



Pennsylvania Southeast Conference ~ United Church of Christ
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Ministry Report for 2023 Spring Meeting

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CONFERENCE STATISTICS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022

Congregations: 153
Total membership: 33,561
Average Sunday attendance: 6,923

MEMBERS IN DISCERNMENT

Covenant:	Philadelphia:	Schuylkill:
Caroline Bashore	Chanel Alexander	Glenn Rarick
	Sana Del Corazon	Ray Riegel
North Penn:	Jamie Knight Johnson	
Alisa Unell	Heather Ohaneson	Ursinus:
	William J. Scott III	None
	Max Staley	

ANNUAL PASTORAL ACTIVITY (MAY 2022-APRIL 2023)

ORDINATIONS

Beth Eustis was ordained at United Church of Christ at Valley Forge, Wayne, June 5, 2022
Tammie Wisniewski was ordained at Epler's Church UCC, Leesport, March 19, 2023

INSTALLATIONS

Venord Cowan was installed as Pastor at Woodcrest United Church of Christ, Philadelphia, May 22, 2022
Stephanie Anne Thompson was installed as Pastor of St. Luke's United Church of Christ, Ottsville, May 22, 2022
Kevin McLemore was installed as Associate Conference Minister of Pennsylvania Southeast Conf., June 3, 2022
Kevin Fruchtl was installed as Pastor of St. John's United Church of Christ, Schuylkill Haven, September 18, 2022
Mark Johnson was installed as Pastor of St. John's (Hain's) UCC, Wernersville, October 16, 2022
Jon Bauman was installed as Senior Pastor of First United Church of Christ, Quakertown, October 23, 2022
David Williams was installed as Pastor of New Goshenhoppen Reformed UCC, East Greenville, October 30, 2022
Beth Eustis was installed as Pastor of St. James United Church of Christ, Limerick, November 20, 2022
Raymond Jachowski was installed as Pastor of Parkside United Church of Christ, Phoenixville, November 6, 2022
Nathaniel Mahlberg was installed as Pastor of United Church of Christ at Valley Forge, Wayne, March 5, 2023
Sonja Ingebritsen was installed as Pastor of Glenside United Church of Christ, Glenside, April 30, 2023

STANDING ENDED

Scott Sanders' standing was terminated by the Covenant Association on March 23, 2022
Katherine Davidheiser's standing was terminated by the Ursinus Association on November 30, 2022

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ORDAINED MINISTERS ENJOYING EXEMPT STANDING

Covenant:

Jon Fogle
Hartford Inlow II
David Lawton

North Penn:

None

Philadelphia:

Maryliz Clark
Maurine Doggett
Peter Doghramji
Valerie Emerson
Richard Fernandez
Joseph Irwin Jr.
Samuel Matthews
Priscilla McDougal
Franklin Pennington Jr.
Robert Polk
Lyman Thompson

Schuylkill:

None

Ursinus:

Richard Adinolfi
David Luz
Bonnie Moore
Jacqueline Turnbach

LAY MINISTERIAL STANDING

Glenn Rarick was granted Lay Ministerial Standing to serve Faith Reformed UCC, Landingville, July 17, 2019
Jennie Strauch was granted Lay Ministerial Standing to serve St. John's UCC, St. Clair, November 18, 2020
Michele Schenk was granted Lay Ministerial Standing to serve United Christian, Levittown, March 11, 2021
Crystal Angstadt was granted Lay Ministerial Standing to serve Christ DeLong UCC, Bowers, and St. Peter's UCC, Tipton, October 19, 2021
Heather Ohaneson was granted Lay Ministerial Standing to serve Armenian Martyrs' Congregational Church, Havertown, February 10, 2022
Ray Riegel was granted Lay Ministerial Standing to serve Trinity UCC, Shenandoah, April 27, 2022
Edith Calvert was granted Lay Ministerial Standing to serve Boehm's UCC, Blue Bell, July 12, 2022
Peter Detterline was granted Lay Ministerial Standing to serve St. Peter UCC, Knauertown, July 7, 2022
Joshua Nemeth was granted Lay Ministerial Standing to serve Christ UCC, Barnesville, St. Peter's UCC, Barnesville, and Faith UCC, Delano, February 9, 2023

PASTORS RETIRED SINCE MAY 2022

Rev. Dr. Hilary Barrett
Rev. Dr. Susan Bertollette
Rev. David Blitch
Rev. Jeffrey Butz
Rev. Douglas Donigian

Rev. Joyce Donigian
Rev. Dr. Tyson Frey
Rev. William Garrett
Rev. Sara Hertzog
Rev. Erick Kern

Rev. Dr. F. Russell Mitman
Rev. Jamie Moyer
Rev. Claude Schach

IN MEMORIAM

Rev. David P. Siegfried died on April 3, 2023 at the age of 90.
Rev. Dr. Robert I. Rhoads died on March 11, 2023 at the age of 92.
Rev. Dr. Charles David Langerhans died on March 5, 2023 at the age of 91.
Rev. Dr. Albert Teske died on February 26, 2023 at the age of 94.
Rev. Dr. F. Russell Mitman died on January 7, 2023 at the age of 83.
Rev. Dr. George S. Fitz died on October 22, 2022 at the age of 89.
Pastor Richard J. Miller died on September 1, 2022 at the age of 72.
Rev. Dr. Susan C. Bertollette died on August 4, 2022 at the age of 66.

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ANNUAL CONGREGATION ACTIVITY (APRIL 2022-APRIL 2023)

CHURCH CLOSURES

St. Luke’s United Church of Christ, North Wales celebrated the end of their ministry on April 24, 2022
St. Luke’s United Church of Christ, Philadelphia celebrated the end of their ministry on May 1, 2022
Grace United Church of Christ, West Point celebrated the end of their ministry on March 5, 2023
Bethany United Church of Christ, Philadelphia celebrated the end of their ministry on April 23, 2023

MERGED CONGREGATIONS

St. Paul’s UCC in Robesonia and Zion UCC formerly in Womelsdorf merged on January 1, 2023 to form United Church of Christ Robesonia

NEW CONGREGATION

Open Table UCC, Pottstown was granted standing by the Ursinus Association on April 24, 2022

PASTORS CELEBRATING ORDINATION ANNIVERSARIES IN 2023

60 Years:	35 Years:	20 Years:
William E. Cameron Jr.	Bruce L. Allen	Corrine Dautrich
Robert Masenheimer Jr.	Wanda D. Craner	15 Years:
Samuel R. Matthews	Paul L. Jones	Douglas Donigian
Robert Meschke	David A. Lawton	Joyce Donigian
55 Years:	Dwayne A. Mosier	Steven Hamilton
Robert G. Aregood	30 Years:	Matthew Hoover
Andrew H. Johanson Jr.	Douglas Hanson	Mary Etta Mest
50 Years:	Priscilla M. McDougal	10 Years:
Earl D. Ball	Cheryl L. Moore	Jill Bierwirth
Russell S. Gates	Linda A. Noonan	John Folk
James R. Roth	David A. Williams	5 Years:
45 Years:	25 Years:	Jack Abel
Harry E. Bruen Jr.	Anne M. Cormier	Vinod Gnanaraj
Susan Weaver Ellis	Mary Lou Eckels	Suzanne Schwarz-Green
Johannah E. Fine	Janet E. Lewis	
Joseph H. Irwin Jr.	Kevin J. McLemore	
40 Years:	Judith A. Meier	
Bruce E. Dalious	Benjamin D. Motz	
Debbie A. Derby	John Stephen Steitz	
Janet E. Rose	Karyn L. Wiseman	
Martha M. Smith		

CHURCHES CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES IN 2023 (Increments of 25 years)

275 Years:	175 Years:
Trinity Reformed Church UCC, Pottstown	Salem UCC, Donaldson
250 Years:	150 Years:
St. Luke’s UCC, Ottsville	Christ UCC, Hegins
St. Peter’s Union Church, Macungie	75 Years:
	St. Stephen’s UCC, Philadelphia

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