

# ANNOUNCEMENTS & CLERGY CONNECTIONS



- ♦ Rev. Karen Yonney, who serves Heidelberg UCC in Slatington, has announced her retirement. Her final day in the office will be March 4, 2020
- ♦ Rev. Bob Stevens has announced he is retiring effective Sunday, May 31, 2020. Bob is the pastor of Zion's Liberty Bell Church, Allentown.
- ♦ Rev. Joshua Knappenberger accepted the position as part-time interim pastor at St. James UCC, Allentown effective January 2020. Joshua will step down as Assistant Pastor at Zion's Liberty Bell Church but will continue as Director of the Liberty Bell Museum.
- ♦ The Authorization Working Group of the Committee on Ministry approved Gary Barraco as a MID with lay ministerial standing. Gary will serve at First UCC, Berwick from February 1 through Easter.
- ♦ Rev. Todd Fennell was elected to be the part-time pastor at Bethany UCC, Bethlehem.
- ♦ Rev. David Schnaars is the full-time transitional interim minister at St. Paul's UCC, Northampton effective January 6, 2020.
- ♦ On Saturday, January 11, the Committee on Ministry met for three ecclesiastical councils. As a result of that meeting, the following MID's were approved for Ordination pending a valid call:
  - Sean Drummond
  - Ashley Werkheiser
  - Michelle Funk - (reaffirmation call to Michelle Funk, extended by St. John's UCC (Fullerton), Whitehall as Associate Pastor)
- ♦ 2020 Spring Conference Meeting will be April 24 and 25 at The Chateau at Camelback, 475 Camelback Road, Tannersville, PA. The Meeting will be one overnight, dinner on Friday evening, breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Starts at 4:00 p.m. on Friday and concludes at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday.
- ♦ 2020 Fall Conference Meeting will be November 7, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. place TBA
- ♦ 2021 Spring Conference Meeting will be April 16 and 17, place TBA

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## Services of Interest:

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**February 23 - 3PM - ORDINATION** - Michelle Funk will be ordained at St. John's UCC (Fullerton), 575 Grape Street, Whitehall - No robes are required for any authorized minister attending, however red or rainbow stoles can be worn.

**April 4 – 2PM - INSTALLATION** – Rev. Dr. Bonnie Bates, Conference Minister – UCC Greenawalds, 2325 Albright Ave., Allentown

