ALL UCC authorized pastors and delegates from each congregation are invited to the ECCLESIASTICAL COUNCIL of John Pawloski on Sunday, September 26 at 3 pm CST on Zoom

The Illinois South Conference Committee on Ministry invites you to the Ecclesiastical Council of John Pawloski at 3 pm CST on Sunday, September 26. Ecclesiastical Councils are special called meetings of a Conference and the last step in the process for Members in Discernment towards ordination. YOU are an important part of the process in determining if a candidate is worthy to become ordained by the United Church of Christ. We will need a quorum to officially conduct our business of the day, so we hope you will make this a priority and plan to attend. See the "Call Notice" to see who qualifies as voting delegates representing your church for the Ecclesiastical Council.

In order to prep for the Ecclesiastical Council, please make sure to download and read a copy of John's paper. After John presents to the gathered body (the council), you will have the opportunity to ask him questions about his paper and his call to ministry. Then together we will deliberate, discern, and decide on John’s path to ordination. All the information you need to know to attend the Ecclesiastical Council will also be available on the Conference website at isucc.org.

Illinois South Conference of the UCC is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

**Topic:** Ecclesiastical Council of John Pawloski

**Time:** Sep 26, 2021, 03:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

**Join Zoom Meeting**

Meeting ID: 708 889 0946 - Find your local number.

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**Prayer list for Sept 12 - 18, 2021**

**Churches & Pastors**
- O’Fallon UCC, Rev. Dr. Martha Thierheimer
- Ohlmann St. Paul UCC, Rev. Dr. Steve (Debbi) Nance

**Retired Pastors**
- Rev. Dr. Sheldon Culver, Columbia, IL

**People with Life Concerns**
- Pray for the family of Rev. Delbert Miller as they mourn his death. Del passed away following a stroke on August 20, 2021. He is survived by his loving wife of 35 years, Christine Heckendorn, his two children from a previous marriage, Jason (Kris) and Rachel (Andrew), four grandchildren Alec, William, David, and Maya, his younger brother Doug and far too many friends to number.
- A celebration of his life will be held Saturday, September 18, 2021, at 11am. Epiphany UCC, 2911 McNair, St Louis, MO 62118. Colorful clothing is encouraged. Memorials can be made to Epiphany Church.
- The obituary follows:

Delbert Keith Miller was born October 15, 1940, to Delbert and Katherine (O’Connor) Miller in St Louis, MO. He graduated from Elmhurst College in 1962 and in 1965 earned a Master of Theology from Eden Seminary. His career in ministry within the United Church of Christ lasted until his retirement in
St. John United Church of Christ and Illinois South Conference of the United Church of Christ
Invite You to Attend the Installation of
Rev. Jennifer Sowell Glover as Pastor and Teacher of St. John United Church of Christ
307 W Clay Street
Collinsville, Illinois
on Sunday, September 19, 2021, at 3 pm
Pastors are invited to participate. Please robe with red or rainbow stoles and gather at the church by 2:30 pm.

Illinois South Conference in covenant with
Friedens United Church of Christ
Invite you to the Exchange of Covenantal Vows (Installation) of
Rev. Dr. Tim Harrison
on Sunday, September 12, 2021, 4:00 pm
Friedens United Church of Christ
207 East Center Street,
Troy, IL 62294
RSVP to 618-667-6535
Clergy are invited to attend and are asked to wear a red stole or those representing other faith traditions to wear appropriate attire and arrive by 3:30 pm.
Refreshments will be served in Fellowship Hall after the service. A freewill offering will be collected in offering plates at rear and side entrances of sanctuary for our mission of the month, Hitz Home.

Where Do I Send OCWM Donations?
Please continue to send your OCWM contributions directly to the Illinois South Conference office at 1312 Broadway, Highland, Illinois 62249. When your local church gives to OCWM, the largest portion of your contribution stays within the Conference to support the ministries you hold near and dear. In the Illinois South Conference, we send a percentage of all the OCWM contributions directly to the Illinois South Conference office at 1312 Broadway, Highland, Illinois 62249. When your local church gives to OCWM, the largest portion of your contribution stays within the Conference to support the ministries you hold near and dear. In the Illinois South Conference, we send a percentage of all the OCWM

2011 and included 10 years as Chaplain and Director of Group Life at the Evangelical Children’s Home and time as pastor of St Peter’s Evangelical UCC in Granite City. Del loved life and sought to share that love with those around him, always with a calming presence and an undertone of mischief. He loved storytelling and laughter, movies (especially Mel Brooks), jazz music (with a particular soft spot for Dave Brubeck), and the banjo, which he picked up again late in life by taking lessons in his 70s. He was the Limerick King to his friends but suddenly couldn’t remember any when asked by his children to tell a few. Del was an Eagle Scout, a skilled scale plastic modeler, a voracious reader, and a WWII reenactor. Driven by a need to support those who help others, he volunteered as a police chaplain in Granite City, IL. He was active with the Masonic Lodge and served as the Grand Chaplain of Missouri 1999-2000. He went skydiving, always wanted to buy one more coffee mug, and loved to travel with his wife, especially to places that had good food and music. Del started a Wednesday breakfast ministry at Epiphany UCC which fed the stomachs and souls of many. He believed that all people were deserving of respect and was vocal in his support of numerous causes. He was quick to make people feel welcome. He enjoyed a glass of whiskey, but always stocked plenty of what anyone else might want when they visited his home. A secret (not so secret) lover of sweets, he hid candy throughout his house and ate a big bowl of ice cream every night. Condolences may be sent to his wife, Christine Heckendorn, 10550 Tamara Dr., St. Louis, MO 63128
contributions we receive from ISC churches on to the National setting to support our wider Church ministries while keeping some for local ministries. **We continue to be deeply grateful** for all the ways you so generously give to your local churches, your Conference, and the wider Church of the United Church of Christ, as together, we seek to expand our reach of Christian love and extravagant welcome.

![Mission Offering for Annual Meeting 2021](image)

The past year and a half has been a struggle in several ways for many of us. Covid and the Delta Variant, social isolation, and fear and anxiety over how to deal with the pandemic have hit us all, although perhaps in different ways. These issues know no boundaries when it comes to lay or clergy. Consider these preparatory steps for Annual Meeting Offering. **Prior to Annual Meeting, ask your Church Council** to seek contributions from your congregation in support of the ISC Clergy Assistance Fund.

- **Write a check** payable to Illinois South Conference.
- **In the memo line** acknowledge Annual Meeting Offering or ISC Clergy Assistance Fund
- **Send the check** to Illinois South Conference, 1312 Broadway, Highland, IL 62249. Click [here](#) for a flyer.

-Pray for **Rev. Bob Coffey** as he deals with health issues. Rev. Coffey is the Pastor at Lenzburg St. Peter UCC. Cards may be sent to 6213 Jo Ann Dr, Belleville, IL 62223.
-Please hold the **people and families of the 13 US service members killed and 18 US service members injured during the Kabul Airport Attack in Afghanistan** in your prayers. Also pray for the many more wounded and their families. May peace come to the hearts of everyone.
-Pray for **School Cafeteria Employees**, our Hunger Action Partners.
-Pray for those who are **hungry**.
-Keep **all pastors** in your prayers.
-Pray for the **United States** as we work towards equality and civility for all.
-Pray for the **healthcare workers and families dealing with COVID-19**.
-Keep the **people of Afghanistan** in your prayers for peaceful living.
-Pray for the **people of Haiti** as they recover from the earthquake and mourn friends and family who were lost.
-Pray for those in **Louisiana who are dealing with the aftermath of Hurricane Ida**.

**Need Your Talent!**

ISC Property Team is in need of your talents to help maintain DuBois Center and the office in Highland. The Team is responsible for the upkeep of ISC properties. In the past, there was a group of volunteers established that could be contacted when work needed to be done, instead of using contractors. We would like to re-establish that group so that when a project comes up, we can make it easier and more efficient to find people to complete the project in a timelier manner. If you, your church, or organization would like to help do painting, woodworking, construction, minor plumbing or electrical repairs, yard work or just helping in general to maintain God’s nature, contact Dave Hoffmann at 618-791-7002 or davehoff95@gmail.com.

**Save the Date** for ISC Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, March 26 - Sunday, March 27, 2022, at DuBois Center. The focus will be on "What does church membership, exploring my gifts, and my faith journey look like once I've been confirmed?". The CDC guidelines that are available at the time will be followed. If individual churches choose to schedule their own youth retreats, please contact Hayley, Director of Outdoor Ministries at director@duboiscenter.org.
On Sunday, September 5, ISC celebrated the ordination of Jason Lock Eisele. At this event, his home church, Church of the Good Shepherd UCC, lived into its mission to hold open the doors of extravagant love and grace to all by making sure all could attend safely. They were able to use all of the equipment they recently purchased to offer a fully hybrid service. Thank you, Rev. Kim Magwire and Church of the Good Shepherd, for hosting this beautiful service and experience. Rev. Eisele is the Pastor & Teacher for St. Paul UCC in Pinckneyville. Congratulations Jason!

September is Hunger Action Month.
Here are some suggestions for ways your congregation can recognize Hunger Action Month.
1. Preach a hunger themed sermon
2. Lead a meeting devotion on hunger
3. Write a church newsletter article about hunger
4. Have a THANK YOU card available for members to sign and send to your local food pantry director
5. Lift up hunger action advocates in prayer each week in September - food pantry director, Bread for the World organization, Farm Bureau, Illinois South Hunger Action team, senior nutrition site director…. Find people/groups to lift up from your community.
6. Collect food for your local pantry
7. Visual reminder – an empty brown paper shopping bag with the sign "When were you hungry and I fed you?"
The Hunger Action team would love to hear your stories. Send stories and/or photos to Carol Shanks – shanks@htc.net.

September Is Disaster Preparedness Month
The online dictionary says that “preparedness” means – “A concrete set of actions taken as precautionary measures in the face of potential disasters.” What can we do today, considering recent storms, wildfires and other natural disasters that are sure to come? It is no longer if, but when!
- Send a monetary donation through your local UCC church - designated for UCC Disaster Ministries.
- Assemble Church World Service Emergency Clean-Up Buckets, School and Hygiene Kits. CWS stocks kits for disasters like Hurricane Ida and the ongoing west coast wildfires. Get full specifications and apply for a $250 UCC Kits Matching Grant to make your contribution go even farther!
- To save on shipping charges, deliver your buckets and kits to the CWS drop off depot on Oct. 9 from 9:30 am to11:30 am at Lifewise, 1321 South 11th St., St. Louis MO 63104. Contact Priscilla Self, ISC Disaster Response Coordinator at 618-318-0083 or pjj48@hotmail.com for more information or with any questions.
The 2021 Neighbors in Need “Unfailing Love” offering is focused on supporting organizations and projects serving our homeless and immigrant neighbors and communities. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). Two-thirds of this offering is used by the UCC’s Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM) to provide funding grants to UCC churches and organizations leading justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects in their communities.

**Most churches collect the offering on October 3, 2021** as part of World Communion Sunday, but contributions can be made at any time. Click [here](#) for all the NIN 2021 information and [here](#) for PDF downloads. Items are FREE, with FREE shipping/handling.

**Copyright Concerns For Ministries**

The Insurance Board presents a webinar, Copyright Concerns for Ministries, on September 29 at 1:00 p.m. CST

During these challenging times, ministries rely heavily on the virtual environment and various electronic mediums to share the printed forms of inspiring poetry, quotes from prayer books and daily affirmations, as well as words from songs during worship and through other forms of ministry.

As a result, some ministries have been shocked to discover they are actually in violation of copyright infringement; join us as Heather Kimmell, General Counsel for United Church of Christ, offers valuable information on how to help your ministry avoid this situation. Click [here](#) to register.

**Your Church = Vaccination Site**

The Illinois Department of Public Health asks churches to consider being a COVID vaccination site. Click [here](#) to find answers for questions that may arise when beginning a conversation with your congregation.

If you are interested, here is the [link](#) to start the application. A “Site Coordinator” from the Illinois Department of Public Health will reach out to you within a few days after submission. For more information, you may reach out directly to Pastor Garry S. Mitchell at [garry.mitchell@illinois.gov](mailto:garry.mitchell@illinois.gov) or 708-397-8283.

To date, these churches are either in the process of applying to be a vaccination site or have dates set up for the near future:

- **Grantfork United Church of Christ in Grantfork-Sept 11 & Oct 2, 10 am - 3 pm each day**
- **New Baden Zion UCC - September 14 from 3:30 pm - 6:30 pm**
- **Highland Evangelical UCC - September 25 (first shot) and October 16 (second shot & booster shots)**
- **Carlinville St. Paul UCC**
  - **Mascoutah St. John UCC, Lebanon St. Paul UCC, Troy Friedens UCC, and Collinsville St. John UCC** have all participated as vaccination sites and are willing to share their experiences. Congrats to all of you for reaching out to the masses.

**Come work for us! Now hiring Nature’s Classroom Instructors.**

Love the outdoors? Want to teach students in an experiential, meaningful way that they will remember for years to come? We are currently searching for instructors for our fall and spring Nature’s Classroom sessions!

Instructors will work 3-5 days a week, teaching school groups team building, experiential science,
and more! A full job description is available on our website. Contact Hayley at 815-627-0595 or director@duboiscenter.org.

**Prepping for Fall Festival**

**Calling all Bakers**

We are now accepting donations for our “Sweet Treat Shop” at DuBois Center for the Fall Fest held Oct 3, 2021. We accept all kinds of baked goods – cookies, cakes, pies, candies, all of the good stuff! This will be a fundraiser for DuBois Center and goes directly into scholarships to attend camp. Please consider donating and contact Hayley at director@duboiscenter.org or 815-627-0595 to coordinate!

**Pie a Pastor**

Calling all Illinois South Conference Pastors! One way we’ll raise money for DuBois Center at this year’s Fall Festival is by collecting donations to “pie a pastor” – or Hayley. We’ll set out jars and the person with the most money in their jar toward the end of the day will be pied in the face. If you’re planning to be at the DuBois Center Fall Festival and would submit your name to possibly be pied in the face, please contact Hayley at director@duboiscenter.org or 815-627-0595.

**Updates on DuBois Center’s COVID-19 mitigation strategy**

As people of faith, we know intimately the importance of following the heart of the law. We were lucky this summer to have loose masking restrictions limited to inside our main buildings and when physical distancing could not be maintained. Our summer staff were truly commendable in their efforts to encourage their campers to mask up, and as such, no COVID-19 cases were reported involving our summer programming.

Our situation as the Delta Variant of COVID-19 spreads through the country is different than it was even just two months ago. As such, we plan to not only keep enforcing our indoor mask policy, but will be enforcing a mask policy in our outdoor spaces at our larger fall events where physical distance can’t be maintained, such as Fall Festival. During such events, those without a mask that covers their nose and mouth will be asked to leave until they have a properly worn mask on. DuBois Center cannot guarantee that we will have extra masks on site when you arrive, so please bring a mask with you when you are planning to visit. This very small, very simple, easy step helps reduce the risk to our wider community and helps us stay open for events. We encourage everyone to be smart, safe, and well.

**Join me for Office Hours**

One of the hardest things about starting a new position during a global pandemic has been that I have so far been unable to meet many of the people who support DuBois Center. As such, I will be hosting monthly “office hours” on Zoom the first Thursday of each month from 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm. Please “come by” these virtual office hours and introduce yourself, share an idea for our ministry, or catch up on the many happenings on site! We had technical difficulties for our September meeting. So, please join me on October 7 for our first gathering at this [link](#).

**POSTPONED - Hoyleton Children’s Home Celebrating 125 Years!!**

Hoyleton Children’s Home has postponed its 125th Birthday Celebration on Sun, Sept 26. We celebrate their accomplishment and will keep you posted when you can celebrate in person with them.
Building Church Differently - Partners in Building
The UCC Church Building and Loan Fund presents Building Church Differently as part of Partners in Building (PIB) 2021 on September 22 and 23. PIB is a multi-day training event, where leaders from congregations are invited to attend and engage in various informative presentations and workshops with information on how to repurpose, finance, and manage church-owned property. Participants will have the opportunity to hear from and engage with experts including a variety of topics: Navigating Land Use, Repurposing Resources for Mission, Faith Based Entrepreneurs, Fund Raising, Social Media & Marketing and more. For $30 a ticket, you get access to a whole host of innovative faith leaders and transformative content. Click here to register.

Elmhurst Celebrates 150 Years
In honor of the 150th Anniversary of Elmhurst University, all UCC churches are invited to covenant with Elmhurst. This invitation carries many possibilities and hopes for our common future as we give thanks for our past, joy in the present, and hope for the future. Each congregation may define what that covenant means for the coming years. As Chaplain, H. Scott Matheney, is inviting each community of faith to:
1. Lift up higher education, exploring its role in the greater US society, and how each local setting reflects and engages higher education.
2. Ask local communities of faith to help identify alums, and those connected with Elmhurst University, such as faculty, staff, administrators, present students, trustees, friends.
3. Allow Elmhurst to place the name of your community of faith on a permanent plaque in the University Chapel.
4. Offer prayer for all in higher education, students, faculty, staff, trustees, and Elmhurst University. The formal year of celebration is Graduation - May 2021 to May 2022 Please contact the Chaplain at hscottm@elmhurst.edu or 630 617-3025 to join, request information, or for further conversation.

Application Deadline Extended to September 19th
The Adese Fellowship is a catalytic experience that supports emerging spiritual entrepreneurs in launching enterprises that create a just world for all. Adese was designed to equip outside-of-the-box leaders who imagine all kinds of ventures, new models of ministry, nonprofit organizations, social or spiritual enterprises, or for-profit business ventures, that advance the mission of the church in unprecedented ways. We are accepting applications from individuals whose ventures are in the seed or incubator stages. From peer learning to partnerships, the program is thoroughly collaborative. Adese Fellows confer with leaders in church, academy, and business to explore how the church can create social and economic value and how enterprise can create spiritual value. Along the way, fellows receive business coaching and expert counsel in the legal, financial, and human resource aspects of launching and growing an enterprise. Sponsored by the United Church of Christ Church Building & Loan Fund (CB&LF) and the United Church of Christ National Setting, the ecumenical program welcomes participants from all traditions who are committed to a just world for all. Click here to apply.

Cultivating Generous Congregations Seminars Starting Soon
Can fundraising be ministry? Can stewardship be spiritual? The Cultivating Generous Congregations Seminars this fall offer opportunities for pastors and lay leaders to explore faithful, practical, and tested ways to promote generosity in our congregations. We will draw on current research, seek guidance from the wisdom of scripture, and discuss the best practices in church-based fundraising. Pastors and leaders participating in this program will be equipped to lead an effective stewardship campaign and, more broadly, help their congregations reclaim generosity as
a spiritual practice. The seminar meetings will be held on **Tuesdays – Sept. 21, Oct. 5 & 19, and Nov. 2, 16, & 30. Seminars run from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm CST.** There will be readings, videos, and reflections to complete in-between seminar meetings. The program costs $300 for a team of two leaders (additional participants $150 each). Learn more and register [here](#) by Sept. 14.

**Eden Walker Leadership Institute will be on Sept 21 from 7:30 am - 9 am featuring Cheryl D. S. Walker speaking on Leadership after 2020.**

Currently the Interim President and CEO of Deaconess Foundation, she has served the **community and our state in numerous leadership roles including as current Chair of the Missouri Ethics Commission, the President of the Board of Commissioners of the St. Louis Regional Health Commission, and Vice President of the St. Louis Regional Arts Commission.** She served as the Co-Chair of the Presidential Search Committee that led to Dr. Mun Y. Choi being named as the 24th President of the University of Missouri System. A former member of the University of Missouri Board of Curators, she served as its chair in 2008. She earned a degree in Electrical Engineering from Missouri University of Science & Technology and her juris doctorate from Washington University in St. Louis. Click [here](#) to register.

**St. John’s Community Care Presents Virtual Memory Cafe on September 15, 22, 29**

Memory Cafe is an hour of conversation and fun, virtually, for those experiencing memory loss and their loved ones! This month, we will have fun reminiscing our life’s journey - from childhood and the fun we had growing up! Each week we will share life’s ups and downs of growing older. Family, friends, places, and people who helped shape and shared our lives. Let’s face it, just like the board game, we have “rolled the dice” and have taken two steps forward and a few back at times. If you could do it again, would you or could you do it a different way. I hope you can join us and share your life’s journey! Email gshaw@stjohnscc.org or call 618-298-8077 to register. Click [here](#) for a flyer.

**What's Happening in Illinois South Conference**

**Region 5**

**Immanuel United Church of Christ of Hamel celebrates its 150th Anniversary in 2021.**

Former pastors, members, and friends are invited to come visit and reminisce! Here is the celebration schedule.

- **Sunday, September 12:** Immanuel Founders Skit will be presented during the 9 am worship service.
- **Sunday, September 19:** an Immanuel Marriage Reunion. Anyone married at Immanuel will be recognized during the 9 am worship service. We will display wedding pictures of those couples. Send your photo to officeiucc@gomadison.com or text to Ruth's phone 618-910-8999.
- **Saturday, September 25:** A FREE COMMUNITY CONCERT featuring The Wild HouseKats will be held outside (weather permitting) on the church lawn from 6-8 pm. In case of inclement weather, it will be held indoors in Fellowship Hall. There will be hotdogs and drinks available. Bring lawn chairs and enjoy the 60's, 70's, and 80's music!
- **Sunday, September 26:** The history and meanings of their sanctuary stained-glass windows will be explained during the 9 am worship service.
- **Sunday, October 3:** Conference Minister, Rev. Shana Johnson, will be our guest speaker at a 10:00 am worship service. There will be no 9 am service. These services will be live on Facebook for those who cannot attend in person.
Zion UCC New Baden is having a drive thru BBQ dinner on Saturday, September 18 from 11am until it's gone. Meal includes your choice of BBQ pork steak or chicken with potato salad, baked beans, and dessert. Dinners are $11 for pork steak and $8 for chicken.

ISC Annual Meeting 2021 - Held virtually
A Time to Replenish ~ Jeremiah 31:25
Schedule for AM:
Sunday, Oct. 10 Liturgy provided for local churches.
Wednesday, Oct. 13 Afternoon workshop(s) for clergy
Thursday, Oct. 14 Evening workshop(s) geared for lay but open to delegates, non-delegates, and clergy
Saturday, Oct. 16 Morning Business Meeting and anniversary celebrations of clergy and churches.
Delegate registration details will soon be sent to churches, ISC clergy, and Conference Council. Fee will be $25/person.
Offering Flyer

Annual Meeting Workshops for All
Workshops planned for October 13 and 14: All free of charge, but a free-will offering to Friends of the Conference is suggested to cover the honorariums for speakers and technology fees.

October 13, Wednesday afternoon – workshops for clergy at 1:00 pm and 2:30 pm.
- 1:00 pm - Beyond Chocolates and Bath Salts: Self Care for Pastors
  Presented by Donna Pupillo, RN and Executive Director of Deaconess Nurse Ministry
- 2:30 pm - The Rainbow Connection: The Pastor's Role in Helping Congregations Become Inclusive
  Presented by Andy Lang, Executive Director of ONA Coalition

October 14, Thursday evening – workshops geared for lay but open to delegates, non-delegates, and clergy at 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm.
- 6:00 pm - Lifting the Shame: How Churches Can Break the Silence about Mental Health
  Presented by Dr. Sarah Lund, Director of Mental Health and Disabilities UCC
- 7:00 pm - Reimagining Our Collective Missional Call
  Presented by Rev. Kristina Lizardy-Hajbi, Director of the Office of Professional Formation and Term Assistant Professor of Leadership and Formation at Iliff School of Theology

Job Opportunity: Assistant Church Organist/Musician
Grantfork UCC is looking for a musician to play the pipe organ and/or piano for their Sunday morning traditional worship service once or twice a month. The schedule will be coordinated with the church's music director, Connie Plocher. To express an interest, please contact Rev. Tim Darmour-Paul at 618-675-2595, or at grantforkucc@agtelco.com.

Job Opportunity: Media and Technology Director
St. Paul UCC, Belleville is hiring a Media and Technology Director. This position is responsible for the church audio/visual program, video production of worship, and website and social media. This includes:
- Coordinating the audio/visual/lighting elements of our worship service broadcasts
- Developing media and technology program at St. Paul UCC
- Overseeing hardware & software needs
Go to our website stpaulucc.org for a full job description. For those interested, please send a full resume to: MediaTechDirectorSearch@stpaulucc.org.
Job Opportunity: Facilities Coordinator and Tech Coordinator Positions
Waterloo St. Paul UCC is taking resumes for its Facilities Coordinator and Tech Coordinator positions. Please send inquiries about the Facilities Coordinator, Tech Coordinator, or both to stpauluccwaterloo@gmail.com.

Job Opportunity: Youth Ministry Director at O’Fallon UCC
O’Fallon UCC is seeking a qualified candidate, age 21 or older, for a part-time Youth Ministry Director position to lead Sunday morning youth Bible Study and fellowship/mission activities (2 Sundays per month). If interested, please contact the church office at 618-632-3496 or oucc@sbcglobal.net.

Job Opportunity: Choir Director
Highland Evangelical UCC is searching for a Choir Director, who will be responsible for overseeing the directing, planning, and program development of the music program of the Church. The Director serves as a resource to support, foster, and coordinate the worship life of the congregation through congregational, choral, and special music and other visual worship experiences and reports to the Senior Pastor. For more information, click here. Send resume to EvUCC at BBray@evucc.org.

Job Opportunity: Part-Time Music Leader for Pinckneyville St Paul UCC
This position requires excellent people skills in working with the Council, Pastor, secretary, committees, and Sunday school teachers. Music skills include the ability to play a piano and a Wick’s two-manual pipe organ with pedals. Good vocal skills are a plus but not required. The church does not have a choir but occasionally has special instrumentalists and vocalists. Sunday school children will often perform a song which may or may not require support from the Music Leader. Church services are currently 10 am – 11 am on Sundays with two services on Easter and special services for Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, and Maundy Thursday. Advent and Lenten services are typically rotated with two or three other churches. To apply, send resume with references to: St. Paul UCC, 205 E Jackson St., Pinckneyville, IL 62274 or stpauluccpinckneyville@gmail.com.

Job Opportunity: Director of Faith Formation
St. Paul United Church of Christ, Belleville, Illinois, seeks a Director of Faith Formation (18 hours per week).
Job responsibilities include:
• Planning and executing the church’s education program for all ages in collaboration with the Senior Pastor and Christian Education Team
• Sustain and expand the youth group
• Assist in worship elements
Send a resume and 3 references to FaithFormationDirector@stpaulucc.org.

Job Opportunity: Minister of Visitation
St. Paul United Church of Christ, Belleville, Illinois, seeks a Minister of Visitation (10 hours per week). Job responsibilities include:
• Visit congregants who are hospitalized, in long-term care facilities, and homebound
• Assist with and lead funerals as needed
• Assist in worship elements
Send a resume and 3 references to visitationsearch@stpaulucc.org.
CONTACT US - YOUR OCWM MONIES AT WORK

So we can better serve you, here is a list of your Conference staff and who you should contact, given your church's needs:

For the work of Conference teams and committees or search and call inquiries, contact Christy Pursell at cpursell@iscucc.org.

For financial matters (in terms of your church's giving to the Conference or OCWM), contact Debbie Kesner at dkesner@iscucc.org.

For communicating within the Conference, the Conference website, Facebook page or Weekly Connection, contact Lynnette Schuepbach at lschuepbach@iscucc.org.

For DuBois Center information, contact Hayley Elliott at 618-787-2202 or director@DuBoisCenter.org.

For DuBois Center registration for upcoming events and camp sessions, contact Julie Riechmann at 618-357-1809 or jriechmann@iscucc.org.

To speak with the Conference Minister, contact Rev. Shana Johnson 618-882-8247 or sjohnson@iscucc.org

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Inclusivity Statement for DuBois Center and Illinois South Conference of the UCC

Because we affirm the value of all God's people, the Illinois South Conference of the United Church of Christ does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, ability, national origin, religious background, sexual orientation, or gender identity. To the extent possible, we endeavor to accommodate those with a variety of physical, mental, emotional, medical, or dietary needs.

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Important Links

Illinois South Conference  Back Bay Mission  CHHSM  Deaconess Foundation

Deaconess Nurse Ministry  DuBois Center  Ecuador Partnership  Eden Theological Seminary

Emmaus Homes  Hitz Memorial Home  Hoyleton Youth & Family  LIFE Program  Unleashing Potential

New Athens Home  Pension Board-UCC  St. John's Community Care  St. Paul's Sr. Community

UCC Insurance Board  Uplands Village  UCC Campus Ministry  Uni-Pres Kindercottage