

**Central Southeast Ohio Association,
Ohio Conference
October 10, 2018**



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OF CHRIST**
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CSEmail Newsletter

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The Association Office is open Tuesday from 10:00a - 1:00p or by appointment.
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

No Meeting in October

DCAM Meeting

Saturday, October 13th

1p

Grace UCC, Lancaster

DPAM Meeting

Wednesday, October 10th

9:30a-3:30p

David's UCC, Canal Winchester

CSEOA Annual Fall Meeting

Saturday, October 27th

Female Clergy Lunch

**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**

(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:
October 23rd, 2018
at 11:30 at
the Ikea restaurant (I 71- Gemini Exit).

Calendar of Prayer

October 14, 2018
St. Paul's UCC, Glenford

October 21, 2018
Second Congregational UCC, Marietta

October 28, 2018
CSEOA Association Council

**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.

REGISTER NOW

Choral and Piano Music Available to You

Two nationally known composers of church music, John Carter and his wife, Mary Kay Beall Carter, are downsizing and have to dispose of a substantial amount of choral and piano music. It is music given to them by their publishers over the years and consequently it cannot be sold. But it can be given away.

This music . . . just under 50 anthems (multiple copies of each) and about 60 volumes of piano music, mostly hymn arrangements for intermediate pianists . . . will be displayed on a table at our Association Fall Meeting on October 27. **It will be there for you to take.**

Some of the anthems are arranged for unison voices, some for two parts, or three parts, making them very useful for smaller choirs. There are also SATB anthems.

If you have any questions about this, call Nancy Livingston (618-973-6742 – cell).

[See the list of available music HERE](#)



Soon to be Ordained! Joanna Samuelson

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

You are cordially Invited to the Dedication and Celebration of the Washington Gladden Social Justice Park



**Sunday, October 28th at 2:00p
Corner of East Broad Street and Cleveland Ave
Columbus, Ohio**

[READ MORE](#)

Join Us for Change and Transition

CHANGE AND TRANSITION

"...in the dynamic process through which organisms grow and become, endings come first and beginnings come last." From *The Way of Zen* by William Bridges

This concept of beginning with the ending seems backwards from our typical perspectives, yet it captures the heart of why transitions are so unnerving! Something has ended - died - and the new thing is not yet known. All of creation shows us this over and over: the fruit must die to release the seed; the seed must break open to allow the sprout to emerge, and so on. Even on the level of the cosmos, stars must die in order to create the elements for new life, new possibilities! The 'new thing' arrives in its own mysterious timing - after the 'in-between-time' of unknowing.

We humans would just as soon skip the in-between-times and just get to the new thing without delay!

We will look at some ways that we, as people of faith, can be present to the discomfort and anxiety during times of transition, and ultimately discover the hope and gratitude that transition brings.

AMANDA STONE CUSHING

WELLSTREAMS PROGRAM DIRECTOR

OCTOBER 28, 2018

11:30 AM

PLEASE BRING A POTLUCK DISH TO SHARE!

DAVID'S UCC
80 W. COLUMBUS STREET
CANAL WINCHESTER, OHIO 43110



Amanda Stone Cushing, Director of the Wellstreams Program of Formation and Training in the Art of Spiritual Direction, completed her training as a spiritual director in 1998 and has offered individual and group spiritual direction for 20 years as well as small group and retreat facilitation.

**Advent United Church of Christ
Invites you to the Installation Service of
Rev. Colin and Rev. Imani Jones
November 3, 2018 at 3:00p**



The Central Southeast Ohio Association of the United Church of Christ cordially invites you to the Pastoral Installation Service of Rev. Colin and Rev. Imani Jones as pastors of Advent United Church of Christ. All clergy are invited to arrive by 2:30pm to robe and process. A reception will immediately follow the service.

Advent United Church of Christ
2303 N Cassady Ave
Columbus OH 43219

**Job Posting for
Position of Office Administrator to the
Central Southeast Ohio Association**

After much prayerful thought our Office Administrator, Debra Smetts, has decided not to renew her contract at the end of the year. We are grateful for all that Debbie has devoted to CSEOA. She has been a constant presence during a time of flux and uncertainty. Debbie, we offer you our blessings as you make more time for your family and yourself.

Below you will find a link to the job description for Association Office Administrator. Deadline to receive resumes is October 24th. Resumes and inquiries may be directed to:

Jill Dunlap
740-862-4222
jdunlap@rrohio.com

[View Job Description HERE](#)

A Reminder from DCAM

The Department for Church and Authorized Ministry is required to perform an annual information review of all authorized ministers (and members-in-discernment) with standing in the Association. If you are a MID (member-in-discernment) or an active or retired authorized minister (ordained, commissioned, or licensed), you should have received the appropriate form in the mail with the deadline of July 8 for its return.

Thank you to all who have responded with their completed forms.

For those who have misplaced the form (or who would simply prefer to do it online and get it over with), we are pleased to report that we now offer an online option for providing the info the department needs.

If you are a MID, you can fill out the form at
<https://goo.gl/forms/hXmwZUVT5opSLCWr2>.

Retired authorized ministers can fill out the form at
<https://goo.gl/forms/cE59soTmJdSSy3202>.

Active authorized ministers can fill out the form at
<https://goo.gl/forms/d9MK9dGZw6SGyJMq1>.

We appreciate your assistance.

---Jim Clausing
Vice-chair, Department for Church and Authorized Ministry



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Copyright Rights and Churches

Friends,

The issue of copyright rights and materials used by congregations is one that we must pay serious attention. Heather Kimmel, the UCC National Legal Counsel has put together a YouTube video intended to offer clarification about the use of copyright material. Here is the

link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BoP-m2c3HnE&feature=youtu.be>.

Peace,

Rev. Dr. Felix C. Villanueva, PCC
Conference Minister,
UCC Southern California Nevada Conference
2401 N Lake Avenue
Altadena, CA 91001



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!



The UCC's Date with Nature Photo Contest

From now until October 22nd, you can participate in the UCC's Date with Nature Photo Contest. Celebrate your romance with nature by submitting a photo that captures your love of God's creation. To make a submission, simply post your photo on Instagram using the hashtag #UCCDateWithNature. Contest rules can be found at: http://www.ucc.org/a_date_with_nature



Annual UCC Climate Survey

Where do members of the UCC stand on climate? For the second year, the UCC is partnering with Blessed Tomorrow to track the climate opinions of members through an online survey that allows us to compare where we stand with the rest of society. Take 15 minutes to help with this important measure. Find the survey here: <http://bit.ly/2018ClimateSurvey>

Rethink Veteran's Day The Faith Community's Response



Monday, October 22, 2018
10a-12p
133 Gault Hall MTSO, 3081 Columbus Pike
Delaware Ohio 43015
Cost is \$15 Payable at the door, cash or check

Liturgy program for Worship As:
A Time of Remembering - A Time of Honor- A Time of Reflection
A Time of Sacred Intention

For Worship Leaders, Clergy, Pastoral Care Professionals, Spiritual Care Providers and Students

Workshops will be provided.
Rev. Dr. John M. Schluep will speak

[Details HERE](#)

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](#)

INTERIM MINISTRY NETWORK TRAINING OPPORTUNITY IN OHIO

Managing change is a skill, not a talent. A skill that we know how to develop. We are the Interim Ministry Network. For over 35 years we have been training and certifying clergy to serve congregations in times of transition.

Our programs are led by experienced pastors and academics. Your nominees would receive training and mentoring in topics such as grief management, conflict resolution, organizational development, transitional processes and the latest in new ideas and practices to help congregations through the critical times of transitional ministry.

The Fundamentals of Transitional Ministry is a three day self-contained course devoted to the specific skills needed by the pastor of a congregation undergoing significant change. We will have a Fundamentals of Transitional Ministry course in

your area November 13-15, 2018 at the Radisson Gateway in Cleveland, OHIO. The tuition fee is \$740.00 (includes a one year membership to the Interim Ministry Network) and housing with meals is an additional cost.

Fundamentals of Transitional Ministry is designed for those members of your clergy and other church leaders who are facing the special needs of an interim pastor managing a church when it is between permanent pastors or a settled pastor or lay leader handling a congregation undergoing significant change.

If you know that having clergy with these specialized skills will be valuable to you in the coming year, encourage your clergy to attend. Send your staff. Or come yourself.

Visit www.imnedu.org

Register [HERE](#)

Thank you,
Ellen M. Goudy
Education and Membership Manager



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
- **Grace UCC, Lancaster** is in the 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

Pre-Order your 2018-19 Desk Calendar [Here](#)

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

"The Unity of the Spirit in the Bond of Peace" a devotion by, John Dorhauer



"Therefore, live a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called...maintaining the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace." - Ephesians 4:1-3

In a world so prone to disunity, so intent on noticing the differences that appear between one person and another and exploiting that, you see the beauty in every human being.

You delight in the magnificent array of shade and shape, of culture and context, of personality and purpose and you give God thanks for it. You see the divine intent in endowing creation with wonder and whimsy.

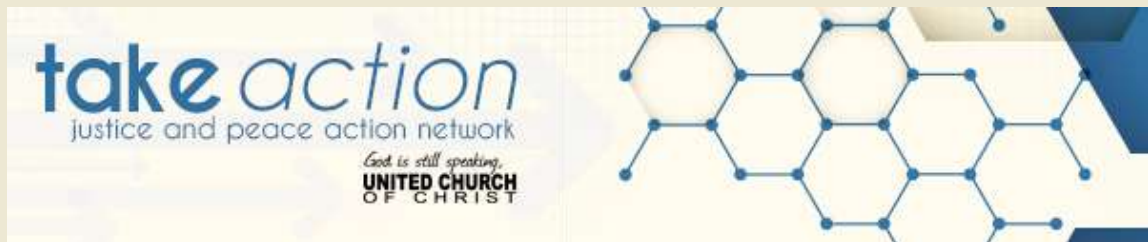
I am inspired by your vision, an ability to see into the heart and soul of neighbor and fully embrace all that they claim as their own in search of an identity and a pathway. You cry at their suffering, you sing at their accomplishments, you rejoice at their pleasure, and you celebrate their triumph.

Your walk through life finds you cultivating deep appreciation for the way we arrange our lives in patterns whose variegations mystify and satisfy. No two people are alike, you say, and you wouldn't have it any other way.

I want to walk this way with you. I choose to be proud of who I am and how God made me, but will not expect anyone else to conform to my choices. I celebrate the unity of human community that such an orientation invites, and the possibility for lasting peace it engenders.

Prayer

Holy One, whose breath inhabits every living being and whose hands have fashioned us in your image: may we live more fully and faithfully our call to be agents of peace, builders of unity, and sustainers of a human community bound together in mutual love and respect for all.



[Click Here to view October 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...



[COM Training online](#)

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

[CSEOA Vision - Future Story 2020](#)

October - Don't Disagree, Deliberate

How to Lead Community Conversations in Your Church

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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