



# NEWS of the 26 Churches of the York Association

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## APRIL 2023 – Newsletter

### 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)

### LAY LEADERSHIP CONVOCATION



**Who:** For church leaders, council members  
**Where:** Trinity and Zion UCC, Pottstown, PA  
**Cost:** \$40 per person  
(\$20 per person for part of the program, no lunch)  
Worship and Keynote address:

*Empowering Lay Leadership*

Workshops on the following topics:

- Being effective as a post-Covid Church
- Reviving the Sunday school
- Stewardship of Financial Resources
- Becoming Spiritual Leaders
- Becoming an Environmentally Friendly Church
- How does the U.C.C. Work?
- Music Ministry, when the choir is shrinking.
- Worshiping when there is no pastor.

Registration:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lay-leadership-convocation-tickets-529668010277?aff=ebsdoporgprofile>

Sponsored by the Lay Leadership Education Team of Penn SE Conference, U.C.C

### Stockpiling the Caregiver’s Toolbox

The York Association is sponsoring FREE training classes for family members and caregivers of individuals with Dementia/Alzheimer’s. The training is scheduled Tuesdays, April - June 2023 from 2 - 4:30pm hosted at Hayshire UCC, 100 Haybrook Dr, York. Seating is limited. Please register and direct any questions to Hayshire church office - [hayshirechurch@gmail.com](mailto:hayshirechurch@gmail.com) or call 717.848.4007.

### Classes (Effective Tools for YOUR Toolbox):

<i>Building Blocks of Dementia</i>	April 25
<i>Behavior &amp; Communication</i>	May 2
<i>Helping Skills &amp; Activities of Daily Living</i>	May 16
<i>Activities &amp; Engagement in Your Home &amp; Community</i>	May 23
<i>Safety in Your Home</i>	June 6
<i>Taking Care of YOU</i>	June 13

### Community Outreach Activities

Week of April 22 - April 30

#### Habitat Action Team @ Nixon Park

Celebrate & improve habitats on these nature walks where we will be removing invasive species and/or planting native plants. Pre-registration will be required.

**Saturday, April 22, 9-11am & 1-3pm:**

Earth Day Habitat Improvement Walk

**Sunday, April 23, 9-11am:**

Earth Day Habitat Improvement Walk

**Saturday, April 29, 9-11am & 1-3pm:**

Arbor Day Tree Planting

**Sunday, April 30, 9-11am:**

Arbor Day Tree Planting

### Lower Susquehanna Riverkeepers Association

- Clean Up Day on April 22 (Earth Day) - location TBD
- Greener Codorus Initiative Kick off – April 12

Work crew volunteers needed every Monday morning and Wednesday evening in York City. (April)

Submitted by:

Glenn Young & George DeMers, Co-chairs Outreach Committee

### **York Association UCC Clergy Gathering**

**When:** Wednesday, April 12 @ 11am  
**Where:** Lion's Pride Restaurant  
20 Dairyland Square, Red Lion, PA  
**From:** Martha Boyer, Communicator,  
717 858-2991, [marthahboyer@hotmail.com](mailto:marthahboyer@hotmail.com)

### **Around the Association**

#### **St John's Blymire's UCC 1009 Blymire Rd, Dallastown**

**What:** Ladies' Luncheon

**When:** April 15, 11:30 to 3pm

**Entitled "Be Our Guest, Pull up a Chair"**

You are invited to join us. Cost per person, \$15, we will provide a lunch, some activities, and fellowship centering around hospitality. Our fall luncheon "Once Upon an Apron" was very well received and attended. Please contact Peggie Free, [pabutterfly11@gmail.com](mailto:pabutterfly11@gmail.com) for more information.

#### **New Hope (Fissel's) UCC**

**3426 Fissel's Church Road, Glen Rock, PA**

**What:** Fissel's Fair & Flea Market

**When:** Saturday, May 13, 2023, 9 AM to 2 PM

(Rain or Shine) Spaces: \$5 each in advance or \$10 day of Fair. For more information call the church office 717-235-2033.

#### **Zion UCC, York (across from Penn Park)**

Zion UCC is seeking an organist and/or pianist starting July 2023. Zion's organ is an Allen Digital with three keyboards. The individual filling this position will be responsible for providing music for our one-hour Sunday Worship Service at 10:00am plus minimal special services and/or events during the course of the year, as requested and agreed upon by both parties and short choir rehearsals before and after the Worship service. This position does not require choral directing or hymnal selection. Pianists, please feel free to apply. We will consider job-sharing and are flexible

with respect to compensation. Interested individuals should contact Mrs. Barbara Neiman, Zion Worship Committee Chair, by phone (717-792-1658); cell/text: (717-880-7458) or e-mail ([can@gte.net](mailto:can@gte.net)).

#### **Outreach Is Alive and Well at Zion UCC**

Zion is partnering with the City of York to restore the historic Gardener's Shed, aka Penn- Coates Building/Penn Park, replacing the pavilions and creating a public picnic area in Penn Park. Additionally, Zion will again be sponsoring 'Tennis for Kids,' from June 13 through July 13 and Creative Arts 'Art in the Parks' from July 11 through July 15, both in Penn Park.

Approximately forty (40) neighborhood young people participate in each program. Additional information and registration forms can be found at [TennisforKids.org](http://TennisforKids.org) and [CreativeYork.org](http://CreativeYork.org) or by contacting Chub Neiman, Missions Chair, at 717-792-1658 at [can@gte.net](mailto:can@gte.net) or contact the church office. 717-854-1184 or e-mail at: [zionuccyork@comcast.net](mailto:zionuccyork@comcast.net).

Another partnering project is between Zion and the Osher Lifetime Learning Institute at Penn State York. Zion's Pastor Emeritus, Rev. Robert L. Anderson, is offering a tour of their 256 leaded and stained glass windows produced by J. Horace Rudy Glass Company on May 12. The windows were installed after the church's construction was completed in 1915. This course has been very popular; a second date is now being selected.

#### **2023 York Association Council**

<b>Lisa Young</b>	president
<b>Rev. David Martin</b>	vice-president
<b>Charles Eisenhart</b>	treasurer
<b>Jan Hopple</b>	secretary
<b>Rev. Danielle Neff</b>	committee on ministry chair
<b>George DeMers</b>	outreach committee co-chair
<b>Glenn Young</b>	outreach committee co-chair
<b>Rev. Curt Weber</b>	nominations committee chair

#### **The Communications Ministry of the York Association**

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***The next newsletter, May, will be emailed April 15. Please send all articles to [news@yorkassociationucc.org](mailto:news@yorkassociationucc.org) by April 12.***