



# Welcome!

**UNION BAPTIST CHURCH OF SWISSVALE**

*“Glorifying God, Healing Lives, and Inspiring Hope”*



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Reverend Les A. Scales, Senior Pastor  
Sunday, May 10, 2026



*“I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.” - John 10:9 KJV*

*"I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord."*

*Psalm 122:1*

## **Order of Worship**

**10:00 A.M.**

**May 10, 2026**

**Celebrating 106 Years of Ministry**

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**Call to Worship** ..... *Dea. Royce Nesby*

**Song\*** ..... *"Leaning On The Everlasting Arms" (Page 211)*

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Praise and Worship** ..... *UBC Voices of Praise*  
*"You Are Good"*  
*"Everlasting God"*

**Welcome** ..... *Min. Synthia Sweptson Brown*

**Announcements**

**Flag Presentation** ..... *Henry Sowell, Jr.*

**Offering Appeal** ..... *Min. Synthia Sweptson Brown*

**Scripture Reading\*** (*Psalm 121:1-8, ESV*) ..... *Sis. Tracey Pauls*

**Congregational Prayer** ..... *Min. Synthia Sweptson Brown*

**Sermonic Selection** ..... *UBC Voices of Praise*  
*"Because Of Who You Are"*

**Sermon** ..... *Rev. Helen M. Jackson*

**Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

**Song of Invitation** ..... *"O Come To The Altar"*

**Benediction**

**\*Please Stand**

**R**emember to whisper a prayer for those who are sick; those who are shut in; those who are bound, brokenhearted, or in prison; those who are bereaved; and those who are lost . . . “The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.” (James 5:16)

- Reverend Ruth Jeffries
- Deacon Rubell Thompson
- Elizabeth “Betty” Shaw Davis
- Yardley Bentley-King
- Belinda Blue
- Kathleen Cannady-Schley
- Juanita Connor
- Joel Fletcher
- Lillian Fletcher
- Krystal Fowler
- Rosalie Green
- Patricia Kelly
- Samuel Lawrence
- Todd Nelson
- Audrey Nesby
- Deborah Oliver
- Arthur Richardson
- Dolly Richardson
- Darren West

## MAY/JUNE BIRTHDAYS

### May 3

*Jeremy Ross*

### May 7

*Taunya Jeffries*

*Clarence Payne*

### May 10

*Dain Cannady*

*Ari Wilkerson*

### May 12

*Tiffanee Hardaway*

*Timothy H. Hardy, Jr*

### May 14

*Dara Wilkerson*

### May 15

*Dea. Eric Williams*

### May 16

*Leland Scales*

### May 17

*Sherrse Gaines*

*Sara Williams*

### May 18

*Deontay Bush*

### May 21

*Zion Wilkerson*

### May 24

*Judith Brown*

*Lois Mufuka Martin*

*Shatara Murphy*

### May 26

*Bertha “Dolly” Richardson*

### May 28

*Contrina Perkins*

### May 30

*Nicole Franklin*

### May 31

*Warren Wright*

### June 1

*Kimberly Hairston*

*Chelsea Richardson*

*Min. Rodney H. Smith, Sr.*

### June 2

*Jeffrey Griffith*

### June 3

*Kyhnroe Sanders*

### June 4

*Kevin Stewart*

### June 8

*Amber Oliver*

### June 10

*Gwendolyn Armbruster*

*Pastor Les A. Scales*

### June 11

*Hannah Johnson*

*Jameria Moore*

*Jacen Wilkerson*

### June 14

*Tamara Bey*

*Charlene Grant*

### June 16

*Chantell McKnight*

*Tonya Warren*

### June 17

*Derek Thomas*

### June 19

*Amirah Sanders*

*First Lady Tiffany Scales*

### June 22

*Layla Mason*

### June 24

*Marissa Bailey-Eboh*

*Taliah Jones*

### June 25

*Che’Von Goodlow*

*Lillian Fletcher*

### June 26

*Tammy Richardson*

### June 27

*James “Jimmy” Williams*



If you need a ride to church on Sunday, call the Transportation Ministry Voicemail at 412-440-6908 no later than 6:00 P.M. on Saturday evening. Leave your pickup information and telephone number and a driver will call you to arrange pick up. Please note that the driver is only authorized to drop you off at the same location where you were picked up. No exceptions, please.

The UBC Children's Church is open in the UBC Annex and accepts children ages 2 through 10. Children should be walking and fully potty trained or engaged in potty training. Volunteers are always welcome. If you want to make a difference in the lives of our children, please sign up to "Volunteer Once A Year." For more details about our children's ministries, please contact Sis. Amber Oliver at 412-600-7687.



The UBC Women's Ministry Bible Study, "Renewing the Heart for Women: Life Principles from the Beatitudes" has moved to every second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:00 P.M. via Zoom. The ID is 870 7072 2801. Please contact Min. Danel Payne for more information.

**M**ONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY– Rev. Andrews Amoh is leading a study of Isaiah at 7:00 P.M. via Zoom. **The Zoom ID is 816-0723-7506 and the passcode is 950787.** Use your computer, your tablet, or your smartphone to connect. No book purchase is required. It's not too late to join us!



**G**et paid to do ministry! If you have a good driving record and you are interested in becoming a UBC Transportation Ministry driver, please contact a Trustee or call the Church Office (412-271-3900) for more information. You don't have to drive every week and no Commercial Driver License (CDL) is required.

**S**enior Citizen Ministry - The UBC Seniors Ministry will meet next month on **Thursday, May 14, 2026, from 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.** at the church. Please sign up in the vestibule if you plan to attend. If you are at least 50 years old, we invite you to join us. Can't make it in person? Join us using Zoom. The ID is 871 3860 4738.





**T**he Prison Ministry is looking for new members who have a desire to minister to those who are incarcerated and their families. We are looking for those who want to go into the jail and those who do not want to go into the jail. Meetings are held every fourth Saturday of the month. If you are interested in joining or would like more information about what we do, please contact Sis. Lacy Scales Bland (412-498-9286).

**J**oin The Choir! - If you love to sing and would like to share your gift, the Worship and Celebration Ministry invites you to join the UBC Mass Choir. If you are interested, rehearsals are at 11:00 A.M. every Saturday. For additional information, you may contact any member of the Worship and Celebration Ministry Team or contact the Church Office (412-271-3900).



**U**BC celebrated our 106th anniversary on Sunday, April 26, 2026. The suggested anniversary donation was \$106 per family and \$53 per single person, but all donations of any amount are still welcomed as your finances allow.

**M**anUp is a one-day experience on June 6, 2026 at the Victory Family Church in Cranberry that helps maximize your impact in your home, neighborhood, and city. Keynote speakers, local pastors, and sports personalities will challenge you to be the best godly leader you can be and raise awareness of the devastating impact of fatherlessness among youth today. Breakouts, breakfast, and lunch are included. Recommended for ages 15+. Scholarships are available. Contact Min. Rodney H. Smith, Sr. for more information. ([www.manuppittsburgh.org](http://www.manuppittsburgh.org))



**T**he next **Four Church Fellowship** service will be held on Sunday, May 31, 2026, at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church, 330 4th Avenue in Rankin at 11:00 A.M. UBC is the host church and Pastor Les will bring the preached word. Remember, there will be no service at Union on that Sunday.

**careforyou Tuesdays!** Join us for fun, fitness, and fellowship each Tuesday at 7:00 P.M. Grab a friend and let's work out together - all fitness levels are welcome! [www.c4ufitness.com](http://www.c4ufitness.com).



## Sermon Notes

*“OH MAMA, Don’t You Weep: It’s Miracle Time!”*

*Luke 7:11-17*



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CHURCH OF SWISSVALE HISTORY



## Reverend Helen M. Jackson



**T**he Reverend Helen M. Jackson is a dynamic and visionary leader who currently serves as the Executive Director at Geneva College's Pittsburgh Campus (CUBM), where she is also the primary administrator. She has recruited students for CUBM since 2014, following a distinguished 32-year career with the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County.

A gifted educator, she has taught in both the Leadership and Bible departments at CUBM. Her excellence in leadership and scholarship has been recognized with the Executive Director's Award of Distinction and the Biblical Studies Award. Reverend Jackson also serves as Chaplain and board member of the Heritage Chorale of Pittsburgh.

Reverend Jackson is completing her Doctorate in Ministry in Biblical Counseling at the Pittsburgh Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary. Her academic contributions have been highlighted in the published work *Where to Go*, a community bathroom project to support Pittsburgh's homeless population at Point Park University while in the PhD program community engagement program.

Along with her husband, the Reverend Andrew Jackson, in 2002 they co-founded **Abundant Mercy Ministries**, a community and evangelistic outreach. They also co-lead **The Marriage Works**, a ministry for married couples based on their book *The Modern Couple*. They serve at the **Webster Avenue Christian & Missionary Alliance Church**, where she is an active worship leader, psalmist, preacher, and Bible Study teacher.

Reverend Jackson also volunteers with **WACMA Cares Ministry**, which serves over 150 meals each Sunday. Her commitment to transformative ministry had included serving as a volunteer and teacher for the **H.O.P.E. pre-release program** at the Allegheny County Jail.

She received her public education in the Pittsburgh Public Schools and matriculated through the Center for Urban Biblical Ministry, earning an associate degree in Christian Ministry, and Bachelor of Science and Master degrees in organizational leadership through Geneva College's MSOL program (Class of 2013).

Reverend Jackson and her husband have a blended family of five children and fourteen grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter. Her life verse is: **"To know Christ and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings..."**

**Join us on May 23, 2026 at 10 A.M. as  
we pray for City, State, and Nation.**



**We will walk in procession praising,  
🎵 singing, praying and exulting 🎵  
the name of Jesus**



# **MARCH FOR JESUS**

**We will meet at:  
Restoration Community Church  
7327 McClure Avenue  
Pittsburgh PA 15218 at 9:45 am.**

PSALM 20:7

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH OF SWISSVALE



# YOUTH SUNDAY

&  
YOUNG ADULT

MAY 17, 2026 @10:00AM

\*Food and Refreshments will be served following service.

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**FREE  
ADMISSION**  
Light refreshments  
served following

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TO  
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# POETRY & MUSIC

**AFTERNOON OF WORSHIP**

**SATURDAY, MAY 23RD  
4-6PM**

**2117 COLLINGWOOD AVE. SWISSVALE, PA 15218**



# **CPR/AED TRAINING**

**Saturday, June 13, 2026**

**9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.**

**Swissvale Volunteer Fire Department  
7400 Irvine Street • Swissvale, PA 15218**



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# YOUTH & PARENT

LISTENING  
QUESTIONNAIRE



YOUR **VOICE MATTERS.**

HELP US GROW, IMPROVE, AND BUILD  
**A STRONGER MINISTRY TOGETHER.**



# NOW HIRING

## DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY

### PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Develop and lead consistent discipleship gatherings for middle and high school students
- Recruit, train, and shepherd youth volunteers
- Create and execute an annual ministry vision and calendar
- Foster relationships with students and their families
- Integrate youth into the broader life and worship of the church

### BENEFITS

- Part-time (20 hours per week)
- Schedule: flexible includes evenings, weekends, and special events.
- Mentorship and collaboration with the Senior Pastor
- Paid Time Off
- Salary Negotiable

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