June 2025 News

Worship Service celebrating Holy Communion with The Rev. Sunday, June 1, 10:30 a.m. Dr. Jose DeJesus leading Worship Pentecost Sunday (wear red!) with Deacon Deb Johnson Sunday, June 8, 10:30 a.m. leading Worship; Strengthen the Church Offering begins Monday, June 9, 10:00 a.m. Outreach Committee meeting Tuesday, June 10, 10-12 p.m. Morning Volunteering at Ashure Ministry Sunday, June 15, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service with Mr. Patrick Gorman (MDiv.) leading Worship Tuesday, June 17, 11:00 a.m. Church Council meeting Sunday, June 22, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service with Rev. Maria Spada leading Worship Afternoon Volunteering at Ashure Ministry Tuesday, June 24, 1-3 p.m. Thursday, June 26, 5:30 p.m. Ashure Ministry Volunteer Appreciation Dinner at **Abernethy Laurels** Sunday, June 29, 10:30 a.m. Worship Service with The Rev. Dr. Thad Austin leading Worship

<u>Ashure's Food Item for the month of June is cereal.</u> Also, please continue to save your egg cartons and plastic grocery bags.

June Birthdays

3 – Steve Kirby

14 – Frank Spada

<u>Ashure Ministry's Annual Golf Tournament</u> at Rock Barn raised \$31,360.23! The Ministry thanks our church for their donation to help sponsor this event.

Bethany UCC has begun a new ministry at Catawba Elementary that will help support students. This fund will be managed by Haley Cloud, Guidance Counselor, and Michelle Lapalma, School Secretary. The Outreach Committee also hopes to provide special treats for the teachers at Catawba Elementary. You will be hearing more about this when school resumes for the 2025-2026 year.

<u>Strengthen the Church Offering</u> will be received on Pentecost Sunday, June 8. This offering is one of four special mission offerings of the UCC. Strengthen the Church is a commitment within the UCC to build up our denomination. Through this offering, we give our support for the church to live into its mission and vision including supporting new churches, developing leaders, and promoting youth ministry. Please support the growth and vitality of the UCC by making a donation.

<u>Playground Sign</u> A new sign showing the direction to our playground will be installed soon. We want the community to know we have a playground that is available for them to enjoy with their children. When they visit the playground, they also can choose a book from The Little Free Library to take and read!

<u>Bethany Facebook Page</u> has new administrators who will work to keep the page current. Special thanks to former Pastor Colleen Samson for her assistance with the technicalities to make the necessary changes so we can use our page as an outreach to let the community know about Bethany.

<u>Faith Formation Class</u> is on summer break until September. We are extremely grateful to Rev. Maria Spada for her leadership of the class.