# East Union Presbyterian Church March 30, 2025 9:30am In The EUCC

#### "Bread for Sharing" Pastor Jo at the Pulpit

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# Welcome To East Union Church

We are delighted you are here! Please refer to page 11 for information about Worship Services, Christian Education and Outreach Programs.

#### Easter Hower Sale—Last call!!

TODAY is the final day to get your Easter Flower Orders in! We are hoping to fill the Sanctuary with live, beautiful flowers on Easter Morning!

Order forms are available on the Welcome Table, apologies for running out last week. We have a larger variety to choose from this year: tulips, hyacinth, daffodils, mums, all \$9/ea., lilies \$10.50/ea., and hydrangeas \$16.25/ea.



Orders are due today, March 30th and will be available for pick up after our April 20th Easter Worship Service.

## Rummage Sale Signs

Mary Lynn Fentress is requesting that road signs from the rummage sale please be brought back to the church to be stored for next year. Thank you for helping get the word out!

# Adopt—A—Highway 2025

Adopt-A-Highway will take place on Saturday, April 12 from 9-11am. Join us as we help keep our neighborhood litter-free. We will pick up litter along a two mile stretch, mainly in front of the church and up Rich Hill Road. Contact Joe Haynes for more info at 724.265.4921

### Bowling with the Easter Bunny!

We will have our annual Bowling with the Easter Bunny on Palm Sunday (April 13th), after worship at 11:30am at Deer Lakes Bowl! If you plan to bowl, your \$15 donation per person mostly covers the cost of two games and shoe rental. Please do not let cost be a barrier. All are welcome to join in the festivities! RSVP Here: https://bit.ly/BunnyBowling2025-or visit our website to RSVP.

# Easter Bunny Breakfast

*This coming Saturday is our Easter Bunny Breakfast!* Below are all the details for our volunteers! We can't wait to see everyone for a fun and festive morning with the Bunny!

<u>HELP GETTING DOWN DECORATIONS</u>: If you are able to lend a hand immediately after the worship service today, we have a few boxes of decorations to bring down from the chair room.

**DONATIONS:** We still have many slots open for donations for our Bunny Breakfast to help keep costs low for this event! **You can find the sign up on our website homepage, below the Sunday Bulletins section. SET UP:** Thursday, April 3, decorating begins at 5:00pm in the EUCC, tables and chairs set up will begin at 6:30pm. Please come as your schedule allows.

VOLUNTEER PARKING: Please park off the main parking lot in the grass OR across the street over by the cemetery. Carpooling is strongly recommended!

<u>SATURDAY:</u> Kitchen Cooks please arrive by 7:00am; Balloons at 7:15am; all other volunteers, please arrive by 8:15am and report to Bree Hansen. Any additional questions please see Teresa Williams or Bree Hansen!



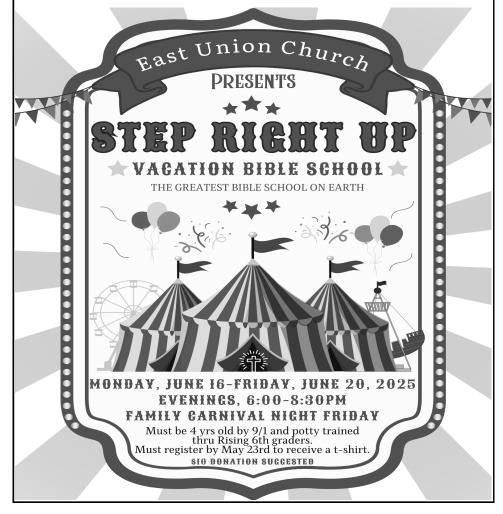
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# Vacation Bible School 2025

#### REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! June 16-20 ~ Evenings from 6:00-8:30pm Come one! Come all! Step Right Up!

Carnivals are more than a place to play, eat and have fun! They also invite us to come and see extraordinary wonders! This year's VBS will feature a mix of circus and carnival delights as we explore the greatest story on earth -- The Good News of God's Love!

We always welcome and appreciate both new and returning volunteers! Please sign up on our website. Find out more TODAY at our Volunteer Meeting at 10:45 in Founders' Chapel.



### Announcements



Sunday Worship, 9:30am, EUCC

LENT 4 - March 30 "Bread for Sharing" Caisen and Korin Bedillion will receive the Sacrament of Baptism

LENT 5 – April 6 "Bread for Community" Communion

#### **Holy Week**

PALM SUNDAY – April 13 – 9:30am, Sanctuary "Looking Back, Springing Forward" (Our Children's Spring Play) We will also have our annual Bowling with the Easter Bunny at Deer Lakes Bowl following worship at 11:30am.

MAUNDY THURSDAY – April 17, 7pm, Founders' Chapel "Living Last Supper" Drama

We are looking for participants to play the roles of the disciples. Please reach out to Pastor James if the role interests you! There is a sign up sheet on the Welcome Table!

EASTER SUNDAY – April 20, 9:30am, Sanctuary "Bread for Feasting" Live Flowers & Butterfly Release!

#### Mission Trip 2025—Returning to Hazard, KY!

The East Union Mission Team is excited to announce the 2025 Mission Trip returning to Hazard, Kentucky, August 3-8

**Trip Details:** 

Leave on Sunday morning, August 3rd to travel to Hazard. We will have 4 working days, Monday thru Thursday, and leave Friday morning, August 8th to return home. HDA allows unaccompanied youth volunteers 14 and above, but also allows children down to the age of 10 as long as they are accompanied by a parent or guardian. The team will be staying at The 1st Presbyterian Church of Hazard. You do not have to commit to the entire trip to attend.

#### Interested?

Contact Doug Blinn for additional info/questions. (dhblinn@gmail.com or text/ call 724-681-4220).

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А	ssurance of Pardon				

\* Passing of the Peace

Baptism of Caisen and Korin Bedillion

#### Children's Chat

Following the Congregational Song, children are invited to take a Worship Tote and library book to their seats; the totes include coloring books and a snack. Families with younger children are welcome to use the Toddler Room, which features a carpet and a variety of toys.

Scripture Readings:

Genesis 18:1-10, 12-14a Luke 14:7-14

Sermon:

"Bread for Sharing"

Pastor Jo

#### Announcements

Offering

Thank you for your generous financial contributions which support East Union Church, our ministries and missions. The Offering Plate will be passed. (We also accept Venmo for donations, you can scan this QR code or set up online donations at our church website. Call the church office...Mindy can help!)

\* Congregational Song

Dismissal of Online Congregation

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer

\* Congregational Song

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

# Celebrating the Baptism of Caisen and Korin Bedillion!

Today, we celebrate the baptism of Caisen and Korin Bedillion, daughter and son of Bill Bedillion and Erin Bedillion. They are also joined by their godparents, Paul and Autumn Stotlemeyer. Caisen is in 8th grade and Korin is in 6th grade. Both attend Deer Lakes Middle School. As they take this meaningful step in their journey of faith, may Caisen and Korin always know they are surrounded by a loving church family, ready to guide and uplift them along the way. God Bless Caisen and Korin as they receive the sacrament of baptism and may their lives be forever blessed.



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## Announcements

#### Women's Retreat—Hope Center Baskets

This past Monday, we delivered baskets and backpacks to the Alle-Kiski Hope Center, crafted at our 'Bee Blessed' Women's Retreat!

They are so very grateful for these care kits and backpacks we provide for the women and children in the shelter. The Women's Ministry Team would like to thank everyone who donated money, items, food and more to make our retreat a huge success. You are all a blessing. Check out our Facebook page for many more photos from a beautiful morning of fellowship and mission!



#### Walnut Woods Summer Camp

**Registration is now open!** Visit our website to register today! All active members of East Union Church receive 10% off their weeks and a waived registration fee!

\$200.00 per week, \$50 non-refundable registration fee, field trip weeks are subject to an additional \$15.00 Fee.

"Understanding God's Plan for Love and Partnership" Seminar continues today! Join David and Janet Volkman in Kennedy Hall at 11:00am. All are welcome!

Email: eastunion@eastunionchurch.org



#### **In Our Prayers**

(To include someone on the prayer list, please call the church office)

In Mission:	Allie Gray (Guatemala)				
In Seminary:	Allison Blackwell (Vanderbilt)				
Care Facility:	Emily Allison (Harmar Village) Karen Klemmensen (Quality Life Services of Grove City) Joann Peterson (Atria's Senior Living, McCandless) Bob Fyala (Concordia, Cabot)				
Home Care:	Joan Kozub	Glenn Reed	Jan Fyala		
East Union Birthdays					
Holly Angeloff (03/30) Meaghan Parsons (03/ Mike McCormick (04/0		,	Lance Slavin (03/30) Jen Garrett (04/04) Dana Wangler (04/06)		

Contact Deacon Of The Month For Deacons Care Ministry Heather Rusek - 412-526-1868

**Prayer Requests...**Please contact Carol McCaskey (724-312-5656 / camc@consolidated.net) or Teresa Williams (412-613- 4375/ dlns@verizon.net.) to share your prayer request or join the Cloud.

**You Are Not Alone** — Your pastors are here for you! If you need support, assistance or prayer... If you have questions about who God is and how to grow in your faith... If you are struggling with grief, anxiety or depression... If addiction or conflict is affecting your relationships... We care about you...in body, mind and spirit! Please contact the church office or email the pastors to schedule a confidential visit. In case of an emergency, Pastor James can be reached at 724-681-5672.

#### The Week At A Glance Sunday, March 23 - March 30, 2025

Today:	9:30am - Worship (EUCC) <b>4th Sunday of Lent;</b> Bedillion Baptism 10:45am - Spring Play Practice for Children (Discovery Classroom) 10:45am—VBS Volunteer/Station Meeting (Founders' Chapel) 11:00am - Love and Partnership Seminar (Kennedy Hall) 12 Noon - Youth Group Juniors & Seniors Wing Outing (BWW) 6:30-8:00pm—Youth Group (Kennedy Hall)
Monday:	9:00am - Strength & Stretching - Open To All (EUCC) 6:00-8:00pm - Cub Scouts (Kennedy Hall)
Tuesday:	<b>Compass Points Deadline</b> 5:00-8:00pm—Fun and Freedom Youth Sports (EUCC) 8:00-9:15pm - Deer Lakes Sobriety Meeting (Lounge)
Wednesday:	6:00-7:00pm - DLNS Art Class (Nursery School) 6:00-8:00pm - Tae Kwon Do (Kennedy Hall)
Thursday:	9:00am - Strength & Stretching - Open To All (EUCC) 5:00-8:00pm - KFive Tutoring (Sunday School Hallway) 6:00-8:00pm—Boy Scouts (Kennedy Hall) 5:00pm—Set up of Bunny Breakfast (EUCC)
Saturday:	7:00am - Kitchen Volunteers arrive (EUCC) 8:15am – All other Volunteers arrive (EUCC) 9:00-11:00am - Easter Bunny Breakfast (EUCC)
Next Sunday:	9:30am - Worship (EUCC) <b>Fifth Sunday of Lent, Communion</b> 10:45am - Spring Play Practice for Children (Discovery Classroom) 10:45am - Deacons Meeting (Choir/Conference Room) 11:00am - Love and Partnership Seminar (Kennedy Hall) Afternoon - Youth Group Auction Winner Yard Work Teams

#### New Online Directory

We are creating a new Online Directory for our East Union Church Family & Friends! This is a great opportunity to get-to-know and keep-in-touch with our faith community! It's easy to participate!

- Please visit https://bit.ly/EUOnlineDirectory (link can also be found on our website homepage below the Sunday Bulletins) to complete the following form for your entire family, including children through age 20.
- Young adults, 21 and older, are asked to submit their own form.
- Please upload a picture or pictures of you and your family if you'd like.
- This directory and your contact information/photo will be available only to MEMBERS and ACTIVE FRIENDS of East Union Church who will be given the PASSCODE to receive access.
- Please submit your form by April 27th so we are able to launch in May!

East Union Presbyterian Church

# A Church With Direction

# A Warm Welcome Is Extended To Our Guests!

What a pleasure to have you worship with us this morning! Please take a moment to fill out our Connection Card, available at the Welcome Table, and return it in the offering plate or Connection Card box. (We respect your privacy and do not share this information.) Please know that you are invited to participate in all of our activities and events.

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Worship Schedule, Sundays at 9:30am in the EUCC Weekly Services are broadcast on YouTubeLive. Directions are available at our website and on our Welcome Table.

(If you have trouble hearing and would like a printed copy of the sermon to follow along in worship, please contact Pastor James. )

### Youth Group

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Teens, 6th–12th grade, are invited to Youth Group! Meeting notices and event details will be sent out through TeamSnap. Contact the Church Office or Frank McCoy to have your name added to the contact list.

#### Sunday School

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Sunday School for Children and Adults is offered most Sundays. Classes meet after worship from 10:45—11:30am

Save the Date! VBS is scheduled for June 16-20, 2025!

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#### Women's Ministry

All ladies are welcome to participate in our events, Bible Studies, Annual Retreat and Book Club. Please call or text Teresa Williams (412.613.4375) to be added to the WM's email list.

#### Facebook & Instagram

Like and Follow us on Facebook and Instagram to stay up to date on all the happenings here at East Union Church!

#### Clearances

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PA State Law requires East Union to maintain a file of current PA Criminal and Child Abuse Clearances for all adults, age 21 and older, who have contact with children without their parents present. Clearances are free, easy to obtain online and last for 5 years. Please make sure yours are up-todate. If you need help, please contact Mindy or Pastor Jo.

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Mindy Young	Admin/Financial Secretary &
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#### Ministry Teams & Committees 2025

Administration & Staff Christian Education Christian Growth & Membership Worship	· Pastor Jo · Pastor James
Mission Women's Ministry Nominating Committee Cemetery Committee Revenue Advisory Team	<ul> <li>Teresa Williams, Sue Vresh</li> <li>Carol McCaskey</li> <li>Joe Williams</li> </ul>

#### Session

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