



## FOCUS ON: A New Church for a New Generation

By Rev. Bryan Olson, Pastor, Field of God UCC



**Field of God United Church of Christ**—a new church underway in Lower Bucks County--feels called to be an ***oasis of hope*** for lonely, lost, and spiritually worn out people. We want to limit programming and focus on building relationships and serving others. We want people to have the space to explore and grow in their faith in a relaxed, informal environment where

no question is off limits and every act of service is valued. We will consider Field of God a “success” if we are daily *Engaging, Encouraging, Equipping, and Empowering* people to live into their missional identity as Christ’s disciples.

As a faith community in its infancy, Field of God is just beginning to live into its vision of being a **new church** for a **new generation**. *The best way you and your church can support this vital ministry is to pray!* We are asking that all churches in PSEC add Field of God and its leaders, Bryan and Emily Olson, to their weekly and daily prayer lists. Pray for us continuously for the next 18 months in worship and prayer groups. Field of God is committed to praying for you as well and welcomes your prayer requests. You can check on the progress of the new church start ministry and submit your prayer requests at our web site, [www.fieldofgod.org](http://www.fieldofgod.org).

Other ways you can support Field of God are through your referrals and financial gifts. We are currently looking for people who have a *pioneering spirit* and *passion for building community* to join our visioning team. If you know of a family member, friend, or neighbor who might be interested in Field of God’s vision, please contact Bryan at [bryan@fieldofgod.org](mailto:bryan@fieldofgod.org) or call him at (651) 261-7125.

Thank you for your support and prayers as we answer God’s call to do a **new** thing in Bucks County, Philadelphia, and the world.

## EVENTS & EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

For brochures, flyers, on-line registration and a full list of meetings and events visit [www.psec.org](http://www.psec.org)

**Tue., Dec. 1, 9:30 am - 1 pm - Quiet Days** at the Mensch House at Mensch Mill. No registration—bring a Bible, journal, pen & bag lunch.

**Tues., Dec. 8, 7 pm - Theology with a Twist** at the Kutztown Tavern. Theme: *Theology and the Arts* with Rev. Dr. Reiss Potterveld, President of Lancaster Theological Seminary.

**Thur., Dec. 17, 7 pm - Tavern Talks** at the Trappe Tavern, Trappe, PA. Theme: *Living in a Pluralistic World* with a guest from the Inter-faith Center of Greater Philadelphia.

## CELEBRATIONS



On Thursday, October 29, pastors new to positions in the Conference gathered at the Church House to worship with the Conference staff, learn about Conference resources, and reflect on their transitions into new ministries. We welcome these pastors:

**Back: Rev. Dr. F. Russell Mitman**, Conference Minister; **Rev. Mary Lou Eckels**, Pastor, Salem Hetzel’s UCC, Pine Grove (1/1/09); **Rev. Leslie Kearney**, Pastor, Olivet Schwenkfelder UCC (5/16/09).

**Front: Mr. James Neal**, Licensed Pastor, Pilgrim Community Church, UCC (5/3/09); **Rev. Michael Caine**, Covenant Pastor, Old First Reformed UCC (8/1/09); **Rev. Nancy Gottshall**, Associate Conference Minister.

We give thanks for all our pastors who serve so faithfully in the name of Jesus Christ!



**PRAYER PARTNERS** - Please pray with United Christian Church of Levittown and Rev. Michele Davis as they continue to live out their mission welcoming ALL who will come, including their members and friends from the LGBT community and NAMI (National Alliance for the Mentally Ill.)