

The Epistle

St. John UCC, 409 Park Avenue, PO Box 156, Bolivar, Ohio 44612

FRIENDSHIP•MISSION•SPIRITUALITY March 2023

Pastor Jeff Shultz is no longer ministering at St. John UCC. For any pastoral matters, please contact the church office or a member of Consistory.

Upcoming Guest Pastor Schedule

March 5 – Rev. Dr. Steven Johnson

March 12 – Rev. Nayiri Karjian

March 19 – Lay Minister Arline Mase

March 26 – Rev. Sprite Johnson

We thank our congregation for their prayers and support as we start our search for a new spiritual leader.

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| March 2023 | | | | | | |
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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
| | | | 1 Lenten Service/Luncheon @ St. Paul Lutheran 11:30am | 2 | 3 <i>Cathy Fenstermaker</i> | 4 <i>Denise Kuharich</i> |
| 5 Rev. Dr. Steven Johnson Communion 10:45am <i>Peggy Lee</i> | 6 | 7 | 8 Lenten Service/Luncheon @ Holy Trinity 11:30am | 9 Consistory Meeting 6:30pm | 10 | 11 |
| 12 Rev. Nayiri Karjian Daylight Savings Time Begins <i>Paula Goudy</i> | 13 Clothes Closet 9:00am-12:00pm <i>Paula Goudy</i> | 14 | 15 Lenten Service/Luncheon @ Bolivar UMC 11:30am <i>Kainan Bradford Allen Wolf</i> | 16 Community Meal @ St. Paul Lutheran 11:30am-1:00pm <i>Steffani McCoy</i> | 17 | 18 |
| 19 Lay Minister Arline Mase <i>Clare Stevenson</i> | 20 | 21 | 22 Lenten Service/Luncheon @ St. John UCC 11:30am | 23 | 24 <i>Kyle Bradford</i> | 25 |
| 26 Rev. Sprite Johnson <i>Jon Lee</i> | 27 Clothes Closet 9:00am-12:00pm | 28 Epistle Items Due | 29 Lenten Service/Luncheon @ Zoar UCC 11:30am | 30 | 31 <i>Willie Hamilton</i> | |

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PRAYER LIST/CARD MINISTRY



Every week, our prayer list is updated to the best of our ability. Please notify the office if you have any additions, deletions or suggestions! Please remember those on the prayer list. "Thinking of you" cards, a note, or a telephone call means so much. Contact the church office if you need addresses or phone numbers.

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Bob and Joyclin Ely, Missy Horn, Missy Jones, Stacie Metcalf, Pam Miller, Holly Myers

CLOTHES CLOSET



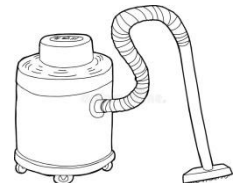
So far in February, the Clothes Closet was open on one day and had eight customers. (This article was written before our second open date in February, the 27th.) The receipts for the 13th were a little over \$54. We had a lot of baby clothing sales and a few extra donations.

Our helpers for February included Cathy, Chris, Lynn, Jean, Jane H., and Jane R. We had some excellent snacks left over from coffee hour on Sunday to offer our guests.

Our next open dates are Feb. 27 and March 13 and 27. On March 27th, we will have a Dollar-a-Bag sale to start reducing our inventory of winter clothing. If you know of people who would benefit by shopping at the Clothes Closet, please ask any of our helpers or Kaley, for a flyer with our open dates. They can see that you get one. Please stop by to help sort and hang up clothing or just for coffee and conversation. There's always a lot of conversation!

SHOP VAC WANTED

The church is in need of a shop vac. If you have one you would like to donated, please let the church office know! Thank you!



THANK YOU

Thank you to Mark Goudy, Chris Carpenter and Chuck Fenstermaker for their excellent work fixing plumbing issues in the education wing.

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LENT SERVICES

Lenten Service/Luncheon – March 1st @ St. Paul Lutheran Church 11:30am

Lenten Service/Luncheon – March 8th @ Holy Trinity in Zoar 11:30am

Lenten Service/Luncheon – March 15th @ Bolivar UMC 11:30am

Lenten Service/Luncheon – March 22nd @ St. John UCC 11:30am

Lenten Service/Luncheon – March 29th @ Zoar UCC 11:30am

Lenten Service/Luncheon – April 5th @ Bolivar Community Church 11:30am



FINANCIAL REPORT – January 2023

December Income

1/1/23 \$ 1,750.00
1/8/23 \$ 1,260.00
1/15/23 \$ 2,730.00
1/22/23 \$ 1,718.55
1/29/23 \$ 682.00

Total \$ 8,140.55

Income \$ 8,140.55
Expenses \$(7,744.14)

Total \$ 396.41

Year-to-Date

\$ 8,140.55
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If you would like further details, please feel free to contact the church office.

CHURCH INFORMATION

Help us keep our church roster updated. Contact the office with any address or phone changes. Thank you!

WORSHIP HOURS

Sunday School (Sept-May)

9:30am – Adults and Children

Worship 10:45am

LET'S COMMUNICATE

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