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### Officers

President – Dan Cruttenden (E)

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### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday and Thursday 9am-Noon

Pastor Deb & Church Administrator



**Dryland United Church of Christ**  
**4415 Newburg Road, Nazareth, PA 18064**  
**Phone: 610.759.4444**  
**[www.drylanducc.org](http://www.drylanducc.org)**

### Dryland UCC – Mission Statement:

The avowed purpose of this church shall be to worship God; to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and to celebrate the Sacraments to realize Christian fellowship and unity within this church and the Church Universal; to render loving service toward mankind; and to strive for righteousness, justice and peace.

**DRYLAND UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
**4415 Newburg Road, Nazareth PA**  
**September 14, 2025 – 9:30 am**

**Prayer Concerns:** Kay Amberger, the family of Dan & Linda Cruttenden, Maryann Heller, Steve Henninger, Wayne Lutsey, Victoria Russell, Ray Stettler, David Wagner, Mark Weidner

**Long-term Prayer Concerns:** Abigail Allen, David Atwood, Darlene Beahm, Karen Brugger, Brent Burton, Richard Creyer, Cory Cruttenden, Debbie Coppola, Betsy & Vince Coladonato, Joann Dornblaser, Deby Duby, Shawn Durn, Richard Edging, Jerry Enderle, Peter Garcia, Charlie Gianguzi, Roseann Good, Dolores Hageter, Kevin Hann, Jessica Harper, Steve Henninger, Ray Hess, Francois Houlet, Dorothy Johnson, Doris Keller, Tammy Labar, Sonny Laubach, Stephanie Lilly, Debbie Luckenbach, Cade Lutz, Rodger McKay, Kirk Miller, Luther Mitman, Robert Nagy, Melissa Pelaez, Joan Pennucci, Kathy Peters, Grayce, Jakob & Ken Raven, Chris Shetlick, Maurice, Gillian & Genine Sloane, Steve Steltzmen, Cathy Stewart, Angela Tout, Jorn Walter, Sandy Wambold, Charissa & Jason Williams, Carter Wolfgang, All Members of Dryland

**Our Service People:** SRA Patrick Jones, Lt Col. Scott Lechner, MSGT Paul Moore, PO1 Rodger Nagy, LT Seth Watlington, PO3 Troy Watlington

**Daily Scripture Readings**

**Monday, September 15, 2025:**

Semi-continuous: Psalm 94; Jeremiah 5:1-17; 1 Timothy 1:18-20;

Complementary: Psalm 73; Amos 7:1-6; 1 Timothy 1:18-20;

**Tuesday, September 16, 2025:**

Semi-continuous: Psalm 94; Jeremiah 5:18-31; 2 Peter 3:8-13;

Complementary: Psalm 73; Jonah 3:1-10; 2 Peter 3:8-13;

**Wednesday, September 17, 2025:**

Semi-continuous: Psalm 94; Jeremiah 14:1-10, 17-22; Luke 22:31-33, 54-62;

Complementary: Psalm 73; Job 40:6-14; 42:1-6; Luke 22:31-33, 54-62;

**Thursday, September 18, 2025:**

Semi-continuous: Psalm 79:1-9; Jeremiah 12:14-13:11; Romans 3:1-8;

Complementary: Psalm 113; Exodus 23:1-9; Romans 3:1-8;

**Friday, September 19, 2025:**

Semi-continuous: Psalm 79:1-9; Jeremiah 8:1-13; Romans 8:31-39;

Complementary: Psalm 113; Ezekiel 22:17-31; Romans 8:31-39;

**Saturday, September 20, 2025:**

Semi-continuous: Psalm 79:1-9; Jeremiah 8:14-17; 9:2-11; Mark 12:41-44;

Complementary: Psalm 113; Isaiah 5:8-23; Mark 12:41-44;



**The UCC Statement of Faith**

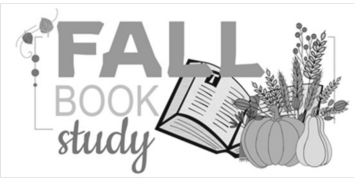
We believe in you, O God, Eternal Spirit, God of our Savior Jesus Christ and our God, And to your deeds we testify: You call the worlds into being, create persons in your own image, and set before each one the ways of life and death.

You seek in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin. You judge people and nations by your righteous will declared through prophets and apostles. In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Savior, You have come to us and shared our common lot, conquering sin and death and reconciling the world to yourself.

You bestow upon us your Holy Spirit, creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ, binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues and races. You call us into your church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, to be your servants in the service of others, to proclaim the gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil, to share in Christ’s baptism and eat at His table, to join Him in His passion and victory.

You promise to all who trust You, forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace, courage in the struggle for justice and peace, your presence in trials and rejoicing, and eternal life in your realm which has no end. Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto You. Amen.

Are you in need of Pastoral Care?  
Please contact Alan Peters  
and he will guide you.  
His contact information is:  
610-837-1974 (H),  
610-698-5939 (Cell), or  
ajpsu534@gmail.com



Join Pastor Deb for a lunchtime book study—Tuesdays noon –1pm

**September 30, October 7, 14, 21, 28**

Books are \$16 each

Contact the office to register!

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR:**

- 9/21: First Day of Sunday School!
- 9/28: Harvest Home ~ NAFB Collection
- 9/30: Fall Book Study Begins—12-1:00pm
- 10/3: German Meal ~ Take-out 4-6:00pm
- 10/4: German Buffet Dinner ~ Dine-in 4-6:00pm



**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- German Meal ~ Take-out—Friday 10/3
- German Buffet Dinner ~ Dine-in—Saturday 10/4
- Thanksgiving Pie Sale—Tues. 11/25 & Wed. 11/26
- Italian Dinner ~ Take-out—Saturday 12/13

To order meals/pies contact: Rich 484-894-9799, Karen 610-504-1158,  
Church Office 610-759-4444



**Sunday School will begin  
Sunday, September 21st!**

To Register: [drylanducc.org](http://drylanducc.org),  
Christian Education Experience



**Harvest Home ~ Sunday, September 28**

Please bring non-perishable food items for  
the Nazareth Food Bank.

There will be a table in the Sanctuary for  
the donations. Thank you!

**German Dinner ~ Take-out Meal ~ Friday, October 3rd**

Pick-up: 4:00-6:00pm ~ \$13 per person  
Choice of: Knockwurst w/ kraut OR Sauerbraten (beef) OR  
Veal Cutlet w/ Cream Sauce (on side)  
Meal includes: Roasted Potatoes, Apple Sauce, Carrots,  
Torte (cake)



**PLEASE SIGN-UP!!!**

Bulletin Sponsor sign-ups are now available in the  
Narthex for October through January!  
THANK YOU for participating!

***Did you know that shopping at Giant can help Dryland?***



Purchase gift cards in increments of \$50 from Dryland to shop  
at any Giant food stores. You get the full value of the gift card  
and it's like paying cash when you shop! Dryland receives 5%  
of the total you purchase!

If interested, please contact Jerry Hittinger at 610-866-6516  
or [oljer@rcn.com](mailto:oljer@rcn.com).

**German Buffet Dinner ~ Dine-In ~ Saturday October 4th**

4:00-6:00pm  
\$16 per adult, \$7 per child (age 6-12)  
Only 150 tickets sold!  
Menu details on Narthex bulletin board!

## HOW TO HELP IN OUR COMMUNITY:

**The Nazareth Area Food Bank** is collecting veggies, apples, hand soap, paper products for Sept. Please send all monetary donations to:  
**Nazareth Area Food Bank, P.O. Box 178,  
Nazareth, PA 18064**



**LOAVES & FISHES Soup Kitchen** is accepting food and monetary donations for their weekly meals and food pantry.  
St. John's UCC, 183 S. Broad St., Nazareth PA 18064 – mark the envelope as a Loaves and Fishes. Questions, please contact St. John's UCC at 610-759-0893.



**Meals on Wheels** – If you have an interest in volunteering to help with the delivery of meals please visit **[mowglv.org](http://mowglv.org)** and complete the volunteer application.



### **All are WELCOME!**

Wednesday Sept. 24 ~ 9:30am  
Wednesday Oct. 8 ~ 3:30pm  
Wednesday Oct. 15 ~ 9:30am  
Wednesday Oct. 29 ~ 3:30pm



### **ONLINE GIVING!**

Many of our members know that online giving has been offered for several years and has been a blessing to a number of our members. To sign up for online giving, simply go to the church website at [www.drylanducc.org](http://www.drylanducc.org) and click on the give online button. The process is easy and quick to complete. An email address is necessary to participate. If choosing a recurring gift option, you will be reminded each time the transaction will take place.

### Birthdays This Week

14 Grant Hittinger  
18 Joyce Hittinger



### Anniversaries This Week

14 Mr. & Mrs. Robert Moran 6 years  
15 Mr. & Mrs. Cody Deily 8 years

### Bulletin Sponsor this Week

Sponsored by: Jerry & Joyce Hittinger  
In Celebration of: **Birthdays ~ Grant (14th), Joyce (18th),  
Paige (21st)**

### Remember Our Shut-ins:

**Doris Keller—9/13/34**  
Atria Senior Living, Rm. 323  
1745 W. Macada Road, Bethlehem PA 18017

**Shirley Lieberman—11/16/34**  
Phoebe Home Rm. 213  
1925 W. Turner St.  
Allentown PA 18104

### WELCOME

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: God calls to the lost, the least, and all who long for home;

**All: God calls when we wander from the path chosen for us  
and we waste the gifts we have been given.**

One: God calls and welcomes us back to worship this day;

**All: Let us celebrate and rejoice in God's presence forever;  
Let us worship God together.**

#### **\*OPENING PRAYER**

**\*OPENING HYMN # 422 Amazing Grace!**

### PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION

**All: O Most Patient God, we recognize how much we need you for life  
itself.**

**But how often have we behaved as if we did not know or even care about  
you?**

**How often have we become the ones who do not carry out justice?**

**How often have we tried to dominate others even as you stand with them?**

**How often have we participated in the desolation of your creation by our  
treatment of the heavens, the earth and its waters?**

**Forgive us for these times when we have lost our way.**

**All loving God, we want to be among those whom you seek.**

**Shower your mercy upon us.**

**Find us, and lead us safely home to faithfulness.**

### WORDS OF GRACE

#### **PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

One: The Peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

**A TIME FOR ALL** “Blessing of the Backpacks”

**HOLY SCRIPTURE** Luke 15:1-10

**MESSAGE**

**CHOIR ANTHEM** Sing a New Song

**PASTORAL PRAYERS AND THE LORD’S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**CALL TO OFFERING**

**\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE** Hymn #34  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit One. Amen.

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**  
Steadfast and sheltering God, receive these offerings as signs of our trust in you and our desire to live differently, to live redemptively, and to live hopefully. Use them—and us—for the good that ripples outward, for the healing of hearts and the strengthening of your people. We give not because all is well but because You are good. Amen.

**\*CLOSING HYMN** # 51 How Great Thou Art v1, 4

**\*BENEDICTION**  
One: Our worship has ended.  
All: Our service begins.

**SONG OF DEPARTURE** “God Be With You” # 716  
**God be with you till we meet again, by His counsels guide, uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.**  
(Words: Jeremiah E. Rankin (1828-1904) Music: William G. Tamer (1833-1896))

**POSTLUDE**

Resources: <http://presbyterian.ca/worship/>, UCC Worship Ways, *Book of Common Prayer*, 1892, 1928, modified.

