

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)

Living in Covenant in the York Association

On February 6, at the church leaders' banquet, Dr. Lee Barrett reminded us of the origins of covenant and autonomy in our congregational heritage of the UCC. It was felt that the congregation existed to nurture its members in the faith. This nurture took the form of teaching and correction so it was important that the authority for the church was held within the congregation. As the church grew, covenantal relations also were established between congregations as a way of congregations holding each other accountable in the faith.

We continue in the present time to live faithfully in covenant with one another. In the York Association, some congregations have shared in a Lenten pulpit exchange for over 25 years. Although the participants have changed over the years, the pulpit exchange event continues.

This year, Locust Grove, Hayshire Faith, Grace, and Mt. Zion, York, are sharing in this Lenten series called, "Lent, A Time to Let Go." The pastors have met together to choose the series topic and plan the liturgy. This year each pastor wrote a specific part of the liturgy. Each pastor will preach on a different aspect of letting go of something in our lives that keeps us from a full relationship with God.

On Ash Wednesday, the pastor preaches in their own congregation. Then they take their sermon on the road for the next 4 weeks. All services begin at the respective churches at 7:00 pm. Members of the York Association are invited to attend any of the services.

On April 13, the choirs from the congregations will share in a night of music at Hayshire UCC at 7:00 pm. Members of the York Association are invited to attend and share in this evening of music and prayers.

Please keep this group and all of our congregations who are sharing in Lenten worship in prayer as "we seek to walk together in all God's ways."

Phyllis Baum, Hayshire UCC

INTRUDERS And CHURCH SECURITY

A Faith Based Safety Discussion
 Saturday, March 12, 2011
 9:00-1200 AM
 Free to Attend
 Refreshments provided

Shiloh United Church of Christ

2251 Willow Road, York, Pa 17408

FOCUS: A discussion on initiatives aimed at improving church security, emergency preparedness, and response for churches and the local community.

Presenter: George Giangli, Chairman, PA SCTF Business and Industry

Register via e-mail by March 1, 2011 to Joyce Mummert @ drbmummert@comcast.net or call 717-792-0681

Dear Friend of Hoffman Home for Youth:

We are excited to team up with Hoss's Steak and Sea House to raise money for a very worthy cause. Please consider visiting the Hoss's location listed below on 4/9/2011 to aid us in raising money to benefit Hoffman Home for Youth.

Print this email and present it on **4/9/2011** at Hoss's in **York West (White Street)**. Hoss's will then donate 20% of your total check paid to **Hoffman Home for Youth** ***New this year: If your group raises \$1200 or more in sales, Hoss's will donate 25%! This applies to single day, single store events only.**

Group #11270

Penn Central Conference Announces a New Newsletter

Six times a year (every other month) we will publish "Changing Lives." It will highlight what the conference and our local churches are doing to change lives and how Our Church's Wider Mission \$\$\$\$ make the difference. Here's our first edition. Share it with others. Insert it into your church newsletter or church bulletin.

We're looking for stories of how your church and individuals in your congregation are changing lives. We'll be featuring them in this new publication and want to feature some of our stories at conference annual meeting. Contact Brenda Waleff at bwaleff@pccucc.org

Around the Association

New Hope Fissel's UCC – Glen Rock - will hold their Annual Family-Style Ham Supper and Bake Sale on Saturday, March 12, 2011. Serving begins at 3 pm. Tickets are available at the door. New Hope UCC is located at 3426 Fissel's Church Road, Glen Rock, PA 17327. Handicapped Accessible. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the church office at 235-2033. All are welcome!

Starview United Church of Christ – Mt. Wolf - Beginning Ash Wednesday, March 9th and continuing each Wednesday through April 13th there will be a 6pm Soup & Bread Meal followed by a 7pm service. Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday will begin with a 6pm Soup and Bread meal followed by services at 7pm. On Easter Sunday, Sunrise Service @ Hoover's Cemetery 6:30am, Easter Sunrise Breakfast – Fellowship Hall 7:15am and Easter Sunday Service 9:00am.

Trinity Pre-School, Hallam will be 25 years old in October of 2011. We hope to have a reunion celebration to which all students in the area who have attended Trinity Pre-School will be invited. Diane Bowser has been the Pre-School director for all of those 25 years and her assistant Linda Foye has been part of our preschool for almost that long. No final plans for this reunion have been made and any "alumni" of the school who would like to serve on a reunion planning committee are asked to contact the Trinity UCC church office at 757-3169.

Trinity United Church of Christ - Hallam, will be holding a "Gentle" Yoga Class every Wednesday beginning in February and ending April 20th, from 7-8 p.m. No prior experience necessary! Just come to de-stress and relax! A donation of \$5/class is requested. All ages and abilities are welcome. You only need to wear comfortable clothing and bring a towel or mat. Family and friends are welcome! Please contact Molly Dellinger @ 825-5232 if you have any questions

WEIGHT WATCHER'S MEETINGS ARE BEING HELD:

**Starview United Church of Christ, Mt. Wolf
Fellowship Hall**

Thursdays for 17 weeks

February 3—May 26, 2011

Check-in: 6:30 PM to 6:45 PM

Meeting: 7 PM

Contact the Church Office at 266-4248 or email:

starviewucc@verizon.net to confirm your participation.

17 weeks for \$186 is the best session Weight Watchers has ever offered! It includes E-TOOLS for 19 weeks at no extra charge. Payroll deduction may be an option for some participants (check with employer). Payment options: Major credit card for full amount of \$186 or one personal check made out to Weight Watchers for the full \$186 or THREE (3) checks made out for \$62 each, and all submitted and dated for the start date of February 3, 2011 (no post-dated checks, please), but the leader will deposit on the following weeks: 1, 5 and 10 of the session.

If you know any woman currently undergoing

chemotherapy, please pass the word to her that there is a cleaning service that provides FREE housecleaning once per month for 4 months while she is in treatment. To qualify, she must sign up and have her doctor fax a note confirming the treatment. Cleaning for a Reason will have a participating maid service in her zip code area arrange for the service. This organization serves the entire USA and currently has 547 partners to help these women. It's our job to pass the word and let them know that there are people out there that care. Be a blessing to someone and pass this information along.

<http://www.cleaningforareason.org/>

You may not know someone going through chemo, but someone on your email list might. Please forward!

**April 2011 Newsletter Deadline is March 10th.
The Newsletter will be mailed on March 15th.**

Newsletter submissions should be addressed to:

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Or

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