

# Weekly News from United Church of Christ of Robesonia

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Sunday Worship 10:15am



Sunday, January 15, 2023

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## ††† Worship Participants & Sponsorships †††

Thank you to all who have made this worship experience possible.

	<u>This Sunday - Jan 15<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Next Sunday - Jan 22<sup>nd</sup></u>
Usher Captain	Terry P.	Barb O.
Usher Co-Captain	Michael P.	Dale M.
Usher/Greeter	Sharon B.	Kim T.
Usher/Greeter	Karen S.	Peg T.
Usher/Greeter: Downstairs	Cory P.	Cory P.
Acolyte	Ayden M.	Preslie U.
Welcome/Announcements	Jon H.	Terry P.
Layreader	Wanda M.	Akira P.
Cantor	Wanda M.	Sheri R.
Children's Message	Elsa W.	Geri G.
Nursery	TBD	TBD
Junior Worship	TBD	TBD
AV Tech	-	-
G3 Group Helper	Elsa W.	Donna K.
Koffee Klatch	Group A: Alberta M.	Group B
St. Paul's Counter	Geri G.	Geri G.
St. Paul's Counter	Kirk A.	Kirk A.
Bulletin Sponsor	-	-
Altar Flowers Sponsor	-	-

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## ††† General Announcements †††

### Visitation Care Team

Our Visitation Care Team (VCT) is composed of lay members who have been trained for visitation. If you are in need of prayer, a visit, or just a listening ear, they are here to be of support to you. To contact the Visitation Care Team with a visitation request or to share information about a potential care need email the VCT at [CareTeam@sprucc.org](mailto:CareTeam@sprucc.org). For more information, go to our "[Visitation Care Ministries](#)" page at [www.sprucc.org](http://www.sprucc.org) under the "ministries" tab.

### Do We Have Your Email Address?

It is extremely helpful to us if we can communicate with you by email! Please consider sharing your email address with us.

### Ordination & Installation Sunday

Today we will be celebrating in the installation of our new Consistory, chairpersons, and other elected leadership during the worship service. We hope that you will celebrate this special day with them, and offer them your support and thankfulness for their servant leadership.

## **Membership in Our Newly Unified Church**

From January 1, 2023 to April 30, 2023 we will have an "Open Charter." Those joining during that period will be "Charter Members" (Founding Members) of our newly unified church. Membership vows may be affirmed during one of the following worship services:

*Sunday, January 8, 2023 at 10:15am*  
*Sunday, February 12, 2023 at 10:15am*  
*Wednesday, February 22 at 6:30pm*  
*Sunday, March 12, 2023 at 10:15am*  
*Wednesday, March 29, 2023 at 6:30pm*  
*Sunday, April 30, 2023 at 10:15am*

Those who would like to affirm their membership on one of the dates listed above may do so by participating in the worship service by either coming in-person or via Zoom. If you plan to participate via Zoom, please contact the church office and let us know when you will be affirming your vows so that we may watch for your presence and admit you in to the worship service. Please use the following Zoom information:

Meeting ID: 104 401 368 Passcode: 301301

To log in either use the Zoom app; or go to Zoom.com and click "Join A Meeting;" or use the following address:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/104401368?pwd=WGs0YnIEYXVGTWl2ZDJCa1NrSKI0UT09;>  
or use a telephone by calling: +1 301 715 8592 (Washington DC).

## **Tuesday Morning Bible Study**

The weekly Tuesday morning Zoom Bible study is at 9:00am. It is based on the scripture passages for the coming Sunday. We hope you will consider joining the study group. The same Zoom numbers are used each week. They are:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87452124156?pwd=RzI3dTI4Uy8vWGPBQnRzOGV2bnlrdz09>

Meeting ID: 874 5212 4156 Passcode: 783249

For those joining with telephone, choose one of the following toll free numbers:  
+1 301 715 8592 (Washington, DC) or +1 646 558 8656 (New York)

## **Basic Leadership Training**

There will be a **Missional Approach Workshop this Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:30pm**. It is for all Consistory members, chairpersons, and other elected leaders, especially those who were not at last year's workshop, as well as any other interested members. We will be going over the philosophy of ministry, committees, plans for growth, discipleship, etc.

## **Worship Committee**

The Worship Committee will meet on **Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm**.

## **Book of Acts Evening Bible Study**

The Bible study of the Book of Acts will be on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm. If you have not yet joined this study, please consider doing so. Nothing is needed other than a Bible. You may join in person or by Zoom (using the Tuesday morning Bible study numbers).

## **PLARN = Plastic Yarn**

Completed PLARN mats are delivered to Philadelphia where they are used by homeless people. If you would like to help with this mission project please contact Pastor Mary Etta. She will meet with you to give you what you need, or receive what you have done, or if you have any questions. There are good teaching videos available if you are interested in helping, but are unsure of what is involved. Pastor Mary Etta's contact information is [mestme@aol.com](mailto:mestme@aol.com) or 610-659-2775.

## **Singing Choir Rehearsal**

The choir will practice on Thursday evening at 6:00pm.

## **Handbell Choir Rehearsal**

The handbells will practice on Thursday evening at 7:00pm.

### **Article Writing Workshop**

This workshop will take place on **Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm**. It is for Consistory members, chairpersons, and anyone planning on submitting articles for publication who were not at last year's workshop, as well as any other interested members.

### **Fellowship Committee**

This committee will meet on **Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm**.

### **Stewardship Committee**

The Stewardship Committee, which consists of the Deacons, the Treasurer, and the Financial Secretary, will meet on **Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm**.

### **Property Committee**

Property Committee will meet following the worship service on **Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>**.

### **Ice Skating!!**

Everyone is invited to join the Youth Group on **Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>** for ice skating. We will meet at the church at 1:00pm to travel to Hershey Arena. Skating will be from 2:00-4:00pm. We are hoping to get group rates so please sign the clipboard in the hallway to be part of our group. If we get the discount rate it will cost \$5.50/person plus \$2.50 for skate rental, but we need 10+ people. We will also need drivers. Questions? Contact Beth Miller 717-933-5097.

### **Visitation Care Team (VCT)**

There will be a meeting on **Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at 7:30pm**. This meeting is for all those involved with hospital, homebound, or bereavement care.

### **Spiritual Council**

The Council will meet on **Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at 8:30pm**.

### **Food Pantry**

Please do not bring food donations for the food pantry. The food pantry can buy more food for each dollar than we can. Please consider giving money instead. We are no longer collecting food at UCC of Robesonia. Please write a check to St. Paul's UCC and indicate that it is for the food pantry. Your donation will be sent to the Conrad Weiser Food Pantry. Thank you!

Please note that although we are now United Church of Christ of Robesonia, until we close out St. Paul's account and open a new account as United Church of Christ of Robesonia, checks need to be made out to St. Paul's UCC. We will announce when that process has been completed and checks should be made out to United Church of Christ of Robesonia.

### **One of Our Favorite Times of the Year!**

**February 12<sup>th</sup> is SOUPerbowl Sunday!** Immediately following church, we will be having a soup luncheon in Miller Fellowship Hall. Please make your favorite soup, put it in a crockpot with a label (your name and kind of soup), and place it in the kitchen area. After the worship service we will all enjoy the variety of soups prepared along with any donations of bread, crackers, drinks, and desserts. Any questions, see Beth Miller or Wanda Moore.

You will have plenty of time to enjoy this meal and still see the real Super Bowl! [Game time is at 6:30pm ET.] Our best year was when we had 19 crock pots of soup. Can we beat that this year? Please sign the sign-up sheet in the vestibule or call the church office prior to February 5<sup>th</sup>.

*Please lift up those listed here in your prayers this week.  
“Pray for one another, so that you may be healed.  
The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.” ~ James 5:16b*

† **United’s Prayer List** †

**Medical Concerns, Healing, Help  
& God’s Assuring Presence:**

Tina A.  
Beatrice A.  
Jeanette B.  
Michael B.  
Scott B.  
Linwood B.  
Sam B.  
Audra B.  
Charlie D.  
Rich D.  
John E.  
Eloise  
Evie  
Jimmy F.  
Sharon F.  
Erma G.  
Dolores H.  
Betty H.  
Wynn H.  
Dolly I.  
Sandie K.  
Carol K.  
Lelynna L.  
Ella L.  
Peg M.  
Leon M.  
Rozy M.  
Bill M.  
Pat N.  
Michelle N.

**Medical Concerns, Healing, Help  
& God’s Assuring Presence:**

Joyce P.  
Annette P.  
Claudia S.  
Jim S.  
Rob S.  
Jodi S.  
Ray T.  
Mildred U.  
Wendy W.

**All Military People Especially:**

Sgt. Benjamin (Bibs)  
Sr. Airman Sarah (Karen S.)  
MA2 Cody (Wanda M.)  
PO3 Lucas (Wanda M.)  
Cpl Ben (George & Dottie M.)

**College People:**

Madison H.  
Jack S.

**Thanksgiving:**

For All the People who serve  
faithfully in Worship and on  
Consistories and Committees

**Guidance:**

Serving God well together as one  
congregation

**Mourning:**

Family & friends of Helene E.,  
wife of John E.  
Family & friends of Diane K.  
Family & friends of Lawerance S.  
Family & friends of Ronnie S.  
Family & friends of Paul Y.

**Protection & Support:**

People of Ukraine  
People traveling

**Peace:**

Peaceful outcome in the Ukraine  
For ALL people everywhere

**To Cease:**

Violence by guns

**Prayers for Love and Support of:**

Children and young adults who don’t  
get it from their own families and  
struggle as they try to make it on  
their own.  
Families with newborns and infants  
struggling to start off in this world.

**Cooperation:**

Governments working together for the  
greater good  
Governments working together to help  
our environment & climate

*Please let us know if we can be in prayer with you.  
All are welcome to add names to the prayer list.*

*Names are generally left on the list for about four weeks.  
Please let us know if you would like a name to remain longer or shorter.  
If you would like someone’s name added to the prayer list,  
please contact the church office at 610-621-5770 or [office@sprucc.org](mailto:office@sprucc.org) or Pastor Mary Etta.*

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**Password (for both):** iamheretoserve

[www.sprucc.org](http://www.sprucc.org)

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[Upcoming Events Link](#)

