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The Union Board is looking to fill the position of Website Maintenance for 2021: Website maintenance – a position which helps our congregations and the Union keep communications open for our community. IT/webmaster skills are a plus. Winnie Schappell and Myrena Frantz will help the new person learn the ropes of our website.

UCC and Lutheran Members are needed to work on the Soundboard during worship. Those who would like to assist will be trained by those who are currently working on the Soundboard. Please contact Kim Anderson or Lori Brawn for more information.

Monthly Newsletter: If you have an article that you want put in the Monthly Newsletter (UCC and/or Lutheran), please contact the church office (610-285-6157) by the 15th of the month.

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Please remember our members in Nursing Homes, Personal Care Facilities, and our shut-in Members:

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Ziegel UCC January, 2022 Newsletter

-Pastor Larry

It's a New Day

Nina Simone sang a hopeful song that spoke of the dawning of a new day:

Birds flying high, you know how I feel
Sun in the sky, you know how I feel
Breeze driftin' on by, you know how I feel
It's a new dawn
It's a new day
It's a new life for me, yeah
It's a new dawn...

Beginning a new year provides an opportunity for God's people to seek fresh possibilities in a spirit of hope and celebration. When we tell a story we are living a memory. If we tell the story of 2021, it includes joy, pain, suffering, violence, understanding, misunderstanding, hopelessness, and hope. It is a story goes full circle. We are saying goodbye to a year that has been personally challenging in profound ways. We have experienced health challenges, family tensions, questions about our faith. All of these challenges move us to seek a rest bit from the storms of life. A new year can be a fresh start, an opportunity to look at the challenges of our lives with new eyes. A new year widens the birth of opportunity for each one of us. It marks new opportunities for learning and developing wisdom. It opens the door to talking to that person with whom we have lost contact. It provides impetus to take initiative to do that project that you have been avoiding. Yes, it is a new day and a new life.

The life of Christ marks an opportunity for a new beginning. His birth brings light to a world that overcome with darkness. We are people of the light, beginning a new year with the grounding of Christ's love. My prayer for you is the new year is more than turning the pages of a calendar, let it become to turning over of a new day.

Blessings,
Rev. Larry

January

January- now is here.
A fine new start
For a whole new year.

The snow comes down
In the dark of night.
When we awake,
The world is white.

In January,
When there's snow,
We get our sleds
And away we go.



<http://www.christmas-coloring.com>

Welcome January!

If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation:
old things have passed away;
behold, all things have become new.
II Corinthians 5:17



It's Snowing!

Look! It's snowing! Let's go outside!
We'll romp and stomp; we'll slip and slide.
We'll sled down hills as fast as we can.
We'll make snow angels and a fat snowman.
So grab your mittens—and let's go play
Before our plans all melt away!

-RainbowsWithinReach-

Happy New Year

A brand new year!
A clean slate on which to write
our hopes and dreams.
This year: Less time and energy on things;
More time and energy on people.
All of life's best rewards,
deepest and finest feelings,
greatest satisfactions,
come from people--
people like you.

Happy New Year!

Happy Birthday,
Dr. Martin Luther King
January 17
Dr. King's Dream
Treat people kindly;
do what is fair.
Work for all people;
show that you care.
These are the ways
if we work as a team,
to remember the man who said,
"I have a dream."

Celebrate National Pie Day - January 23
Challenge! Name a pie whose name begins
with these letters.

A _____
B _____
C _____
G _____
K _____
L _____
M _____
P _____
R _____
S _____

My favorite pie is
_____.

Thought for the Month

People will insist change is good. It's always easier to be the one saying that than to be the one actually making change. Be proactive, but recognize some matters – some people – just can't be changed.

Worth Considering:
Moses was the first person
with a tablet
downloading data
from a cloud.