



# NEWS of the 24 Churches of the York Association

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## **OCTOBER 2023 – 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 Association Committees**

The nominations committee is asking for your help. There are two positions that remain open for a 2 year term starting January 1, 2024, and we would appreciate your consideration to serve.

The positions are:

- Secretary on the council
- Lay person on the nominations committee

If you are interested, please contact either Curt Weber @ [webercg40@comcast.net](mailto:webercg40@comcast.net) or Barbara Crum @ [solstice2006@comcast.net](mailto:solstice2006@comcast.net). We would really like to have a full slate this year by the November annual meeting.

Thank you for your consideration

*Barbara Crum*

*Nominations Committee*

Commander with an extensive background in Mental Health Training. Experienced in Criminal Investigations, Public Speaking, and Patrol tactics. This presentation is open to anyone, please plan to join us this Sunday @ 2pm in our Sanctuary. *Submitted by: Ann Seelye*

### **Website Software**

There are many options for Website Software. Some are WAY easier than others. For a long time, people used WordPress as the go to web editor. Today there are easier applications to use to create your website. The two applications that I am familiar with are WIX and Weebly. I started with Weebly, so it is the software that I am most familiar with. However, WIX is easy as well and has a nice discount through Tech Soup (<https://www.techsoup.org/> (see my article in the previous newsletter.) These web services are drag and drop. That is, if you want a picture on your page, you drag the picture box to the page, drop it and then upload a picture to that box. The same idea follows with text. You drag the text box and then enter the text. It is more like creating a document in Word than writing HTML code! Here is a term from the 90s: WYSIWYG or What you see is what you get! These "new" website apps are much easier than HTML programming used in the past.

You have more control over your website than over Facebook. The items on your website are usually static and people can find information easily. Items on Facebook are random. Old items are replaced by new items and posts may or may not be listed on your follower's feeds. I find that I do not see all of the articles that my church posts. A website is somewhere that your congregation can go to and see all the vital information regarding the church. We have even posted snow cancelations there. It is also a launch point for the videos of our services.

Evaluate your website software or website service. Price Weebly or WIX. If you are using another application that is also very good (and easy) let me know. I will post an update.

([Admin@yorkassociationucc.org](mailto:Admin@yorkassociationucc.org).)

*Submitted by: Jaron Flickinger*

### **Save the date: Making All Things New**

#### **York Association Annual Meeting**

**Sunday, November 12, 2023**

2pm – registration begins at 1:30pm

Starview United Church of Christ

4832 North Sherman Street Ext'd

Mt. Wolf, PA

Lunch will be served from 12:30 – 2:00pm

### **Church Safety Presentation**

**Heidelberg UCC, 47 W Philadelphia St, York**

**THIS Sunday, Sept 17 @ 2pm**

Heidelberg UCC is offering a presentation by Detective Derek Hartman. This nationally recognized program on civilian response to active assailants is not just for attacks that could happen in a church, but for attacks that could happen anywhere. Detective Hartman tailors the information presented to fit the needs of our group.

Detective Hartman's history is working in numerous aspects of the law enforcement industry. Skilled Crisis Negotiations

## Around the Association

### St. Paul UCC Yard Sale

September 22 & 23, 9am-5pm

in the Fellowship Hall

161 South Main St, Shrewsbury

As St. Paul UCC closes its doors, it is holding a yard sale on September 22 and 23 from 9am to 5pm.

### Hayshire UCC

100 Haybrook Dr, York, PA

**What: York Association UCC -  
Go Green Event**

**When: October 7, 9am-12pm**

### Locust Grove UCC,

1035 Locust Grove Road, York

**What: Chicken Barbecue and Bake Sale**

**When: Saturday, October 7, 11am till 1pm or  
sold out, rain or shine.**

**Dinner Cost: \$11**

Dinners include one-half chicken, baked potato, applesauce, dinner roll & butter, cupcake, and a bottle of water. Dinners can be eat-in on site or carried out. Pre-order by calling 717-755-1318. All dinners must be picked up by 12:30pm.

### St. John's Blymire UCC

1009 Blymire Road, Dallastown

**What: Silent Auction**

**When: Oct 1 through Nov 1,  
every day when the church is open –  
9am – 11am**

The auction is held in the church gathering room, just sign your name and bid on the paper representing the item in the auction. There are restaurant gift certificates, golf certificates, and many other items of interest for bid.

**What: Flaminge Ladies Luncheon  
(focusing on women's health and JOY)**

**When: October 28 from 12 to 3  
(Call church to register) 717-244-0665**

### York Association UCC Clergy Gathering

**When: Wednesday, October 11 @ 11am**

**Where: Lion's Pride Restaurant, Red Lion, PA**

**From: Martha Boyer, Communicator, 717.858.2991**

### Mt. Zion UCC

1054 Ridgewood Road, York, PA 17406

**What: Oktoberfest**

**When: Saturday, October 21, 11 am-2pm!**

There will be delicious food, family activities, a book sale, and a cash and carry sale. There will be plenty to do for the whole family, so we invite you to join us on a day of fellowship and fun!



### Zion United Church of Christ,

100 Lafayette Street, York

Zion United Church of Christ, in partnership with the City of York, has completed demolition and replacement of the pavilions in Penn Park. Future plans include developing a small picnic area adjacent to the Pershing Avenue playground and splash pad. The second pavilion (pictured), next to the newly resurfaced tennis courts, will be a welcome addition for 'Tennis for Kids' and Creative York 'Art in the Parks' programs. Zion has supported and/or sponsored both programs for years. Zion and York City are discussing additional improvements in Penn Park.



### St. Paul's UCC Stoverstown

2173 Stoverstown Rd, Spring Grove

**What: Soup Sale**

**When: Saturday October 14, 10am-12pm**

Ham and bean, chicken corn and Gluten free chicken corn soup will be available. Pre-orders only. To order please call 717.255.4497. Pick up is from 10am-12pm at the church.

*The next newsletter, November, will be emailed Oct 15. Please send articles to [news@yorkassociationucc.org](mailto:news@yorkassociationucc.org) by Oct 12.*