

# The Disciple

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- Proverbs 4:25-26

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# Unionville Church

## 2025 VBS



June 8th-12th, 2025

6-8:30 PM

# PRAYER CHAIN

Begins In The Church Office

(724)843-0862

*Prayer concerns for our Church Family & Friends...*

**General Health**

Rory  
Gary Finch  
Jordyn Moehrle

**Surgery & Procedures**

Gary Boyd  
Diane Hemphill  
Thelma Miller  
Kathie Mohrbacher

**Treatments**

Kristen Russ

**Praise**

Cole Beck  
Answered Prayers  
Church Family  
Graduates  
Loving & Active God  
Praise in Waiting

**Mourning Loss**

Evelyn LeFebvre Family  
Virginia Mohrbacher Family  
Jackie Neal Family

**Missionaries**

Karl & Deb Crossman  
Hosanna Industries  
Franz Payoute  
Darlene Rimer  
Skybacher Ministries

**Home Touch**

Joe Biddle  
Bim Brightwell  
Carol Bubb  
Don & Nancy Deutsch  
Linda Eiler  
Pat Elick  
George & Carol Flickinger  
Paul Grimes  
Sylvia Hendrickson  
Elmira Hollingshead  
Lee Jenkins  
Thelma Koch  
Thelma Miller  
Dawn Mohrbacher  
George Peffer  
Janet Pfaff  
Tim Ramsey  
Amie Ritter  
Rhonda Sharp  
Walter & Carole Young

**Other Prayer Needs**

Armed Forces  
Church Family  
Church Leadership  
Community  
Financial Concerns  
First Responders  
Government Leaders  
Marriages & Parenting  
Mental Illnesses  
Our Young People  
Pastor Alan & Lois  
Pastor Barry & Nikki  
Prayer Ministry  
Schools  
Uncertain Times  
Unspoken Needs  
Unionville Church  
VBS  
World Unrest

**Extended Care**

Troy & Nora Baker  
Cody Boors  
Judy Cantner  
Jessica Castelli  
Wayne Davis  
Holden Eckman  
Carolyn Ewing  
Margaret Ewing  
Michelle Furguele  
Mike Gray  
Rick Johnston  
Heidi Lois  
Mary Ann Mencher  
Finley Metzler  
George Peffer  
Petie Petrik  
Janet Pfaff  
Tim Shane  
Alice Short  
Amy & Dave Smail



*Names will appear on the prayer list for four consecutive weeks with the exception of the Home Touch and Extended Care lists. The Extended Care list is for those with Chronic Illnesses who may need prayer long term. From time to time, if we have not received an update on a person or if a person has been doing well, they may be removed until we are asked to put them back on with an update to their condition.*

## Prayer Chain

If you or anyone you know would like to be added to the prayer list or to either the telephone or email prayer chain, please contact Linda or the church office.

(724)843-0862

(724)544-6758

# Happy Birthday To You...



- 06/01 Ruby Gigliotti
- 06/03 Linda Miller
- 06/05 Sue Ann Evans
- 06/06 Toni Grimes
- 06/09 Lois Morrison
- 06/10 Taylor Moehrle
- 06/10 Duke Donawitz
- 06/12 Tom Smith
- 06/12 Kevin Lawrence
- 06/13 Jace Kester
- 06/13 Walt Everly
- 06/14 FLAG DAY
- 06/14 Gary Boyd
- 06/14 Donna Miller
- 06/15 FATHER'S DAY

- 06/19 Haven Keil
- 06/21 Declan Salter
- 06/21 Jack Boyde
- 06/23 Janna Kline
- 06/24 Doug Hefner
- 06/25 Jeff McKinney
- 06/26 Joni Richards
- 06/26 Raylan Mack
- 06/29 Phillip Boyd



*We enjoy being able to share your special dates.  
Please, if we overlook you or someone you know, let us know so  
that we can add the special date to our records.  
Please hold these special people in prayer this month.*

## Happy Anniversary

- 06/02 Mike & Jaime Loschinsky
- 06/05 Dan & Dawn Evans
- 06/05 Jack & Pat Boyde
- 06/05 Michael & Colleen White
- 06/09 Chris & Amanda Chaousy
- 06/15 David & Raelene Mack
- 06/20 Roy & Dawn Alexander



- 06/20 Zac & Becca Huwar
- 06/20 John & Lori Calve
- 06/22 Chad & Wendy Kline
- 06/23 Walter & Carole Young
- 06/25 Justin & Olivia Jones
- 06/26 Andrew & Kristi Ebel
- 06/29 Matt & Kelli Currey

## JUNE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 1	Sunday Worship
June 2	UWF Picnic
June 3	Sewing Ladies, VBS Worknight, Trustees Meeting
June 7	VBS Workday, Ladies Brunch @ Prince of Peace
June 8	Sunday Worship, VBS—True North
June 9	VBS—True North
June 10	VBS—True North
June 11	VBS—True North, UMC Annual Conference
June 12	VBS—True North
June 13	Youth Group Bowling
June 15	Sunday Worship, Donuts with Dad
June 17	Sewing Ladies, Food Pantry, Ad Council Meeting
June 22	Sunday Worship, Pastor Alan's Retirement Party
June 24	Sewing Ladies
June 29	Sunday Worship


**Mark  
Your  
Calendars**

### Looking Ahead

July 6	Pastor Barry Henck's First Worship Service
July 8	Youth Group—Wave Pool
July 16	Red Cross Blood Drive

Please hold all our events in your prayers.  
 Scheduled activities might be stronger and more  
 fruitful if our congregation  
 intentionally and continually prays about them.

## Pastor's Corner

Pastor Alan



### Saying Goodbye

1 Corinthians 3:6-9 says: *"I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and they will each be rewarded according to their own labor. For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building."*

If you were at the Church Conference last November, you heard me share this story, but it is a story worth sharing again as we say goodbye and you receive your new pastor. Years ago, Lois and I were back in Wisconsin visiting the church from which she entered into the ministry. That Sunday was a picnic in the park that was also celebrating the last Sunday of their current pastor. We sat at the picnic table during lunch with long-time friends of Lois, Joan and Bill. Joan proceeded to name every pastor of the congregation in her life-time. As she lovingly named each pastor, she spoke of what their ministry brought to the congregation. For one, it was growth in Sunday School, for another it was the focus on worship, for another it was their work with youth, for another their work on outreach in the community, the list went on and on, each different for each pastor. As she finished talking about the ministry of the pastor who was concluding that day, she went on to say, **"I can't wait to see what gift God brings us in our next pastor."**

Lois and I drove 12+ hours back to Pittsburgh on a high. We knew that Joan would never be disappointed by a pastor, because she was focused on seeking the gift that God was sending in the next pastor. In Paul's letter to the Corinthians, he is reminding us that God sends many people into our lives for a season and for a purpose, but the change, the growth, the transformation, are from God.

I look forward to seeing what gift Pastor Barry will bring to this congregation as I leave and as Barry comes. Saying goodbye is not done lightly. You have been a wonderful congregation that I have enjoyed serving during these last 3 years. During my time here, we turned the page and closed the Old Church chapter with its demolition. We turned the page as we closed the Freedom Merger chapter and started a new chapter in another ministry with the sale and subsequent launch of *The Freedom Place*, a ministry of Skybacher Ministries. We updated some technology in our ministry and incorporated some new fiscal practices. We moved into a new season of prayer through home-hosted prayer meetings, a study on prayer, and monthly prayer services. Thank you for our time together.

**As of July 1<sup>st</sup>, I will no longer be your pastor. That means I will not be available for weddings, funerals, baptisms, confirmations, speaking engagements, visitation, or any other pastoral function for this congregation and community.** Please don't ask! God has selected Pastor Barry to be your pastor for this next season, seek Pastor Barry out, seek to be in relationship with Pastor Barry.

As to our relationship, I hope that it will continue, but it will be different. I would be pleased to exchange Christmas greetings with you. An occasional email or text to share a personal update is all right. If we are Facebook friends, I look forward to seeing your pictures and posts from time to time. I look forward to hearing how God is at work in Unionville Church, but our conversations will not be about second-guessing your pastor... that's not my place, nor my role.

This is a significant change in our relationship. These steps are important to preserving our friendship in an appropriate and meaningful way. They are also important as an avenue to supporting the ministry of my colleague, Pastor Barry. And they are steps that seek to honor the work that God continues to do in our midst.

As these last days unfold, know that I deeply appreciate you and the opportunity I've had to be in ministry with you. I look forward to seeing how God grows you and this congregation in the years ahead.

Blessings! *Alan*

**SPPRC***Paula Boyd*

## **PASTOR ALAN'S RETIREMENT PARTY**

Sunday, June 22nd immediately following worship  
In the Family Life Center

Food will be catered by J&J's (please rsvp by Sunday, June 15th)

Please come out & support Pastor Alan and Lois for all the time and effort they gave for Unionville Church. You can give any of the SPPRC members your reservations! We have been behind the scenes hoping to make this a nice send off for them!!

**UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH**

**New Sewickley Ladies' Brunch  
@ Prince of Peace Church  
Saturday, June 7, 2025 @ 10:00 AM  
See Sue Ann Evans to RSVP**

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Linda Miller

**And...that's a wrap!** I love lists! Lists help to compile your thoughts, order your day and mark off your accomplishments! In the not so distant past, I made a list at the start of each day, more so that I didn't forget anything, but the best feeling was always crossing off that last item on the list!

This has been a very different year for me and it was only last night as I pondered on what to write in this newsletter that I realized it has been a very long time since I made a list. I have literally been "flying by the seat of my pants". How did something I did every single day, slip so easily away?

When life gets busy, too easily important things fall away, sometimes so gradually that we barely notice until we find ourselves far from the path where we ought to be. I pray that as we enter into the summer season that we will all take time to continually put God first on our daily "to do" lists.

Make it a priority to open your bible everyday, give God praise for all that He is and has done in your life. Get yourself a book of daily devotions or listen to a Christian podcast...be present with the Lord at some point in your day. *"Draw near to God and He will draw near to you."* James 4:8

Our regular Christian Ed Programming has wrapped up for the school year but watch for special events to be held this summer and please hold our "yet to unfold" Fall Programming in your prayers.

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Proverbs 4:25-26***

## Ice Cream "Sundae" Party



**YOUTH GROUP***Wendy Kline & Tiffani Keil*

Summer Greetings,

We will be kicking off our summer gatherings on **June 13th at Sims Bowling from 6-8pm**, 7245 Big Beaver Blvd, Beaver Falls. Individual families are responsible for transporting their child there and home. No outside food is permitted, there is a snack bar and vending machines available if you would like to send your child(ren) with snack money. Adults are welcome to stay and may bowl at a cost of \$4 per game.

**July 8th the youth group will make waves in fellowship at Settlers Cabin Park Wave Pool**, 635 Ridge Rd., Pittsburgh. Carpooling will be available, we will meet in the church parking lot at 11am but we may require an additional adult to drive depending on the attendance. Admissions will be covered, doors open at 11:30 am. We will swim till 4:30pm and be on the road by 5pm. Pick up will be 5:30pm in the church parking lot. No outside food/beverages are permitted, there is a snack shack that has food and drinks available at the cost of the individual child.

August is still a work in progress, I am waiting to hear back from the Dragon's Den Rope Course with information and available. Keep an eye out in the July Newsletter for details.

Work nights for the new Youth Room downstairs to prepare it for our future meetings will be the following: June 29th, July 27th and August 24th from 4-8 pm.

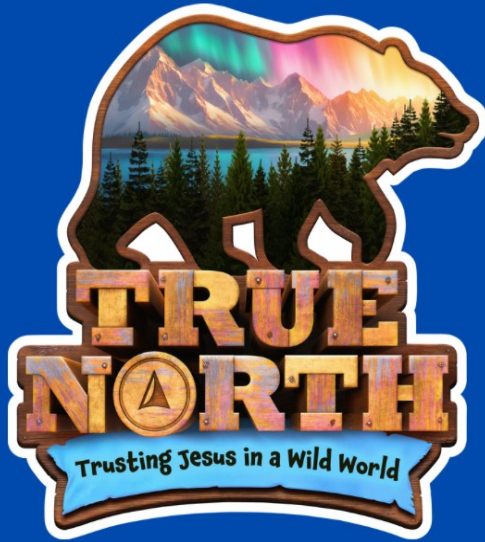
All Congregational members are encouraged to join us as this room will be a shared space for all to utilize.

Blessings from  
Wendy & Tiffani

**JOIN US on Father's Day, Sunday, June 15th**

**Immediately following worship for:**





# 2025 VBS Work Night Schedule

Scan this QR code to see the donation list of items needed!



APRIL 2025						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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MAY 2025						
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

JUNE 2025						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Weeknights will be from 6pm-8:30 pm

Saturday May 31st  
11 am-3 pm

Saturday June 7th  
8 am until set up is finished!

## PRAYER MINISTRY

*Linda Miller*

Hey Everyone! I am fully convinced that the success of VBS has been and will continue to be, directly proportionate to the prayers lifted up for it! God is faithful and he has richly blessed VBS at Unionville over the years.

Please take this page and put it in your bible or journal, or hang it somewhere where you will see it daily and remember to lift up this very important ministry! Also check out the list of the first names of our participants and volunteers on the next page to be included as part of your VBS prayer time.

**Thank you for your commitment to prayer and to VBS!**

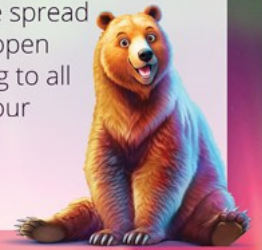
### PRAY FOR OUR VBS

Dear God, thank you for going before us as we prepare for VBS. Help us meet any need of supplies, decorations, and volunteers we may have. Provide the opportunity for families far and wide to attend VBS. Thank you for the opportunity to pour into the lives of these kids in deep and meaningful ways. We pray that above all else you are glorified in our VBS.



### PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH

God, let our church be a great influence in our community through our VBS. We want your perfect love to be at the foundation of our city, and we pray that we spread your love. Let our doors be open and our hearts be welcoming to all kids and their families. Let your goodness shine through us.



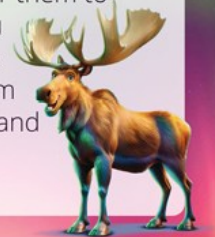
### PRAY FOR VOLUNTEERS

Lord, please bring volunteers to serve at VBS. Fill their hearts with your love and patience to be poured out upon the kids. Give them strength, health, and an overwhelming joy to serve! We pray that our volunteers are given the opportunity to help children experience you and that they would grow closer to you!



### PRAY FOR OUR STAFF

Lord, be with our staff as they plan, prepare, and put on our VBS this year. Keep them healthy in body and mind before, during, and after VBS. Allow opportunities for them to share the good news of who you are with kids. Give them creative ideas to reach children, give them peace when times get stressful, and fill their hearts with joy as they faithfully complete your work.



### PRAY FOR OUR KIDS

Jesus, we pray that through VBS, kids in our community will grow in their relationship with you. We ask that you begin to break down any walls that might be preventing their young hearts from receiving your love. We ask that the truth of who you are sinks deep into their hearts. Let them leave knowing who you are and the overwhelming, joyful love you have for each and every one of them. May the impact of VBS last a lifetime.



### PRAY FOR FAMILIES

Heavenly Father, let the changes in kids' hearts this week be an inspiration to their families. Let parents and caretakers pursue a deeper relationship with you. Let family connections grow stronger, deeper, and focused on you. Give kids strength to stand firmly rooted in their faith and relationship with you.



# PLEASE PRAY

For VBS Participants, Youth & Adult Volunteers

Annie	Arthur	Athen	Aaliyah	Asher	Sidney
Chase	Noah	Jocelyn	Skylar	James	Calia
Joseph	Rayna	Rosalie	RJ	Alice	Klaire
Lillyan	Hudson	Indie	Cameron	Olivia	Savannah
Avery	Jace	Wyatt	Ava	Grady	Sebastian
Taylor	Emmy	Bentley	Brody	Anniston	Colton
Peyton	Declan	Sloane	Liliana	April	MaKennah
Nolan	Levi	Caroline	Steven	Karaline	April
Jon	Brian	Robin	Linda	Ashley	Ruby
Tiffani	Chelsea	Gregory	Janna	Wendy	Christy
Jacey	Lisa	Linda	Heather	Jennifer	Jodie
Sarah	Addison	Cooper	Roy	Dawn	Tonya
Haven	Audrina	Wyatt	Madelyn	Elsie	Haydn
Nolyn	Dominic	Owen	Lillian	Jenna	Asher
Enzo	Kayden	Haydn	Kasen	Eligh	Preston
Peyton	Gloria	Owen	Sylvia	Jackson	Patty
Madison	Sharon	Cheryl	Connor	Jordyn	Kristi
Alan	Nick	Makayla	Tammy		

## COMPASSIONATE MINISTRIES

*Paula Boyd*

**Some of the Pantry Patrons received a special gift in May.** If you attended the Prayer Vigil this year, we asked you to fill a soup container and to pray over it, to pray for each of the pantry patrons who are in need of your help and for all our volunteers who give of their time. We received 8 containers back and we handed those out.

That night as I was sitting by my phone, 2 of those who received the containers texted and thanked the church for thinking about them. It was nice to know they were being prayed over and someone thought of them. If you still have a container and either forgot about it or thought it was too late, you can still hand them in. We will gladly give them out!

Please continue to pray for Mike and Debby Catalano. They are the ones who compile the list of what is needed and take the time to shop for all the groceries. You can imagine what that entails! They then bring it down to the church and put it all away. If you see them in church give them a pat on the back for the great job they do! Debby also keeps us organized and keeps track of all our needs. We thank them both. Well done good and faithful servants!!

Please look on the website for our current list of needs. We have a few local churches and individuals that help us to keep up with our pantry needs each month. I know with the cost of groceries it is hard enough to stretch it for your family let alone the church, but any contribution would be appreciated!! Paper products such as paper towel and toilet paper are something we use up each month. Laundry detergent is another item that goes fast. We buy it at the Dollar Store, you do not have to get expensive detergent. As always we "Thank You" for your prayers and any help you can give us. Jo Shane is still trying so very hard to guide us and help us with her contacts! Jo is loved by all those who come each month. She knows each of them and has the compassion in Compassionate Ministry!!

**Let's Make a Difference**



**Do you have a neighbor, friend, or family member who is having financial difficulties?**



**Food Pantry Distribution**

**June 16th & July 15th**

**4:30—6:00 PM**

**Questions? Call the Church Office**

**@724-843-0862**

**Current Food Pantry needs can be found on  
Unionville's Website @ [unionville.church](http://unionville.church)**

## HOME TOUCH

### **Joe Biddle**

902 Eighth Avenue  
Freedom, PA 15042

### **Bim & Deb Brightwell**

1290 Route 68  
Rochester, PA 15074

### **Don & Nancy Deutsch**

535 Lincoln Blvd  
Freedom, PA 15042

### **Linda Eiler**

125 Pflug Road  
New Brighton, PA 15066

### **Pat Elick**

1310 Route 68  
Rochester, PA 15074

### **George & Carol Flickinger**

1252 Route 989  
Rochester, PA 15074

### **Paul Grimes**

The Grove at Harmony  
191 Evergreen Mill Rd  
Harmony, PA 16037

### **Sylvia Hendrickson**

10 Adams Ridge Blvd. Rm A-8  
Mars, PA 16046

### **Elmira Hollingshead**

1013 Stockton Ridge  
Cranberry Twp., PA 16066

### **Lee Jenkins**

1080 Robinson Street  
Freedom, PA 15042

### **Thelma Koch**

900 3rd Ave  
3rd floor Rm 310  
Beaver Falls, PA 15010

### **Thelma Miller**

1281 Route 68  
Rochester, PA 15074

### **Dawn Mohrbacher**

3308 N 31st Street  
New Brighton, PA 15066

### **Janet Pfaff**

103 Burgess Drive  
Blue Ridge Apt 2014  
Zelienople, PA 16063

### **George Peffer**

114 Lyons Lane  
Harmony, PA 16037

### **Tim Ramsey**

724 Druschel Road  
New Brighton, PA 15066

### **Duane Rape**

130 Harkins Mill Road  
Rochester, PA 15074

### **Amie Ritter**

141 R Harold Street  
New Brighton, PA 15066

### **Rhonda Sharp**

951 Route 68  
New Brighton, PA 15066

### **Walter & Carole Young**

512 Allola Drive  
New Brighton, PA 15066



***Please take a moment to remember our  
Home Touch Friends***

***With a note, card, phone call and especially a prayer.***

***If you know of someone who should be  
added to our Home Touch Friend List,  
Please contact the church office.***

***If you would like a visit from our Home Touch Team or  
Pastor, please notify the church office.***

## Community Breakfast

No June, July or August Breakfast  
 See you again on September 6th!



**Meet**  
 for  
**Breakfast**

### FAMILY LIFE CENTER RENTALS

We are currently taking  
 Rental reservations.  
 Call the Church Office  
 At (724)843-0862

Join us for Sunday Worship  
 In our Sanctuary @9:30 am  
 or virtually. via  
 Our YouTube channel.

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

**Tuesday - Noon—2PM**  
**Thursday - Noon—4 PM**

*Messages and emails are being checked  
 throughout the week*

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