June 30, 2019

Help needed: Camp Noah is Coming to Philadelphia

Camp Noah provides a safe, caring and fun environment where children whose communities have been impacted by disasters can get help to process their disaster or trauma. The camp uses a proven curriculum designed to, Build Resiliency, Restore Hope and Change Lives! Camp Noah this year will be held Aug. 19-23 at the New Creation Lutheran Church, 162 W Tioga St, Philadelphia. The focus this year are children affected by Hurricanes Irma and Maria, ranging in age from 6 to 13.

Organized nationally by Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota, Camp Noah works with local organizations and community groups to serve children. To make this fantastic endeavor a success, we need your help! Volunteers who speak Spanish are especially needed. For more information or to volunteer, contact Julia Menzo, Lutheran Disaster Coordinator, at 267-464-7740 or Karl Jones, UCC Disaster Coordinator, at 570-617-4018. UCC Disaster Ministries has supplied financial assistance for this program!

Pastoral Relations Committee Handbook

“The Pastoral Relations Committee Handbook” contains suggestions of policies, principles, and procedures which may enhance the work of your Pastoral Relations Committee. If your church does not have a Pastoral Relations Committee, careful study of this booklet and of the resources mentioned within it will guide your consideration in establishing a Pastoral Relations Committee for your pastor and congregation. If your church already has a Pastoral Relations Committee, this booklet may assist it in strengthening its understanding and functioning. To access this handbook, use the following link: https://psec.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/PRC-Handbook.pdf

Grow Your Church

The New Spiritual Communities and ReNewing Churches grant program of the United Church of Christ seeks to enact the Vision, Mission, and Purpose by investing in programs and ministries which live into the ethos of the United Church of Christ’s becoming. Ministries that are meant to be sustaining, as well as ministries that are meant to be impactful for a particular time and place, are encouraged to apply. Grants are awarded based on how the ministries are impacting their local communities in alignment with the Vision, Mission, and Purpose of the UCC.

Due: September 6th, 2019.
To begin and for more information go to: https://www.ucc.org/grow-your-church

The Pennsylvania Southeast Conference of the United Church of Christ and Lake Institute on Faith & Giving invite you and your ministry teams to participate in a seminar experience that could change the way you and your congregation approach giving and generosity.
August 23-24, 2019
(Friday: 8:00am – 4:00 pm / Saturday: 8:30 am – 4:00 pm)
Zwingle UCC, 350 Wile Ave, Souderton
Cost: $350 per church team (4-5 members made up of clergy, lay leaders, administration and/or stewardship committees)

Register at: https://psecgenerouscongregations.eventbrite.com
Registration fee for the seminar is $350.00 per ministry team which includes, lunch and morning and afternoon snacks, each day, for your entire team.