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United Presbyterian Has Lost a Dear Friend

The Reverend Robert Eugene Lorimer

August 12, 1932 — March 5, 2022

The Reverend Robert Eugene Lorimer joined the Church Triumphant on March 5. His passing was announced by The Rev'd. Susan C. McGhee, Executive Presbyter of the Presbytery of Ohio Valley. Bob was born in Flint, Michigan on August 12, 1932 and is survived by his wife Sue (Mary Susanna Masters Lorimer), whom he married March 10, 1956, and his children, Linda, Robert, Michael, Anita, and Andrew.

Reverend Lorimer earned a Th.M. from Piedmont College in 1954 and a B.R.E. from Dallas Theological Seminary in 1963. He was ordained by Louisiana Presbytery (Cumberland Presbyterian Church) May 12, 1963

Bob served several pastorates and positions in the Presbytery of Ohio Valley (POV) beginning with United Presbyterian in Monroe City from 1969 to 1974. This was followed by pastoring First Presbyterian in Bloomfield from 1974 to 2001. He served as the Treasurer of the Presbytery of Ohio Valley from 2004 to 2006. In 2007, he was Interim Pastor for six months at Bethany Presbyterian north of Spencer in their time of need.



Sue & Bob in 2016 at the annual UPC Christmas Dinner at Ale & Souheil Haddad's home.

Bob was Honorably Retired on September 1, 2001. Upon his retirement (after nearly 28 years at First Presbyterian), he and Sue moved to Bloomington where Sue and Bob's mother Mabel became members of United Presbyterian Church. As an ordained minister of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A., Bob was a member of the POV. He became an integral part of UPC (as did Sue), serving as treasurer a number of years, pulpit supply, counselor and a strong supporter and attendee of UPC's many programs and activities.

A Memorial Service was held at 1 p.m. EDT on Saturday, March 26, in the sanctuary of United Presbyterian Church. The Reverend John Napoli presided. A moving rendition of *Amazing Grace* was performed on the piano by UPC Music Director Benjamin Watkins. The assemblage sang two of Bob's favorite hymns – *In the Garden* and *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*. Rev. Napoli's touching eulogy was titled (Continued on Page 9)

United Presbyterian Church ❖ 2022 Lent Schedule

NOTE: All services are live in the sanctuary AND livestreamed on UPC YouTube.

Fifth Sunday in Lent, April 3 – 10 a.m.

Rev. John Napoli; Benjamin Watkins, piano and organ; Liturgist, Elder Bob Hammel
Holy Communion



Palm Sunday, April 10 – 10 a.m.

Rev. John Napoli
Guest Artist, Darius Bennett, clarinet
Benjamin Watkins, piano and organ
Liturgist, Elder Stephanie Worden

Maundy Thursday, April 14 – 7 p.m.

Holy Communion officiated by Rev. John Napoli
Liturgist, Deacon Sarah Napoli; Guest Artist Scott Sgueglia, cello
Benjamin Watkins, piano and organ

Good Friday Tenebrae Service, April 15 – 7 p.m.

Rev. John Napoli; Benjamin Watkins, piano and organ;
Liturgist, Jim Haverstock

Easter Worship Service, April 17 – 10 a.m.

Rev. John Napoli
Guest Artist George Pekarsky, violin Benjamin Watkins, piano
Liturgist, Elder Alejandra Haddad—Spanish
Readers: Raja Hanania—Arabic; Gerrit Heitink—Dutch;
Vera Heitink—German, Patrick Nyarko —Twi, Rev. Napoli – English
PC(USA) One Great Hour of Sharing Offering



How to Get Involved



Reaching UP

If you are interested in contributing articles or helping to put together the Reaching UP newsletter, please contact Andy Hill at andy@andyhill.us

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SUNDAY, MAY 1 VS. ILLINOIS || 1PM

TICKETS: \$5 (2 & UNDER FREE)

OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE
DISCOUNTED CONCESSION VOUCHER

INQUIRE ABOUT ADDITIONAL GROUP BENEFITS

DEADLINE: FRIDAY APRIL 29TH

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April Birthdays and Anniversaries



Apr 3	Stephanie Worden	Apr 15	Noah Like
Apr 5	Tareq Hanania	Apr 17	Jesse McBride
Apr 6	Jan Berend Heitink	Apr 25	Lance & Karen Like Anniversary
Apr 7	Colleen Swanson	Apr 27	Linda Coggin
Apr 12	Bill Worden	Apr 30	John John Napoli
Apr 13	Mitch Coggin		

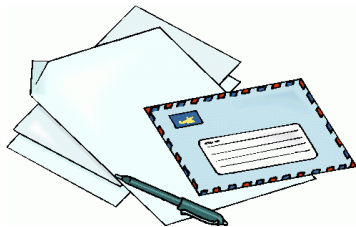


FEBRUARY FINANCIAL REPORT

The first two months this year were pretty typical; Big boost in January and a drop off in February. Year to date net surplus at the end of February was \$6,278. That will likely be used up by mid-year, if not sooner. Your continued financial support is vital to avoid having to dip into our investments for operating expenses.

The roof fund has received \$6,000 so far. Our ultimate goal is to replace the entire \$37,000 taken from our investments to pay for the new roof.

Don Root



We Get Letters

Let us hear from you. Drop your letter off at the church during office hours
Or
Email it to: upcbloomington@gmail.com — Reaching UP on subject line.

Dear UPC Congregation,

I would like to thank you for thinking of my family during our time of mourning. Here are some pictures of the lovely peace plant you sent to my father's service.

Sincerely,

Donna Smith

[Editor's Note: Donna is UPC's CPA.]

To my wonderful UPC family,

Thank you for keeping me in your prayers during my recent two week hospital stay and the one week in rehab. Thanks to all those who sent cards and emails. Also thanks to those who called.

The beautiful flowers the Deacons sent were very much appreciated.

Blessings to you all.

Allen Pease



"WHAT? I BROUGHT MY HARMONICA ALONG FOR WHEN I DON'T KNOW THE WORDS."



2022 Flower Order Form

FLOWER	COLOR	CONTAINER	#

NAME:
TOTAL \$
PAID



It is that time of year again! Spring planting!

If you would like to order flowers to support our UPC Youth. Please fill out the order form above and send a picture text of the order to Melanie at 812-322-3965, or e-mail it to me at susiesq_msm@yahoo.com. Hope everyone is doing well. Pick up will be at the church, Saturday, May 7th.

Flower Sale

UPC Pub Trivia

Come join the fun – pick a team – share a fun
filled night of fellowship

Wednesday, April 20th at 6:30 pm

Live in fellowship hall



The winner of the night will receive a delicious homemade dessert
by our good friend Margaret Henry
(Melanie's friend who bakes for the dessert auction)



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING



For more than 70 years, our gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing have connected us in God's healing, tending and growing to create a world where all needs are met.

Thanks to your heartfelt gifts, One Great Hour of Sharing currently supports projects in more than 100 countries. Visit pcusa.org/oghsmap for locations and ministries. You will be amazed!

The One Great Hour of Sharing offering will be received at UPC on Easter Sunday.

Hoosier Girls State Seeking High School Seniors as Delegates

American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) Unit 18, headquartered at American Legion Post 18 on West Third Street, is seeking applicants to be delegates for the 2022 ALA Hoosier Girls State to be held this June in Tipton, Indiana. Six positions are open now with grants being provided by the American Legion Auxiliary covering all expenses for the week-long character-building event.



ALA Hoosier Girls State is a program designed to educate young women of Indiana in the duties, privileges, rights and responsibilities of citizenship. It is a week of living and learning the political system of Indiana through a mythical City, County and State. The young women chosen for this honor by an American Legion Auxiliary Unit are named as delegates to ALA Hoosier Girls State.

To be eligible, girls may be enrolled in any accredited Monroe County high school and have completed their Junior year. They must also be registered to begin their Senior year at any accredited Monroe County high school. Spread the word that these six positions are open. UPC

members, do you have daughters or granddaughters or even a neighbor's daughter between their Junior and Senior year who might be interested? Then contact Allen in the church office for details and a referral.



Bloomington Chamber Opera

Presents

The Elixir of Love

April 7th and 9th at 7:30 PM

FAR Center for Contemporary Arts

505 W 4th Street, Bloomington IN

BloomingtonChamberOpera.org

BCO

BLOOMINGTON CHAMBER OPERA

Bloomington Chamber Opera was founded in the fall of 2019 by Benjamin Watkins and Annaka Grismer as a laboratory opera company with the goal of bringing fresh perspective to opera through innovative and approachable productions. BCO is a 501(c)(3) organization supported by donations, grant funding, and ticket sales.

Donizetti's *The Elixir of Love* tells the timeless story of a young woman, Adina, who plays hard-to-get in the face of her suitor Nemorino. When Doctor Dulcamara rolls into town selling powerful potions and cure-alls, Nemorino seizes his chance to obtain the Elixir of Love and win over Adina. Will he succeed, or will Adina instead accept the hand of the dashing Sergeant Belcore?



United Presbyterian Has Lost a Dear Friend (Continued from Page 1)

Remembering Bob. Wonderful remembrances of Bob came from about 20 family and friends. Many of them noting that Bob was a gentle man as well as a gentleman.

The family gave special thanks to Rev. Napoli, Benjamin Watkins, Allen Pease, Stephanie Worden and the UPC congregation and Deacons for their help in implementing the memorial service.

More than 80 people were in attendance and all of them smiled when a recording of Bob's favorite pop song was played – *Sweet Caroline* by Neil Diamond. A fitting postlude. Bob donated his body to the Indiana University School of Medicine.

In the announcement issued by POV Executive Presbyter Rev'd Susan C. McGhee regarding Rev. Lorimer's death, she noted: "In life and in death, and in all the circumstances of life, we belong to God. And we belong to each other. Thanks be to God for these blessed connections."



Always supportive of the activities of UPC and its members, Bob & Sue (above) enjoyed the March, 2020 Indonesian Dining In, UPC's last in-person event before the COVID-19 lock-down that began a week later.

➔ Bob gets an autographed CD from internationally renowned concert pianist Jeeyoon Kim after the April 2019 concert held in the UPC sanctuary to benefit the UPC Guest Artist Program. Caroline and Stephanie Worden are assisting Jeeyoon at the autograph table.



The grass withers,
the flower fades.
But the WORD OF GOD
stands forever.

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