



The Chimes



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Worship Schedule

September 1, 2019 Communion

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; **Luke 14:1, 7-14**

"And The Host **May** Say...."

Rev. Laura

September 8, 2019

Sunday School begins for all ages

VIVID at 4:00

Youth Group meets

Psalms 139:1-6, 13-18; **Luke 14:25-33**

"The Cost of Discipleship"

Rev. Laura

September 15, 2019

Psalms 14; **Luke 15:1-10**

"Do You Know That Jesus Is Real?"

Rev. Laura

September 22, 2019

Oliver's Fundraiser - Youth Mission Trip

4-8 (carry out or eat in)

Youth Group meets

I Tim 2:1-7; **Luke 16:1-13**

"But For What is Right"

Rev. Laura

September 29, 2019

Psalms 91:1-6, 14-16; **Luke 16:19-31**

"They Have Moses and the Prophets....."

Rev. Laura



Fall Christian Education Schedule.... *Something for Everyone*

Sept. 8

Sunday School Begins for children
PreK-6th Grade

Sept. 8

Adult Education 9:00 am Room (106)

Sept. 8

Youth Group Meets
Time TBD (watch Ringer for details)

Sept. 11

Connecting Point Lite 6:30 pm
Two classes:
The Book of Revelation with Rev. Laura
Be Healthy with Keli Briggs, MSN, RN

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Monarch Day 2019

September Calendar

Church Leadership**Session****Laurie Hartshorn, Clerk of Session****Class of 2019**

Charlotte Cronin

Mary Jo Mays

Kathy Nordvall

Betty Pugh

Class of 2020

Tim Cole

Deb Hanson

Don Hartshorn

Pam Madden

Alexis Maloof

Class of 2021

Christie Cook

Ellen Grohovea

Judy Helm

Jerry Randall

Jim Sullivan

Board of Deacons**Class of 2019**

Theresa Bender

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John Madden

Sue McGill

Rick Noetzel

Deb Paul

Nancy Pogue

Bev Ranson

Myrna Schwarz

Class of 2020

Judi Beck

Audrey Beeney

Pat Bensing

Theresa Buley

Betty Downard

Ann Gropp

Megan Marsh

Kathy Nixon

Nancy Thompson

Class of 2021

Alice Bremner

Eva Grubbs

Erin Heilman

Rich Lansdowne

Jan Mooberry

Kim Murray

Stephanie Randall

Mary Vetter

Julie Watson

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Church Life

Hospitality & Growth

Christian Education

Human Resources

Member Care

Mission

Properties

Stewardship & Finance

Worship & the Arts

Preschool

Nature Connections

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Pam Madden*/Deb Sullivan

Mary Jo Mays*/Deb Hanson*

Christie Cook*/Jenna Hague

Bob McDowell/Don Hartshorn*

Megan McKeighan /Tim Cole*

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Pam Scranton/Kathy Nordvall*

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Sally Maubach, Stan Strickler; *Co-Moderators

2019-Ellen Grohovea, Richard Kern

2020-Theresa Bender, Fred Roland

2021-Evan Hague, Rich Helm

The Pastor Nominating Committee is hard at work searching for who God will call to our ministry here at UPC.

For updates, check the Chimes or Weekly Ringer.

Interested in joining United Presbyterian Church?
Contact the pastor or visit our website at: www.unitedpc.org.

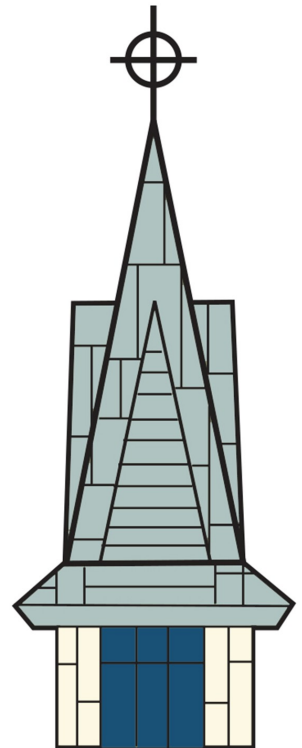
LETTER FROM LAURA

I recently was thinking about a lovely woman in my first congregation who had colon cancer. Martha had received her diagnosis a year or so before I became her pastor. She had given up driving and was living with her daughter in Joliet. The first time I called on her, she mentioned her medical status to me. When the doctor had shared the diagnosis with her and she learned that she still had another four or five years of quality living ahead, she opted for no surgery or treatments. She was quite at peace with her decision and we never spoke of it again. When she entered hospice a few years later, still at home, I would stop by every few days. I last visited with her the day she died. As always, we were able to visit one on one and I leaned in close to hear her whisper to me, "Do you think I'll go to heaven?" Facing death, it turned out she was troubled by two white lies she had told years ago. Martha, Martha! Would that I could come to my hour of death with only two white lies on my conscience! I asked her if she had already talked to God about it and when she said yes, I assured her that the promises of scripture are true, that God does indeed forgive us when we ask for it. When we parted with prayer, we echoed our trust in God's grace and forgiveness again.

Knowing Martha has deeply influenced me. She modeled how we should be in relationship with each other – not letting the sun set on our disagreements, working our way through differences for the sake of staying connected, following the Apostle Paul's advice to speak the truth in love with each other that we might grow up into Christ together (Eph. 4:15-16).

I don't need to know what Martha's white lies were or why she was unable to reconcile them but I suspect she ran out of the right circumstances to set them straight. She clearly learned to change that pattern and to be reconciled at all times. I find her example difficult to follow when I feel I have been wronged by someone who does not ask for my forgiveness. Then I remember that when I stand before Jesus some day I will not be answering for anyone but myself in that moment, so I don't really have to be concerned, long term, with the bad behavior of others. My responsibility is to be accountable for all that I do. Easy to say, more difficult to live by. I am thankful for being able to see this kind of living in others, and for the support God provides to attempt to live it.

Blessings,
Rev. Laura



Mission

Peace and Global Witness Offering

The Peace & Global Witness Offering is received during the Season of Peace, which ends on World Communion Sunday- October 6th. A gift to the Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the entire church to collaborate in our proclamation of Christ's peace. Look for more details throughout September on how funds will be utilized locally and globally to engage in peacemaking and build ministries of reconciliation.

UPC is on our way to being recognized as a Four for Four congregation by receiving all Special Offering opportunities to support the Presbyterian Mission Agency throughout the year including One Great Hour of Sharing, Pentecost, Peace & Global Witness, and Christmas Joy. "A Four for Four congregation declares its connection with the ministries of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and joins in the efforts of Presbyterians around the corner and around the world to share God's grace and endless love."

Let's go **FOUR** *for* **FOUR**

-  **ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING**
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT
-  **PENTECOST**
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
CHILDREN AT RISK • YOUTH • YOUNG ADULTS
-  **PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS**
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
PEACEMAKING AND RECONCILIATION
-  **CHRISTMAS JOY**
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
CHURCH LEADERS—PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

Family Christmas Shop- Save the Date

Believe it or not, your Mission Committee is already looking ahead to this year's Family Christmas Shop held on Saturday, December 7th! This annual event provides gifts for families in our community at no cost to them. In addition, the families are able to enjoy an afternoon of holiday treats, family photos, and activities for the kids. If you are interested in helping plan this wonderful annual event, contact Jennie Boswell at jennie.boswell@gmail.com or 980-225-4477. The planning group will meet once in September and then start its work in earnest in October and November for our big event taking place on Saturday, December 7! You won't want to miss out on this great way to serve families right here in our community!

Projeto Amar Love Offering

Thank you so much for your ongoing love, prayers and support for our sponsored Learning Center program in Brazil, Projeto Amar. Since 2013, United Presbyterian has raised over \$20,000 to support the students and faculty at the school. The ongoing need for our Learning Center program in Brazil is funding for programming and teacher salaries. Your contributions go directly to Projeto Amar to assist with these needs. Please prayerfully consider supporting Projeto Amar with a donation through the end of August.

In addition to the Love Offering, there is an opportunity to connect through child sponsorship; a great way as a family or small group to directly bless the life of a particular child and their family to support their faith journey and participation in school and programming at Projeto Amar. Our goal this year is to raise \$3,000 for the ministries of Projeto Amar, and to have two (2) new children sponsored by members of our congregation.

UPC Discovery Preschool

Hello all! I hope you are enjoying the beautiful weather. I wanted to quickly introduce to you our two newest teaching staff members at UPC Discovery. It has been a long summer trying to find the right person in each open position and I am happy to say we have finally been successful! Please give a warm welcome to:

Carrie Purtell- Lead Teacher Half Day Preschool- Carrie is so excited to begin her journey here at UPC Discovery. She loves the classroom environments and is so ready to explore all the outdoor learning environments we have to offer. Carrie has taught preschool the past few years, as well as served as an assistant teacher in Kindergarten and 2nd grade classrooms. She also teaches piano, flute, and clarinet to young children. Carrie loves engaging with preschoolers and is so happy to be at UPC.

Patty Eckhoff- Assistant Teacher Full Day Classroom- Patty is an organized and friendly person and is ready to interact with our full day preschool children in the newest full day classroom. She has experience as a preschool teacher, as well as an assistant in special education classrooms in the area. Patty LOVED our outdoor learning environment and said she can see herself spending much time out there. She is looking forward to a great year in preschool!

We are all so blessed to be a part of UPC Discovery. I just want to thank you all for all YOU do with Nature Connections and in helping to make our outdoor learning environments top notch. UPC is truly a beautiful place!

Lora Taylor, M. Ed.
Director, UPC Discovery

Nature Connections



Nature Connections has been busy on the Monarch Project. In pursuit of our goal to connect as many children and adults as possible to God's natural world, the committee hosted the entire teaching staff of Northmoor School on August 19. The new bike trail along Northmoor Road will enable students to walk to the UPC campus. Nature Rangers provided training on how to raise monarch butterflies for the kindergarten and first grade teachers. Second through fourth grade teachers learned how they can use the UPC campus for nature field trips. The committee then delivered milkweed plants which members had raised in pots all summer and a whole crop of monarch butterfly eggs and caterpillars to the school so they could observe the life cycle of the Monarch. We will host all the kindergarten and first grade children for an afternoon in September when Theresa Buley, our resident monarch expert will help them tag and release their butterflies, view the *Flight of the Butterflies* on our big screen, and visit our Nature Explore Outdoor Classroom.

Church Life

Ladies Night Out

Place: Jubilee Cafe, 2127 Kickapoo, Edward Rd I-74 at exit 82

Date: Thursday, September 19, 2019

Time: 6:00 pm

Any lady is invited and bring a friend too.

RSVP to Eunice Andrews @ 688-8458 or Betty Pugh @ 822-8500. Come early and visit. If a ride is needed contact Betty Pugh.

Anna Circle

When: Thursday, September 12th, 6:00 pm

Where: WeaverRidge

Lesson: Chapter 4, *It's Good to Be Queen*

Mission: Share the Warmth Blanket Ministry.

Work days are the 4th Saturday of month at 9:30 am. The following work days are scheduled for the remainder of 2019: Sept. 28th, Oct. 26th, and Nov. 23rd. All are welcome to join in on this ministry. No sewing skills are required.

BUNCO

When: September 13, 2019

Where: UPC Fellowship Hall

Time: 7:00 pm

Come and join us for fellowship, good food and play BUNCO. Bring a friend, a snack, and a dollar for the prizes.

Connecting Point Lite

Connecting Point Lite

Please join us Wednesday evenings this fall, Starting Sept. 11th, at 6:30 pm for *Connecting Point "Lite."* We won't serve meals so please bring your own food and/or drink to classes. (That is the lite part.) We offer two classes so you can choose, Rev. Laura will teach the Book of Revelation for six weeks. We also offer Be Healthy taught by our own Keli Briggs, MSN, RN Faith Community Nurse, starting with recognizing skin cancers and discussing them.

Human Resources

UPDATE from Human Resources

New Worship and Arts Director introduced

The Session has hired Alison Meuth as our new Worship and Arts Director, starting 8/25/2019. Alison has spent the last ten years teaching music at the college level. Before that, she made her living as a professional opera singer. Throughout her career she has made it a priority to sing in church. That is where she got her start as a singer and that is where her roots are. Alison and her husband, Jeremy, live in Peoria and have three fabulous children. Together they homeschooled them until college. Alison was the writer of the integrated music curriculum for the international homeschool site, Child Light Institute. She spent the last several years as musical director of The First Presbyterian Church of Galesburg. Alison is the Chorale Director, Madrigal Director and musical theater program director for the Peoria Cooperative Academy. She also has a large private voice studio as well as directs music for several theaters in the area. Music is Alison's passion but God and people are her first loves. She is beyond thrilled to be able to call United Presbyterian her new church home.

Many thanks to the search team of Joe Bender, Pat Bensing, Erin Cole (Chair), Sue Hulin and Craig Mousty for their unanimous recommendation of Alison.

Please join us in welcoming Alison to the ministry of UPC!

Month to month continuation of

Rev. Reason's contract

The Session, wishing to provide continuity in pastoral leadership and being well satisfied with Rev. Reason as our Interim Pastor, asked her to continue in service past the expiration of her contract, until such time a new pastor is called. Rev. Reason also wishing to continue the relationship, the Session has now asked for and received permission from the Presbytery of Great Rivers to continue our temporary pastoral relationship on a month to month basis until the new pastor is called and transition plans are completed.

Pam Madden and Debbie Sullivan, co-moderators

Thanks

Dearest United Presbyterian Church,
The staff at Camelot Care Centers of Peoria truly appreciates and gives thanks for the book bags and school supplies for the youth in our agency. May God's blessings continue to be upon your congregation.

Camelot Care Centers of Peoria

I can't begin to tell everyone what a surprise Sunday, August 4th was for me.

The time that I spent helping out in the Finance office was very rewarding for me and I learned so much that it's hard to put into words how I feel.

When Judy started talking I was sitting in my pew trying to think of who she was talking about and was happy that session and our church family were recognizing someone.

But, when Judy said my name, I was totally blown away. I was sitting between Justin and Jon Wrigley and they were telling me to go up front. I am not one who takes compliments easy, so it took a lot for me to accept the flowers and gift card, but what got to me the most was seeing the entire congregation stand up and give me a standing ovation. My heart was so full of love for everyone and I couldn't even talk, other than to say thank you.

You touched me so deeply and I will always treasure the memory of Sunday August 4th, 2019 with the love from my church family. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart !!!!!

Sincerely,

Theresa Bender

I want to thank everyone for their well wishes and sweet cards I received upon my retirement as your director of UPC Discovery Preschool. It has been one of the greatest joys of my life to watch this program grow over the years and I am forever thankful to the members of United Presbyterian Church for believing, trusting, and sharing my vision for a preschool here.

Pam Scranton

Another UPC Rummage Sale is on the books. Hope Chest in Pekin has picked up our leftovers. Fellowship Hall looks a little lonely. But this year, despite the Northmoor construction, we made \$2,965 to be divided between our church mortgage and the next Youth Group Mission trip. That's an increase of over \$200 from last year! Thanks to all of you who cleared out your basements and closets to make donations. And thanks to our wonderful volunteers. Your endless energy and laughter made it happen! Your Rummage Sale Co-chairs:

Betty Pugh, Carol Kamrath, and Charlotte Cronin

Thank You UPC!!

It is impossible to enumerate all the ways the UPC family has supported us throughout some very trying times over the last 9 months. We have tried to thank each of you who have offered/done something for us individually but there were also so many of you who remained anonymous and just pitched in in some way. Whatever our need, once it was identified, you all stepped up to fill it!! As you can possibly imagine, pastors are not very accustomed to receiving help but the experience has really taught us how important it is to our faith to be willing to let others help in times of need. You all have fully embraced the truth that "church" is the people and not the building. We count ourselves so blessed to be a part of the UPC family!! May God bless you all!

With love in Christ,

Randy & Anna

Dear UPC,

Thank you so much for all the calls, cards, and especially, the prayers recently. I am doing great now.

Rina Krall

We thank you for putting our family on the prayer list after our friend's suicide in March. We are coping better with it now, although it will always be a hole in our hearts and a question in our minds. God is guiding us each day.

We thank you again,

Kent, Dawn, and Ryan Higgins

Thanks for all your thoughts and prayers during my recent bout with plantar faciitis in my right foot. I'm doing much better.
Rev. Laura

Prayer Corner

Please keep the following people in your thoughts:

Eunice Andrews
 Marilyn Bain
 Mary Buesing
 Penny Brower
 Dana (Jones)
 Betty Downard
 A'Miyah Eakle
 Mary Everett
 Carol Fuller
 Carolyn Gnepper
 Pat Hagenbuch
 Geneva Hall (Gulley)
 Jes Hall
 Harrison & Ryleigh
 Doug Jackson
 Mary Jermac
 Michelle Johnson (Kelley)
 Ann Jones
 Dwight Jones
 Betty Keller
 Mike Kelley
 Debbie Kutter
 Michelle Martin
 David McDowell
 Dean Peoples
 Christy & Jeff Presseau (Maloof)
 Projeto Amar I and II
 Jeff Rickett
 Joan Sathoff
 Janet Shepler
 Dave Smith
 Jacquie Spaulding
 Larry & Sara Stotts
 Jack Umdenstock
 Felicia Vallosio
 Parker Waldschmidt
 Richard West
 Jon Wrigley
 Ruthie Yingling
 Young man battling cancer



Prayers of Christian sympathy for Barb & Steve Wolter and family on the death of Barb's Mother, Joyce Baley on August 15th.

Snack Packs

It's that time of year again when children return to school. Our church provides snack packs for Northmoor Grade School every week during the school year and this year is no different.

We will start making the snack packs on Sunday September 22, 2019 right after service.

We are in need of the following items for the snack packs:

100 % fruit juice boxes
 Individual Applesauce Cups
 Individual Pudding Cups
 Individual Fruit Cups
 Individual Fruit Snacks
 Individual Packages of Hot Chocolate
 Oatmeal
 Mac N Cheese
 Individual Soup Cups

Please note that we cannot accept anything that has any kind of nut products or packaged in a plant that may process nuts.

Donations are greatly appreciated & the children look forward to this weekly tradition.

Donations can be dropped off anytime and put in the Food Pantry area or the Old Kitchen. Both areas are checked every week to use the items for the snack packs.

We make up the snack packs on the 4th (fourth) Sunday of the month in room 105 after service. This usually only takes about an hour if we have enough volunteers to help out.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Theresa Bender at any time.

Thanking you all in advance,
 Theresa Bender

Faith Community Nurse

Food Safety

We hear a lot about foodborne illness outbreaks in the media. Food safety awareness is a health topic for September. There are many germs that can cause foodborne illnesses including a variety of viruses, parasites, and bacteria. The top five germs from food in the U.S. include Salmonella, Campylobacter, Clostridium perfringens, Staphylococcus aureus, and Norovirus.

Food can become contaminated at any point in the food production chain – production, processing, distribution, and preparation. Some examples of contamination include:

Production – fruits and vegetables can be contaminated if sprayed with contaminated water for irrigation

Processing – if processing lines or storage bins are contaminated, germs can spread to food that come in contact with those surfaces

Distribution – fresh produce may become contaminated if transported in a truck that was not properly cleaned after transporting animals or animal products

Preparation – contamination can occur if preparation surfaces are not properly cleaned, or if food workers are not performing careful handwashing, especially after toileting. Anyone can get a foodborne illness, but certain populations are at higher risk. These include young children, older adults, pregnant women, and people with weakened immune systems. Symptoms of foodborne illness can include stomach upset, cramps, diarrhea, fever, nausea, and vomiting. Symptoms may occur hours to days after ingestion of the contaminated food or drink. While most people are likely to have only mild symptoms, some people may have more severe consequences which require medical treatment. Potential severe complications include chronic arthritis, brain and nerve damage, and hemolytic uremic syndrome, which results in kidney failure.

Treatment for mild symptoms includes plenty of fluids to prevent dehydration. However, if symptoms are severe, a person should seek medical attention. Severe symptoms include blood in stools, frequent vomiting/inability to keep fluids down, fever (over 101.5 orally), diarrhea that lasts for more than three days, and signs of dehydration (very dry mouth and throat, significant decrease in urination, and dizziness when standing up).

To decrease the risk of foodborne illness, follow these steps for food safety.

Wash hands with soap and water before, during, and after food preparation and before eating.

Make sure utensils, countertops, and cutting boards are thoroughly cleaned with hot, soapy water.

Rinse fresh vegetables and fruit under running water.

Keep raw meat, poultry, and seafood separated during grocery shopping and in the refrigerator. Use a separate cutting board for raw food items.

Use a food thermometer to make sure food is thoroughly cooked.

Refrigerate perishable food within 2 hours. If the outside temperature is above 90 degrees, refrigerate within 1 hour. Refrigerator temperature should be below 40 degrees.

Thaw frozen food in refrigerator, cold water, or microwave. Bacteria can multiply quickly in foods left to thaw on the counter.

Please see display in Welcome Center for additional information.

<http://www.cdc.gov/foodsafety/foodborne-germs.html>

<http://www.cdc.gov/foodsafety/keep-food-safe.html>

<http://www.cdc.gov/foodsafety/symptoms.html>

<http://www.cdc.gov/foodsafety/production-chain.html>

Keli Briggs, MSN, RN

Faith Community Nurse

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry gatherings will resume in September. The group will meet in room 107 for approximately one hour beginning at 11:15.

The monthly meeting days are as follows:

September 29th

October 27th

November 24th

December 29th

Michelle Nielsen Ott is your leader. Everyone is welcome.

Worship & the Arts

"I think music in itself is healing. It's an explosive expression of humanity. It's something we are all touched by. No matter what culture we're from, everyone loves music." — Billy Joel

Dear Church Family,

It is with great joy that I write this letter. I am thrilled to call UPC my new church home. I look forward to meeting all of you and building strong relationships within the congregation. Most of all I want to encourage any and all of you to serve in the area of arts somewhere in this church. It is my dream that we would be able to glorify God with not just music but dance, drama, poetry, visual arts and craft. I pray that even now God will place upon his people's hearts the desire to serve him in this way. Music and drama are my ways that I glorify God and while I hope you join me in my endeavors, my bigger prayer is that the arts will bless your life. Maybe you played an instrument in high school, or went out for the dance team or did the school plays. No matter what your age those things are still a part of who you are. Please consider getting involved in some way. Sometimes Americans are a little behind the rest of the world. One area is in using music and the arts to help people with physical, mental and emotional difficulties. For instance doctors in Europe are prescribing choir for the elderly. Choir helps with posture, it fights loneliness, depression, assists with strengthening the lungs and keeping the speaking voice strong. Studies have shown that one hour of choral singing is as good for a person as one hour of group therapy. God gave us music for so many reasons. It is used to praise him. Music brings people together and helps them be more open to others. It's fun! It soothes the soul. Music is good for our bodies and brain. Please don't let fear stop you from being part of something bigger than yourself. No matter what level you are at I will do my best to give you the tools you need to become the best musician you can be. Since I got this job I started praying for the people of this church and for me that I will be the director you need. My hope is that we will be known in Peoria as the place that first loves all people and then that we have wonderful art and music that is fighting the darkness in Peoria Illinois. Please consider joining us or supporting the arts and music in this church. Feel free to contact me or stop by my office with your ideas, questions or just to say "hi". I am so excited to see how God uses me and this program to honor his name and minister to his people.

God Bless,
Alison Meuth
Worship and Arts Director

PNC Update

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Please continue to pray for your PNC as we are hard at work searching for who God will call to our ministry here at UPC. The PNC continues to meet each week to discuss applicants and those that are in the process of discerning if UPC could be their next call. Currently we are in the process of conducting interviews with multiple prospective pastors! We continue to review new applicants each week, and appreciate your prayers for the next pastor of this church and for our group as well. The PNC is thankful for your support and words of encouragement as we continue to make progress in our search. Continue to check the bulletin and Weekly Ringer for updates.

News and Notes

For Your Information

Felicia Vallosio has a new mailing address. If you would like it, please contact the church office.

Congratulations

Congratulations, best wishes and blessings to Aaron and Jenn Schultz, who are expecting their first child on Christmas Eve!

Dryvit work complete on original building

The exterior of the original building has been completely repaired and painted, thanks to an anonymous donation of \$50,000.00. With the final bill coming in at \$44,300.00, the balance of the gift **(\$5700.00)** has been directed by the donor to be used against the principal on the mortgage. **A gift against the principal** shortens the length of the mortgage and is the most effective way to move us towards completion on it.

Christian Education

Christian Education is Back to School!



Sunday School starts fall programs on Sunday, September 8! Kids pre-school through sixth grade are invited to join us upstairs after the Children's Message for classes. Our Sunday School team of teachers are excited to implement our new Dwell curriculum and share the Good News of God's love for us with our UPC children and youth!

Youth Group will meet for the first time on Sunday, September 8! Time-to-be-determined after our brainstorming session on August 25th. Kids in seventh through 12 grade are invited to join us—come meet our new youth group leaders Lindsay Hanson and Anne Swanson!

We hope to see LOTS of kids and youth join us as we begin a new year of serving God's children in Sunday School and Youth Group!



The Christian Education committee wants to thank Charlotte Cronin and Rummage Sale crew for their donation to our 2020 Youth Group Mission Trip AND Curt and Doug Neal and Jim Pugh for their generous donation from the Corn Boil to our 2020 Youth Group Mission Trip!

Monarch Day 2019

Sunday, October 6

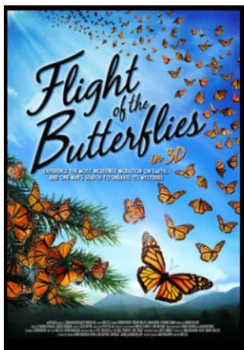
Join the celebration of one of the miracles of God's natural world. This is a wonderful time to bring your families and friends to UPC. Mark your calendar to be at United Presbyterian Church, Sunday morning, October 6. Church service at 10, Monarch Celebration and Lunch from 11-2:00



Free Butterfly Pork Chop Lunch by Reservation*

Activities for All Ages!

- Special music and dance celebrating God's creation in 10:00 a.m. church service
- Tagging and release of monarch butterflies raised by our preschoolers
- Photo booth with costumes for children and grand children
- Award winning documentary film *Flight of the Butterflies* on our big screen
- Booths on supporting the great Monarch Migration
- Nature Explore Outdoor Classroom (art, music, building activities) open
- Free butterfly pork chop lunch!



Funded by the National Science Foundation, *Flight of the Butterflies* cost 3 million dollars to film.

"It weaves together the life and studies of Dr. Fred Urquhart and the life cycle of the monarch butterfly from egg to caterpillar to chrysalis to adult insect"

... the result is "an educational but equally engrossing bit of filmmaking that was armchair travel at its most engaging".

"Flight of the Butterflies is an amazing, beautifully shot film that is a wonder for the eyes."

How to get Free Butterfly Pork Chop Lunch Tickets

The pork chop lunch is free but **you must make a reservation for you and any guests you invite.** That is how we know how many pork chops to make! **Tickets will be collected in the lunch line.** We will have a drawing for fabulous door prizes! Sign your ticket to enter. If you bring guests, sign their ticket before you give it to them. Then have them also sign the ticket. If your ticket is drawn you win! If a guest ticket is drawn, you both win!! You can get tickets in the following ways:

Pick them up during Fellowship September 15, 22, 29

Reserve by emailing upcmonarchday@gmail.com

Reserve by calling Trish 693-2002

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Worship Service: 10:00 am



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