Ministry Report for 2023 Spring Meeting
Prepared by Brea Rarick, registrar

CONFERENCE STATISTICS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022
Congregations: 153
Total membership: 33,561
Average Sunday attendance: 6,923

MEMBERS IN DISCERNMENT
Covenant: 
  Philadelphia: Chanel Alexander
  Sana Del Corazon
  Jamie Knight Johnson
  Heather Ohaneson
  William J. Scott III
  Max Staley
  Schuylkill: Glenn Rarick
  Ray Riegel
  Ursinus: None

North Penn: 
  Alisa Unell

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 at 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

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

Schuylkill:
- None

North Penn:
- None

Ursinus:
- Richard Adinolfi

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, Topton, 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 Bertolette
Rev. David Blitch
Rev. Jeffrey Butz
Rev. Douglas Donigian

Rev. Dr. 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. Bertolette 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:
- William E. Cameron Jr.
- Robert Masenheimer Jr.
- Samuel R. Matthews
- Robert Meschke

55 Years:
- Robert G. Aregood
- Andrew H. Johanson Jr.

50 Years:
- Earl D. Ball
- Russell S. Gates
- James R. Roth

45 Years:
- Harry E. Bruen Jr.
- Susan Weaver Ellis
- Johannah E. Fine
- Joseph H. Irwin Jr.

40 Years:
- Bruce E. Dalious
- Debbie A. Derby
- Janet E. Rose
- Martha M. Smith

35 Years:
- Bruce L. Allen
- Wanda D. Craner
- Paul L. Jones
- David A. Lawton
- Dwayne A. Mosier

30 Years:
- Robert G. Aregood
- Andrew H. Johanson Jr.
- Douglas Hanson

25 Years:
- Harry E. Bruen Jr.
- Susan Weaver Ellis
- Johannah E. Fine
- Joseph H. Irwin Jr.

20 Years:
- Corrine Dautrich
- Douglas Donigian
- Joyce Donigian
- Steven Hamilton
- Matthew Hoover
- Mary Etta Mest

15 Years:
- Jill Bierwirth
- John Folk

10 Years:
- Vinod Gnanaraj
- Suzanne Schwarz-Green

5 Years:
- Jack Abel

CHURCHES CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES IN 2023 (Increments of 25 years)

275 Years:
- Trinity Reformed Church UCC, Pottstown

250 Years:
- St. Luke’s UCC, Ottsville
- St. Peter’s Union Church, Macungie

175 Years:
- Salem UCC, Donaldson

150 Years:
- Christ UCC, Hegins

75 Years:
- St. Stephen’s UCC, Philadelphia

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