

**Weekly News from
United Church of Christ
of Robesonia**

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Worship 10:15am



**Sunday, November 13, 2022
23rd Sunday after Pentecost**

††† **Worship Participants & Sponsorships** †††

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

	<u>This Sunday - November 13th</u>	<u>Next Sunday - November 20th</u>
Usher Captain	Geri G.	Terry P.
Usher Co-Captain	Elsa W.	Michael P.
Usher/Greeter	George M.	Sharon B.
Usher/Greeter	Dottie M.	Karen S.
Usher/Greeter: Downstairs	Cory P.	Cory P.
Acolyte	Michael P.	Geri G.
Welcome/Announcements	Geri G.	Dale M.
Layreader	Cory P.	Robin H.
Cantor	Terry P.	Brian K.
Children's Message	Geri G.	Pastor Ben
Nursery	TBD	TBD
Junior Worship	Geri G.	TBD
AV Tech	Kirk A.	Kirk A.
G3 Group Helper	Robin H.	Sue H.
Koffee Klatch	Zion	St. Paul's: 21 st Century Christian Women
St. Paul's Counter	Sue H.	Kirk A.
St. Paul's Counter	Georgi H.	Geri G.
Bulletin Sponsor	-	Sue H.
Altar Flowers Sponsor	Geri G.	John & Linda E.

**The altar flowers are placed by
Geri Gammel in loving memory of
Garrett Gammel in honor of his 33rd Birthday!**

††† **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. For more information, go to our "[Visitation Care Ministries](http://www.sprucc.org)" page at www.sprucc.org under the "ministries" tab.

Harvest Home Celebration

Our Harvest Home Celebration will take place **today** during the worship service. Please help us celebrate. We will be collecting monetary donations that will then be given to the Conrad Weiser Food Bank. A basket is set up on a table in the hallway to receive your donations. Please show your thankfulness for your blessings by sharing some of what you have with the Food Bank.

Supervised Nursery

During the worship service the nursery is available if needed. It is for children 0-8 years old. It's located downstairs in youth Sunday school area.

Junior Worship

Every 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month after the Children's Message, Junior Worship is offered to elementary age children. During Junior Worship the children learn more about the scripture lessons. It is offered downstairs in the youth Sunday school area.

Combined Congregational Meeting

Today, following the worship service we will have a formal combined congregational meeting for the purpose of voting on the vision of creating a new church together.

Candy Making

Much candy was made this past week. More will be made this afternoon after church starting at 2:00pm. If you can come to help, that would be great. Please contact Sue Hiester if you have any questions. Her phone number is 610-693-4066.

For Your Information

On Sundays the doors to the church are unlocked at 8:00am. If you come to the church early and have a key, please check the door to see if is locked or unlocked before placing your key in the lock. When you place your key in the lock and turn it, it automatically re-locks the door. The doors should be unlocked from 8:00am until about 10:30am. The doors are locked about 15 minutes after the start of the worship service. This is done as a safety feature.

Poinsettias for Christmas

It's time to think about ordering poinsettias to add to the beauty of our sanctuary at Christmas. Poinsettia order forms may be found on a hallway table. Please place your completed form and payment in the basket on the table. The cost is \$10 for a six inch pot of red poinsettias. **All orders are due by November 27th.** Please contact Denise Unger (deu421@aol.com) if you have any questions.

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)

Book of Acts Evening Bible Study

The Book of Acts Bible study will take place this **Tuesday, November 15th and next Tuesday, November 22nd at 6:30pm** instead of Wednesday. **Please make note of these changes.**

Cookies, Please!

Donations of cookies are needed to make cookie trays that will be sold at the Christmas Bazaar. If you would like to bake your favorite cookies and have them included with the others on the cookie trays, please bring them to the church by 9:00am on **Thursday, November 17th.** They may be dropped off earlier in the week, but we must have them by 9:00am Thursday. If you would like to help, please come to the church on Thursday at 9:00am.

Singing Choir Rehearsal

The choir practices weekly on Thursday evening starting at 6:00pm in the Upper Room. All are welcome.

Handbell Choir Rehearsal

The Bell Choir rehearses each Thursday evening at 7:00pm. We are always looking for new ringers. Come have fun with us!

Christmas Bazaar

The Christmas Bazaar is coming! Reserve **Saturday, November 19th from 9:00am to 1:00pm** on your calendar. There will be homemade candy, soup, hamburger barbecue, chow chow, baked goods, cookie trays, cocoa bombs, attic treasures, and a HUGE basket raffle. Always lots of fun and fellowship. If you would like to donate a theme basket for the raffle, please contact Robin Henning (610-693-6475). If you would like to help at the Bazaar, please contact Sue Hiester (610-693-4066).

PLARN = Plastic Yarn

We utilize used but clean plastic grocery bags. We flatten them. We cut them in strips that are circles. We tie the circles together in a chain. We crochet this PLARN into sleeping mats for homeless people. They are lightweight to carry, easy to clean, and serve as insulation from the cold ground. You could help with any step of this process without crocheting. You could also learn to crochet. We have good videos to teach you.

Next Session: Tuesday, November 22nd - 12:30 to 2:00pm.

Thanksgiving Eve

The Thanksgiving Eve Worship will take place here on Wednesday, November 23rd at 6:30pm. It will be a combined service with St. Daniel's Church. We hope you will come to give thanks to God for all of your blessings and for all of our freedoms. Please invite family and friends as well.

Soup & Such and Clothing Closet

There will be **NO Soup & Such in November** since the normally scheduled date falls on Thanksgiving. You may schedule a time in November to come in and select clothing from the Children's Clothing Closet by calling Robin Henning at 610-693-6475.

Ukraine Emergency Appeal

Uniting in prayer, action, and giving, we stand as a people of faith in love and compassion with the people of Ukraine and all who are affected, and with our global partners who are welcoming those driven from their homes. Thank you for all your donations. **So far \$1,590.50 has been collected.**

You may contribute by: (1) putting a donation in an envelope and marking it "Ukraine Relief"; (2) sending a check to St. Paul's UCC, 301 West Penn Ave, Robeson, PA 19551 with "Ukraine Relief" written in the memo line; or (3) click on this "[online giving](#)" link, select the "Other 1" or "Other 2" box, and fill in the necessary fields. Type "Ukraine Relief" in the "Note" box.

Hurricanes 2022 Fund

Thank you for your support of disaster relief. Your generosity has aided hundreds of families in need of help to rebuild their homes and lives. We request your renewed support for the Hurricanes 2022 Fund for those in crisis in the aftermath of Hurricanes Fiona and Ian, and other significant storms that may arise in the warm Atlantic waters. Your gift to the Hurricanes 2022 Fund will help with immediate needs while basic infrastructure is repaired, and more complete assessments can be made.

Your gift enables the church to be present with people amidst catastrophic and life-changing situations, offering immediate relief and providing long-term recovery support. Working through a network of global and local partners, the church lives out its call to care for our neighbors as we strive together toward a just world for all. You may donate through St. Paul's UCC. Please be sure to note "Hurricanes Fund 2022" in the memo section of your check. You may also donate electronically on the church's website. Go to sprucc.org, click on the green "Online Giving" button, click on the "Special Mission" donate link, and fill in the blanks. Thank you for your generosity.

Art Contest

Attention all youth! You are invited to join the UCC's Climate Hope Cards Art Contest. Between October 4 and November 29, every UCC person under age 18 is invited to draw, paint, or color their feelings about climate hope, environmental justice, or protecting the Earth. **Use the art worksheet found on the table in the hallway.** Upload a photo or scan of your art to Andy Wells-Bean, UCC Environmental Justice Ministries at wellsbeana@ucc.org. Winners will be announced during an online award ceremony on Saturday, January 7th. The winners of the Art Contest will have their art printed on thousands of Climate Hope Cards to be collected by UCC members around the country and ultimately delivered en masse to the White House. To learn more about Climate Hope Cards go to <https://www.ucc.org/ClimateHopeCards>.

Robesonia Seniors Age 75 or Older

The Conrad Weiser Lions Club will hold their annual *Life Begins at 75 Christmas Party* at **12:00noon on Saturday, December 3rd at St. Daniel's Lutheran Church.** The dinner is for those 75+ years old who live or attend church in the Robesonia area. The party consists of dinner, entertainment, and lots of fellowship with old friends. If you would like to attend and have not been contacted, please call Steve Bright at 610-693-6420. Transportation will be provided for those who need a ride if requested.

Youth Group Meetings

The next set of Youth Group meetings will take place **Thursday, December 8th.** The Leader meeting will take place at 5:30pm. The Youth Group meeting will be at 6:00pm. Youth Group is open to all students in Grade 5 through Grade 12. **Please note that for November and December due to the holiday season, there will only be one meeting in November and one meeting in December.**

Women's Lunch

The next Women's Luncheon will take place on **Thursday, December 8th at 12:00noon** at Country Fare Restaurant, Myerstown. All women are invited to attend. Please let Pastor Mary Etta know if you can come by the Monday of that week; that would be Monday, December 5th. Her contact information is mestme@aol.com or 610-659-2775.

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.

*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*

† **St. Paul’s Prayer List** †

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

Ruth A.
Sam B.
Audra B.
Rich D.
Mike G.
Utzer G.
Dave H.
Janice L.
Donna L.
Maggie L.

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

Ella L.
Pastor Bob M.
Sue M.
Ayden M.
Matthew M.
The Palmer Family
Jim S.
Rob S.
Jodi S.
Claudia S.
Mildred U.

Social Concerns:

Those who serve in the armed forces
Peaceful outcome in the Ukraine

Mourning:

Family & friends of Rev. George F.
Family & friends of Terry K.
Family & friends of Harvey L.
Family & friends of Rev. Richard M.
Family & friends of Logan U.

† **Zion’s Prayer List** †

Help & Healing:

Jeanette B.
Michael B.
Jimmie F.
Sharon F.
Steven F.
David H.
Dolores H.
Tyler H.
Dolly I.
Amanda K.
Bill M.
Joe M.
Leon M.
Peg M.
Rozie M.
Sharon M.
Michelle N.
Akira P. & baby
Joyce P.
Chuck S.
Claudia S.
Rob S.

Help & Healing:

Ray T.
Wendy W.
Greer Z.

College People:

Madison H.
Jack S.

All Military People Especially:

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

Thanksgiving:

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

Guidance:

For decisions which Zion & St. Paul’s are
making

**Prayers for One Who Has Died and
for the Family:**

Rev. Ralph G., UCC Pastor (Ray T’s Uncle)
Logan U. (motorcycle accident)

Protection & Support:

People of Ukraine
People traveling

Peace:

For ALL people everywhere

To Cease:

Violence by guns

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 or Pastor Mary Etta.*

Free WiFi: StPaulsUCC-Guest & StPaulsUCC-5G-Guest
Password (for both): iamheretoserve

www.sprucc.org

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Upcoming Events Link

