

Reaching UP

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A Wonderful Holy Week at UPC

Palm Sunday saw a processional led by the UPC Quartet followed by liturgist Deacon Lance Like and POV Executive Presbyter the Reverend Susan McGhee. Each laid fresh palm fronds around the Communion Table as they passed it. Excellent and inspiring music was presented by the Quartet and Benjamin Watkins. Rev. McGhee officiated an inspiring sermon and service of Holy Communion.



Easter Sunday services were led by the Reverend John VanderZee with more wonderful music by the UPC Quartet, vocalist Darius Bennet and Benjamin Watkins. Members of the congregation read the scripture, Luke 24: 1 through



12, in the language of their ancestry: Arabic by Souheil Haddad, Dutch by Jan Berend Heitink, Spanish by Alejandra Haddad and Twi by Patrick Nyarko. Reverend VanderZee wrapped it up with English. This was done against the backdrop of a beautiful Easter Lily display. Afterwards all enjoyed a great Easter Breakfast, a cherished tradition at UPC for decades.



May Birthdays and Anniversaries



May 14	Fuad Haddad
May 15	Don and Anne Root Anniversary
May 19	Sue Lorimer
May 22	Miriam Michael



MARCH FINANCIAL REPORT

March income was \$10,514 and expenses were \$17,819 giving us a net income of negative \$7,305 for March and negative \$3,035 for the year-to-date. The larger than usual expenses for the month are due to the moving expenses for our new pastor which were paid in March.

Income in the collection plate is down 28% from this time last year. In order to remain financially solvent, we need everyone's continued support. Hopefully, with a new pastor on board in May our attendance and giving will see an uptick.

A reminder that this year's per-capita is \$50.15 per member. If you're able to pay your own, that will be helpful.

Don Root

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

Treasurer Assistant

If you are interested in helping count and process donations and other treasurer duties, please contact Andy Hill at andy@andyhill.us

Bible Study

Tuesday evening Bible Study is conducted via Zoom. If you're not already signed up to receive an email with the link to the Zoom meeting, simply email upcbloomington@gmail.com and request inclusion.

Little Red Wagon

The little red wagon is waiting to be filled with canned goods and hygiene products for Monroe County United Ministries. For more information ask one of our Deacons.

Video and Sound Systems

If you are interested in learning how to operate the sound system or help in taping Sunday worship service please contact Don Root at rootd@msn.com.

Sunday Service on YouTube

UPC YouTube Channel link is: [UPC Bloomington - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBloomington-YouTube). An email is sent out each Thursday with the YouTube link and Sunday's Bulletin attached. If you're not on the list and would like to be, email upcbloomington@gmail.com and request inclusion.



PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERINGS

The

CHILDREN AT RISK • YOUTH • YOUNG ADULTS

Pentecost Offering unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people and inspire them to share their faith, ideas and unique gifts with the church and the world. THANK YOU for your support of this Offering!

Nurturing the faith of those who are the church to come

A gift to the Pentecost Offering helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people, and also address the needs of at-risk children.

40% of the Pentecost offering can be retained by individual congregations wanting to make an impact in the lives of young people within their own community.

The remaining 60% is used to support children-at-risk, youth, and young adults through ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency.



1980

first Presbyterian Youth Triennium was held

\$15 million

raised for ministries that benefit younger
members of God's family since 1998

UPC will receive this special offering on
Pentecost Sunday — May 28



Jeeyoon Does it Again!

Our own Jeeyoon returns to Carnegie Hall in New York on June 7 at 8 p.m. The press release copied below has all the details.

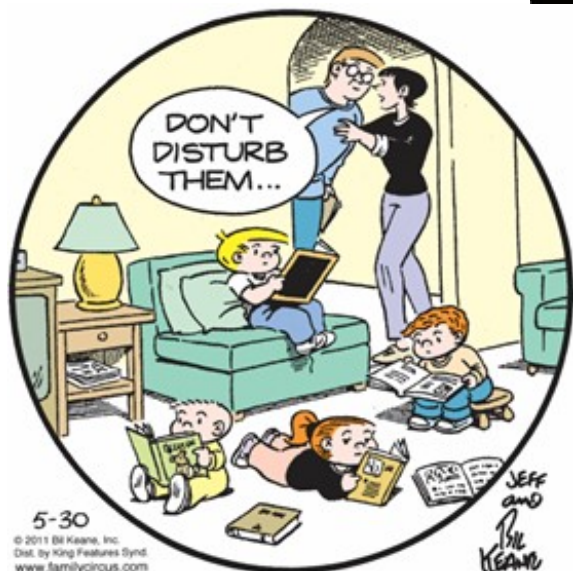
Pianist **Jeeyoon Kim** returns to Weill Recital Hall of Carnegie Hall after completing a 17-city tour to perform her newest concert project, *"si-úm"*, which augments piano in the classical style with poetry and photography.

Pentecost Sunday



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"...There's not one electronic device being used."



"I hope this test has lots of multiple-guess questions. I think I'll have a better chance."