

# **Old Zionsville United Church of Christ**

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## March 2022

#### Rev. Lori Esslinger, Pastor

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#### Pastor's Office Hours

Wednesday, March 2-10am-3pm Wednesday, March 9-10am-3pm Wednesday, March 16-10am-3pm Wednesday, March 23-10am-3pm Wednesday, March 30-10am-3pm

#### **Church Office Hours**

Mon-Thurs 10am-3pm (please call before stopping in)

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Secretary Brenda Seitz Organist David Carlson Choir Director Carolyn Rhoads Sexton Richard Shoemaker Social Media Coordinator Beth Massa

#### **Consistory Officers**

President Kathy Latshaw 610-754-7701 Vice President Jan Strobel Secretary Mark Weaver Treasurer Robin Yoder 610-428-1884

## From Pastor's Desk...

As seen in The Fishwrapper, Feb. 1, 2022. Thanks to Bill Yeakel for making sure I have these inspirational reads almost every week.

YOU WILL NEVER BE SORRY:

For thinking before acting;

For hearing before judging;

For forgiving your enemies;

For being candid and frank;

For helping a fallen brother;

For being honest in business;

For thinking before speaking;

For being loyal to your church;

For standing by your principles;

For stopping your ears to gossip;

For bridling a slanderous tongue;

For harboring only pure thoughts;

For sympathizing with the afflicted;

For being courteous and kind to all.

- Morning Glory

Pastor Lori



**Church Closed?** In case of bad weather we will again be posting any cancelations with Channel 69 – WFMZ-TV under their Storm Center Updates. We will announce on WFMZ but always use your own judgment and stay safe.

Worship Opportunities

Wednesday, March 2 – 7:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship No distribution of Ashes this year, Pew Communion Thursday, March 3 – 7:30 p.m. Lent Service at Upper Milford Mennonite Church Sunday, March 6 – 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship, First Sunday of Lent Wednesday, March 9 – 6:30 p.m. GriefShare in Lower Social Hall Thursday, March 10 – 7:30 p.m. Lent Service at Zion's Lutheran Church Saturday, March 12 - **Don't forget to fast forward your** clocks ahead one hour before going to bed Sunday, March 13 - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship Wednesday, March 16 – 6:30 p.m. GriefShare in Lower Social Hall Thursday, March 17 – 7:30 p.m. Lent Service at Salem United Methodist Church Sunday, March 20 - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship, Loose offering will go to Pastor's **Discretionary Fund** Wednesday, March 23 - 6:30 p.m. GriefShare in Lower Social Hall Thursday, March 24 – 7:30 p.m. Lent Service at Old Zionsville UCC Sunday, March 27 - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship, Collection for One Great Hour of Sharing Wednesday, March 30 – 6:30 p.m. GriefShare in Lower Social Hall Thursday, March 31 – 7:30 p.m. Lent Service – location to be announced **Looking Ahead** Sunday, April 3 - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship Wednesday, April 6 - 6:30 p.m. GriefShare in Lower Social Hall Thursday, April 7 – 7:30 p.m. Lent Service – location to be announced

Sunday, April 10 - **Palm Sunday** 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship

Wednesday, April 13 - 6:30 p.m. GriefShare in Lower Social Hall

Thursday, April 14 – **Maundy Thursday**, 7:30 p.m. Service at Old Zionsville UCC with Holy Communion

Friday, April 15 – **Good Friday**, 7:30 p.m. Service of Darkness at Old Zionsville UCC Sunday April 17 – **Easter**, 7:30 a.m. Celebration of the Light! and 10:15 a.m. Easter Communion

Wednesday, April 20 - 6:30 p.m. GriefShare in Lower Social Hall

Sunday, April 24 - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship

Wednesday, April 27 - 6:30 p.m. GriefShare in Lower Social Hall

Consistory has agreed that based on the current CDC guidelines that we will allow individuals to make their own decision as to the wearing of masks during church services. Social distancing will continue to be encouraged. Offering plates will be kept in the Narthex. Although the hymn words will be on the screen, feel free to use the hymnals in the pews to find the song and have the notes with the words to help you sing along. The hymn numbers will appear on the screen and/or in the bulletin. If you find yourself feeling sick or testing positive for COVID, **please contact the church office** so we can alert others who may have been in contact with you during time spent at church. Thank you.

#### **OZUCC Mission Statement**

The mission of our Church is to be a congregation devoted to our community where we experience and share the loving presence of God by teaching the Good News of Jesus Christ, by celebrating God's Word in the Bible, and through loving service to all people.

#### News from Christian Ed...

We will be starting a Confirmation Class in the fall of 2022. All youth in seventh grade or older are eligible to attend. Friends, family members and neighbors are welcome to join in the confirmation journey. More details available soon. Consider adding this to your family life this fall.

Our Sunday School children have been enjoying singing every Sunday morning at the start of their hour together. We thank Pat Sajkowicz for providing the music each week.

## News from the Evangelism and Membership Committee...

**The Sight and Sound Theatre** in Lancaster will be presenting **David** from March through December 2022. The **Evangelism and Membership Committee** is taking a poll to see if there is interest from our Congregation to go see **David** as a group. If you would be interested in going (carpooling will be available) on a Saturday in late October or early November please sign up on the sheet in the back of the Church or contact Linda Weaver. The cost is \$85-90 per person. Experience David, of the most legendary Bible stories as it comes to life with spectacular special effects, massive sets, and live animals in this brand-new original stage production. Meet David, the shepherd, the warrior, the general, the

poet and songwriter, the king of Israel, and a man after God's own heart. This production will explore David's close relationship and walk with God.

**Supper Club and Lunch Bunch** for March.... Please watch your email and Sunday's Bulletin for information on when March dates will be. Reservations have not yet been confirmed and we will let you know as soon as they are. These get togethers are for all members of Old Zionsville UCC.



For those who purchased tickets, be sure your calendars are marked for our church get together at the **Iron Pigs Game** on Saturday, June 18, 2022!



On Wednesday, March 9 we will begin our third round of **GriefShare** sessions. Join in anytime. Each unit is meant to be self-contained, however to get the most benefit from the program it is advised to stick with it for at least 3 sessions to get a real feel for the healing opportunities

in your grief. Each session will be held in the **lower social hall of Old Zionsville UCC.** This group is open to anyone who wishes to explore the program and/or work to heal. We will meet from **6:30 to 8:30 p.m.** each week **starting March 9** (the Wednesday after Ash Wednesday) **for 13 weeks until June 1**. There is no cost for the program but the **workbook has a suggested donation of \$15** (or whatever you can afford to pay) payable at the first session (checks to be made out to OZUCC). Please consider this to be a part of your **Lenten** devotional. The lessons are taught through interesting videos and can help us all as we grow in Christ. Please register with Pastor Lori so we have enough workbooks on hand and seats ready for all. Call or text: 610-393-3522.

## News from our Food Pantry...

**The Zionsville Area Food Pantry is open** the **2nd Monday** of the month 4:00-6:00 PM and the **Saturday** of that same week 10:00 AM-12:00 PM. March dates are Monday, March 14, and Saturday, March 19. Zionsville Area Food Pantry has reopened for indoor distribution and is located at Zion's Lutheran Church.

## News from ATF (All Things Free Room) ...

ATF is continuing to accept gently used clothing, clean working small appliances and other miscellaneous household items for all ages. And it's never too early to help us begin stocking our shelves with new items for our annual Christmas shoppers shop in November. Leave things at church or call/text Pastor Lori (610-393-3522) or Millie Kohler (610-737-9432). Thanks to everyone for their generous donations and to our hard working faithful volunteers!

## News from the FUN Group...

# Faith Uniting Neighbors

## Zionsville Area Food Pantry

We are collecting FULL size toiletries (not travel size) for the Zionsville Area Food Pantry. A collection box is located on the bench in front of Pastor Lori's office.

When: Now until April 10 (Palm Sunday) What: *Items in bold are needed the most* 

shampoo conditioner deodorant toothpaste feminine hygiene products shaving cream (mens and womens) disposable razors toothbrushes soap (bars and/or liquid) body lotion tissues mouthwash

## News from Music and Worship Committee...

**Ash Wednesday,** March 2 Worship will be held in our Sanctuary at 7:30 p.m. to share in Holy Communion as we begin our Lenten Journey. No ashes will be distributed this year due to Covid.

Please consider joining in GriefShare as part of your Lenten Discipline of weekly Worship on Wednesday evenings beginning March 9. See more details in other places in this newsletter.

The Ministerium is planning **Thursday evening gatherings** at various churches during **Lent beginning Thursday, March 3**. Each gathering will begin at **7:30 p.m.** and **focus on the topic of Fasting**. Here is the schedule as we know it right now. Due to some new Pastors coming into the ministerium, we don't have all of the details worked out yet, but more news will come along in the next few weeks.

- March 3 Upper Milford Mennonite Church (Welcome new Pastor Jenny Fujita)
- March 10 Zion's Lutheran Church (Welcome new Pastor Tom Busteed)
- March 17 Salem United Methodist Church (Pastor Robin Roman)
- March 24 Old Zionsville UCC (Pastor Lori Esslinger)
- March 31 To be announced
- April 7 To be announced

Our EC brothers and sisters will not be participating this year.

There is also a service being planned for **daytime on Maundy Thursday, April 14**. More details coming soon, but mark your calendars for this special new experience.

Services at Old Zionsville UCC for Holy Week will be as follows:

Maundy Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Holy Communion Good Friday, 7:30 p.m. Service of Darkness Easter Morning: 7:30 a.m. Celebration of the Light! 10:15 a.m. Easter Communion Easter Flowers orders will be taken again this year. More information and order forms will be ready soon.

One Great Hour of Sharing, as part of Our Churches Wider Mission, is the special



mission offering of the United Church of Christ that carries God's message of love and hope to people in crisis. The UCC works with international partners to provide sources of clean water, food, education and health care, small business micro-credit, advocacy and resettlement for refugees and displaced persons, and emergency relief and rehabilitation. OGHS also supports domestic and international

ministries for disaster preparedness and response. Our **One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS)** offering will be collected in Worship on Sunday, March 27.

#### News from the Scouts...

Our Scout Troop is active all year long. If you know any boys or girls who would like to join Scouting check in with Elliott Fegley - 610-972-7869 or for Cub Scouts, Chris Ofner – 484-639-4279.

Scout Sunday was very well attended. They shared with us the Court of Honor to distribute earned achievements, badges and awards to the Scouts. They also presented our church with a check of thanksgiving for the use of our facilities and our sponsorship over the years. After worship, they held a snack time in the lower social hall so the presentation from Council could be shared.

#### News from Social and Aid Committee...

Thank you to all church members and friends for supporting our Social and Aid Group by buying soups sold in November and picked up at the Annual Bazaar and Basket Social. We made and sold 169 quarts of Beef Vegetable Soup and Chili; 41 quarts of Red Beets.

#### News from the Windows Committee ...

Windows to the Future - "Looking Back"

*Mindows* The Property Committee had been discussing the restoration of the sanctuary windows for some time, but it wasn't until March 27, 2019 to the future that a subcommittee of Pastor Lori, Beth Massa and Ruth Stansfield met to determine the feasibility and scope of the project. Over the next year, the committee learned a great deal about the restoration of stained glass and the terminology of the industry from representatives of five stained glass studios who made on-site inspections. Fund raising activities began and thanks to Jane Bedell and Beth Massa a "Windows to the Future" logo was created. The fifth studio to visit was Cumberland Stained Glass, Mechanicsburg on March 6, 2020, one year from the committee's formation and just prior to Covid. Cumberland was selected to oversee the project and a contract was signed May 12 for Phase 1, restoration of the twin windows flanking the organ. The windows were removed in October and returned by Christmas. During the spring of 2021 the protective coverings were installed and the trim was painted, completing this phase at a cost of \$25,000. With Phase 1 fully funded, contracts were signed for Phase 2, the complete restoration of the Good

Shepherd windows. The twin windows were restored and returned just before Thanksgiving and the Good Shepherd window was removed in early December. We are pleased to report that the restored window has been returned and the results are exceptional. The protective covering and exterior molding repair and painting will take place soon. The cost of this phase is \$86,000 and is 100% funded thanks to the generosity of the congregation, memorial donations, the Village School, and fund raising activities. It is hard to believe that the "official" journey has been underway for three successful years. Congratulations to all! Stay tuned for "Looking Ahead" to Phase 3 in the April newsletter.





DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS ON MARCH 13 – SPRING AHEAD ONE HOUR - **Set your clocks ahead before going to bed so you don't miss Church!** 

Please see the letter attached from the **Zionsville Area Food Pantry** thanking our congregation for their donations throughout 2021.

**Spring cleaning** time is upon us. Are you looking to clean out some things you aren't using anymore? Want to **recycle** and **shred some documents**? There is a recycling event coming up and I am inviting you to start the clean out process now so the event can be successful.

Collection will continue **until April 1**. Bring items to the pew outside of my office OR I will be happy to come to your place (within the Emmaus/Zionsville area) to pick up items you want to share. Call, email or text me (610-393-3522 OR <u>MomAndPastorToo@yahoo.com</u>)

These items will be taken for **recycling/shredding**. This is **NOT** the same as donating to the **ATF (All Things Free - for our food pantry clients to have)** room. Please continue to share items with ATF that are usable.

Grab a box or a bag and fill it with the things you want to recycle/share. All items need to be clean (but can be stained/torn/holey/etc).

Items to consider include:

- bedding, including pillows, linens, curtains, potholders, dish towels, etc. (stained, torn, etc.)
- shoes (all sizes and kinds) Please place all shoes together in a white trash bag.
- clothing including bras, socks, hats, scarves, gloves, underwear, etc.
- slippers, belts, costumes
- video tapes, cassette tapes, cds, vinyl records including cases
- computers and components
- small appliances that don't work

- video players, cd players, etc.
- batteries all kinds
- light bulbs
- phone books, instructional books, educational cds/computer cds/text books
- cell phones, cables, electrical cords, floppy disks, telephones
- cameras and accessories
- GPS systems
- ink cartridges/toner cartridges
- pagers, office machines, printers
- game systems and cartridges/cassettes
- thermostats
- items containing mercury thermometers

Earth Day is April 22. Get a head start and clean up and dispose of properly our unwanted items! Thanks in advance. Pastor Lori

**Committees of Old Zionsville United Church of Christ** - New members and fresh ideas are always welcomed! Check out our Church Committee List, which is attached. See a committee that looks like something you would enjoy? Ask the representative about it or chat with Pastor Lori. We are always happy to grow our committees.



**Greeters and Liturgist!** If you would like to be added to the Greeter's List or be a Liturgist during Worship please call or email the Church office.

Approved **Consistory Minutes** can be found posted on the bulletin board at the side entrance to the Sanctuary for anyone wishing to take a look!!

**Church Lost and Found Box** – This is what our Lost and Found Box looks like! It is located on top of the mailboxes next to Pastor's Office. There is always something in it. Check it out and see if you lost anything! Or call the church office, sometimes we hold onto things in the office. Right now we have a pretty **silver half hoop earring** found in our Sanctuary, if it belongs to you please call or email the office.



There are two **Bulletin Magnifier Sheets** available for you to use in worship. They are the size of a full sheet of paper and can be found in the side pocket on the sound system. Pick one up and try it out, then return it to the sound system after worship.

**Eyeglass Donations** - A collection box for used eyeglasses is located at the front door entrance of the Sanctuary. The Lions Club appreciates your donation.

**Please remember** there is a third box on your offering envelopes should you wish to give offering toward our Parking Lot Maintenance, Cemetery, Window Fund, All Things Free Room, Building Repairs or any Property Expenses. Just designate in what area the money should be placed. Thank you.



#### Offerings and Donations Received as of February 20

Conoral Llas	¢ 4 271 00
General Use	
Benevolence	440.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	43.00
Windows to the Future	335.00
Parsonage Rental	1,495.00
Sunday School	16.00
Parking Lot Fund	
Cemetery	148.00
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General Expenses...... \$12,414.72 includes gas......\$ 973.09 includes electric....\$ 177.34

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	Church
	Volunteers
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GreetersMarch 6Marvin & Barbara KerchnerMarch 13Peter YeakelMarch 20Mike & Diane BergerMarch 27Robin YoderApril 3Ruth Stansfield

#### <u>Liturgist</u>

Cheryl Martucci Jan Strobel Les Schoenberger Mark Weaver Nancy Civitts

March 6 March 13 March 20 March 27

April 3

Bulletins Maynard & Barbara Dreas Paula Lilly

Dan & Jan Strobel

James & Patti Mittl

Paula Lilly Henry & MaryAnn Heil

Lee & Susan Hoch

**Altar Flowers** 

Lee Hoch Family

# Chancel Flowers

March 6 Judy & Len Hoch

If you wish to sponsor Bulletins or Flowers, please call the church office, 610-966-3601 or email at ozuccoffice@ptd.net. Bulletins are \$10.00, Altar Flowers are \$40.00, our Seasonal silk arrangement is a donation of \$30.00 to our Windows Fund. If you are already signed up to sponsor Altar Flowers and would like us to use our silk arrangement please let the office know **as soon as possible** so Brenda can cancel our arrangement with Phoebe Floral for that Sunday. Thank you!

Deadline for material to be included in our April Newsletter is March 28. Please place all info in the Secretary's mailbox or email to the office at ozuccoffice@ptd.net

To add names to our Prayer List please call or email the church office.

Dear Pastor Lori and the Old Zionsville Church Family, Thankyon For our Thanksgiving surprise? Evenything in the box was sovery special I ale one of the apples right away. It was so sweet and delicious. Your delivery man was so very nice too? It was great to see Larry again. He blessed us great to see Larry again. He blessed us usith some of his deer meat too? May Our Lord Bless You and Keep You Lode, Jerry and Cheryl Smith



	March 2022									
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday				
		1 Cub Scouts 7pm	2 Ash Wednesday Pastor Lori Office Hours 10am-3pm Communion Worship 7:30pm	3 Lent Service 7:30pm Upper Milford Mennonite	4	5				
6 9:00am Sunday School 10:15am Worship	7 Boy Scouts 6pm	8 Cub Scouts 7pm FUN Group 7pm	9 Pastor Lori Office Hours 10am-3pm Finance 7pm GriefShare 6:30pm	10 Lent Service 7:30pm Zion's Lutheran	11	12 Set your clocks ahead before going to bed!				
13 9:00am Sunday School 10:15am Worship	14 All Things Free Boy Scouts 6pm	15 Consistory 7pm	16 Pastor Lori Office Hours 10am-3pm GriefShare 6:30pm	17 Lent Service 7:30pm Salem United Methodist	18	19 All Things Free				
20 9:00am Sunday School 10:15am Worship Pastor's Discretionary Fund Collection	21 Boy Scouts 6pm IT Committee 7pm	22 Cub Scouts 7pm	23 Pastor Lori Office Hours 10am-3pm GriefShare 6:30pm	24 Lent Service 7:30pm Old Zionsville UCC	25	26				
27 9:00am Sunday School 10:15am Worship One Great Hour Of Sharing	28 Boy Scouts 6pm	29 Cub Scouts 7pm	30 Pastor Lori Office Hours 10am-3pm GriefShare 6:30pm	31 Lent Service 7:30pm To Be Announced						

#### **2022 Church Committees and Contacts**

Cemetery: Chris Schell – 267-772-4437

Christian Education: Pastor Lori – 610-393-3522

Computer & Media: Mark Weaver – 267-374-4623

Finance: Cheryl Martucci - 610-967-3044

Food Pantry: Millie Kohler – 610-737-9432

F.U.N. Group: Patti Mittl - 610-965-6711

Historical: Pastor Lori - 610-393-3522

Membership & Evangelism: Linda Weaver - 215-679-7599

Music & Worship: Pastor Lori – 610-393-3522

Outlook: Brenda Shoemaker - 610-393-7054

Personnel: Kathy Latshaw - 610-754-7701

Property: **Beth Massa** – 610-554-6368

Scouts: Robin Yoder - 610-428-1884

Social and Aid Society: Annie Souder - 610-966-5242

Windows to the Future: **Ruth Stansfield** – 267-313-4348



# Zionsville Area Food Pantry

A 501c3 Charitable Corporation 82-0896561

January 31, 2022

Old Zionsville UCC Fountain Rd Old Zionsville, PA 18068

Dear Old Zionsville UCC congregation and groups,

The Zionsville Area Food Pantry wishes to thank you and acknowledge your gifts throughout 2021. The thoughtful support of people like you allows us to continue our mission. Thank you for your donation of \$ 325.

As the pandemic continues, we made some changes throughout 2021. June brought the opportunity to finally move our distribution indoors after 15 months of operations as a drive thru in the parking lot. We continue to have clients wait in queue in their cars and limit the number in the building at any one time. This slows down distributions but allows them to again make selections to their liking. Masks are required for unvaccinated clients and volunteers and strongly suggested for everyone.

We wanted share news that we benefitted from the Care Act funds allocated to Upper Milford Township. These funds allowed us to purchase additional racks which make setup and cleanup much faster on distribution days. We also were able to replace our old commercial refrigerator with 2 new ones, increasing out capacity to store and distribute produce, eggs, butter, and other perishable items.

If you know of anyone who could benefit from our services, please see pertinent information on the church website <a href="http://zeicoz.org/food-pantry.html">http://zeicoz.org/food-pantry.html</a> or call the number below.

Thank you again for your generosity.

Sincerely,

Robin yode

Robin Yoder ZAFP President

5901 Kings Highway 5 + P.O. Box 56 + Old Zionsville PA 18068 610.554.8340 - Leave a Message







#### Be Environmentally Friendly! Recycle your old unwanted, broken and outdated electronics and appliances.

www.responsiblerecyclingservices.com

# **ELECTRONICS RECYCLING & DOCUMENT**

## SHREDDING DAY!!!

Fundraiser Event

A Kidney for Audrey

Upper Milford Fire Company

6341 Chestnut Street, Zionsville, PA 18092

Saturday, March 5th, 2022 - 9am-12noon

#### Please donate to help with Audrey's Medical Costs Items that can be recycled FREE of charge are listed below:

- Desktop Computers (Fee for Monitors)
- Keyboards & Mice
- Printers/Fax Machines
- Cables & Cords
- Cell Phone & Laptop Batteries
- Laptops
- UPS Battery Backups
- Toner & Ink Cartridges
- Audio Visual Equipment
- Telephones & Cell Phones\*

- DVD Players & VCR's
  Gaming Systems
- Gaming Systems
   String Christman I
- String Christmas Lights
   Misrowaya & Constl. App
- Microwaves & Small Appliances
  Metal Items & Water Heaters
- Exercise Equipment
- Car Batteries (sealed lead acid)
- Bed Frames & Rain spouting
- Filing Cabinets
- \*Please Remove Cell Phone Batteries

#### Additional Items that can be recycled with a Fee:

- Washers & Dryers-\$20.00
- Stoves \$20.00
- Dishwashers-\$20.00
- Computer Monitors \$18
- Televisions under 42" \$38.00 ALL Types
- TVs (in wooden cabinet, Projection, Over 42", TV Tubes (Broken TVs") \$55.00
- Air Conditioners \$25.00
- Dehumidifiers \$25.00
- Refrigerators \$35.00
- Floor Freezers \$35.00
- Floor Copiers-\$20.00
- Console Stereos (in cabinet) \$35.00
- Paint Cans \$5 (1 gallon cans)

#### **Document Shredding On Site!** \$5.00 per box of Documents with all Document Shredding proceeds to go to Audrey's Kidney Fund!

#### Support Audrey's kidney transplant and help us find a donor.

Audrey has been fighting chronic kidney disease for the past five years, as a secondary complication of having type one diabetes since childhood. Unfortunately, the disease progressed rather rapidly, and she is now facing end-stage renal failure, which will require a life-saving kidney transplant. Audrey is only 35 years old and deserves to have many more happy and healthy years ahead of her.

Audrey has been working harder than ever these past few years, working overtime as a paramedic, through the pandemic, to make sure she can save enough money to cover the costs of her illness and complications, as well as sustain a period of disability, while waiting for and recovering from a transplant.

Unfortunately, many unexpected costs are associated with transplant surgeries, including transportation, lodging, and lost wages for a potential living donor. The recovery period could be weeks, or months, long. The money we are trying to raise will go toward paying these costs for a donor, to make sure their expenses are covered.

This is a very stressful time for Audrey. She is attempting to continue to live her normal life; working as long as she can, and taking care of her fur babies. She is also an animal rescuer/foster and still constantly takes in animals in need until they can find good homes. All while balancing continuous medical procedures and declining health. Knowing that a potential donor and other expenses would be taken care of financially, will be a huge relief to her.

Any additional funds will be donated to charities that assist others with transplant needs, or will go toward assisting diabetics in receiving their life-sustaining medication.

We are asking for your help in any way that you are able; donating, sharing our fundraiser, or spreading the word about living kidney donation and Audrey's need for one.

If you are interested in finding out if you are a potential match for Audrey, please contact either one of us with any questions you may have, or visit: <a href="http://www.LVHN.org/livingdonor">www.LVHN.org/livingdonor</a> to get started in the screening process. Statistically, fewer than 1 in 10 applicants are approved as a suitable match, so the more people interested, the better the chances are!

If you know Audrey, you know she is not one to ask others for help, she is usually the one helping! It's so important right now that we do what we can to support her, while her life depends on it. She is so hopeful that this process will go as quickly and smoothly as possible, so she can continue the work she does to help people and animals in her community! Let's help her reach her goals and live a long, healthy life!

If you would prefer to mail a check, you can do so as follows:

Audrey Parenti P.O. Box 535 Whitehall, PA 18052