East Union Presbyterian Church

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THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today: 9:30am - Outdoor Worship — Also Posted Live on Facebook (Pavilion/EUCC)

1:00pm - Celebration of Life For Russell Craft (EUCC)

Tuesday: 8-9:15pm - Deer Lakes Sobriety Meeting (Multi-Ùse Room)
Saturday: 11am-1pm - Dan Fentress 'Celebration of Life' Picnic (Pavilion)

Next Sunday: 9:30am - Outdoor Worship — Also Posted Live on Facebook (Pavilion/EUCC)

IN OUR PRAYERS (To include someone on the prayer list, please call the church office.

Care Facility: Emily Allison (Harmar Village) David Nichols (Concordia of Fox Chapel)

Karen Klemmensen (Magnolia Place, Saxonburg) Lois Wilson (Edenton RC, Maryland)

Home Care: Bettye Dorn Chuck Gray Amy Handrahan George Kistler

Noah Latronica Sharon Maher Josephine Wagner

Birthdays: Mary Runas (07/25) Ron Braun (07/26) Joella Miller (07/26) Beth Bonner (07/27)

Jeff Blackwell (07/28) Josh Noble (07/28) Garry Christy (07/29) Jared Hawk (07/31)

You're Invited To 'Celebration of Life' events for Dan Fentress and Marge Wilkinson:

Dan Fentress Picnic-Style Event will be held Saturday, July 31st in the East Union pavilion (will be moved indoors for inclement weather) from 11am-1pm. The family welcomes any stories about Dan. Lunch will be served ~ RSVP requested with MaryLynn at 412.767.5750/MLFentress@MSN.com

Marge Wilkinson Memorial Celebration will be held Saturday, August 14 (Marge's 100th b-day!), beginning at 11am, in Founders' Chapel, with a luncheon reception to follow in Kennedy Hall. An RSVP would be appreciated. Please contact Jan (724-625-6238 or jan1549@aol.com).

Contact Deacon Of The Month For Deacons Care Ministry

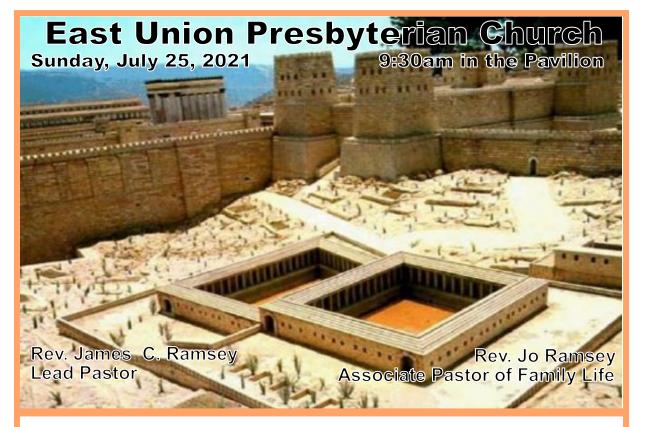
Stacie Duffy ~ 724.265.4835

Let Us Pray... Upon request only, your prayer concern will be included in the Compass Points. To initiate your prayer request or join the Cloud, contact: Carol McCaskey (724-312-5656 / camc@consolidated.net) or Teresa Williams (412-613- 4375/ dlns@verizon.net.)

You Are Not Alone — Your pastors are here for you! If you need support, assistance or prayer... If you have questions about who God is and how to grow in your faith... If you are struggling with grief, anxiety or depression... If addiction or conflict is affecting your relationships... We care about you...in body, mind and spirit! Please contact the church office or email the pastors to schedule a confidential visit. In case of an emergency, they can be reached at home at 724-224-4211.

The following resources are also available to provide information and support:

Samaritan Counseling Center	(412)	741	-7430
Hope Center (Abuse and/or Domestic Violence)	(888)	299	-4673
ReSolve Crisis Services	ĊΑΝ (796-	8226)
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline1-800-27			
National Substance Abuse Hotline 1-800-66			



Sermon: "Miracles in John: A Walk by the Pool"

At The Pulpit: Rev. James Ramsey

Scripture: John 5:1-18

Music: JoAnn Peterson on Keyboard

Hymns: Hymn Booklets Available At The Welcome Table

#19 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee - vs 1 and 2 #27 Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine - vs 1 and 2

Welcome to Worship... We are delighted to worship with you today! We continue our summer worship schedule with one service held in the pavilion through September 12.

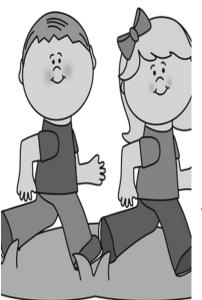
On The Cover... The image is a model of the Pool of Bethesda with the Temple in Jerusalem in the background. In his gospel account, John describes such a pool. Until the 19th century, there was no archaeological evidence of the Pool of Bethesda. Today, there's no question that archaeologists have uncovered the actual Pool of Bethesda where Jesus healed the invalid.

Seeding Walnut Woods Campaign... We are ecstatic for all the support of our new childcare project. In a short time, we have raised \$12,400! Your financial support will help make it possible to begin providing quality childcare in our community. Not only will we be serving more families and children in our region, the church will generate revenue, helping to secure the long-term viability of East Union's ministries and missions. Donation of any amount are appreciated. Contributions can be set up online or given using Sunday's offering envelopes—specify 'Childcare Project' on the envelope. Thank you for your partnership in this exciting project.

Offer A Helping Hand On Sunday Mornings... Please consider helping with set-up and/or closing for our worship services. Folks (preferably one helper for setup & another helper for closing for each Sunday) are needed to move simple items like the Welcome Table, keyboard, and lectern. Tasks are so easy that children can help their parents do them. Please sign the chart available at the Welcome Table. Thank you for your consideration! Sunday dates in need of set-up and closing helpers:

Sunday, August 8, 15, 29 Sunday, September 5 (Labor Day Weekend) Sunday, September 12 (last outdoor worship for the summer)

Take-Out Spaghetti Dinner... We hope you are able to join us on Wednesday, August 11, as we invite you and the community to eat spaghetti. This is a "Pay-What -You-Want" per plate affair. Come by anytime between 4-7pm to pick up dinner. Attention Bakers... We would love to have cookies donated to serve as dessert (sorry ~ no nuts please). Thanks again!



Deer Lakes Nursery School ... A Gentle Beginning ...

Now Accepting Registrations For The 2021-2022 School Year

Beginners Class (for 3-years of age) Meets on Tuesdays & Thursday

Pre-Kindergarten Class (for 4-years of age) Meets on Tuesdays & Thursday

Two Sessions Available For Beginners & Pre-K Classes 9-11:30am or 12:30—3pm

Register online at www.EastUnionChurch.org or Call 724.265.1381
DLNS Director, Cheryl Haynes (East Union Member)

West Deer Parks & Recreation Fall Festival... Instead of the annual *Community Days* that is normally scheduled in August, West Deer will sponsor a Fall Festival on October 16 from 12noon to 9:30pm. This will include a 5K run/walk in the morning, rides, and fireworks in the evening. Of course, the community will be setting up booths to add to the merrymaking. We hope you can come!

Women's Ministry: Book Club... We are looking forward to reading and discussing "Sunflower Sisters" by Martha Hall Kelly. Enjoy reading the book during the summer and we'll meet next month for our review (Wednesday, August 18, 7pm).

This book is a little longer and as of now can only be found in hardback. It was newly published in March of this year. The price is \$15. The book can be purchased on Amazon and other bookstores. Amazon offers it on Kindle for \$14.99.

"Sunflower Sisters" is set during and after the Civil War. Here is the synopsis from Amazon:

Georgeanna "Georgey" Woolsey isn't meant for the world of lavish parties and the demure attitudes of women of her stature. So when war ignites the nation, Georgey follows her passion for nursing during a time when doctors considered women on the battlefront a bother. In proving them wrong, she and her sister Eliza venture from New York to Washington, D.C., to Gettysburg and witness the unparalleled horrors of slavery as they become involved in the war effort.

In the South, Jemma is enslaved on the Peeler Plantation in Maryland, where she lives with her mother and father. Her sister, Patience, is enslaved on the plantation next door, and both live in fear of LeBaron, an abusive overseer who tracks their every move. When Jemma is sold by the cruel plantation mistress Anne-May at the same time the Union army comes through, she sees a chance to finally escape—but only by abandoning the family she loves.

Anne-May is left behind to run Peeler Plantation when her husband joins the Union army and her cherished brother enlists with the Confederates. In charge of the household, she uses the opportunity to follow her own ambitions and is drawn into a secret Southern network of spies, finally exposing herself to the fate she deserves.

Inspired by true accounts, Sunflower Sisters provides a vivid, detailed look at the Civil War experience, from the barbaric and inhumane plantations, to a war-torn New York City, to the horrors of the battlefield. It's a sweeping story of women caught in a country on the brink of collapse, in a society grappling with nationalism and unthinkable racial cruelty, a story still so relevant today.

We hope you can join us in reading this book and attending our discussion on August 18. Enjoy your summer. Relax and read.