Central Southeast Ohio Association,
Ohio Conference
October 17, 2018

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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.

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2018 Calendar of Events

Council Meeting
Saturday, November 10th

DCAM Meeting
Saturday, November 10th
1p
Grace UCC, Lancaster

DPAM Meeting
Wednesday, November 14th
9:30a-3:30p
David's UCC, Canal Winchester

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

### Calendar of Prayer

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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**

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**Soon to be Ordained!**

**Joanna Samuelson**

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

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**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
First Congregational Church - Reminder
Press Conference
South Side of City Hall
Thursday October 18th 10:30a

Dear Colleagues,
Yesterday, 14 of your pastoral colleagues gathered at First Church and heard stunning and awful stories about the mistreatment of officers and citizens emanating from the Columbus Police Division. It was clear to the 14 men and women gathered in the room that this must end now. We made a commitment to sign on to seven expectations for change within the division in relation to minority police officers and to improve the interactions of police officers with community members.

Change must come now!

To this end, we are holding a press conference Thursday, October 18 at 10:30 a.m. on the South Side of City Hall (where Columbus’ statue is). We will hold a 30-minute press conference followed by the delivery of our signed document to the Mayor and the Director of Safety. Meet at 10:15 to pray and get ourselves set.

I would like you to join us.

What we need is another 80 people present at this press conference. We need black, brown and white clergy. We need men and women. We need Jews, Christians, and Muslims. We need everyone there!

Can you join us?

Please spread the word. Get commitments. Show up.

Blessings to you all!

Tim

*Tim Ahrens*
*The Rev. Dr. Timothy C. Ahrens*  
*Senior Minister*  
*First Congregational Church, UCC*  
*444 E. Broad St.*  
*Columbus, OH 43215*  
*Church: 614-228-1741 x 13*  
*Cell: 614-886-6765*  
*tahrens@first-church.org*
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

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

Pastors and Colleagues,

Attached is the job description for Office Administrator of the Association. The Personnel Committee asks your help in making this position known to your congregations. We trust there is someone in our CSEOA midst that would find it a good opportunity for them. Please note the deadline is October 30, 2018.

Thanks and Blessings,

Jill Dunlap
Personnel Chair

**Deadline to receive resumes is extended to October 30th 2018.**

Resumes and inquiries may be directed to:

Jill Dunlap
740-862-4222
jdunlap@rroho.com
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/hXmwZUVT5opSLCr2.

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/d9MK9dGZw6SGyJMc1.

We appreciate your assistance.

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

Clergy Compensation Guidelines 2019
Ohio Conference UCC

The clergy compensation guidelines for 2019 are in. They were approved at the conference meeting in September. We include them here for your budgeting process for next year.

Download Guidelines HERE
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!**

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.

**REGISTER NOW!**

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**News from SONKA**

**Clergy Excellence Day!**

**Peace Literacy Workshop**

**November 2nd**

We are excited to announce that on Friday, November 2nd, SONKA will be hosting Paul K. Chappell at Lakeview UCC in Maineville, Ohio as part of Clergy Excellence. This single-day SONKA workshop is open to EVERYONE, including church members and friends and covers a variety of Peace Literacy skills.

**See the flyer here.**

Paul K. Chappell is a West Point graduate, former army captain, and Iraq war veteran. Paul created Peace Literacy to help students and adults work toward their full potential and a more peaceful world.

**Register Here**

Thank you.

Troy Donnerberg  
Communications Coordinator  
SONKA
Rev. Brooks Berndt, 
The UCC Minister for Environmental Justice 
Invites you to:

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 UCC members stand on climate change?

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

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Introduction to Appreciative Inquiry

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

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Interim Ministry Training
Is your congregation at a threshold moment that could take it from surviving to thriving? This training could help you lead that transition. Ever thought of Interim Ministry as a calling? The Interim Ministry Working Group is holding the Fall 2018 training November 13-15 at Camp Christian in Marysville, OH. If you've ever thought you might be interested in Interim Ministry, you are invited to consider this training offered to all UCC and DoC clergy in Ohio. It will help you with your discernment and prepare you for that ministry.

View Flier 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.
- 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.

"Naps of the Bible"
a devotion by,
Maren C. Tirabassi

"So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work of creation." - Genesis 2:3

Jacob ran, scared to death of his brother Esau who was ... huge. Exhausted in the wilderness, he put his head on a rock and dreamed a legislature of angels. Jacob woke knowing God was in every scary place or runaway journey, but only because sleep gave the dreaming a chance. Joseph of Nazareth planned to send away his beloved Mary, because that's how being hurt and angry works. Then he decided to sleep on it, and the rest was ... well, Christmas! Jesus was taking a power nap in the boat between healings and teachings when a storm blew up. They had to shake him awake before he could say "peace, be still." Only later he complained, "O you of little naps ..."

And that's not mentioning Nebuchadnezzar's nightmare of conscience, Jonah's snooze below decks before taking responsibility for his actions, the warning to the magi that there is always another way
home, or the raising of Eutychus, the teenager who fell out the window reminding us that long sermons can be a form of melatonin.

Long ago and this week, the chance to actually experience a dream of hope, the pause that shifts an emotion-driven decision, the renewal of strength and faith to face any storm—they all come from sleep. Sleep gives energy, focus, creativity. Sleep weaves the frayed memory, improves the unreliable temper, and always makes working with the ragtag, clueless, practically disciple-esque folks in our resistance possible.

Prayer

God, who takes us from being left in the dust to ribs of companionship in one deep sleep, we thank you for always being there when we lie down and when we rise up.

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...

October - Don't Disagree, Deliberate
How to Lead Community Conversations in Your Church

Quicklinks

COM Training online
Constitution and By Laws Adopted 10-25-14
CSEOA Vision - Future Story 2020
CSEOA Strategic Plan 2013-2020
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Outdoor Ministries
How Do I Transfer My Standing?

NEW UCC Ministerial Code

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