

East Union Presbyterian Church

May 12, 2024

9:30am In The EUCC



"Comforting and Fierce"

Photo by Tatiana Syrikova



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..... Sunday, May 12, 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.

E&CM Meal

Thank you to everyone who provided the meal, as well as to those who delivered and served it to the shelter residents: The Plummer Family, Carol McCaskey, Mary Lynn Fentress, Bonnie Braun and Denise Winter.

Keys to EUCC and Church Buildings

IMPORTANT! If you are not currently a Trustee, Deacon or on Session. Please return your keys to Mindy by June 1, 2024. With summer camp right around the corner, we are collecting all outstanding keys from folks who may still have one. ***If you have one and are not a Trustee, Deacon or on Session, and there is a reason why you have the key, please email Mindy with the reason and your key number.*** This is for the safety and security of all our campers and their families.

Spaghetti Dinner!

Thank you to all who came out to our Spaghetti Dinner this past Wednesday! We dished out 161 dinners to the community! We had a great turn out with a lot of new faces! Spaghetti Dinner will be taking a break for the summer months and will return in September!

Thank you to all who have supported the Spaghetti Dinners the first half of the year! We will see you back in the Fall!

VBS Station Meeting

Mindy, Autumn and Pastor Jo will be hosting a VBS station meeting following worship on May 19th. Anyone who is organizing a station or volunteering is welcome to come. We plan to share details about the stations, themes for each day, and give an update on how many children we have registered. We will also be taking T-shirt orders!

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 STILL 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



Name: _____

Adult XS: _____

Adult S: _____

Adult M: _____

Adult L: _____

Adult XL: _____

Adult XXL: _____

Red t-shirt with black lettering

of shirts: _____ Total \$: _____

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

Mother's Day Honors

Happy Mother's Day!



Carol Callwood



Karen Crawford

Happy Mother's Day to
2 of the BEST!
Love, Tom, Lori,
Matthew, & Jordyn

Happy Mother's Day!



Stephanie,
Thank you for
being such a
loving and
caring Mom!
We love you!
Love, Wren,
Cameron and
Joe

Mother's Day Honors

Happy Mother's Day!



You are the best mom and we are so grateful. Thank you for being so wonderful!!
Love, Ivy and Ali

Happy Mother's Day!



You're the best mom, mom-in-law, and grandma we could ask for! Love you!

Mother's Day Honors

Happy Mother's Day!



Justine,
I'm always amazed
by your selflessness
and dedication to
our family. We
couldn't have asked
for a better person to
call Mom!

Love,
Lance, Avery and
Blake

Happy Mother's Day!



Happy Mother's Day
to a great Mother!
Love Benny, Zoey,
and Father

Mother's Day Honors

Happy Mother's Day!



Mother, thank you for all you do with the family from, Dance, Softball, Cheer, along with all activities weekly and monthly and you do it with a smile on your face.

We appreciate you & love what you do for the Wolfpack!

Happy Mother's Day!



We are forever thankful for everything you are and all that you do. Your endless love, strength, and determination are something we admire and love about you. We are grateful for all the memories we get to make with you every day. Happy Mother's Day!

Love you lots, Clem, William, Clemente, Josh, and Hannah

Worship Service

Sunday, May 12, 2024 • 9:30am in the Community Center

All lyrics projected on the screen



Prelude

Build My Life

Gathering and Welcome

Call to Worship

* Congregational Song

Build My Life

Call to Confession

Beth Egan

Prayer of Confession

Heather McCoy

* Confessional Song

Your Grace is Enough

Assurance of Pardon

Katie Postreich

* Passing of the Peace

Adalyn Postreich

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:

Isaiah 66.13-24

Jordyn Crawford

Matthew 15:21-28

Lori Crawford

Sermon

"Comforting and Fierce"

Pastor James

***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

How Great Is Our God

Dismissal of Online Audience

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

* Congregational Song

Oceans

Charge and Benediction

* Postlude

Oceans

Graduate Sunday

Blessing of the Graduates is Sunday, June 2 at 9:30am!

If you would like to highlight your Graduate, please email Mindy@eastunionchurch.org by May 28. Please include a photo, career or college plans, any extra curricular activities they participated in during HS or college! This is not limited to High School Graduates. College/Trade School/Military graduations are all celebrated as well!



Mother's Day Honors

Happy Mother's Day!



We count it our
biggest
blessing to live
in your love
and care!
Thank you for
everything.
Love, James,
Ben & Fiona

Happy Mother's Day!



The woman who
taught me to be
kind, to give grace
and to above all else
have faith in all
things with prayer.
She was the most
beautiful and loving
person. I was blessed
to have her choose to
be my mom.
Love, Mary

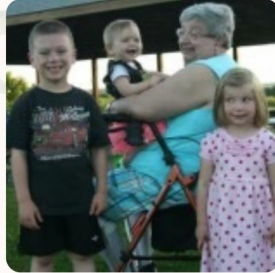
Mother's Day Honors

Happy Mother's Day!



Thank you for always
being supportive,
encouraging and the
best Mom and
Grammy! We are
forever grateful for
you!
We love you!

Happy Mother's Day!



We are thankful for our
Moms/Grammy/Grandma!
Love, Katie, Ron, Preston,
Desolina and Adalyn Postreich

Announcements

Praying for Caisen Bedillion

We are asking for our church family to pray and help to spread awareness for our very own Caisen Bedillion. As you may have heard last week from Caisen's parents, Bill and Erin, at the young age of 13 she has been diagnosed with a very rare genetic disorder, Dyskeratosis Congenita (DKC1). This genetic disorder puts her at very high risk for needing a life-saving bone marrow transplant at some point in her life. Caisen is not currently in bone marrow failure nor does she have a blood cancer. But with this disorder, it is not an if but when she will need a transplant. As of right now she does not have a 100% match.



Caisen's parents are now on a mission to spread as much awareness about the National Bone Marrow Donor Registry. So that when the time comes and she is in need of a transplant, there may be a 100% match. The ideal age of a donor is between 18-41. If you are between this age and willing to get on the registry, we encourage you to visit **www.BeTheMatch.org**. The process is simple. You order a kit, swab your cheek and sent it back. You then become on the national registry and they will contact you if you become a 100% match for Caisen or anyone else for that matter. If you are unable to join the National Registry, we ask that you continue to pray for Caisen and her family.

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 and special guests! You can choose 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" in the entrance to the EUCC and accessible from our Amazon Wish list: <https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/343UMV2Z2PH7Q>*

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

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East Union Birthdays
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Phyllis Passarella (05/12)
Larry Schlosnagle (05/17)

Carson McCoy (05/14)
Theo Latronica (05/19)

Contact Deacon Of The Month For Deacons Care Ministry
Jeanne Walter 412-767-5379

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/ dlms@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, May 12 – May 19, 2024

- Today: 9:30am - Worship, Women's Sunday (EUCC)
10:45am - Adult Sunday School (Lounge)
- Monday: 10:30-11:00am—DLNS Practicing for Graduation (EUCC)
9:00am - Strength & Stretching - Open To All (EUCC)
7:30-9:00pm - Adult Basketball - Open To All (EUCC)
- Tuesday: **Compass Points Deadline**
10:30-11:00am—DLNS Practicing for Graduation (EUCC)
12:30pm—Women's Ministry Book Club (Choir Room)
8:00-9:15pm - Deer Lakes Sobriety Meeting (Lounge)
- Wednesday: 10:30-11:00am—DLNS Practicing for Graduation (EUCC)
6:00-8:00pm - Tae Kwon Do (Kennedy Hall)
- Thursday: 10:30-11:00am—DLNS Practicing for Graduation (EUCC)
11:30am—Deacon's Lunch Day Outing (Clubhouse)
11:00-1:00pm - A1 Concrete working outside EUCC and Admin
9:00am - Strength & Stretching - Open To All (EUCC)
7:00-9:00pm - Boy Scout Meeting (Kennedy Hall)
- Friday: 10:30-11:00am—DLNS Practicing for Graduation (EUCC)
- Saturday: 10:00am-1:00pm—Walnut Woods Training (Admin Building)
- Next Sunday: 9:30am - Worship, **Pentecost** (EUCC)
10:45am—VBS Station Meeting (Kennedy Hall)
10:45am - Adult Sunday School (Lounge)

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

Women's Ministry Book Club

The Women's Ministry Book Club is set to meet this Tuesday, May 14th at 12:30pm in the Choir/ Conference Room. They will be discussing the book "On the Rocks" by Maria Palmer and Ruthie Rocks. The ladies are lucky enough to welcome one of the authors Maria Palmer to join them in their discussion. If you are interested in joining the ladies for their book club, please reach out to Donna Paszek at dmpaszek@icloud.com.

Deacons Lunch Day Outing

The Deacons are organizing a Lunch Day Outing this Thursday, May 16th at 11:30am at the Clubhouse on Route 8. Please sign up for the lunch either by signing up at the Welcome Table or by sending Jan Blinn a message at 724-681-4221 or janiceblinn@gmail.com.



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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Mike McCormick	Maintenance Custodian

Ministry Teams & Committees 2024

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

Carol McCaskey, Clerk	John Burk	Jared Hawk
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Jessica Mickail	Vicki Callender	

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Bonnie Braun	Bree Hansen	Jeanne Walter
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