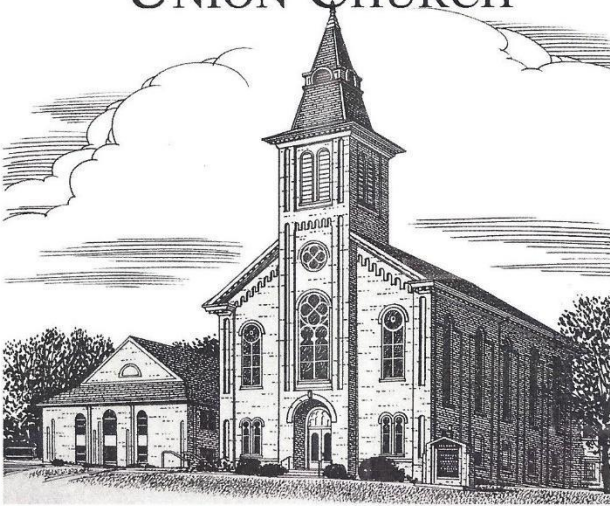


# ZIEGELS UNION CHURCH



*9990 Ziegels Church Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031*

## SEPTEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

**Sponsored by:**

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*Volume 24, Issue 8*

***Please worship with us each Sunday!***

Summer Union Worship: 9:00am

*as of* September 8<sup>th</sup>: Lutheran worship 8:30am

UCC worship: 11:05am

## 2024 Summer Worship Schedule

**Ziegels Summer Union Worship Services** will be held through September 1st. All summer services will begin at 9:00am. **September 1-** indoor service with communion.



Please note that beginning Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, Lutheran services will be held at 8:30am, and the UCC services will be held at 11:05am.

### NEWSLETTER MAILING

To save postage costs, both congregations are asking members to notify the office if you would like to be taken off the newsletter mailing list. If you prefer not to receive a printed newsletter, it can be read electronically by going to our website [www.ziegelschurch.org](http://www.ziegelschurch.org) and clicking on the newsletter link. You can also provide an email address if you prefer electronic communications. Call Laura (UCC) or Nicole (Lutheran) at 610-285-6157.



### **REMINDER!**

The deadline for submissions for the October newsletter is Monday, September 16, 2024.

Please email the office with submissions at [lutheranziegels@gmail.com](mailto:lutheranziegels@gmail.com) or [ziegelsucc@gmail.com](mailto:ziegelsucc@gmail.com).

### SEPTEMBER MEETINGS

#### Committee Meetings

Sept	3rd	Union Committee Meeting 7:30pm
Sept	9th	Lutheran Council Meeting 7:30pm
Sept	10th	UCC Consistory Meeting 7:00pm
Sept	17th	Property Committee Meeting 7:00pm

#### Weekly Events

Monday	AA 7:30pm
Tuesday	Cub Scout Pack 61 6:30pm
Wednesday	Cadette Girl Scout Troop 68 6:30pm (2nd & 4th Wed)
Thursday	Bell Choir 6:00pm, Senior Choir 7:15pm
Friday	Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00am at Cracker Barrel

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY BREAKFAST** meets every Friday at 7:00am at the Cracker Barrel in Fogelsville. All are welcome to enjoy breakfast and study the weekly scriptures. Please contact the church office for the Men's Bible Study leader's contact information.

**Cadette Girl Scout Troop #68** contact Beth Furman at 484-217-2197 for details.

**Cub Scout Troop #61** contact Rick Sherer at 484-357-5430 for details.

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### **SPONSORS NEEDED!**

**\*We are in need of a sponsor(s) for the church website for the month of November.\***

Please consider signing up to financially contribute in some small way. It's a wonderful way to remember or honor a loved one and a means to financially support the missions of our congregations. Please inquire with the church office for availability.

Sign-up sheets are in the narthex, or you can contact the individuals below:

#### **Altar Flowers and Piano Vases-**

- *Lutheran* - Contact Deanna Quay at 610-597-9137 or [momchemist@hotmail.com](mailto:momchemist@hotmail.com).
- *UCC* - Contact Laura Loch at 610-285-6157

#### **Bulletins - \$20 per week**

- *Lutheran* - Contact Sandy Rothermel at 484-824-3237 or [Sandyravon@aol.com](mailto:Sandyravon@aol.com).
- *UCC* - Contact Laura Loch at 610-285-6157

**Monthly Newsletter** - \$40 per month; contact church office

**Website** - \$30 per month; contact church office

**Food Pantry Sponsor** - \$70 per month or \$35 for ½ month

### **UNION COMMITTEES, MINISTRIES & MISSIONS**

#### **SUNDAY ADULT BOOK STUDY**

The adult book study group will meet on Sundays during Sunday school hour, 10:00-10:55am and will start the discussion on September 15<sup>th</sup> in the ACTS room. The selected book for this study is *Caste, The Origins of Our Discontent*, by Isabel Wilkerson.

## TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

*WHAT'S YOUR SUPERPOWER?* Can you contribute to the member support component of our grant applications currently in progress? Winona Schappell and Mary Redline are coordinating several grant applications to refit the Fellowship Room with current audio and visual technology. The goal is to make it easier for everyone to hear and see informal worship services, speaker presentations, and funeral memorials.

How can you help? If you have a Thrivent account eligible for any mission grants to support this project, or if you have an interest in donating towards a specific piece of equipment, or if you have talents to share for the church's 275th anniversary (e.g., being a speaker), please contact Mary at [Mary.A.Redline@gmail.com](mailto:Mary.A.Redline@gmail.com) or Winona at [wunschappell@gmail.com](mailto:wunschappell@gmail.com) to discuss your ideas.

*"When we all help each other, everybody wins." Jim Stovall*



The September website sponsor is Ruth Bagenstose, in memory of her husband, parents, and siblings.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### **Rally Day Breakfast**

Start our Sunday School year off with a Rally Day Breakfast! On Sunday, September 8, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., bring your family for breakfast, fellowship and trivia!

### **First Day of Sunday School**

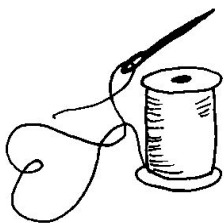
Our first official day of Sunday School will be on Sunday, September 15, 10 a.m. to 10:50 a.m.

- Children 0-3 will meet in the Nursery.
- Children Pre-K – 2 will meet in the Proverbs Room.
- 3rd – 6th Grades will meet in the Hebrews Room.
- 1st Year Confirmation will meet in the Galatians Room.
- 2nd Year Confirmation will meet in the Romans Room.

## ***Sunday School Teachers Wanted!***

The CE Team is looking for adults and older youth interested in teaching Sunday School for the 2024-2025 Sunday school year. A sign-up sheet will be located outside of the Christian Education office with available dates, or for Signup-Genius, visit the link below. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0B4AAAAB22A0FF2-50515966-sunday>

## **Ziegels Handmade Market**



Get ready for a whirlwind of creativity at Ziegels Christian Education's debut Handmade Market! Mark your calendars for November 16, 10 am to 3 pm, as we bring you a craft extravaganza featuring handmade treasures like needle crafts, unique sewn goodies, dazzling jewelry, and much more!

Plus, every vendor will toss a basket into our charity raffles. Feeling hungry? Don't worry, we've got Jenny Jump's Junction Food Truck and a bake sale to fuel you for all the shopping fun! Want to join the crafty party? Get ready for a mini-crafting extravaganza where our young talents can showcase and sell their masterpieces! Contact the CE Team at [ziegelsce@gmail.com](mailto:ziegelsce@gmail.com).

*Contact our Director of CE, Kristin Folck or our SS Officers (Laurie Rex or Kelly Lucarelli) if you need more info at [ziegelsce@gmail.com](mailto:ziegelsce@gmail.com). You can also find us in the CE office on Sunday mornings!*

### **Christian Education Upcoming Dates:**

Rally Day – September 8, 10 am-11 am

First Day of Sunday School – September 15, 10 am-10:50 am

Pajama Day – October 13

Pajama Collection Month - October

Trunk or Treat – October 26, 6 to 7:30 pm

Confirmation Dinner & Rehearsal – Saturday, November 2, 5:30 pm

Confirmation Union Service - Sunday, November 3, 9 am

Handmade Market – November 16, 10 am to 3 pm

Sunday School Christmas Program – December 15, 10:10 am

## WORSHIP & MUSIC

**Senior Choir** will begin on September 5<sup>th</sup> and will continue to meet Thursday evenings at 7:15 pm.

**Adult Handbell Choir** will begin on September 25<sup>th</sup> and will continue to meet on Thursday evenings at 6:00 pm.

**Children's Chime Choir** will begin meeting on September 29<sup>th</sup> and will continue to meet Sunday mornings from 9:30 am-10:00 am.

PARENTS, do you have children interested in singing or playing chimes? We would love to see an active youth choir! Come out for fun, fellowship, and learning new musical skills. Contact Jill at [jillbb22@gmail.com](mailto:jillbb22@gmail.com) or 484-456-6701 if you wish to join any of the choirs or would like more information.

ADULTS and TEENS -are you interested in joining the Senior Choir or Handbell Choir? Please contact Jill at [jillbb22@gmail.com](mailto:jillbb22@gmail.com) or 484-456-6701.

## SEWING MISSION

The team meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 5:30pm to sew pillowcases for local children's hospitals, dresses for "Dress A Girl Around the World," and chemo port cushions. For information, contact Shelley Daniels at 610-704-4500 or email [seashell246@gmail.com](mailto:seashell246@gmail.com).

## HAND QUILTING

Hand quilting will resume Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>. This group meets every Monday from 9:00am-12:00pm. For information, please contact Michele Quier at 484-661-6049.

## PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 9:00 am in the Fellowship room to crochet prayer shawls and knit baby blankets. Members are willing to teach if you want to learn a new skill! Contact Gloria Hausman at 610-285-6741 for information.

## FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

This committee plans special events for the church and meets the third Sunday of each month at 10:00am in the Fellowship hall. If you would like to help in any way, contact Carley or Shana at [ziegelsfellowship@gmail.com](mailto:ziegelsfellowship@gmail.com).

## ZIEGELS OUTREACH MISSION COMMITTEE

The Union Committee approved the Ziegels Outreach Mission Committee to oversee and monitor the various outreach missions conducted by the church and to research and offer other opportunities in which



congregational members may wish to participate. There are currently many volunteer opportunities to show God's Love with helping hands at Ziegels Church: Ziegels Sewing Mission led by Shelley Daniels; Quilting Mission led by Michele Quier, Harvest Home produce and food drive led by Fellowship Committee and the Harvest Home Committee, Pajama drive led by Christian Education, Military Goodie Boxes and Baking Supply drive for military families led by Bonnie Millward, Wreaths Across America led by Laura Loch. Later in the year, there will be the Lowhill Food Pantry and Blessing Shop stocking stuffers and Christmas gift drive for local children. Please consider participating in these missions as able.

If you have an interest in helping a certain population, a passion for a just cause, or interest in a local agency mission, please contact one of the committee members: Kaitlyn Sterner, Courtney Walters, KellyAnn Purugganan, Dave Purugganan, Winona Schappell or email [ziegelschurch@gmail.com](mailto:ziegelschurch@gmail.com) and write in subject line Ziegels Outreach Mission Committee and share your ideas, skills, and talents. We are excited to explore new ideas and make your outreach mission ideas a reality.

## SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Sunday Fellowship Hour will resume on Sunday, September 15th. A signup sheet is in the Fellowship Room or contact Doreen Wynn at 610-481-0143 or [luvplumeria@yahoo.com](mailto:luvplumeria@yahoo.com).

## HISTORY COMMITTEE

If you are interested in our church history and would like to learn more or volunteer to help with this committee, please contact Mary Redline by phone at 610-395-8241 or [discerepa@aol.com](mailto:discerepa@aol.com).

## PRAYER MINISTRY

Are you interested in being a prayer warrior for Ziegels members and our community? Please reach out to the church office or contact Kelly at [kellylucarelli@yahoo.com](mailto:kellylucarelli@yahoo.com) or 484-375-8978.

## LOWHILL FOOD PANTRY: JUNE/JULY STATISTICS

**September sponsor:  
Marlene Evangelista,  
in memory of Robin Windish**

### **June:**

- 77 family units served (112 adults, 88 children, 50 seniors) for a total of 250 individual clients. No emergencies served this month.
- 84 children served through the Weekend Children's program.
- Ziegels Union Church donated 177 lbs. of food this month along with many needed items for the Blessings Room.

### **July:**

- 73 family units served (97 adults, 82 children, 55 seniors) for a total of 234 individuals served. No emergencies served this month.
- 73 children served through the Weekend Children's program.
- Ziegels Union Church donated 102 lbs. of food, and 60 lbs. of school supplies; along with many needed items for the Blessings Room.

**Current food needs:** soup, spaghetti sauce, canned fruit, cereal, and cleaning supplies.

**Current needs for the Blessings Room:**  
socks for all ages.

**September servings:** Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, and Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>.

Volunteer opportunities with dates and times are listed on our website at [www.lowhillfoodpantry.com](http://www.lowhillfoodpantry.com), with our volunteer email address being [info@lowhillfoodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:info@lowhillfoodpantry@gmail.com), and for monetary donations, our address is Lowhill Food Pantry, P.O. Box 115, New Tripoli, PA 18066

**Thank you for your continued support and giving to this program. We appreciate your help and assistance very much.**



## HARVEST HOME 2024 (Bountiful Harvest)



Harvest Home 2024, (Bountiful Harvest) will be celebrated on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, at the 8:30 am and 11:05 am services. Please help us by providing fresh produce for the display that will celebrate Harvest Time and then be given to Lowhill Food Pantry. From apples to zucchini and yams to beans and anything in between. Produce may be dropped off at the church on Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, before 11 am or bring it along on Saturday night to the Harvest Moon Festival from 4-7 pm. We will also accept pantry donations to help stock their shelves at the pantry. Questions? Call Diane 610-662-8071 or [hemerldl@ptd.net](mailto:hemerldl@ptd.net).

## 2024 Ziegels Union Church List of Events

- **Military Collections** September 1<sup>st</sup> – October 13<sup>th</sup>
- **Rally Day:** September 8<sup>th</sup>
- **Harvest Moon Festival:** September 14<sup>th</sup>, 4pm-7pm
- **Harvest Home Sunday:** September 15<sup>th</sup>, 8:30am and 11:05am worship
- **First Day of Sunday School:** September 15<sup>th</sup>
- **Pajama Collection Month:** October
- **Packing of Military Boxes** – October 13<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am
- **Pajama Day:** October 13<sup>th</sup>
- **Trunk or Treat:** October 26<sup>th</sup>, 6pm-7:30pm
- **Confirmation dinner & rehearsal:** Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>
- **Confirmation Service:** Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>
- **Ziegels Handmade Market:** November 16<sup>th</sup>, 10am-3pm
- **Wreaths Across America:** December 14<sup>th</sup>, Noon to 2:00pm
- **Sunday School Christmas Program:** December 15<sup>th</sup>

*Mark your  
calendar*



## **2024 Ziegels Church Leadership**

### **2024 Lutheran Council**

Keith Harwick, President  
Ken Highley, Vice President  
Bonnie Millward, Secretary  
Kelly Lucarelli, Treasurer  
Dave Grillo  
Michael Longenderfer  
Deanna Quay  
Winona Schappell

### **2024 UCC Consistory**

Kim Anderson, President  
Rob Ziegler, Vice President  
Rocky Redline, Secretary  
Joyce Weishaupt, Treasurer  
Casi Gross, Asst. Treasurer  
Barbara Ziegler  
Laurie Rex  
Bob Lilley  
Arlene Inman

### **2024 Union Committee Members**

Robert Ziegler, President  
Michael Longenderfer, Vice President  
Kerry Merkel, Treasurer

## **OUR STAFF & LEADERS**

Rev. Andy Meckstroth, Lutheran Pastor	484-523-3039
Rev. Larry Pickens, Designated UCC Pastor	847-687-5897
Karly Rex, Sexton	484-561-8287
Jill Bruckart, Director of Music Ministries	484-456-6701
Kristin Folck, Christian Education Director	484-860-2549
Rob Ziegler, 2024 Union Church Pres.	484-333-0601
Keith Harwick, 2024 Lutheran Council Pres.	610-756-4308
Kim Anderson, 2024 UCC Consistory Pres.	484-951-2198
Nicole Wischner, Lutheran Secretary	610-285-6157
Laura Loch, UCC Secretary	610-285-6157

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## **PASTORAL REQUESTS & EMERGENCY HOSPITALIZATIONS**

If you or a family member is in need of pastoral care or have been hospitalized, you can contact the Pastors directly or use the Pastoral Care form found on our website [www.ziegelschurch.org](http://www.ziegelschurch.org) and click on the Pastoral Care link/doc at the top of the website page.

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**Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 10:00am - 12:00pm**  
9990 Ziegels Church Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031  
Phone: 610-285-6157



**The office will be closed on Monday,  
September 2nd, in observance of Labor Day.**



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