

Mission Statement

We, the members of the York Association of the United Church of Christ,
are called by God and empowered by the Holy Spirit to represent Christ by:

- supporting one another in our covenantal relationship;
- calling clergy and laity to mutual accountability to the faith and order of the church;
- witnessing together to God's redeeming love. (adopted April 28, 1991)

Change in Deadline for York Association Newsletter

The deadline for reporting information for publication in the York Association Newsletter has been changed to the 5th of each month. The newsletter will be mailed by the 15th of each month.

2011 Fall Festival at Hartman Center October 15th 9 to 3

SILENT AUCTION - Many of you (individuals and church groups) have donated baskets for the very popular Silent Auction in years past. We are again relying on your generosity to donate baskets for this year's auction (within the \$25 to \$50 range). If you have never donated a basket and are unsure what would be a hit, here are some of the winners from last year: wine and chocolate basket, kitchen utensils with a gift card to a (national chain) grocery store, holiday themes, country themes (Mexican, Italian, French), a bird feeder, cat and dog baskets, a handmade sweater, Penn State, Phillies, Hershey, and Steelers items, along with gift cards to national retailers, such as Target, Olive Garden, Lowes, Wendy's, etc. Small inexpensive, individual items are needed for the children's table (tablets, pencils, calculator, clip boards, books, etc.) for children to bid on. Please attach a card to your basket listing the contents, its value, your name and address.

WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING Throughout the day three bands- ChrisWick, Higher Ground, and Unusual Suspects will provide entertainment. The always popular Bounce House, Jousting, Face Painting and tractor hay rides will be available. Plenty of good food will be provided by church groups, the community and the Hartman Center kitchen - Chicken BBQ dinners, chili, soups, hot dogs, burgers, ice cream and baked goods - something for everyone.

New this year: health screenings provided by some of our summer camp nurses, and more activities for young children-crafts to make and take home and fun games for the younger set.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! In order to provide these extra activities, we need your help (advocates, members and youth from your church). We need people to help with parking, assist at the crafts tables, man game booths, sell Hartman Center store items, Bounce House, etc.

We are inviting churches to set up a table(s) to sell food, craft items or whatever you do as a fund raiser. There is no charge for set up, but we would ask you to consider a tithe to Hartman Center from your day's proceeds.

We are inviting Youth Groups to offer games, teach children a craft or offer their services by assisting at various venues during the day.

We are inviting you to stop by on October 15 and enjoy a day of fun and fellowship.

Prayerfully consider how you and/ or your church can help to make this year's festival a success. **Let us know how you would like to help.** Schedules will be provided so everyone will have an opportunity to enjoy the festivities.

11-1-11 to 11-11-11

Mission I is an initiative of the entire United Church of Christ from 11-1-11 to 11-11-11. All local congregations, Associations and Conferences are urged to participate. There will be a focus on 3 areas related to hunger. 1) one million healthy food items like peanut butter to be donated to local food banks/ household items donated to local agencies. 2) \$111,111 in online donations for Neighbors in Need and 3) 11,111 letters to Congress to support Bread for the World's 2011 Offering of Letters asking that U.S. foreign assistance be reformed to more effectively serve the world's poorest people. If anyone would like further information you can go to the UCC.org website, the Penn Central website or call Lee Ann Strine @ 717-542-8214.

Navigating Life's Last Stages

Emmanuel United Church of Christ of York invites all interested persons to attend a four-session program entitled "Navigating Life's Last Stages: What Do I Need to Know and Why?" Most of us enter unknown territory when an illness or situation arises that creates the need to make difficult decisions concerning care surrounding imminent death. Confronting these issues not only helps to clarify matters for the one facing death, but gives much needed direction to family and loved ones who may not know what that person's wishes may be. Preparing advanced directives and providing the opportunity to share personal wishes with one's family can enrich the last stages of life. The program will offer the following:

Advanced Directives - Sunday,

October 23, 2011 – 2:00PM - Many people believe the assistance of an attorney is necessary to prepare Advanced Directives. This is not the case. **Diane Gerhart**, the Education Coordinator from the Palliative Care Department at York Hospital/WellSpan Health will explain these directives and the options they present. Forms will be available and assistance provided for those interested in completing them.

Support Systems and End-of-Life Care -

Sunday, November 13, 2011 – 2:00PM - Dr. Dominic Glorioso, Jr. DO. will offer guidance in how to bridge the gap between the medical community and Hospice. What are the different facets of palliative care? How do we begin family conversations during this difficult time? How do we cope with role reversals?

All sessions will be held at the Yorktown Community Center located at 1059 Kelly Drive, York, PA 17404. Pre-registration is not required; however, knowing how many plan to attend will be helpful in preparing the amount of materials needed. Please email eucc_york@yahoo.com or call Emmanuel UCC at 717-801-1084 to express interest in attending any or all of the sessions. Visit our website for directions. <http://www.emmanuelnyork.org>.

SAFE SANCTUARY: A Faith Based Discussion

Saturday, October 22, 2011

9:00AM-12:00 NOON

Free to Attend

Refreshments provided

HAYSHIRE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

100 Haybrook Drive, York, PA 17406

FOCUS: "Safe Sanctuary" is designed to make our church a safer place by being very intentional about protecting children, and other vulnerable persons from all forms of abuse--sexual, verbal, mental

Presenter: Laura Bair, Pastor at Starview UCC

Register via e-mail to Joyce Mummert @comcast.net or call 717-792-0681

Planned and sponsored by the Disaster Preparedness Committee of the York Association

Senior Excursions on the Rail Trail

The York County Department of Parks and Recreation is again sponsoring Senior Excursions in the parks. These rides are designed to transport senior citizens through the parks to see the natural beauty and hear about local history. The "People Mover" trailer is pulled by a pickup truck. Each ride is narrated by Parks Program Coordinator Jeri Jones. Dress for the weather. In the event of rain, the Parks will cancel the trip. The scheduled rides, times, cost and ride duration are as follows:

October 11 – Spring Valley County Park, Animal Activity Area – Departures at 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Cost is \$8.00 per person. Duration is 75 minutes.

For more information or to register, call York County Parks at (717) 840-7440.

If you know any woman currently undergoing chemotherapy, please pass the word to her that there is a cleaning service that provides FREE housecleaning once per month for 4 months while she is in treatment. To qualify, she must sign up and have her doctor fax a note confirming the treatment. Cleaning for a Reason will have a participating maid service in her zip code area arrange for the service. This organization serves the entire USA and currently has 547 partners to help these women. It's our job to pass the word and let them know that there are people out there that care. Be a blessing to someone and pass this information along. <http://www.cleaningforareason.org/>. You may not know someone going through chemo, but someone on your email list might. Please forward!

Around the Association

Locust Grove UCC – York – Chicken barbecue and bake sale on Saturday, October 1st beginning at 11:00 AM, rain or shine. The public is invited. Dinners will be available on a first-come, first-served basis, until sold out. The cost of the dinner is \$7.50. The dinner will include one-half chicken, baked potato, applesauce, dinner roll and butter, cupcake, and beverage. Dinners can be eaten on site or carried out. Our contact number for the chicken barbecue is 755-1318. To reserve dinners, please leave your name, phone number, and number of dinners. When picking up your dinners, please give your name.

New Hope Fissel's UCC – Glen Rock - will hold their Annual Family-Style Roast Beef Supper on Saturday, October 8, 2011. Serving begins at 3 pm. Tickets are available at the door Handicapped Accessible. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the church office at 235-2033. All are welcome!

St. Paul's UCC – Dallastown - Beef & Oyster Feast - October 1st – 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm Menu: Pulled Roast Beef, Fried Oysters, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Cake, Coffee/Tea/Water Adult Tickets - \$15 in advance/\$18 at door - Children's Tickets - \$9 in advance & at door For more information call the church office at 244-209

St. Paul UCC – Shrewsbury - 34th Annual Holiday Bazaar on Friday, November 4 and Saturday, November 5 from 9A to 3P. Our church women have created many handmade crafts, painted slates, wreaths, flower arrangements, etc. available for your purchase. Various vendors will be offering unique gifts and crafts for your shopping pleasure. Lunch will be available both days. There also will be a Bake and Candy Shoppe and a Silent Auction. Grab bags will be available for kids and adults. Friday's menu features sloppy joe sandwiches and hot dogs, homemade chicken corn, ham and bean, and beef vegetable soups, desserts include yummy pies and cakes. Saturday's lunch features a delicious "melt in your mouth" hot roast beef sandwich with homemade mashed potatoes as well as Friday's menu items. All are welcome.

Starview UCC – York - Carry-Out **only** Chicken Pot-Pie sale on October 22. Call the church office at 266-4248 for details. If no answer, leave your name and number for a return call. A portion of the proceeds will benefit Our Church's Wider Mission.

Saturday, November 5, from 3:30 – 6:30 pm, Annual Fall Oyster & Roast Beef Dinner. The cost for a small oyster OR small roast beef and filling dinner with mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce or chow-chow, and a desert and beverage is \$8. A large dinner is \$11. Small combo: \$8.50; Large combo: \$12. Extra oysters are \$2 each. Oyster stew is \$4; a quart is \$8. Carry-outs are an additional 50 cents. 20% of the proceeds will be divided equally between the Called to Care Ministry and Leg-Up Farm, a therapy center for children with special needs.

On Election Day, Tuesday, November 8, breakfast, lunch, and an early dinner will be served at Starview UCC. There will be no set cost for food items – donation only. 100% of the proceeds will benefit the Northeastern Senior Center, Mount Wolf.

Trinity UCC – Hallam - is celebrating it's 25th year anniversary of their preschool with an Open House on Sunday, October 9th, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. All present and past students, parents, grandparents, babysitters touched by Trinity's preschool the past 25 years are invited to attend. Trinity Preschool has been taught by Diane Bowser, an experienced, certified school teacher since the beginning and is assisted by Linda Foye.

November 2011 Newsletter Deadline is October 5th. The Newsletter will be mailed on October 15th. Newsletter submissions should be addressed to:

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