

**Central Southeast Ohio Association,
Ohio Conference
September 19, 2018**



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The Association Office is open Monday through Thursday from 9:30a - 2:30p.
If you have news or photos to share and/or dates you would like to add to the calendar to be included
in our next CSEmail, please submit to debras@ocucc.org by Friday at 4:30p
Submit photos in jpeg, png format please.



Quick Links

2018 Calendar of Events

**CSE Authorized
Clergy and MID
Directory**

**CSE Pulpit Supply
List**

**CSE Church
Directory**

Council Meeting

Saturday, October 13th
9:30a-12:30p
Association Office

DCAM Meeting

Saturday, October 13th
1p
Grace UCC, Lancaster

DPAM Meeting

Wednesday, October 10th
9:30a-3:30p
David's UCC, Canal Winchester

**Ohio Conference
Annual Gathering**

**CSE Departments,
Council and
Committees**

**2018 Calendar of
Prayer**

**MESA COM &
MOM Information
and Manuals**

**MOM/COM Zoom
Training
Registration**

**2018 Online
Training for COM**

**CSEOA
Website**

September 28th and 29th
Westerville Community UCC

CSEOA Annual Fall Meeting

Saturday, October 27th

Female Clergy Lunch

(We invite female clergy in the Ohio Conference to meet monthly for lunch, fellowship, sharing of resources and support.)

We plan to meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month in the Columbus area.

Our next gathering is:

September 25th

at 11:30 at

the Ikea restaurant (I 71- Gemini Exit).

Calendar of Prayer

September 23, 2018

St. Michael UCC, Baltimore

September 30, 2018

St. Paul UCC, Columbus



Reverend Robert L. Settlage
March 29, 1932 - September 2, 2018

Friends and colleagues in Central Southeast are mourning the passing of the Rev. Robert L. Settlage, 86, of Newark, who died Sept. 2 in hospice care at Licking Memorial Hospital. Settlage served a number of churches in Wisconsin and Ohio, including St. Paul in Glenford. He is survived by his wife Peggy, four children and five step-children. A memorial service was held at Plymouth Church in Newark on Sept. 8



Central Southeast Ohio Association
55th Annual Fall Meeting
Saturday, October 27th
9:30a-12:30p

We Will Gather in Christ

Saturday, October 27th
Zion Reformed
United Church of Christ
8000 High Point Rd
Thornville, Ohio 43076
9:30a-12:30p



Christ's Church: #bettertogether

"I am the Vine, you are the branches. When you're joined with me and I with you, the relation intimate and organic, the harvest is sure to be abundant. Separated, you can't produce a thing."- John 15: 5-8 (MSG)

[Click HERE to see the Meeting Agenda](#)

[Click HERE to see the 2019 Proposed Budget](#)

[Click HERE to view Proposal 1 Amendment to the BYLAWS of the CSEOA](#)

[Click HERE to view Proposal 2 Amendment to the BYLAWS of the CSEOA](#)

[Current Constitution/Bylaws can be Viewed HERE](#)

Please note:

Do NOT trust a GPS in Perry County. It is best to print off directions.

Directions from Columbus: 70E to OH 13 Exit 132 Newark/Thornville, turn right and follow OH 13 for 6.3 miles to High Point Rd, turn left. The church is at the top of the hill.

UCC Disaster Ministries



Have you been moved by the terrible storm and flood damage images coming out of the Carolinas and Virginia? Have you wondered how you and/or your church can help? The national disaster relief office of the United Church of Christ has ways to respond appropriately. Check out these links:

- For general information, go to the 2018 Hurricane Info Page: http://www.ucc.org/hurricanes_2018_ucc_response.
- For a direct giving link: <https://transactions.ucc.org/CampaignForm/UCChrist/2018+Hurricane+Relief>.
- For "hands on" suggestions, visit http://www.ucc.org/disaster_2018_matching_grants_for_cws_kits_home_page to learn how your church can build clean-up kits to ship to the affected area.

If your church or group organizes a special effort, let us know and we'll share your inspiration with the rest of Central Southeast.



Anti-racism Training Boundary Training November 10, 2018



Anti-Racism Training/ Boundary Training.....

When: Nov 10, 2018

Where: The Carlisle Building Community Room

9 S. Paint Street

Chillicothe, OH 45601

Parking is either street parking or the public lot at 5 W. Fourth Street

Time: **Boundary Training** 9-12 AM Snacks provided by Orchard Hill UCC

Anti- Racism Training 1:30-5PM Snacks provided by Orchard Hill UCC

Leader: Rev. Kay Albright

Cost: \$20 at the door.

Lunch is on your own.

Registration Coming Soon!

If you haven't had boundary and Anti- racism training in the last 5 years, this is for you! If you don't know, then this is for you! If you just want to learn more, this is for you! Come and fellowship and learn with your colleagues in ministry.

Introduction to Appreciative Inquiry



Christian Church in Ohio
(Disciples of Christ)
Ohio Conference United Church of Christ



Ohio's **Interim Ministry Working Group** presents *another* quality
Workshop for Pastors both **Interim** and **Settled**

Building on Assets Rather Than Fixing the Deficits/Problems
Monday, October 29, 2018 / 9:30a - 3:45p
Dublin Community Church UCC
81 West Bridge St, Dublin OH

[Register Online HERE](#)

[View Details HERE](#)



Soon to be Ordained!

**Council has approved DPAM
recommendations to
ordain...**

Joanna Samuelson

Saturday, October 20th at 2p
North Congregational, Columbus

Beth Staten

Saturday, September 22nd at 10:30a
Sponsored by Move United
at Zion UCC in Delaware



Love of Neighbor



Greetings,
We invite you to join the call to participate in the Neighbors in Need Offering! The suggested offering date is Sunday, October 7th.

Please visit [UCC Resources](#) to find everything your congregation needs for a successful offering:

- 11x17 Poster
- Leader's Guide
- Offering Envelopes

- Bulletin Inserts (PDF download only)
- Bulletin Covers (PDF download only)
- Activity Book (PDF download only)

All supplies are free and shipped directly to you free of charge.
Digital resources can be downloaded at www.ucc.org/nin.



Your Vote Counts



[See Current UCC Constitution and By-Laws HERE](#)

[See Proposed By-Law Changes HERE](#)

The vote will be requested at the Ohio Conference Annual Gathering September 28-29, 2018.

[Here](#) is a summary of the Vision Team report for discussion at the Annual Gathering.

Ohio Conference Annual Gathering September 28-29 Westerville Community UCC



[Read More and Register Here NOW!](#)



An Introduction and Invitation Meet Rev. David Long-Higgins and Join Us at Annual Gathering!

Click the video link to the left to learn more about our new Transitional Conference Minister, Rev. David Long-Higgins, and to learn more about Annual Gathering!

**United Church Homes 2018 Annual Symposium
Marriott Columbus University Area
3100 Olentangy River Road,
Columbus OH 43202
Friday, October 12th
9:30a-3p Registration begins at 8:30a**

Keynote Speaker Dr. Ira Byock

**Featuring an afternoon panel:
Interfaith Perspectives on End of Life**

[Register ONLINE HERE](#)





United Nations International Affairs Seminar For Christian Youth February 22 - March 2, 2019

The United Nations International Affairs Seminar for Youth challenges youth to learn about international affairs and U.S. foreign policy through study, discussion and presentations in the United Nations Center in New York City and Washington, D.C. It seeks to encourage faith-based critical thinking and reflection through prayer, worship, discussion and community building. Application Deadline is December 12th.

[READ MORE AND APPLY HERE](#)

Churches Currently in Transition....

- **Heidelberg UCC, Stoutsville** is in the process of searching for a new minister.
- **David's UCC, Canal Winchester** is in process of beginning their search for a new minister





UCC DESK CALENDAR 2019

One free calendar is shipped to each church and all retired clergy.*

This popular, 18-month (July 2018 - December 2019) planning calendar for the UCC is 8.5" x 11" and spiral-bound. Includes:

- Complete lectionary readings for every Sunday
- Special mission offering dates
- Special observances
- Directory of national staff

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*Retired clergy: please check with your Conference if you don't receive one.

"Start With One" a devotion by, Vicki Kemper



"If a shepherd has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one?" - Matthew 18:12

Jesus tells the Parable of the Lost Sheep to help us understand how precious we are to God: How the Good Shepherd cannot bear to lose even one beloved one to predators, thieves, lousy judgment, a poor sense of direction, or plain bad luck. How, regardless of how many fat and happy sheep are safe in God's heart, she will not rest until every single dear one is accounted for. How heaven rejoices when the lost one is found.

The parable also speaks to the power of one: How we can save ourselves and change the world by loving each other to the ends of the earth, one person at a time. To mere sheep like us, this approach might seem inefficient. But this is the way of love and hope, relationship and wisdom, and blessed are those who follow it.

When we focus on the magnitude of suffering and need in the world, we are easily overwhelmed. We are tempted to conclude that there is nothing we can do.

But we can start with one—one person, one problem, one need.

I know it sounds slow and hard. But here's something I've learned from our church's provision of sanctuary for a Guatemalan man facing deportation:

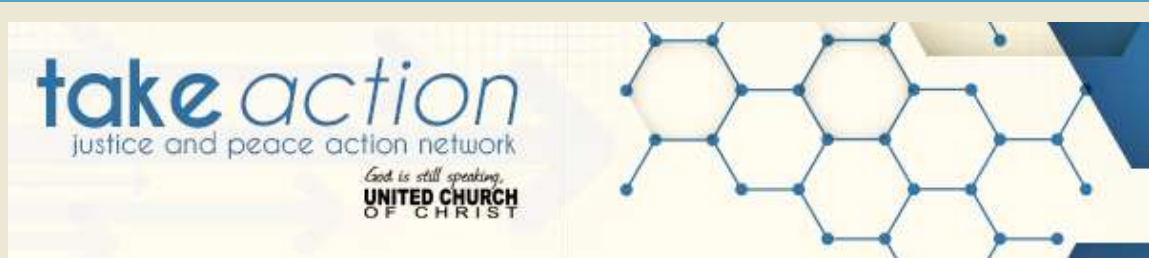
When we give of ourselves to serve even one, powerful new communities of love are created. Walls of division and unknowing crumble and fall. What was unimaginable becomes routine. Duty becomes a joy. Our sense of "church" explodes. The "system" is not changed right away, but we are transformed.

Consider this: Members of 10 churches, one synagogue, and a Quaker meeting provide meals for Lucio Perez. Some 200 people have accompanied him through every hour of every day for almost 11 months. More than 80 drivers bring his wife and children for visits. Hundreds of people have contributed financial support.

All this for one man and his one family. And all of heaven rejoices.

Prayer

Good Shepherd, may I have your heart for the one. And when I am the one, may I let your love find me.



[Click Here to view September Newsletter](#)



Have you read the PARISH PAPER?

The Parish Paper is a wonderful resource to which the Ohio Conference has subscribed on behalf of all Ohio Conference churches. Each issue stands alone as a topic of interest and importance to being a living and growing congregation. Check it out...

September - Checking Up on Clergy Health

Assessing the Cost of Sacred Work

October - Don't Disagree, Deliberate

How to Lead Community Conversations in Your Church



[COM Training online](#)

[Constitution and By Laws Adopted
10-25-14](#)

[CSEOA Vision - Future Story 2020](#)

[CSEOA Strategic Plan 2013-2020](#)

[Ohio Conference Website](#)

[Outdoor Ministries](#)

[Member In Discernment Manual](#)
[Rev. 7 10-9-2013](#)

[How Do I Transfer My Standing?](#)

[NEW UCC Ministerial Code](#)

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