

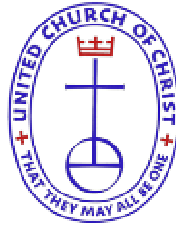
Pastor's WELCOME

The Paramus Congregational United Church of Christ is a congregation that believes in putting faith into action. Whether making a home-cooked meal for local AIDS patients or signing a petition for peace, we endeavor to actively live our faith.

The faith we live is based in God's word. Through worship and study, we celebrate God's word, both that which is revealed in the Scriptures and that which is revealed in our time by the Still-Speaking God.

God's word calls us to care for and to embrace all people. The Paramus Congregational Church has a long history of caring for those in need with material assistance such as food, clothing and gifts, as well as assistance to ease one's soul such as counseling and twelve-step groups. No matter what the situation, we endeavor to embrace all people with God's unconditional love. As a reminder of this, we begin each worship service with a proclamation of God's extravagant and all-inclusive welcome, which we extend to you: "No matter who you are or where you are in life's journey, you're welcome here." I hope you will join us.

Rev. Dr. Debra L. Duke

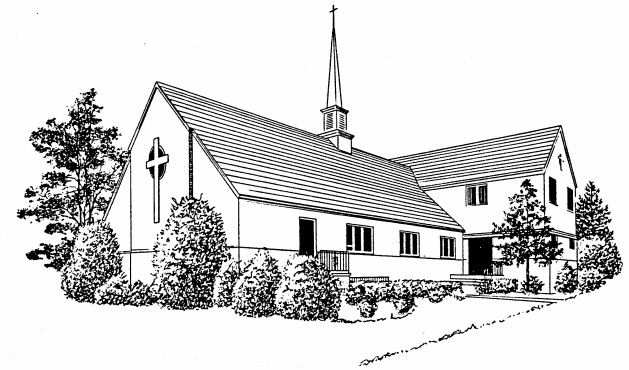


Our Congregation

The Paramus Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, was organized in 1950 when the residential development of Paramus began. As the truck farms were transformed into housing developments, the new residents wanted a spiritual home for their families, just as they had found good houses and friendly neighbors here. The Paramus Congregational Church – a democratic church with freedom to include a wide variety of beliefs – was gathered to provide worship, Christian education, youth activities, and social gatherings. Now in its sixth decade, this church continues to welcome those who wish to grow in faith, share their lives with loving friends, and express their gratitude to God through service to neighbors near and far.

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Putting faith into action
Caring for and embracing all
Celebrating God's word



UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

In 1957, two Protestant churches united – the Congregational Christian Church and the Evangelical and Reformed Church – to form the United Church of Christ (the UCC).

The Congregational tradition dates back to the Mayflower and the settlers of Plymouth, Massachusetts. From Plymouth, they fanned out to gather congregations in New England and eventually throughout the nation from the mid-South to Vermont along the late eighteenth century frontier. Members of the German Reformed Church came to the United States before 1850 and settled first in Pennsylvania. At about the same time, German Evangelical churches were being established in the mid-West. These four traditions were committed to religious freedom. Joined together, the UCC now looks with faith for the day when “Christians shall all be one.”

In 2002, the UCC initiated a national identity campaign entitled, “God is Still Speaking.” Its comma logo emphasizes that God is still speaking to us and is still active in our lives and in the world.



Sunday Services

Worship 10:00 AM
(Nursery care provided during the service)

Youth Participation 10:00 – 10:20 AM
Coffee Hour follows our Sunday Service

Faith Formation

Youth Classes 10:20 – 11:00 AM
(Pre-school through High School)

Seasonal and topical courses offered:

Adult Bible Study Sunday 11:30 AM

Out of the Box Tuesday 6:00 PM
(Book Discussion)

Christian Fellowship

Chancel Choir

Women's Fellowship

Men's Fellowship

Family Fellowship

Intercultural Worship & Fellowship

Christian Outreach

- UCC Wider Church Ministries
- Church World Service
- Center for Food Action
- Habitat for Humanity
- Hoffman Homes for Youth
- Harrison House (AIDS victims)
- Inter-Religious Fellowship for the Homeless
- Operation Santa Claus
- Varying monthly missions



Community Service

Community organizations regularly meet at our church:

Polish American Club

The Repeaters (Radio Club)

NA – Stepsisters
(Narcotics Anonymous)

OA
(Overeaters Anonymous)

AA
(Alcoholics Anonymous)

CODA
(Codependents Anonymous)

CCL
(Center for Creative Living)

Instrument Lessons

