

October 10, 2023

## ISC Confirmation Retreat Highlights



### Let the Sunshine In

I woke up this morning with a song going through my head. It was familiar to me because it was something I learned in Sunday School and my mother sang it often. But I had not sung it for a very long time.

“Let the sunshine in.  
 Face it with a grin.  
 Smilers never lose and  
 Frowners never win.  
 So let the Sunshine in.  
 Face it with a grin.  
 Open up your heart and  
 Let the Sunshine in.”

The verses continued about the devil and how sunshine could stop the antics of the devil. In our family, we didn't focus on the devil as an outside entity, but the devil was our choice to block God's light from entering our hearts.

I'm sure there were moments when I was in a funk, and my mother would sing this to me, which didn't bring me directly out of the funk. However, it made me think. Now, as an adult, I muse at how much I love the sunshine and yet, I, at times, block the physical sun with sunglasses to see oncoming cars or the lid of a tub in the window when the sunshine is too bright for me to see the computer screen. Do I block God's light at times so that I can focus on my worldly life rather than my spiritual life? It's a conundrum. And so, I sing “Open up your heart and let the Sunshine in.” And then I pray, “Let it be so.”  
 Shine on! Lynnette Schuepbach, ISC Communications Coordinator

### Prayer list for Oct 15 - 21, 2023

#### Church & Pastors

-Hookdale St. Peter UCC, Rev.  
P. Jerry Bennett (right)



-Hoyleton Zion  
Evangelical UCC,  
Rev. Sharon  
Patton (left)

#### Retired Pastor

-Rev. Gustav and Suzanne  
Kuether, Belleville, IL

#### 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.



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

## Change in Schedule for Pre-Annual Meeting Events

Due to unforeseen circumstances, there will not be a Pre-Annual Meeting Choral workshop this Saturday morning, October 14, at St. Peter's UCC, Red Bud, as initially planned. However, we look forward to being led in song by Rev. Monty Jackson at our Annual Meeting on Saturday, October 21, at St. Peter's UCC, Red Bud.

## Delegate Informational Sessions

**Tuesday, October 17** by Zoom

**Thursday, October 19** by Zoom

Delegates were sent an email with the Zoom link on October 4. 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 pertinent materials. Contact your church office or Debbie at [dkesner@iscucc.org](mailto:dkesner@iscucc.org) if you did not receive the email.



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

***Doing a New Thing:  
Connection, Collaboration, Creativity***



## 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 flier 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).

### 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.

### Fall Schedule for Retreats at DuBois Center 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.

 DuBois Center News

## Are you looking to spend a morning in the splendor of God's creation and help care for our Outdoor Ministries at DuBois Center?

Green DuBois will be having an invasive species removal day on Saturday, November 4, from 9 am - Noon. If you'd like to spend a morning helping remove bush honeysuckle from the camp, come join us.

We have plenty of hand tools and spray bottles for everyone. If you have a chainsaw that you would like to bring, they are always welcome, as we always find bushes that are too large to prune by hand. Bring gloves and a water bottle, and bring a sack lunch if you'd like to hang around a bit after we're done.

To sign up or for more information please contact Phil Barbier at [philip.barbier77@gmail.com](mailto:philip.barbier77@gmail.com) or 314-312-2347.



*CHHSM News*  
Council for Health and Human Service Ministries

125 YEARS IN MISSION



[The St. Louis Regional Health Commission](#) (the RHC), in partnership with [Deaconess Foundation](#), today launched a \$350,000 Seniors Community Revitalization & Development Fund (Seniors Community Fund) to support services for seniors in the region. The Seniors Community Fund aims to improve the public health system infrastructure to better serve residents 55 years of age and older and promote transparency and accountability. The Fund's community-led Senior Advisory Board, comprised of residents aged 55 and older, is now accepting funding proposals for up to \$30,000 from organizations/projects/initiatives addressing three priority areas: transportation, safety, and health navigation support for seniors in the Greater St. Louis region and nearby IL counties. Questions regarding the Seniors Community Revitalization and Development Fund can be emailed to Blessing Kuebee, the RHC Strategic Initiatives Director at [bkuebee@stlrhc.org](mailto:bkuebee@stlrhc.org). Questions regarding application technical assistance can be emailed to Deleshā George, Deaconess Foundation Program Manager at [deleshag@deaconess.org](mailto:deleshag@deaconess.org). Interested organizations may learn more about the Fund on Wednesday, October 18th during a virtual drop-in session for questions and answers from 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm. Learn more about the information session and apply for the Fund [here](#).

## 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 [csult@hoyleton.org](mailto:csult@hoyleton.org).



### **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.



### **Ask and You shall receive, God has blessed Uni-Pres Kindercottage with a school bus.**

A big thank you to Mrs. Debra Hamilton who donated her bus for the care and use of our children at Uni Pres Kindercottage . There are several things that must be done to update the bus exterior . If you are able to support our efforts in the care and update of our bus please contact Ms. Aimee Hart at 618 874-6505 ( work or )618-799-1417 (cell). Thank you for being a blessing as God blesses you.

### **Uni-Pres is pleased to invite you to be a Guest for the Uni-Pres Kindercottage Trunk or Treat on Fri, Oct 27, 2023, from 3 pm - 5 pm at 564 Veronica Ave East St. Louis, IL.**

They would be honored to have you come and share with their parents, children, and other members of the community what your church provides, while sharing a bag of treats for the little ones. It would be a great experience for the UPK students, parents, and children in the community to meet the churches that support their mission. Please accept their invitation. RSVP by Wednesday October 25 by 6 pm via email to 618-874-6505 or [Aimee@unipreskindercottage](mailto:Aimee@unipreskindercottage) or [Antron@unipreskindercottage.org](mailto:Antron@unipreskindercottage.org).



**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, UP'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.

### **The Open & Affirming annual National Gathering is being planned for September 2024.**

It would help them for you to take [this two question survey](#). That would greatly help them while they plan. Thank you!

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

**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).

### **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.

Date and time: Wednesdays at 12:30 pm

Meeting ID: 837 0733 6906. Zoom 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 - Dupo 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.

**On Sat, Oct 14 from 10 am to 2 pm OR when sold out, Waterloo Zion United Church of Christ-St. Joe will hold its BBQ** at the Rural King parking lot in Waterloo. Menu features Schneider's Quality Meats, pork steaks, brats, hamburgers and hot dogs.

**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 - Sacred Favorites...with a Spoonful of Sugar" featuring Diane Dietz, soprano, and her accompanist, Terri Benz, on Sun, Oct 22 at 3 pm at the church.** Diane is a private music instructor in Springfield, Illinois, and stays active in musical theatre in Springfield. She has performed with the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra, Illinois Symphony Orchestra and Edwardsville Symphony Orchestra. Terri is a frequent adjudicator for solo and ensemble and choral competitions. She loves making music with all ages and ability levels. She has a private studio where she teaches voice and piano and is a long-time Director of Music at Centenary UMC. Admission is free, but a free-will offering will be taken to benefit Hoyleton Home Halo, Crisis Center. Click here for a [flier](#).

**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 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.

**O'Fallon UCC (206 West Adams St.) invites you to 9:45 am worship on October 15 for a lively service of gospel music.** Elvis impersonator (Steve Davis) will sing gospel songs and play his guitar ("When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder," "How Great Thou Art," etc.) Jazz/gospel musicians Tony DiPasquale (keyboard) and Max DiPasquale (saxophone) will also perform their arrangements of favorite gospel songs ("When the Saints Go Marching In").

**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 [rodneywashburn1@gmail.com](mailto:rodneywashburn1@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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