during the Trunk or Treat.

East Union Community Center Presents

# Trunk or Treat

## Fall Festival

## Raffles - Treats - Games

OCT  
11

5-7  
PM

# Announcements

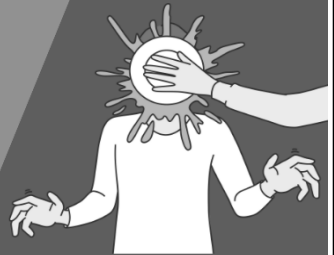
## Youth Group News!

Youth Group is for all youth in grades 6-12. Our primary communication is through the Team Snap App. If your Youth would like to be involved and needs to be added to the app, please email [Mindy@eastunionchurch.org](mailto:Mindy@eastunionchurch.org), and she will get you all set up.

- ⇒ **Please remember to mark your availability** at your earliest convenience for planning purposes. The two most important RSVPs are for the Zombie Paintball and the Breakout Room. **The deadline for those two specific events is today, Oct 5 by midnight.**
- ⇒ Zroni Roll Fundraising papers will be handed out tonight at our Messy Games night. If you are unable to make it, the PDF was also sent out as an email. If you have any issues please let Mindy know.

Youth Group Presents:

# MESSY GAMES NIGHT!



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 6:30-8PM EUCC

**Wear clothes you can get messy!  
Bring a change of clothes and a  
trash bag!**

RSVP VIA TEAM SNAP!

 East Union  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# Announcements

## Sunday School Starts Today!

**Sunday School** for Children kicks off today in the Discovery Classroom! Sunday School will run a little differently this year, and the schedule will be as follows:

- Month of October classes at 10:45-11:30am, following worship
- No Sunday School November 2—Legacy Tree Dedication
- November 9-December 7 classes will be during worship after the Children's Chat from 9:45-10:45am as we prepare for the Pageant --this morning practice will include youth participants

Pastor Jo has sent out an email to all families with information as well as the signup genius for teachers/helpers!

If you have any questions, please see Pastor Jo.

## *Everyone's Favorite Fundraiser is Back!*

The Youth Group will again be selling Zroni Rolls to fund raise for future activities. They are getting a head start on our fundraising efforts to build their fund back up after the successful mission trip this past summer. These funds raised will help cover costs of Youth Group outings, and future Mission Trips for our Youth. Each roll is \$17 dollars and feeds 3-4 people. They come frozen and can be thawed out whenever you are ready to eat them. Deadline to order is November 16. Rolls will be delivered December 4, pick up time of 6pm. This was conveniently timed for anyone who will be helping with Santa Breakfast set up! The order form is located on the Welcome Table. Please specify on your offering "Zroni Roll."



# Worship Service

Sunday, October 5, 2025



9:30am in the EUCC

All lyrics projected on the screen



Prelude

*God of Wonders*

Gathering and Welcome

Call to Worship

\* Congregational Song

*God of Wonders*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Confessional Song

*Breathe*

Assurance of Pardon

\* Passing of the Peace

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:

**Isaiah 1:16-17**

**Matthew 9:9-13**

**Luke 13:22-30**

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

**Sermon**

**“The Table of Welcome”**

**Pastor James**

\* Congregational Song

*Give Thanks*

Sacrament of Communion

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 website. Call the church office...Mindy can help!)



\* Congregational Song

*Everlasting God*

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

*Everlasting God*

### ***New to East Union Church?***

Have you been considering joining our East Union Church Family? We'd love for you to become a member! Pastor James is currently meeting with interested families. The process of becoming a member is simple and straightforward. Speak to Pastor James or note your interest on one of our Connection Cards (on Welcome Table.)



# Announcements

## Operation Christmas Child

The shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child will be available today through the end of October. These boxes will be distributed to children in need all around the world. The boxes need to be returned by Sunday, November 9. Information with suggestions on items to include will be with the shoe box. Please do not tape the boxes. Use rubber bands if needed. They ask for \$10 to be included or sent online to help cover the costs of shipping. Contact Jan Blinn 724-681-4221 or janiceblinn@gmail.com if you have any questions.



**Last year we were able to donate 62 shoe boxes, can we beat that number this year?** Thank you in advance for your participation in such an impactful mission!

An advertisement for a "Breakfast With Santa" planning meeting. The text "Breakfast With SANTA" is written in a decorative font, with "SANTA" in large, bold letters and "Mrs. Claus too!" in smaller text below it. Below the text is a circular illustration of Santa Claus with a white beard and glasses, wearing a red suit. The background is dark with white dots, resembling a starry night sky. At the bottom, a white oval contains the text: "Planning Meeting Oct 5 @ 10:45am-Kennedy Hall All are welcome to Join!".

**Breakfast With SANTA**  
Mrs. Claus too!

**Planning Meeting**  
**Oct 5 @ 10:45am-Kennedy Hall**  
**All are welcome to Join!**

## Fall Dates At A Glance

World Communion .....	October 5
Trustees Meeting .....	October 5
Santa Breakfast Planning Meeting .....	October 5
Sunday School for Children Begins.....	October 5
Trunk or Treat Fall Festival .....	October 11
Joint Trustees and Session Meeting .....	October 12
Deacons Meeting .....	October 12
Women's Ministry Book Club .....	October 22
All Saint's Day/Legacy Tree Dedication .....	November 2
Popcorn and a Movie .....	November 7
EECM Meal (Youth Group to Deliver).....	November 4
Session Meeting .....	November 9
Decorate the Sanctuary .....	November 15
YG Zroni Roll Orders Due .....	November 16
Deacons Thanksgiving Baskets .....	November 22
Advent Begins .....	November 30



# 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:** Leslie Dodson (UPMC Montefiore Long Term Care)  
Karen Klemmensen (Quality Life Services of Grove City)  
Joann Peterson (Atria's Senior Living, McCandless)  
Ted Barsolo (Concordia of Cranberry)  
**Home Care:** Joan Kozub      Jan Fyala



### *East Union Birthdays*



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|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Karen Klemmensen (10/05) | Julie Smallwood (10/07) |
| Patty Lock (10/08)       | Chuck Gray (10/09)      |
| Dave Cook (10/10)        | Kim Borczyk (10/11)     |

**Contact Deacon Of The Month For Deacons Care Ministry**  
**Amy Brenner (724) 448-4394**

**Prayer Requests...**Please contact Carol McCaskey (724-312-5656 / [camc@consolidated.net](mailto:camc@consolidated.net)) or Teresa Williams (412-613- 4375/ [dlns@verizon.net](mailto:dlns@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, October 5 – October 12, 2025

- Today: 9:30am - Worship (EUCC) World Communion  
10:45am– Sunday School for Children (Discovery Room)  
10:45am—Trustees Meeting (Admin Building)  
10:45am - Santa Breakfast Planning Meeting (Kennedy Hall)  
6:30pm—Youth Group Messy Games (EUCC/Pavilion)
- Monday: 9:00am - Strength & Stretching - Open To All (EUCC)  
5:00-7:30— Daisy Scouts (Kennedy Hall)  
7:30pm—Men's Basketball - Open To All (EUCC)
- Tuesday: **Compass Points Deadline**  
5:00-8:30pm - Fun and Freedom Youth Sports (EUCC)  
8:00-9:15pm - Deer Lakes Sobriety Meeting (Lounge)
- Wednesday: 6:00-8:00pm - Tae Kwon Do (Kennedy Hall)
- Thursday: 9:00am - Strength & Stretching - Open To All (EUCC)  
5:00-7:00pm - KFIVE Tutoring (Sunday School Hallway)  
7:00-8:00pm - Baton Group (EUCC)  
6:00-8:00pm - Boy Scouts (Kennedy Hall)
- Friday: 6:30-8:00pm—Cub Scouts (Kennedy Hall)
- Saturday: 5:00-7:00pm - Trunk or Treat Fall Festival (EU Campus)
- Next Sunday: 9:30am - Worship (EUCC)  
10:45am– Sunday School for Children (Discovery Room)  
10:45am - Session/Trustees Joint Meeting (Kennedy Hall)  
10:45am - Deacons Meeting (Choir-Conference Room)

**To reserve any part of the church building or grounds,  
contact the church office at 724-265-1381  
by email [eastunion@eastunionchurch.org](mailto:eastunion@eastunionchurch.org)**

### Upcoming Leadership Meetings

- ⇒ The **Deacons** will meet Oct 12 in the Choir-Conference room.
- ⇒ The **Session and Trustees** will have their joint meeting on Oct 12 in Kennedy Hall.



# 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 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. Classes meet after worship from 10:45—11:30am

**Sunday School for Children Begins October 5th!**

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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 be 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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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
Mindy Young.....	Admin/Financial Secretary & Walnut Woods Director
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John H. Burk, Jr.....	Treasurer
Colleen Zaremski .....	Deer Lakes Nursery School
Mike & Stephanie McCormick.....	Housekeeping/Maintenance

## Ministry Teams & Committees 2025

Administration & Staff .....	Gail Stotlemyer
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
Outreach & Evangelism.....	Event Team Leaders

## Session

John Burk Jr.	Doug Blinn	Wanda Blackwell
Keith Russell	Gail Stotlemyer	David Parise
Dawn Spence	Marcia Cook	David Volkman
Teresa Williams	Jared Hawk	Bill Bedillion
Vicki Callender	Lori Crawford	Todd Shaw
Carol McCaskey, Clerk	Patricia Martinez	

## Board of Deacons

Jan Blinn	Rita Michel	Amy Brenner
Heather Rusek	Kristin Parise	Joe Haynes
Janet Wangler	Janet Volkman	Shari Smallwood-Moderator
Rachel Hetrick	Robin Tarbi	Moderator
Hannah Runas	Justine Slavin	

## Board of Trustees

Tom Crawford	Carol Bock	Joe Andrie
William Runas	Lori Butler	Matt Forsman
Rich Rusek	Mary Runas	Bill Maher
Kevin Vresh, President	Keith Tarbi	Tom Wagner