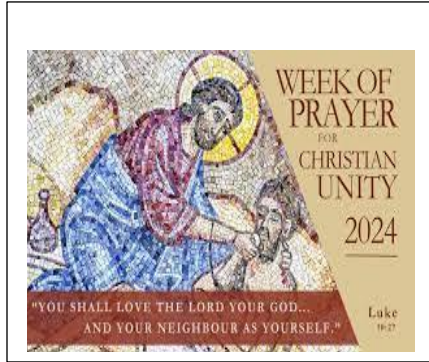


Weekly Updates for January 16th and 23rd - 2024



The Savior prayed for unity among His disciples: *That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us.* (John 17:21). The gospel creates a unity of faith with our Father, our Savior, and our fellow believers (see Ephesians 4:13). (Let us pray for peace and unity during the Ecumenical Week of Prayer for Christian Unity that begins on January 18th.)

January 2024-***In Our House**

***Friday, January 19 – 7:00 PM – UCF Intergenerational Game Night** (Bring friends, a snack and your favorite game!)

***Sunday, January 21 – 10:00 AM-Worship** with Rev. Keith Fagerheim

***Wednesday, January 24 – 2:00 PM – Zoom Women’s Bible Study** – Contact Gail for info. All women are welcome! (Study of Philemon and Forgiveness)



***Friday, January 27 – 7:00 PM – Steeple Coffee House** – Isreal Hagan (Fellowship Hall)

***Sunday, January 28-10:00 AM** – worship with Rev. Keith Fagerheim followed by the **UCF Annual Meeting**

REMINDERS - Please remember to have all *Weekly Updates* news items in by THURSDAYS to Gloria M. as well as prayer requests sent to Cindy R THANK YOU! 😊

Please check the Google calendars at www.theucf.org for Board and Committee meetings scheduled.

The next Updates will come out the week of January 28th!



Remember! In case of inclement weather, please check your email Sunday morning in case our worship service is canceled.



Isreal Hagan

***Steeple Coffee House**
(Please contact Mary Jane W. if you can bake and/or help.)

***Saturday, January 27 – 7:30pm–9:30pm – \$15**
Isreal Hagan is no stranger to the Steeple Coffee House. He has been the singer, bass player and leader of the Syracuse R&B band Stroke for many years.

In 2007 Hagan was inducted into the Syracuse Area Music Awards Hall of Fame. He brings his solo acoustic act to us on the 27th!



***Friday, January 19 – 7:00-9:00pm – Intergenerational Game Night**
Bring friends, games and a snack to share!

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*** UCF in the World...**



Sign up on the poster in the hall or call Betsy 315-655-4806. Thank you for your support of this service opportunity.

***You are invited to help serve dinner** at the Samaritan Center in Syracuse **SUNDAY, JAN 28th from 1:00-2:30 pm.** They can use the help of 10-12 people.

Leave UCF parking lot at noon to arrive as requested by 12:30pm. We should be back by 4:00pm, at the latest, after the cleanup.

***Recent Outreach "Thank You" received for gifts from UCF – With gratitude to our generous UCF Family & Friends!**
-In My Father's Kitchen (\$290)
-American Baptist Home Mission for Peace Offering - equal amount sent to PCUSA (\$240.33)
-F-M Food Pantry (\$1,085)
-Haiti Education Mission from Brass and Bells Concert (\$1580)
-Christmas Offering (\$1,055)
-Joy Offering (\$1,021)



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***Thanks to these folks who transport UCF F-M Food Pantry donations during the year: Rich B., Kevin S., Barb M., Marti V, Gloria M, Scott M., Julie H., Jim H., Jane A, Al A, Betsy N., Sarah C. and Dave D.*

Thank you so much for your generosity during the month of December! Pam tells us that 3,000 meals were provided each month during 2023! Over 150 families are registered representing a little over 350 residents. UCF’s White Christmas drive provided many items not allowed with SNAP and the needs continue each month. **Please remember the F-M Food Pantry with non-perishable items like regular size cans of tuna, beets, pork and beans, fruit, chicken, beef stew, broth and tomato paste. or bars of soap, feminine hygiene products and toilet paper. Keep our UCF **deliverers in business! (See above!)**

***Haiti Education Mission (HEM), one of UCF’s International Missions - from the UCF Outreach Committee...**

In addition to pre-school children and 100 elementary students, HEM supports over a dozen young people who go to Vocational School after 6th grade. The UCF Outreach Committee donated \$500 so one of these students had tuition to continue her education. Here is one thank you letter out of the thirteen the HEM Committee was sent and a photo of all 13 secondary students supported by HEM. Pebble Hill Presbyterian Church and a few individuals help with tuition for these 13 students. UCF donated this year also as HEM was short in funds for these children to learn a trade. Ken S. and Scott and Gloria M. also support one student. Remember that children in Haiti do not go on to school after 6th grade unless they receive tuition support from donors like UCF and others. These students attend a vocational school to learn a trade.

Dear Benefactor,

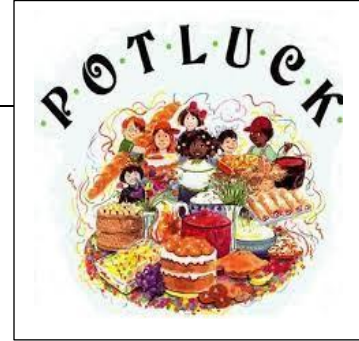
My name is Esther Petit-frère. I am in 8th year. It is a pleasure to be in class each day. I write to you to tell you thank you for your help. Classes are very interesting and school is great! I am proud to be here. I will always be grateful for your big hearts.

May the good Lord be with you,
Esther Petit-frère



13 Vocational students, HEM supports, who are learning a trade

***Important Announcements –**



***** Join us **FEBRUARY 11** *****
 for a **Pot Luck LUNCHEON**
 after our worship service
 to meet and greet our new **Transitional Pastor,**
Rev. Beth DuBois.

***** Sign - up poster will be on a hallway easel. *****

Thanks, *Marti*

***LINDA'S RETIREMENT CONTACT INFO -**

Hi Folks! I trust you all had a lovely holiday season. As we head into the New Year, I wanted to remind you of my new contact information, which we also included in the most recent directory. Please feel free to use these means to: tell me of prayer needs which I will place on my personal prayer list; opportunities for social engagements; and to ask "Where can we find?" types of questions. Email: ldeven@verizon.net; cell: 513.910.3427. (About my phone number: 1) I have discontinued landline service, so that number is no longer viable; 2) that is the correct area code – the reverse of the local one, not a typo, not that I ever make typos 😊

Blessings, Linda

***Thank you!**

It is with a very grateful heart that I thank you for the many prayers, calls, texts, emails, cards, gift basket and meals provided for us by our UCF family since my December 18th surgery. Your encouragement and assurance of care and that of my medical team, relatives and other friends near and far surely made me experience God's loving arms around me! I am also thankful for my faith and for my choir background with lyrics and music often in my head that help me pray. As a Florida friend and retired pastor wrote and prayed in an iMessage for Scott and me: "I'm grateful you are people of faith, with songs in your head and heart, O Come Emmanuel, sit with these people." Thank you, UCF family! May God be with us all while we are apart. Love, Gloria (and Scott)



Thanks also to:

- Steeple Coffee House Bakers for the 1/13/24: Sandy M., Betsy N., Janet P. and Mary Jane W.
- Pastor's Office Cleaners: Linda E. and Beth K.

In Sympathy

The sympathy of the United Church of Fayetteville family is extended to Adam Brett and his wife, Rev. Stephanie Wyatt, on the sudden passing of her mother, Janette Anderson Wyatt. Cards and notes of sympathy may be sent to Stephanie Wyatt and Adam Brett at: 236 Cherokee Rd, Apartment B, Nashville TN 37205.

The sympathy of the United Church family is extended to Liz Bender Shepard, Jared and Henry Shepard, on the passing of Liz's father, Charles Raymond Bender. Cards and notes of sympathy may be sent to Elizabeth, Jared and Henry Shepard at: 21 Diane Circle; Chittenango, NY 13037.



What is this envelope for Per Capita in my offering box??

“Per capita is a set amount of money per member that congregations pay to the larger Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Every member of a Presbyterian church shares in the benefits of the PC(USA)’s system of government, so every Presbyterian is asked to share the expenses associated with coordinating and performing the functions of that system.”

As we are a ‘united church’, half of the money collected is given to the local ABC (American Baptist Church) association to use in their mission and half goes to the PCUSA. As we enter this time of discernment regarding what our future holds, we will be relying on the resources of both denominations. Per Capita is \$32 per communicant member which can be included with your regular offering. If you include your Per Capita payment(s) in your offering check, please also write Per Capita in the memo. Thank you!