The Unifier



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I want to first of all say how blessed I feel to have been called to be your pastor. It truly has been a humbling and amazing thing to see how God has put us together! The story is long, but it is filled with His mercies and His blessings and His orchestration. I truly believe that God has put us together for such a time as this to accomplish all that He has sat before us.

Just a word about myself and my family for those whom I have not yet had the chance to meet. Diane and I married in 2005, and we have three children; Elika is 10, Jedidiah (who goes by Jed) is 8, and David Zane (we generally call him Zane) is 3 and a half. We moved to Grayslake in the summer of 2016 for me to enter into school again at nearly 40. I was accepted into a program at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School and am currently finishing up course work for a PhD in Educational Studies.

I want to say a word about goals that I have for Unite Protestant Church. I believe that as your pastor it is my role to help lead and empower the congregation to fulfill the goals and purposes of this congregation. The goals of UPC are well stated in our mission statement. We are striving to be:

Grounded in Christ Empowered by the Holy Spirit, and Transformed by God

As your pastor, I will work to instill, teach, and inspire us as a congregation to live into these goals of our mission. How will we do that? At UPC we have outlined 6 components to accomplish this mission:

- 1. Prayers. Together and as individuals we will pray. We will teach it, practice it, and we will pray not just for UPC, but for the larger Grayslake community as well.
- 2. Worship. Together we will worship God weekly on Sunday mornings. As individuals and as families we will worship God in our homes and in our neighborhoods daily.
- 3. Gifts. God has blessed us richly. We will in turn take a portion of that blessing and give it back to God so that in and through us we might partake in ministry.
- 4. Service. We will learn just how it is that God has given us spiritual gifts for the sake of building up the Church, and we will work to effectively utilize them for God's glory.
- 5. Study. It is necessary to grow in our relationship with God, and one of the primary ways we do that is to encounter God in the Scriptures.
- 6. Witness. We will seek to love our neighbors enough to tell them the good news of God's love and salvation in Jesus Christ. We will learn means to be bold in the power of the Holy Spirit to be witnesses of how we have experienced the love of God, and we will tell others.

Pastor Ryan



WHAT: Back to Church School OPEN HOUSE

WHEN: Sunday, September 9th, 9:15am to 10:15am

WHO: All areas/ages groups of our education programs will be

represented

WHERE: At the United Protestant Church, of course!

Adults: West Entrance

Youth (5th-12th grades): *Loft*

Children (3 years old-6th grade): Fellowship Hall

Infants-3s: Nursery

WHY: To have the opportunity to:

Register for the 2018-2019 classes and youth groups

Check out the curricula Meet the teaching staff Reconnect with friends

Eat!

HOW: Just show up! There is NO FEE for Christian education

at the UPC. Invite friends who are looking for a

meaningful way to learn about what it means to be Christian!

WHAT ELSE: Children and Youth can have their school backpacks blessed by our Pastor and receive a key chain to hang on the backpack as a reminder that Jesus is always with them!

Questions: Call Carol R-R at (847) 223-8131 or E-mail at carolrr@upcgl.org



Class Notes... August 2018

From the desk of Carol Roselli-Rasmussen, DCE

Summer is zooming by! Soon (September 9th) we will return to our regularly scheduled Church School programs!

Christian education classes during the 9:15am Education Hour remain on hiatus all summer until September 9 when we return with our Fall OPEN HOUSE at 9:15 a.m. During the Open House there will be opportunities to register your children and youth for the 2018-19 Sunday School year, meet staff, chat with members of the Adult Education Committee, and kids can have their backpacks blessed by our pastor.

The 10:30am *UPC Kids* **Sunday School** (Room 203) for 3 year olds-2nd graders will open on September 9 after the Children's Time during the 10:30am worship service.

All 9:15am classes commence on September 16. This includes ALL ages!

Vacation Bible School 2018, SHIPWRECKED, Saved by Jesus, will occur from July 30 through August 2. Children will visit various workshops where they will learn how Jesus rescues us from loneliness, worry, struggle and when we make mistakes. There will be singing, games, science experiments, storytelling, multicultural videos and snacks galore!!!! This year's VBS mission is raising money to buy drought-resistant seeds for people in Haiti.

Here is a preview of our first Education Hour attraction for our ADULTS this FALL:

The engaging 10-week study written by Frances Chan, *Crazy Love*, will be the sole offering to kick off the 2018-19 Adult Christian education programs. Through this study you will be challenged to your core by Pastor Chan as he calls us to face our lukewarm culture and answer it with a red hot passion for Christ! Carol R-R, our DCE, will facilitate this class.

Books for this class will be available for purchase at the September 9 Open House.

Again, this year, we are offering 3 Disciple classes for all Disciple 1 graduates.

Disciple 2: Into the Word, Into the World, a study of Genesis, Exodus, Luke and Acts along with emphases on Sabbath keeping and spiritual disciplines will be held on Monday afternoons facilitated by our DCE, Carol R-R.

Disciple 4: Under the Tree of Life, a study of OT books not in the Torah, the Gospel of John, 1, 2, 3 John, Jude and Revelation will be offered twice during the week, Sunday afternoons and Wednesday nights, and will be facilitated by Pastor Steve Bullmer.

We are looking forward to a FANTASTIC 2018-2019 Sunday School Year. We need YOU to make it perfect!

In God's Service, Carol Roselli-Rasmussen (CR-R)



UNITED PROTESTANT CHURCH WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP AUGUST, 2018



~ WCF CIRCLE MEETINGS~

Come Join Us!! We Welcome All Women!!

Watch the church bulletin, Tuesday Newsday emails, & the *UNIFIER* for other notices. Take a WCF Brochure from the wall rack left of the Mission Table.

Circle	Day/Date	Time	Place	Contact
2	No Meeting in August			Catherine Vick
4/5	No Meeting in August			Sue Schmidt
6	Thurs., Aug. 2	11:30 a.m.	Whitney Street Restaurant	Marie Frandsen Diana Thompson
9	Tues., Aug. 14	5:30 p.m.	Hillside Restaurant	Carol Roselli- Rasmussen
10	TBA	TBA	TBA	Jasmine Walker
Task Force	Choose projects/ministries to help; no meetings			Rose Pech

NOTICE: Schedules for most circles change during summer months. Get info from the person listed for the circle in which you are interested. ALL REGULAR CIRCLE SCHEDULES RESUME IN SEPTEMBER.

Mark Your Calendar! Join fellow members at the ELGIN DISTRICT ANNUAL CELEBRATION!

Elgin District United Methodist Women Leadership Team

Photo from Elgin District UMW Facebook Page

Date: Saturday, September 22, 2018

Time: TBA

Place: Memorial UMC, Zion

We've had to miss several past Elgin District Annual Celebrations because our local WCF September events conflicted.

This year several of us plan to go to the Celebration in Zion, and we hope you'll join us! Watch the UNIFIER, Tuesday Newsday, and weekly church bulletins for details.

Contact Rose Pech for more info: rose4nonna@hotmail.com or 847-356-3577.

August Joy Sharing



It's August & time for UPC PADS Joy Sharing!

Thanks to your support, we'll be starting our 28th season as one of fifteen church sites making up the emergency shelter program of PADS Lake County, Inc. this October. On the 3rd Sunday of August you'll have an opportunity to make a special contribution to Joy Sharing for UPC PADS. What you give makes a real difference in the lives of so many!!

Each site is self-supporting and must rely completely on donations received from its host church, other churches, community groups, and individuals.

Every person who works at the UPC PADS Site is a volunteer. 100% of the money that's donated to our site goes directly to serving the guests by providing them food, clothing, toiletries, and a safe clean shelter.

Joy Sharing funds for PADS are used exclusively for our local PADS shelter. We can continue to be a welcoming site as long as we have your support! In addition to contributing to the August Joy Sharing collection for PADS, we hope you'll consider being one of our volunteers for a few hours a month. Volunteers are still needed for 2nd shift (11 p.m. to 3 a.m.); 3rd shift (3 to 7 a.m.); & General Site Cleanup (4:45 to 7 a.m.).

Substitutes are needed for all except our evening kitchen shifts. You can help by sharing this message with others.

Contact Rose Pech, 847-356-3577 or pads_at_upc@hotmail.com.

THANK YOU!! Words can't begin to express our gratitude and appreciation for the countless prayers lifted on my brother David's behalf during the many years that his name has been on the bulletin and *Unifier* lists for "Long term prayers! These, followed by the many expressions of love and support and the prayers offered for me and my family following David's death, have been so very comforting to us! May God bless all of you as richly as you continue to bless me with your friendship, your prayers, and your love!! I thank God daily for being a member of such a caring church family!! Love, Rose Pech

UPC PADS UPDATE

ONSITE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

Monthly onsite volunteers we need:

7 times a year or less!!



- 3rd shift (3 to 7 a.m.)
- General Site Cleanup (4:45 to 7 a.m.)

Volunteer to substitute when a regular Volunteer can't work, but you can!

Substitute volunteers are needed for all but the evening kitchen shifts!

- All shifts listed above AND
- 1st shift (5:30 to 11 p.m.)
- Morning Kitchen Cleanup (6 to 7 or 7:30 a.m.)

Join us for training at our "Back to PADS" Soup & Salad

Thursday, Sept. 27 in UPC Fellowship Hall at 6:30 p.m., or a separate training session can be arranged if this date/time isn't convenient. To RSVP or for more info, contact Rose Pech at 847-356-3577 or pads at upc@hotmail.com



Welcome people who are experiencing homelessness as they work to find a happy home!

(Artwork by Evan)

PADS SLEEPOUT FOR SHELTER returns August 24!

Spend one night sleeping outside so that others don't have to! You can make a difference in the lives of so many; enjoy yourself & win prizes at the same time. Six Flags will host PADS Lake County's SleepOut 2018

Get friends to join you! Sign up now!

Sleep out at Six Flags on August 24!

Each participant must raise \$100 in donations & receives a one -day pass to Six Flags to use during the 2018 park season.

Go to the website page for details!! http://www.padslakecounty.org/sleepout

On behalf of those experiencing homelessness, Rose Pech



Can you hear Me now?



A silent, spiritual retreat has been scheduled for 18 members and friends of the UPC at the beautiful Cardinal Stritch Retreat House in Mundelein, IL for *Friday, January 18, 4pm, to Saturday, January 19, 2pm*. The cost for the retreat is \$98 which covers 3 delicious meals, a private bedroom with bathroom, all materials, retreat leader and the use of the lovely building and grounds which include a small library, sanctuary, chapel, 2 lounges, walking trails and spectacular wildlife. Space fills up fast. Contact Carol R-R, retreat leader, at carolrr@upcgl.org with questions and/or to register.

Birthday and Anniversaries in August

Birthdays:

Becker, Judi	08/31	Mall, Varsha	08/23	
Broadhurst, Alice	08/21	Mussay, Cameron	08/01	
Caviness, Karen	08/14	Mussay, Madeline	08/01	
Celeslie, Danielle	08/06	Powers, Jackie	08/02	
DelGrosso, Sean	08/06	Runyon, David	08/02	
Depke, Justus	08/19	Runyon, Karen	08/12	
Eckhoff, Shirley	08/11	Thompson, Diana	08/17	
Eisenhour, Jonathan	08/09	Vaughan, Abby	08/11	
Eldridge,John	08/08			
Eucolono, Loree	08/12			
Garbutt, Brian	08/02	Anniversaries:		
Gotlund, Ralph	08/06	Tracy and Chris Cele	eslie	08/26
Hatlestad, John	08/29	Paul and Lisa Brugg	jen	08/11
Higdon, Steven	08/17	Chuck and Diane Tro	owitch	08/25
Jagla, Gretchen	08/24	John and Sue Carrol	I	08/04
Johnson, Charlene	08/22			
Katien, Janet	08/13			
Korell, Jean	08/07			
Mall, Simon	08/21			

Continued prayers for UPC members and friends/relatives of members: Judy Baird suffering from cancer (wife of Bruce Baird), James Barker (cancer, son-in-law of Viv Gwaltney), Jerry Beck (son of Ruth and Al Beck), Candi Becker, Jodi Briedis-Pech, Harry Carnes, Christian and Seth, Darlene (sister of Marcia Ruth), Desiree Craig (friend of Karen Caviness), Mary Friis, Steve Gates (friend of Cyndi Ryckman), Judy Hendrickson (mother of Laura Hendrickson), Karen Hord (inoperable cancer, mother of a friend of Sarah Grubbs), Jae, Charles Madsen (brother of Karen Caviness), Skip Madsen (nephew of Karen Caviness), Mary Mason (sister of Loretta Dodson), Gloria Meier (sister-in-law of Ann Thompson), Pat Mielke, Marjorie Miller, Janet Morris (mother of Cyndi Ryckman), Stephen Peregrin (leukemia, son of Greg Peregrin), Ken Pidgeon (knee replacement, brother of Bobbie Weichman), John Reinhart (final stage of heart failure, friend of Darlene George Craig), Rhonda (stage 4 cancer throughout her body), Judy Ruhnke, Orrell Ruth, Kim Schwaderer, Jim Smith (stroke), Larry Smith (battling depression, friend of Laurie Bethmann), and Stephen (26 year old friend of Lil Eldridge who is battling cancer).

Long term prayers: James Barker (son-in-law of Vivian Gwaltney), Marno Benande, Mary Brase (sister of Rose Pech), Karen Caviness, Barry Craig, Pat Curnow, Joshua Duran (cousin of Jasmine Walker), Carla Flok, Elaine Francis, Brad Fuller (stroke, brother of Jamie Fuller), Gerard Gray (cousin of Rose Pech), Susan Green, Vivian Gwaltney, Carl Heiler, Tucker Hupp (grandson of the Lockhart's), Rick Juern (cousin of Judy Ziegler), Jean Korell, Dorothy Kuckla, Vivian Kuzelka, Edna Munsinger, Tom Nellessen (brother of Margie Scheibler), Pat Nowak (waiting for a kidney, sister-in-law of Joann Baraksa), Don Piester (brother-in-law of Darwin Schwaderer), Chester Pinkowski (relative of Maureen Daly), Susan Reed (sister of Rick Burg), Sandra Richard, Judy Ruhnke, Marcia Ruth, Elsie Shaheen (cancer, cousin of Judy Ziegler), Robert Stewart, Bobbie Weichman, and Betty Vares.

Please keep in your prayers the following individuals who are currently serving their country: Andrew Vick (son of Cathy and Don Vick), Derek Robb, Abraham Lam Yuen, Bob Sisco (brother of Lexie Craig), Dennis Jackson (friend of Lexie Craig), Philip Norton (grandson of Joyce and Terry Norton), and Duneley Rochino.

Greeters

July – August 2018

Date	8:15	10:30
August 5	Kim Schwaderer	Rick Burg and Doris Craig
	Darwin Schwaderer	
August 12	Orrell Ruth	Craig and Barb Fischel
August 19	Wende Fry	Sue Schmidt, Dian Weinkauf
August 26	Mary Ann McDowell	Joyce and Terry Norton
September 2	Dot and William Betke	VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
September 9	Bill Churchill	Dian Weinkauf, Rick Burg
September 16	Linda Rambo	Alice Broadhurst, Laurel Bruggen
September 23	Darwin Schwaderer	Craig and Barb Fischel
September 30	Orrell Ruth	Rose Pech and Volunteer needed



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