

WORSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

In gladness, like our ancestor, King David, we proclaim:

“I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the LORD!” (Psalm 122:1)

And so, we did! On Sunday, May 2nd, we returned to the house of the Lord for *in-sanctuary* worship.

Sisters and Brothers, we have so much for which we can be **thankful!** The Holy Spirit is indeed alive and blowing in and through us.

On Thursday, May 13th, the **Mask Mandate** was lifted for *fully vaccinated* persons in the State of Pennsylvania. This directive follows that of the CDC, which rescinded masking and social distancing requirements for *fully vaccinated* people.

Starview United Church of Christ will no longer require masks to be worn indoors during worship for people who are *fully vaccinated*. People who are not yet fully vaccinated or are immunocompromised should still wear mask indoors, in keeping with guidance from the CDC.

Additionally, anyone who is **not comfortable** being unmasked indoors should feel free to continue to wear a mask.

Children, kindergarten age and older, who are not yet fully vaccinated will continue to mask while meeting indoors.

Exuberant **singing** is encouraged, but while *wearing a mask*. COVID is an airborne virus, and since both vaccinated and unvaccinated people are able to transmit it, masking while singing reduces everyone’s risk of transmitting or contracting the virus.

Pre-registration is not necessary. A greeter will take your information when you arrive. Should we discern that in Sunday morning worship, you were potentially exposed, we will use the collected information to contact you and the PA Health Department.

Virtual worship via Facebook Live is always an option. A Facebook account is not needed in order to participate in this way. A family member or friend who *does* have a FB account can simply email or text you the service link and you can then, click on the link and participate in worship too – as it is happening – live with everyone else! As has been done in the past, for later viewing, the service will be made available on church website on Sunday afternoon.

Virtual worship is a wonderful way to still be in community and worship, should you be home quarantining, feeling ill, on vacation, or need to be physically away for any reason.

Offering plates will continue to be located at each entrance/exit for your safety. E-tithing forms are also available for your convenience.

Both entrances/exits to the sanctuary will remain open with hand sanitizing stations located at each, for your convenience.

The **Christian life** is meant to be one marked with self-sacrifice and love, integrity and honesty, yet because we all sin and find it easy to do so, these are things we must work hard at. Knowing this, we turn to the words of scripture for encouragement and guidance.

Jesus calls us to **love one another**. He said, “As I have loved you, you must love one another.” (John 13:34) and “Do unto others as you would have them do to you.” (Luke 6:31) The Apostle Paul pointed out that “we should take pains to do what is right, not only in the eyes of the Lord, but also in the eyes of man” (2 Corinthians 8:21) and we should “not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices.” (Colossians 3:9).

As a community of faith-full followers of Jesus, we trust one another. We trust in the Christ-like, sacrificial love we have for one another, and are called to be truthful in our actions as well as our words; we trust one another to do what is right and safe for everyone – that we might continue worshipping safely in the house of the Lord, together.

May it be so...

It is exciting to take these steps with you in safely returning to life as “normal” and hope to see you in-person, inside the house of the Lord, for worship this Sunday.

Pastor Laura

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost July 11, 2021 Outdoor Worship Service & Picnic



Starview United Church of Christ

"We are a Christian community that welcomes all people to grow through the love of and service to God and neighbor."

- Mission Statement of Starview UCC

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Hours of Services: Worship 9:00AM

SUMMER HOURS: Worship Service begins at 9am

No Adult Christian Education or Sunday School until September 2021

Welcome! We rejoice at your presence today! If you are a guest, please take a moment to sign the Guest Book in the entry and/or you may complete one of the salmon colored visitor forms in the pew holders. If you are interested in a pastoral visit or in becoming a member of Starview UCC, please speak with a Church Council member, an usher or greeter, or phone the church office.

2021 Starview UCC Church Council/Officers/Committee Chairs

Ms. JoAnn Kreeger, President	579-5674
Mr. Gary Berger, Vice-President	266-5600
Ms. Sara Stoll/Secretary/Missions Chair	916-3704
Ms. Cathy Rentzel, Treasurer	332-2708
Mrs. Donna Hoover, Fellowship Chair	266-2649
Mr. Scott Moore, Property Chair	586-9503
Mr. Thomas Hoover, Assistant Treasurer (non-church council)	
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With Jesus Christ as the foundation, Starview United Church of Christ values:

- Worship
- Bible-centered preaching and teaching
- The Sacraments of Holy Communion & Baptism
- ALL people
- Tradition and purposeful change
- Spiritual Growth
- Ministries of Outreach
- Stewardship of our time, talent & treasure
- Fellowship



SERVANTS NE HOME HELPS WORKCAMP
JULY 25TH – JULY 30TH

Please contact JoAnn Kreeger for volunteer opportunities here at Starview

ON THE CALENDAR AT STARVIEW UCC THIS WEEK

TODAY, July 11th	10:00 AM	Outdoor Worship Service & Picnic
Wednesday, 7/14	7:00 PM	Worship in the Woods
<u>Next Sunday, July 18th</u>	9:00 AM	Worship Service

Leslie Vacation: July 10th – July 17th

SUNDAY MORNINGS

9:00 AM on FACEBOOK LIVE (Starview United Church of Christ) or find the YouTube link on our website (starviewucc.org).

Worship in the Woods Mid-Week Worship Series at 7 PM

This summer, beginning on Wednesday, July 7, we will gather to worship God in nature. We will begin on the parsonage lawn that first week, but on other occasions, we may move our worship time to a local park, a church member's garden, or even a local body of water. No matter where we worship in nature, we can be certain God will speak to us through creation.

So, I hope you'll consider participating in this "all-age" time of outdoor worship. Below is a tentative schedule with the corresponding theme or focus listed. Remember to bring a lawn chair or a blanket to sit on, dress comfortably, and wear sunscreen and/or bug spray as you feel necessary.

- July 14 - Light**
- July 21 - Roots**
- July 28 - Fungi**
- August 4 - Flowers**
- August 11 - Fruit**
- August 18 - Water**
- August 25 - Birds**

Mid-Morning Devotions

Tuesdays Under the Shade Tree with Pastor Laura

(A shortened online version of each devotion time will be posted on the church Facebook page and to the church website, for the convenience of those who work or are unable to attend in person or at the scheduled times)



JULY BIRTHDAYS!!!!

- July 11 - Tammy Duke
- July 12 - JoAnn Kreeger
- July 14 - Zach Hoover
- July 14 - Jamie Mako
- July 17 - Janice Graham
- July 18 - Clay Strohm
- July 22 - Alice Sullivan
- July 22 - Bryan Roth
- July 29 - Earl Caswell
- July 29 - Candy Lau
- July 31 - Betty Couch