

NEWS of the 24 Churches of the York Association

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MARCH 2025 – Newsletter

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)

**York Community Lenten Services with Lunch,
Thursdays: Lunch beginning at noon,
Service at 1 pm**

**“Dreaming God’s Dream...
from Genesis to Revelation”**



March 13: at Starview UCC, 4832 N Sherman St Ext,
Mt Wolf, PA,
Rev. Laura Baker, Genesis 1-2

March 20: at Dover UCC, 45 W Canal St, Dover, PA,
Rev. Cam Richesson, Sarah: Genesis 15, Rachel:
Genesis 25, and Rebekah: Genesis 29

March 27: at St. John's Blymire's UCC,
1009 Blymire Rd, Dallastown, PA,
Rev. Rick Pulling , 1 Samuel 13

April 3: at Hayshire UCC, 100 Haybrook Dr, York, PA
Jamie Gruber, Rev. Brenda Marin, Peter in Acts 10

April 10: at Trinity UCC, 32 W Market St, York, PA
17401, Rev. Kellie Turner, Rev. Dr. Dominique
Denman, Revelation 21 and 7:9-10



Lenten Season 2025 Community Services & Meal Schedule

Order of Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:00 PM- Soup-Supper • 7:00 PM- Worship
Ash Wednesday March 5 th	St. Paul’s UCC, Stoverstown
March 12 th	Trinity Lutheran, Jefferson
March 19 th	St. Paul Ziegler’s Lutheran, Seven Valleys
March 26 th	St. Peter’s Lischey’s UCC, Spring Grove
April 2 nd	St. Paul’s Lutheran, Stoverstown
April 9 th	Trinity Roth’s UCC, Spring Grove
Maundy Thursday April 17 th	Bethlehem UMC, Jefferson
Good Friday April 18 th	No meal. Start time- 7:00 PM St. Paul’s UCC, Stoverstown

From Emmanuel UCC, York Learn About York Organizations Working for Good

We have two speakers coming to [Emmanuel UCC, York](https://www.emmanuelucc.org) in March to keep us aware of York’s New American Welcome Center and of Fair District’s PA.

March 9th 10:30 am – Deborah Detzel from York’s [New American Welcome Center](https://www.newamericanwelcomecenter.org) will talk about the Center’s work with new immigrants living in York coming from Haiti and Syria and many other countries and how churches can help. More Info: <https://www.rosesymca.org/nawc>

March 23rd 10:30 am – Eric Gearhart from [Fair Districts PA/York](https://www.fairdistrictspa.com/) will speak about the need for fair districts in Pennsylvania after the 2030 census and how citizens of all political persuasions can help. More info: <https://www.fairdistrictspa.com/> and to learn about what the PA legislature is doing to help.

More Info:

<https://www.cityandstatepa.com/policy/2025/01/timeline-reform-urgent-advocates-push-independent-redistricting-commission-draw-political-maps/402562/?oref=cspa-skybox-hp>

You are welcome to attend our church Discussion Hour at 10:30 to hear the speakers; and all are welcome to attend our 9:30 Worship Service as well. We have worship and discussion in the Social Hall of Hayshire United Church of Christ, 100 Haybrook Drive, York PA 17406. Enter by the red doors to the right of the entrance to the back parking lot off Haybrook Drive.

CoM - SAVE THE DATES PLEASE

The York Association Council on Ministry requests that churches in the Association reserve the following Sunday afternoons for possible Ecclesiastical Councils:

March 2; May 18; and September 14. Thank you!

UCC Environmental Ministries

Hey there! Get ready for an exciting year ahead with the UCC National Ministries! We are in the midst of launching two initiatives.

- First, we just announced our 2025 Climate Hope Art Contest for children and youth. Our theme this year is “Planting Seeds of Hope.” [Learn more and register your congregation.](#) We will be accepting submissions from February 2 to March 14th.
- Second, with the inspiration of [Sam Daley-Harris’s successful model of transformative advocacy](#), we are starting a new Climate Hope Affiliates program that is focused on building lasting relationships with congress members, so that they can be moved up a ladder commitment whether that means moving from opposition to neutrality or support to active leadership. We are rolling out affiliates in waves throughout the year with our first four beginning in February and March. Let me know your interest in this program by filling out this short [Google Form](#).

Together, we can turn the tide on climate change. Let us make 2025 a year of unprecedented hope and action! Questions? Reach out to me at any time. Let us grow this movement, one seed at a time!

Blessings!

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Around the Association

St. Stephen's UCC

1569 West Market Street, York, PA

is seeking an organist for Sunday morning services. Our Sunday service begins at 9:00am. Please e-mail us at ststeucc@comcast.net for more details

Trinity UCC & LOGOS Academy present *Fame Jr.* – March 29, 2:30pm & 7:00pm



**OPEN AND AFFIRMING
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
ONA MINISTRY TEAM
PENN CENTRAL CONFERENCE**



Open and Affirming Ministry Team Winter Gathering Saturday, March 1, 2025

THEME – PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR ONE ANOTHER

Lancaster Theological Seminary
555 West James Street
Lancaster, Pennsylvania
9:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

The planning committee comprising of members from all four PA conferences are planning a day of speakers and workshops around the common theme of supporting one another.

Breakfast items and Lunch will be provided.

Please look for additional information in early February.

Attn: York Association UCC Clergy and MIDs

York Association Clergy and MIDs will meet on **Wednesday, March 12, at 11 am** for brunch at Lion's Pride Restaurant in Red Lion.

*The next newsletter, APRIL, will be
emailed MARCH 20, 2024.*

*Please send articles to
news@yorkassociationucc.org*

*by March 18.
Thank You!*