



NEWS of the 29 Churches of the York Association

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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)

From the President

The fall season is in full spring (did you like that?) The air is crisp and energizing. There will soon be Halloween parties, parades, hayrides, kids dressed up for trick or treat. I know Hayshire UCC as well other locations will be offering Trunk or Treat for safe locations your children can go to show off their costumes, see the decorated trunks, have hot dogs, and get their candy of course. I remember the good old days when I was a kid. You could go out door to door, no worries, without your parents and come home safe and sound. Since we can't go back in time, please choose safe locations to go for yourselves as well as your children and grandchildren. Along with fall comes the York Association annual meeting.

York Association Annual Meeting Sunday, November 13 – 12:30 pm

New Hope Fissel's in Glen Rock has graciously agreed to host the meeting. This year's theme is "**Something Old, Something New**". Lunch will be served between 12:30 and 1:30, registration follows. The gathering starts at 2:00 with the business meeting following at 2:30.

Submitted by: Barbara Crum, YA Council President

**Reminder: You are invited!
Ecclesiastical Council
of Kent Rhodehamel
Sunday, October 23 @ 3:00 pm
@ Locust Grove UCC, York**

Community Outreach Update

The York Association has now established over 30 Trust Groups in Africa, Colombia and Central America, through Opportunity International. Currently we are just **\$232** short of establishing two more Trust Groups before the end of 2016. Thank you to Emmanuel-York, Mt. Zion-Spring Grove, St. Paul-Stoverstown, Emmanuel-Freysville, Mt. Zion-York, and Grace for their recent contributions. Thus far, 20 of the 29 churches have participated in this project.

Submitted by: Cathy Sherry, YA Outreach Committee

York Association Facebook Page

Joe Kirkenir, the new Communications and Social Media Manager, for the York Association of the United Church of Christ has been hard at work. He is currently working on establishing a new organization page for the association and would appreciate it if you all "**liked it**".

If your church has any news, events or photos to share, please message Joe via Facebook or email Joe at kirkenir@gmail.com.

Here is a link for the page:

<https://www.facebook.com/yorkucc/>

December newsletter deadline is November 11
This newsletter (November) will be emailed on October 15
by the Association President, Barbara Crum.
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Around the Association

St. Paul UCC,

161 S. Main St., Shrewsbury, PA

- St. Paul UCC, will hold its 39th annual **Holiday Bazaar** from 9am to 3pm on Friday, Nov. 4 and Saturday, Nov. 5. The event will feature handmade crafts, painted gourd birdhouses, wreaths, flower arrangements, and more, available for purchase. Vendors will offer unique gifts and crafts for holiday shopping. A silent auction will be held. A variety of food items will be available, including lunch, and an assortment of goodies along with delicious apple dumplings will be available from the Bake and Candy Shoppe.
- In addition, several churches in southern York County and northern Baltimore County will participate in **Christmas Bazaar Trail** on Nov. 5. Maps will be available. Visitors are asked to support the local food pantry by bringing a nonperishable food item to donate. For more details, readers may call St. Paul UCC at 235-7003.

Starview UCC,

4832 North Sherman St Ext, Mount Wolf, PA 17347

- Starview United Church of Christ is inviting you to enjoy an evening of fellowship and fun at their **Gift Card BINGO** held on Sunday, November 20th at the Eagle Fire Co. located at 54 Center Street Ext., Mt. Wolf, PA. Doors open at 1:00pm with food and drink available for purchase and the BINGO begins at 3:00pm. Door prizes and drawings will take place during this time in addition to the handmade quilt that will be raffled. The holder of the winning ticket for the quilt does not need to be present to claim the quilt. Cost of the tickets for the quilt raffle are \$1.00 each or 6/\$5.00 and can be purchased at the event. Bingo tickets are \$15.00 per person at the door but can also be purchased in advance for a discounted cost of \$12.00 by contacting the church office at 266-4248. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Penn State/Hershey Medical Center Children's Oncology Unit.
- On Saturday, November 5th from 3:30pm – 6:30pm, the Starview United Church of Christ, will host its **Annual Fall Oyster and Roast Beef Dinner**. You may select a dinner featuring fried oysters or roast beef with filling, or a combination of both. Each dinner includes: mashed potatoes, vegetable, dessert, and choice of applesauce, fruit cocktail,

broccoli salad, or coleslaw. Prices of the oyster or roast beef with filling dinner are \$9.00 for small portion and \$12.00 for large. The combo dinner cost is \$10.00 for small and \$13.00 for large. Extra oysters are \$2.00 each. Carry-out dinners are available at an additional 50 cents per meal. Oyster stew is also available at a cost of \$5.00 per bowl. Pints (\$6.00) and quarts (\$9.00) of the oyster stew are available for carry-out only. For more information or to place a carry-out order, contact the church office at 266-4248.

Emmanuel UCC, York

Pecans for Holiday Baking and for Just Eating!

- Emmanuel UCC, York, is **selling pecans** to benefit their Kenya Education Fund for the education of girls from Mercy Homes Orphanage in Luanda, Kenya. The pecans, raised organically and sustainably, are from Koinonia Farms in Georgia, a faith based community that began Habitat for Humanity and many other peacemaking social justice organizations. The approximate cost for a 1 pound package of pecan halves is \$13 and they will be available at the end of October. Contact Emmanuel UCC, York if you would like to purchase pecans. Phone 717-801-1084 or email emmanuelucc@gmail.com to place an order.

Dina Sande, student from Mercy Homes, says it best, *"I take my humble time to thank Emmanuel Church for the support upon my education. I was to go nowhere but at least am placed somewhere in my future. Showers of blessings to you."* Our goal for 2016 is to send \$5,000 to pay for the high school fees for 25 young women at Mercy Home Orphanage for the school year beginning Jan 2017.

