

October 3, 2023



Please pray for the family of **Lelynna Marie Soldner Langdoc** as they mourn her death on September 25, 2023, in Clermont, FL. (Photo left of Jim and Lelynna.) After being raised in Marion, IL she attended Deaconess School of Nursing in St. Louis, MO where

she met and fell in love with her husband of 53 years, Rev. Jim Langdoc, former Associate Conference Minister for Illinois South Conference from 1986 - 2007. Lelynna was nurturing, compassionate, and brought joy and kindness to those around her.

A celebration of Lelynna's life will be held on October 14 at Marion Zion UCC. Visitation will be held from 11 am to 1 pm. Service will be at 1 pm.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Cornerstone Mike Conley Hospice House, 2100 Oakley Seaver Dr., Clermont, FL 34711 at [www.cornerstonehospice.org](http://www.cornerstonehospice.org), or the University of Florida Center for Translational Research in Neurodegenerative Disease Fund (Fund ID: 017383) at [www.uff.full.edu/give-now/?fund\\_id=017383](http://www.uff.full.edu/give-now/?fund_id=017383).

These organizations are close to the family's heart, and any support would be greatly appreciated. Contributions may also be made to your local church. Click [here](#) for a full obituary.

### Prayer list for Oct 8 - 14, 2023

#### Church & Pastors

**-Highland  
Evangelical UCC, Rev. Bill  
(Sally) Kapp (right)**



**-Hecker Friedens  
UCC, Rev. Ivan  
(Vivian) Horn (left)**

#### Retired Pastor

**-Rev. James Langdoc,  
Clermont, FL**

#### People with Life Concerns

**-Keep the mother of Pastor  
Norma Patterson** in your prayers as she struggles with health issues. Pastor Norma Patterson is the Pastor and Teacher for East St. Louis Good Shepherd of Faith and has served on several teams for ISC. Cards may be sent to Norma at 5310 DePaul Drive, PO Box 4235, Fairview Heights, IL 62008.

**-Pray for the churches and  
individuals** dealing natural disasters and the after-storm clean up.



"Not I!"

I wonder if Jesus had a secret teaching that wasn't canonized in which he addressed the common occurrence in faith communities (and in any community) about those who get frustrated with others who don't want to be involved in the steps needed to accomplish a particular action. While the children's story of the Little Hen is not a parable attributed to Jesus, I think it sounds like it could have been. Or maybe I wish it could be.

Imagine Jesus telling this story.

*"The kingdom of heaven is like a hen who wants to provide others with bread, the sustenance of life. Yet, when she plants the garden, no one will help. When she picks the wheat, no one will help. When she mills the grain, no one will help. When she kneads the bread, no one will help. When she bakes the bread, no one will help. But when the bread is ready, all want to be fed."*

Yet, what would be the ending if Jesus were telling the story? I would want there to be gnashing of teeth. I would want Jesus to offer a life lesson about how you don't reap the benefits if you don't do the work. When I think about the traditional telling of The Little Hen story, I feel a bit of glee and schadenfreude when all the "Not I" animals get scolded by the Little Hen and cannot taste the delicious bread she has prepared. So, I would want Jesus to keep the ending the same, with the Little Hen saying, *"Then I will eat it myself."*

But I wonder. I wonder if Jesus would have the Little Hen throw a feast. I wonder if Jesus would have someone remind the Little Hen that there were times when she did not help when asked, but she was nourished, fed, and sustained.

I wonder, but I am not sure. What I know is that when I am focused on how much I think I have done or tallying up how many times people said, "Not I," I overlook the graces upon graces I have experienced. I have not taken the time to learn the stories behind the "not I," which often are really "not now" or "not sure I can even handle what is right in front of me." Sometimes, I do not consider what else could be true, such as maybe I didn't ask enough people, the right people to help, or perhaps no one is interested in making the bread how I want to. Heck, maybe they don't even want bread.

The next time you get frustrated because you feel like you are doing all the work or you think there are too many "Not I" people in your life, I encourage you to get curious and consider how Jesus might write the ending to the story you are telling yourself.

Blessings, Rev. Shana Johnson, ISC Conference Minister



Illinois South Conference  
October 21, 2023  
St. Peter's UCC, Red Bud, IL

### Want to Sing? - All Conference Choir at Annual Meeting

Our keynote musician, Rev. Monty Jackson, is extending an invitation for singers of any congregation to join the all-Conference choirs, which will be featured in the worship services at the Annual Meeting. If you would like to be a part of the Annual Meeting choir, please plan to attend the workshop Rev. Jackson will offer on Saturday, October 14, 2023, from 10 am to noon at St. Peter's UCC, Red Bud. The more....the musical merrier. Click [here](#) for a bulletin insert to encourage the singers in your congregation.



**Pastors \*\* Lay Delegates \*\*Visitors & Youth  
Get Ready for ISC Annual Meeting  
Saturday, October 21, 2023, 9:30 am - 5 pm  
St. Peter UCC, Red Bud**

This year's Annual Meeting will center on the theme, ***Doing a New Thing: Connection, Collaboration, Creativity***. We believe in this moment of our nation and world's history, more than ever, people need to try something new. Rev. Monty Jackson (above), singer, songwriter, arranger, and record producer, will inspire us with music and words.

**Are Your Delegates Registered for Annual Meeting?** Please identify the official delegates who will represent your church at the ISC Annual Meeting on October 21, 2023. [Here](#) is a list to tell you how many delegates can be sent from your church. Send your delegate names, addresses, and emails to [iriechmann@iscucc.org](mailto:iriechmann@iscucc.org). Click [here](#) to register online. Click [here](#) to download a paper registration form. **Deadline is October 9, 2023.**

**Be Prepared to Vote-Delegate Informational Sessions**

**Tuesday, October 17** by Zoom OR **Thursday, October 19** by Zoom

Delegates will receive a Zoom link closer to the Annual Meeting. These meetings' focus will be to present important business information and to answer all questions about Annual meeting including proposed Constitution and Bylaws changes, proposed Budget and the Slate of Nominees. Click [here](#) for copies of materials as they come available.



**ISC Annual Meeting & After Glow Event Made Possible in Part by the following sponsors:**

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All ISC Churches thank them for their generosity. Click [here](#) for a flyer about the After Glow Event.



**Offerings for Annual Meeting...**

**Worship Offering Friends of the Conference**

*Friends of the Conference* is a giving program that offers individuals, groups and congregations the opportunity to make special gifts in support of the mission and ministries of the Illinois South Conference. Gifts received will become part of the Conference Operating Fund. 100% of your gifts to *Friends of the Conference* will remain at the Illinois South Conference. Click [here](#) for an offering flyer to share with your church.

**Plan Now for Noisy Offering**

**Hoyleton Youth & Family Services**

Hoyleton's work to help build stronger communities in southern Illinois is not possible without the generosity of their donors.





### Here's the plan...

- **Each ISC church asks its members to donate** with change.
- **Take the change to the bank to count.**
- **Write a check for the amount of noisy offering given.** (This will give your church credit for the amount given.)
- **Bring a small amount of change to make some noise.**
- **Designate a representative from your church to present the money at Annual Meeting.**

**Facing Hunger in Your Community** - The need for food is year-round. Here's an example of a holiday food drive. The Hunger Action Team of the Illinois South Conference asks you to share the ways (and photos) of how you are helping to address hunger in your communities. To share your efforts to help feed the hungry, contact Kathi at [kathi1emery@gmail.com](mailto:kathi1emery@gmail.com).



### The Amazing People of Illinois South Conference...

"SUNFLOWERS FOR A CAUSE" at Haudrich Farms, near Hecker. Visitors were invited to have a "Photo Op" in the sunflower field for a free will offering, designated for Growing Hope Globally. This year's donations, totaling \$2167.92, will support the farmers of Mawali. "Growing Hope Globally" uses these donations to provide agricultural development programs to farmers in other parts of the world. This nondenominational organization seeks to create sustainable solutions to end

hunger in other countries. Thanks to the Dale Haudrich family for this mission opportunity, such a blessing!

**Companionship Workshops** - Companionship is a program that trains people to respond compassionately when they encounter folks dealing with mental health challenges. You can find out more about the program at [pathways2promise.org/companionship](http://pathways2promise.org/companionship).

As a WISE (Welcoming, Inclusive, Supportive, and Engaged with people with mental health challenges) Conference, we are planning to conduct the Companionship Workshop at three different locations in the upcoming months for any interested members and friends in our congregations. The training lasts between three and four hours (depending on how many people participate). There is a \$20 fee that covers the cost of workbooks for the participants.

#### The scheduled workshops are as follows:

**Saturday, November 4**, 1:00 - 5:00 pm, at St. John UCC Midway (Moro).

**Saturday, November 18**, 1:00 - 5:00 pm, at Church of The Good Shepherd UCC in Carbondale.

Registration at least one week in advance is necessary so that enough materials can be ordered. To register, contact Rev. Tim Darmour-Paul, at [timdp811@aqtelco.com](mailto:timdp811@aqtelco.com), or at 618-675-2595 (the phone for Grantfork UCC) with the names of all who wish to attend. Cash or checks payable to Pathways to Promise may be brought at the time of the workshop.



**Highland Evangelical United Church of Christ** has Communion sets (right) available for anyone who could use them. There are 8 bread trays and 6 wine/juice trays. Please contact the church office if you are interested at 618-654-7459.

The **ISC Justice and Mission Team** discusses many current issues and interests, and ways to bring them to the wider church community to educate and encourage involvement. One area has been promoting the work of the **Hunger Action Team**, and another has been encouraging educating about **Faith in Place**, which is a green environmental movement. Another area of discussion has been gun safety. **BeSMART** is an educational program sponsored by Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America geared for adults and caregivers. BeSMART is a program designed to bring together all adults concerned about kids, guns, and safety. The presentation focuses on gun safety, and how to discuss guns with other adults to keep kids safe. It is a program about gun safety, not gun policy, and it is available for groups at no cost. If you have a group in your church who would be interested in having such a presentation, please contact Phyllis Landwehr. Phyllis is a member of the J & M team and is a member of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Carbondale. For more info, please contact her at [phlandwehr@gmail.com](mailto:phlandwehr@gmail.com).



### Fall Festival Thanks & Highlights

DuBois Center appreciates everyone who attended the DuBois Center Fall Festival, volunteered in organizing, worked a booth for DuBois, made a basket or volunteered to watch the Silent Auction, baked something for the Sweet Shop or sold its delights or paid for a space as a vendor. Susan Fuchs and the Fall Festival Committee deserve a special award of appreciation for bringing it all together. You all rock! This was my first experience with Fall Festival, so it was amazing to watch you all work like a well-oiled machine. Thanks so much, Noah McCarn, Executive Director of DuBois Center.

## DuBois Center News



**Appreciation to Silent Auction Donors** - Many thanks to the wonderful--in the true sense of the word--people of Illinois South Conference who donated 65 baskets and special items for the DuBois Fall Festival Silent Auction. ISC creativity is amazing, and DuBois greatly appreciates the generosity! Thanks! Audrey Hicks, Fall Festival Silent Auction Chair



## Fall Schedule for Retreats at DuBois Center

### Mother-Daughter Retreat - October 6-8, 2023

- **Lodging:** Main Camp cottages and Hickory Lodge
- **Pricing:** \$140 for adults, \$125 for youth (12-17), and \$110 for children (under 12)

### Women's Retreat - October 13-15, 2023

- **Lodging:** Hickory Lodge (hotel-like setting)
- **Pricing:** \$150

### Horse Retreat - October 21-22, 2023

- **Lodging:** Main Camp cottages
- **Pricing:** \$185

### Ride Day / Camp Day - November 4, 2023

- **Pricing:** \$60
- **Note:** Parents can come hang out at Dubois Center for the day or register to participate. If parents come but don't register, they can bring their lunch or buy lunch at camp for \$12 the day of the event.

Click [here](#) to register for any of the fall retreats.

## Hoyleton Hope for the Holidays

In the spirit of giving, we invite you to help us brighten the holidays for the children and families whom we serve. Your generous support allows us to give each youth a Christmas gift. Over 400 children in foster care will receive a gift they wish for. We will also support many families served through our Puentes de Esperanza and our Behavioral Health Services department with family bags.

Thanks to your generosity throughout the year, we can serve the children of our surrounding communities. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued love, prayers, and support for the mission of Hoyleton Youth and Family Services.

Please consider supporting our mission this holiday season. There are three ways to support Hope for the Holidays.

1) Make a cash donation to Hoyleton online by [CLICKING HERE](#) or via check specifying Hope for the Holidays - we will shop and wrap the gifts for you.

2) Visit our [Amazon Wishlist](#) and place your order to be delivered to us, and we will wrap and tag the gift for you.

3) Provide gift cards. Gift cards are welcome and will be used to purchase something for a child who arrives within days of Christmas or allow the teen to express themselves individually and learn the meaning of a dollar.

All gifts must be in our office by **November 29th** so that we can organize and distribute them to our youth. If you have any questions or would like to know more, please get in touch with Christy at 618-688-7092 or [cshult@hoyleton.org](mailto:cshult@hoyleton.org).



*CHHSM News*  
Council for Health and Human Service Ministries



## Nollau Leadership Institute Is Open for the 2024-25 Class

The Nollau Leadership Institute is CHHSM's signature program with more than 250 attendees in its 20+ years. Enrollment is open. We invite you to make plans to participate in next year's class by registering now. The program consists of two in-person retreats at Bellwether Farm, online interactions in between the retreats, and an additional day of programming at

the CHHSM 87th Annual Gathering, which concludes by commissioning the class as Diakonal Ministers. For more information, click [here](#). To register, click [here](#).



Deaconess Foundation is excited to continue sharing the results of their multilayered community-driven approach to seeding, creating, and fostering conditions where liberation is the lived reality within seven generations. Learn more about our new strategic framework and funding opportunities at our October 25th event from 9 am - 11 am at Belleville St. Paul UCC.

Register [here](#). The meeting is in person and light breakfast will be provided. Virtual options are not available at this time. MindsEye will be providing audio description at the events for individuals who are blind or partially sighted and audio amplification for individuals who are hard of hearing. LAMP Interpreters will be providing American Sign Language for individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing. Please call (314) 356-2588 or email [info@deaconess.org](mailto:info@deaconess.org) if you would like to request further accommodations.

### Fill the Need - Van or Bus for Uni-Pres Kindercottage

Uni Pres Kindercottage Child Care Center is looking for a donation of a 15-passenger van or bus to provide transportation for the children to travel to and from their local schools. For more details, please contact Ms. Aimee Hart, Mr. Antron Rose or Ms. Catrice Garrett at 618-874-6505.



**St. John's Community Care's Caregiver Conference will be held on Sat, Oct 14 from 8 am to 12:30 pm at the Greater New Hope Church.** Resources and speakers from Land of Lincoln and Adaptive Equipment and Caregiving Corner!

**St. John's Community Care will hold a Resource Fair on Sat, Nov 4 at 307 W Clay St, Collinsville from 11 am - 4 pm.** Thanks to our generous sponsors, Adaptive Equipment & Caregiving Corner, we'll have free produce from Rascal's Market while supplies last!

**Unleashing Potential invites you to Art & Soul XIII, Unleashing Potential's 13<sup>th</sup> annual gala!** The gala will be on Friday, Oct. 13, 2023, from 6 pm to 10 pm at Third Degree Glass Factory, 5200 Delmar Blvd in St. Louis. The event features include: Children's Artwork, Fund the Need, Wine & Spirits Pull, Live Music, UP Highlights. For event information, contact Jake Russell at [jrussell@upstl.org](mailto:jrussell@upstl.org) or call 314-561-3346. Purchase tickets or secure your sponsorship by going to their website at [upstl.org/up-events/art-soul-xiii/](http://upstl.org/up-events/art-soul-xiii/)



**Hitz Memorial Home has a vacancy for an: Independent Senior Living Apartment.** All utilities are included. Free WiFi and cable. \$700/month. Call for details. (618) 488-2355.

## What's Happening in Illinois South Conference

### Prayer and Lectionary Lunch Hour

Illinois South Conference pastors gather by Zoom each Wednesday at about 12:30 by Zoom. Their time together normally lasts about an hour. All pastors are invited to share and solidify relationships with their pastoral peers in our Conference. Here is the Zoom link:

Date and time: Wednesdays at 12:30 pm

Meeting ID: 837 0733 6906. Link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83707336906>

**Region 1** - In the tradition of St. Francis of Assisi and in memory of "Doc" Ed McLaughlin, **Murphysboro St. Peter's UCC and St. Andrew Catholic Church** invite you to bring your beloved pets to be blessed by Rev. Lauren Lambert-Goheen and Fr. Joel on **Wed, Oct 18 at 3:30 pm on the lawn of St. Andrew Catholic Church**. All pets are welcome as long as they are on a leash or properly crated.

**Region 2** - Dupu Christ UCC will hold its **Fall Festival and Yard Sale on Sat, Oct 14 from 9 am - 3 pm at the church**. Crafts. Quilt drawing. Prize board and basket raffle. Homemade cakes, cookies, candy and jelly. Lunch of soups, sandwiches, and homemade pies. Crafters and vendors wanted. Table space is \$20. For more information, call 618-286-4211.

**Region 2** will host a **Bunco Night to benefit DuBois Center on Fri, Nov 10**. Doors open at 6:30 pm and play starts at 7 pm. Cost is \$10 per person. Seating is limited. Click [here](#) for flyer.

**Region 3** - Collinsville St. John UCC will hold a **Drive-thru Wurstmarkt on Thurs, Oct 19 from 11 am - 6:30 pm at the church**. Meal includes sausage link (1 lb), sauerkraut, mashed potatoes and gravy, creamed peas, applesauce, horseradish, and dessert. \$13/meal. Uncooked sausage orders for \$4.25 per pound will be taken until Oct 11 with pick up on Oct 18 between 1 pm - 6 pm. To order, call 618-344-2526.

**Granite City St. John UCC** will host its **Annual Sausage Dinner on Sun, Oct 15 from 11:30 am to 5:30 pm**. Dine in or carry out. All dinners will include sausage, sauerkraut, applesauce, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, and dessert. Country Store & Bazaar. Dine In: (all you can eat) Adults - \$15; Children 6-12 - \$10; Children under 6 - Free. Carry Outs All meals \$15. Tickets can be pre-purchased or at the door. For tickets or more information, call 618-877-6060.

**Region 5** - Troy Friedens UCC will host its **Annual Fall Drive-thru Sausage Dinner on Sun, Oct 15 from 11:30 am - 4:30 pm at the church**. Menu includes grilled pork sausage, sauerkraut, green beans, mashed potatoes and gravy, and dessert. Dinners \$15/plate.

**Marine UCC** will present "**First Concert**" featuring **Diane Dietz, soprano and her accompanist on Sun, Oct 22 at 3 pm at the church**. Watch for more details as they come available.

**Marine** will hold its **Whole Hog Drive-Thru Pork Sausage Dinner on Sun, Nov 5 from 11 am - 5 pm**. Menu includes whole hog pork sausage, mashed potatoes and gravy, sauerkraut, green beans, applesauce, and apple pie. All dinners \$13. Raffle of 2 queen quilts, a baby quilt, side of beef, whole hog, and 4 dinners for Nov. 3, 2024. Fresh Meat Sale on Sat, Nov 4 from 9 am - 2 pm and Sun, Nov 5 from 9 am - 5 pm. Sausage links, ribs, and backbones in 5 lb. pkgs. Liver sausage and head cheese available too. For ticket sales and purchase of fresh meat, call 618-887-4465.

**Grantfork UCC** will hold its **53rd Annual Sausage Supper on Sat, Nov 11 from 2 pm - 7 pm**. Drive-thru only. Menu includes homemade pork sausage, mashed potatoes and milk gravy, sauerkraut, green beans, applesauce, and a piece of pie. Fresh or fried packaged



sausage for sale at the end of the drive-thru. \$14/dinner. Sponsored by the Grantfork UCC Men's Fellowship.

**Region 8 - Lebanon St. Paul UCC will host its 31st Annual Wurstmarkt Sausage & Sauerkraut Supper on Sun, Oct 22 from 11 am - 3 pm.** It is Drive-thru only! Menu includes two sausage links, sauerkraut, real mashed potatoes & gravy, corn, applesauce, and a dessert. Cost is \$13.00/meal.

**Region 9 - Belleville Trinity UCC will host its annual Halloween Trivia Spooktacular on October 7** in the church social hall. Doors open at 5:15 pm, and play starts at 6 pm. Family-friendly costumes encouraged. Adults: \$10 and 2 nonperishable food items; 12 and under: \$5 plus 2 nonperishable food items with advance reservation. At the door, entrance fees are \$15 for adults and \$10 for children in addition to the two food items. Proceeds benefit the Belleville Community Interfaith Food Pantry and Trinity's holiday basket mission. For more info, see the Trinity [website](#) or Facebook [page](#). For reservations, email [debjovaag@aol.com](mailto:debjovaag@aol.com).

**Belleville St. Paul UCC will hold a Crafty Mania (All Day Crafting) on Saturday, Oct 14 from 9 am - 4 pm.** They are looking for vendors as well as attendees. Cost is \$35 which includes lunch, snacks, crafting space, attendance prizes, and vendors in the afternoon. Vendors will be creating and selling. Tickets for raffle items will be available for purchase. Proceeds to benefit youth group & missions of the church. For more information, contact 618-233-3303. Pay online [here](#).

**O'Fallon UCC's Annual Wurstmarkt is planned for Thursday, October 19 from 3:30 pm-7:30 pm.** Dine in, Drive thru & Carryout. Adult ticket \$15, Child ticket \$8 (10 and under). Fried pork sausage, real mashed potatoes, gravy, country green beans, sauerkraut, applesauce & dessert. Craft Sale noon-7:30 pm. Country Store (orders taken for raw sausage, fried sausage, other meat cuts). O'Fallon UCC 206 W. Adams St., O'Fallon IL 618-632-3496.

**Belleville Concordia UCC will hold its Drive-thru Wurstmarkt on Sun, Oct 22 from 11am - 3 pm.** Menu includes pork sausage (2 pieces for adults, 1 for child), mashed potatoes & gravy, sauerkraut, green beans, applesauce, horseradish, bread and cake. Adults \$13; children under 12 \$6. For more information, call 618-476-3377.

**Job Opportunities - Ministry Assistant for Congregational Care and Christian Education Belleville St. Paul** is looking for a person to fulfill the position of Ministry Assistant for Congregational Care and Christian Education. The person will provide coordinated support for the Senior Pastor, St. Paul UCC care-giving and wellness ministries, and the congregation as well as to provide program development, implementation, coordination, and supervision of Christian Education, both for children and adults, which includes youth programming. Click [here](#) for the complete position description. Please direct questions and resumes to [pastormichelle@stpaulucc.org](mailto:pastormichelle@stpaulucc.org)

**Mascoutah St. John UCC - Office Administrator** - St. John UCC in Mascoutah is looking for a church administrator with competence in Microsoft Word and PowerPoint. Duties include webpage editing, monthly newsletter and weekly bulletin production (including electronic and hard copy), database updates, uploading of worship recording to the website, and other general office procedures. A person that will continue to move us along the

technology pathway would be a plus. We work as a team here at St. John and look forward to someone who is looking for a collegial workplace environment. 28 hours per week. Vacation time; sick time; but no other benefits. Compensation based on experience. Contact the church at [pastor.bob@saintjohnucc.org](mailto:pastor.bob@saintjohnucc.org).

**Part Time Organist/Pianist - Friedens United Church of Christ in Marissa, IL** is seeking a part-time organist and/or pianist. Duties include playing organ and/or piano on Sundays for our 10 am worship services as well as Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, mid-week Lenten services, and our Pre-Lenten breakfast. Position includes 4 paid Sundays off (except for Easter) for vacation time. Services normally consist of a prelude, 2-3 hymns, some short, sung responses, and a postlude. To apply or for more information, contact Rev. Brett Palmer at 618-295-2004 or [marissafriedens@gmail.com](mailto:marissafriedens@gmail.com).

**New Baden Zion UCC - Music Director.** This person helps coordinate all aspects of the music program at the church, including but not limited to selecting hymns for weekly and special services, leading an adult choir, coordinating special vocal and/or instrumental music, and may serve as a member of the worship team. Keyboard skills, church choral experience as a singer or director, and a bachelor's degree in worship arts or music are a plus. To apply or for additional information, contact council president Rodney Washburn at [rodneymashburn1@gmail.com](mailto:rodneymashburn1@gmail.com).

**Smithton St. John's UCC seeks a part-time Church Administrator** for approximately 10-15 hours per week. Candidate must be organized, attentive to detail and proficient in Microsoft Office Suite and have general literacy with technology. A working knowledge of software platforms and social media would be helpful. Candidate will work closely with church leadership to coordinate weekly tasks. Other duties include, but are not limited to, answering phones, sending emails, scanning documents, creating and printing weekly bulletins & monthly newsletters, organizing and reminding volunteers for weekly worship duties, updating the church calendar, updating the electronic sign, ordering flowers at various times of the year and keeping inventory and ordering office & building supplies. The candidate may do many tasks remotely, however one day is required in the office, preferably on Thursdays for 4 to 6 hours. Salary is \$14 per hour. Please send resume to: [brian\\_damrow@yahoo.com](mailto:brian_damrow@yahoo.com)

**Pinckneyville St. Paul UCC is in search for a Part-time Music Leader.** This position requires excellent people skills in working with the Council, Pastor, Secretary, committees, and Sunday school teachers. Their music skills include the ability to play a Wicks two-manual pipe organ with pedals and piano. Good vocal skills are a plus but not required. The church does not have a choir but occasionally has special instrumentalists and vocalists. Church services are currently 10 am - 11 am on Sundays. Special services include Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, and two Easter services. Contact the church secretary at 618-357-8075.

### **CONTACT US - YOUR OCWM MONIES AT WORK**

**Please call (618-654-2125) before coming to the Conference Office or make an appointment with a staff member using the emails below.**

For the work of Conference teams and committees or for financial matters (in terms of your church's giving to the Conference or OCWM), contact **Debbie Kesner** at [dkesner@iscucc.org](mailto:dkesner@iscucc.org).

For communicating within the Conference, the Conference website, Facebook page or Weekly Connection, contact **Lynnette Schuepbach** at [lschuepbach@iscucc.org](mailto:lschuepbach@iscucc.org).

For DuBois Center Executive Director, contact **Noah McCarn** at [director@DuBoisCenter.org](mailto:director@DuBoisCenter.org).

For DuBois Center registration for upcoming events and camp sessions or ISC program registrations, contact **Julie Riechmann** at 618-357-1809 or [jriechmann@iscucc.org](mailto:jriechmann@iscucc.org).

For **Rev. Shana Johnson**, ISC Conference Minister, contact her at [sjohnson@iscucc.org](mailto:sjohnson@iscucc.org) or 618-882-8247.

*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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