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Seeking “climate justice”-- a review of Pope Francis’ letter to all people, “Laudato Si”

In June, Pope Francis released his letter (encyclical), which explores all areas of the relationship between Christian faith and the sufferings of our home, Earth.

What does this encyclical say? How does this document relate to similar reports from Protestants? How could this letter help us dialogue with all people in our communities, concerning care for creation?

Join in the discussion, led by Gladys Gifford, November 1, 8, 15, 10:00 am.



Breakfast with Friends



Would you enjoy a good breakfast and good conversation on a Saturday morning? The “Breakfast Club” will meet on Saturday, October 3rd at 10:00 am. We meet at the Family Tree Restaurant which is located on Bailey Ave. between Longmeadow and Eggert Road. Each person orders from the menu and pays individually. As a member of our congregation once said, “We are all friends, we just have not all met yet.” Come for conversation in a relaxing atmosphere. All are welcome. Please contact Kathy Hallborg at (716) 491-1115 if you are coming so that we can arrange seating.

Community Soup micro-grant program.

We are seeking your ideas about businesses you know that might donate food for the event. In addition, we welcome your suggestions about any organizations, schools, or groups working with young people (ages 15—25) where we might solicit grant applications. Please call the church office—836-7660 with your suggestions.

Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

WORSHIP COLUMN ~ September

October 4 **27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
9:00 am **Worship Service with Communion**
10:00 am **Education hour for adults & youth**
11:00 am **Worship service with Communion**
Lectionary: Job 1:1; 2:1-10; Ps. 26;
Heb 1:1-4; 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16

October 11 **28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
9:00 am **Worship Service**
9:30 am **Deacon's Meeting**
10:00 am **Education hour for adults & youth**
11:00 am **Worship service**
Lectionary : Job 23:1-9; 16-17; Ps 22:1-15
Heb 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31

October 18 **29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
9:00 am **Worship Service**
10:00 am **Education hour for adults & youth**
11:00 am **Worship service**
Lectionary: Job 38:1-7 (34-41); Ps 104:1-9, 24,35c
Heb 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45

October 25 **30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
9:00 am **Worship Service**
10:00 am **Education hour for adults &**
11:00 am **Worship service**
Lectionary: Job 42:1-6, 10-17; Ps 34:1-8 (19-22)
Heb 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Our Youth

5 Zachary Wadkins-Daub
26 C.J. Harbison
28 Alex Casseri



Worship

Members

2 Bill Yockey
4 Chris Siegel
4 Pat Cookfair Casseri
5 Ruth Wixson
7 Marge Arnold
7 Janet Beamer
7 Stewart Grisante
13 Michael Belus
13 Alexander Robertson
13 Eileen Urquhart
15 Norma Wagner
17 Henry Moorhouse
21 Terry Collins
22 Emily Grisante
26 Jesse Mook
26 Heather Casseri
29 John F. Ward
31 Sherry Byer

Bible Study

Classes are led by Rev. Stuart Buisch. A light dinner is offered. The group meets in the Holzwarth Room—third floor –middle level. Elevator is available.

Here are the dates for the next few months: Oct. 14 & 28, Nov. 4 & 18, Dec. 2 & 9. All the dates are Wednesday evenings beginning at 5:00 pm.

Bible Study



Just Coffee / Cafe Justo -

Please sign up on hallway bulletin board or contact Howard Henry to buy Just Coffee for yourself or as presents. Orders needed by October 4.



International Pot Luck Lunch



Mark your calendars for a special potluck lunch on Sunday, October 4th following our 11 am worship service. Please bring a dish to share. Our previous international potluck lunches have included dishes from Europe, Asia, Africa, South America and a few from right here in the USA.

Perhaps you have a favorite family recipe that you would like to prepare. Perhaps you would like to make something brand new. Check out the internet to find an array of recipes if you are interested.

Come and try something new.



UPC Activities and Ministries

Fall 2015

Friday, October 2, 5:30-6 p.m. ~ Taizé Service

Sunday, October 4

Celebration of World Communion

Special International Pot-luck for the congregation at 12 noon.

Bring a dish to share!

Sunday, November 1 ~ Remembrance of All Saints Day

Friday, November 6, 5:30-6 p.m. ~ Taizé Service

Sunday, November 8, 5-7 p.m.

Community Soup Dinner ~ For \$5 you get a tasty meal and an opportunity to vote on proposals by area young people for initiatives to benefit the community.

Sunday, November 15, 12 p.m.

Deacon Soup and Pie Sale—Good food and the proceeds go toward the Deacon fund which offers assistance to people in a time of need.

Sunday, November 29, First Sunday in Advent

Friday, December 4, 5:30 -6 p.m. ~ Taizé Service

Saturday, December 12, UPC Cookie Sale, 9 a.m. — until cookies are sold out.

Sunday, December 20, 12 p.m. ~ Church Christmas Dinner

Thursday, December 24, 7 p.m. ~ Christmas Eve service

On going: Christian Education Classes for youth & adults – Sunday mornings at 10 a.m.

Presbyterian Women's Lunch Gathering – 2nd Monday of each month at 12 noon



University Presbyterian Food Panty Needs Your Assistance

Hello to all our members, families and neighbors,

Are you looking for ways to stay active and help out? Are you a student who needs volunteer hours? Would you like to meet new people and help our community?

Volunteer at the University Presbyterian Church Food Pantry

Contact a friend or two and get together to do something worthwhile. Stop and visit our Food Pantry. See how it works, shadow a current volunteer. And then join us in helping.

It's only 4 ½ hours once a month, unless you want to help more (yes!!!) and it's certainly easy work. PLUS, you will feel good about the time you spend with us, helping our neighbors. Pick the day (Tuesday or Thursday) that would be good for you & your friends and work together.

We are in need of 4-6 new individuals (more would be great) to help us with distributing food to our clients. You might guide a client through our "store" to help them choose their groceries. You might help to stock shelves. Call the Church Office 836-7660 for additional information.

It's worth trying!!!

Our Statistics for August 2015

Infants	1
Children	56
Adults	153
Elderly	37
Total	247

Households: 143

Equivalent meals: 2,223



BUNDLE UP BUFFALO



It's time to Bundle Up Buffalo! The Ministry to Community Committee is supporting Jericho Road Community Health Center in their drive to collect winter outerwear for the men, women and children they serve. The following new or gently used items are needed:

- Coats**
- Children's Outerwear**
- Boots**
- Scarves**
- Gloves and Mittens**
- Hats**
- Blankets**



Our drive will run from September 27 to October 18. There will be a collection box in the Holzwarth Room. Monetary donations are also accepted. Please make your check payable to University Presbyterian Church with "Bundle Up Buffalo" in the memo line. Thank you!



THE NETWORK CALENDAR

October 2015

Thursday, 10/1	12 – 4 pm	Food Pantry
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Friday, 10/2	5:00 pm	Taizé Service
Saturday, 10/3	10:00 am	Breakfast with Friends @ Family Tree Restaurant
<u>Sunday, 10/4</u>		<u>Celebration of World Communion</u>
	9 am	Worship Service & Communion
	10 am	Education Hour for Adults and Youth
	11 am	Worship Service & Communion
	12 pm	Special International Pot-luck for the congregation. <i>Bring a dish to share.</i>
Tuesday, 10/6	12—4 pm	Food Pantry
Thursday, 10/8	12—4 pm	Food Pantry
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
<u>Sunday, 10/11</u>		<u>28th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>
	9:00 am	Worship Service
	9:30 am	Deacon's Meeting
	10:00 am	Education Hour for Adults and Youth
	11:00 am	Worship Service
	12:00 pm	Coffee Hour
Monday, 10/12	12:00 pm	Presbyterian Women meeting—welcome ladies
Tuesday, 10/13	12—4 pm	Food Pantry
Wednesday 10/14	10:30 am	Worship Committee Meeting
	5:30 pm	Bible Study with Rev. Stuart Buisch—light meal & all welcome
Thursday, 10/15	12—4 pm	Food Pantry
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
<u>Sunday, 10/18</u>		<u>29th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>
	9:00 am	Worship Service
	10:00 am	Education Hour for Adults and Youth
	11:00 am	Worship Service
	12:00pm	Coffee Hour
Tuesday, 10/20	12—4 pm	Food Pantry
Wednesday, 10/21	5 pm	Bible Study w/Rev. Stu Buisch—please join us today.
	7 pm	Session Meeting
Thursday, 10/22	12—4 pm	Food Pantry
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
<u>Sunday, 10/25</u>		<u>30th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>
	9:00 am	Worship Service
	10:00 am	Bible Study for adults and teens
	11:00 am	Worship Service
Tuesday, 10/27	12—4 pm	Food Pantry
Thursday, 10/29	12—4 pm	Food Pantry



Too many of us lead hectic lives.

Our communities are filled with violence and suffering.

Our personal pain and struggles can overwhelm us.

How do we respond? How can we cope?

University Presbyterian Church welcomes Christians from all traditions to unite in a special contemplative worship experience as we seek spiritual strength for the living of our days. Based on the style of worship practiced in the Taizé Christian community in France, these services offered on the First Friday of each month provide an oasis at the end of the week for all who are weary, troubled, or rushed. Special music from guest musicians, meditative songs, prayers, candles, and scripture readings allow each of us to find a quiet place of prayer and spiritual centering.

We invite you to join us on **Friday, November 6, 2015 from 5:30 to 6:00 PM.** University Presbyterian Church is located at 3330 Main St., Buffalo (across the street from UB South Campus) with parking available in the church lot off Niagara Falls Boulevard. The church is also conveniently accessible using public transportation by taking bus or train to the University Metro station. Questions can be directed to the church office at 836-7660.

A Taizé Service of Prayer, Music, and Meditation

www.upcbuffalo.org