

# UNILU NEWS AND EVENTS



UNIVERSITY  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

## From Pastor Jon

I invite you to come to our three midweek Advent Worship services (12/5, 12/12 & 12/19) as we gather for a meal at 6 and worship at 7. The liturgy is the beautiful, contemplative Holden Evening Prayer service, but it also packs a wallop as we sing the words of Mary's Magnificat (Luke 1:46-55).

Ken Cothran, Jan Fritz and Rebecca Quesada each offered to share a reflection before worship centered on Dietrich Bonhoeffer's questions, "What is Christianity, or who is Christ actually for us today?" Bonhoeffer wrote this from his prison cell in a letter to his friend Eberhard Bethge (Letters & Papers from Prison).

In this season of Advent, a time of anticipating the celebration of Jesus' birth at Christmas, God among us as Emmanuel, and looking ahead to Christ's return, please join us for a meal and worship. That is, if you are in town and feeling good!

God's peace & hope,

Pastor Jon

December 5, 2018

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## Congregation Meeting

The regular December Congregation Meeting will be held on Sunday, December 9th at 9:45. We will be electing new Council members (Their bios are at the end of the newsletter.), voting on the budget (which was sent out earlier today) voting on the Constitution and bylaw changes that were sent to you on October 5th, and any other business that may come up.

## Christmas Dinner and 2nd Annual Men's Christmas Bake-off!

The annual Christmas dinner will be Sunday, December 9th, from 5-8pm. Please bring a dish and/or dessert to share, and goodies for the LCM stockings. Praise band will be leading us in carols, and there will be a special children's activity. Men of all ages are invited to bring their best holiday treat as part of our 2nd annual bake-off contest! Location is Eternal Shepard Lutheran, 220 Carson Rd., Seneca 29678. Contact Cheryl Summers, 653-5790, if you have questions.

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## Habitat Story - and Pastor Chris

This link is a story, posted at the Clemson University Newsstand, about Pastor Chris and the Habitat project:

<http://newsstand.clemson.edu/pastor-chris-hangs-up-his-hammer-after-25-years-of-homecoming-habitat-builds/>

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## Quilt Monday!

On Monday, December 10, from 9:00-noon, the UniLu quilters will meet to assemble quilts for Lutheran World Relief. We do this by

layering a backing, batting (the warm fuzzy part), and a pieced top together by tying knots with string. The only skill you need to participate is tying knots—nothing fancy—whatever kind of knot you can tie. We invite you to join us for a few minutes or for the entire morning.

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## Hilltoppers

Our next time together will be our December Outing to go hear the CU Men's and Women's Choirs on Thursday, December 6, 2018. If you have not signed up and are planning to go please let Karen Waltz know (912-667-8060 or [kwaltz48@gmail.com](mailto:kwaltz48@gmail.com)). She has ordered the tickets. The cost is \$10.00 per adult. We are planning on going to eat as a group at The Red Bowl at 5:30 pm before the show.

## SANTA SHOP THE DREAM CENTER –EASLEY Toy Donations Needed

We are collecting unwrapped NEW toys and books for the *Santa Shop* so that parents with limited income will be able to select and purchase gifts at a very low price. Parents earn credit money by taking classes or helping out. This project supports the Family Promise Homeless Program. Please bring gifts to the Narthex by December 9. Questions: contact Karen Dreher

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## Staff Gifts

If you'd like to make a donation to be divided and given to the staff for Christmas gifts, please put your check in the offering plate marked "Staff Gifts." Please make your gift by Sunday, December 16.

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## Poinsettias!

If you'd like to order a poinsettia for the sanctuary, please either write your dedication on the attendance pad or email it to [unilusecretary@gmail.com](mailto:unilusecretary@gmail.com) and put your check in the offering labeled "poinsettia" by December 9. The cost is \$20 each.

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## A Novel Bunch Book Club Will Not Meet in December

On Thursday, January 17th we will discuss *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles. We will meet in the Cry Room at 12 noon. Please consider joining us for fellowship and for a lively discussion.

Calvin Schoulties  
Mild Mannered Reporter of A Novel Bunch

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**Sunday Worship  
at 8:30am and 11am  
Congregation Meeting  
and  
Sunday School  
at 9:45am**

## **Miss a service?**

The recorded church sermons, audio and video, are posted weekly to the website:  
[www.uniluclemson.org](http://www.uniluclemson.org)

## **UniLu Web Site**

[www.uniluclemson.org](http://www.uniluclemson.org)

## **Council President**

Jean Mehlman  
[jpmehlman@bellsouth.net](mailto:jpmehlman@bellsouth.net)

## **Church Office Hours**

The church office is open  
Monday through Friday  
8am-12noon and  
1pm-3pm.

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## **Staff Listing**

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can be reached through the church  
office.

## **DEADLINE for NEWSLETTER**

**Please have your information to  
[unilusecretary@gmail.com](mailto:unilusecretary@gmail.com)  
by Tuesday at 3 pm.**

## Mission Statement

*University Lutheran is a family of faith, called by the Holy Spirit to be one ministry serving both our community and university. The Spirit calls us to make known, by word and deed, the story of God's love in Jesus. Our worship together empowers us to grow as disciples as we receive, celebrate, and share God's gifts with all of God's creation and created ones.*

## Serving this Sunday – Second Sunday of Advent

Assisting Minister at 8:30	John Broadwell
Assisting Minister at 11:00	Student
Communion Assistant at 8:30	Myrna Johnson
Communion Assistant at 11:00	Cindy Sanders
Altar Guild	Myrna Johnson and Susanne Lemcke
Praise Band	
Cantor at 8:30	Judi Key
Cantor at 11:00	Praise Band
Lector at 8:30	Kandee Beckley
Lector at 11:00	Linda Holt
Greeters at 8:30	Ned and Myrna Johnson
Greeters at 11:00	Bill and Jimmie Pletta
Ushers at 8:30	Freddie and Karen Waltz
Ushers at 11:00	Harold and Linda Holt
Acolyte at 8:30	Miles Rockow
Acolyte at 11:00	
Tellers	Rachel Quesada and Ada Lou Steirer
Audio Visual Team at 8:30/11:00	Ned Johnson/Gary Smith

### PRAYER CONCERNS

† For University Lutheran Members, Family and Friends: Wayne Gilchrist; Marvin Doerr; Sarah Heyer; Gail Paul; Emma Piazza; Pat Wagner; Jack Flanigan; Keith Phelan; Mark Smith; George Harris; Tony Quesada; Gene Copenhaver; Elise Burns, (Pastor Jon's and Renee's daughter); Randy Gilchrist, Sue Reneke; Sammi Brinson; Larry Bock

† for Grace Schmeelke and family in the death of Pastor Bob; for Amy Cox and family in the death of Rita Kromer

† for expectant parents Josh and Jessica Wiltgen

☪ Celebrating birthdays this week: Maggie Cox; Jan Fritz; Pastor Jon; Connor Lehmacher; Leah Severance

☀ Worship attendance last Sunday was 82 at 8:30am and 70 at 11:00am.

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**Congratulations** to Susan and Frank Boatwright on the birth of their third grandchild. Griffin Daniel Boatwright was born Monday in Knoxville, TN. Mom, Dad (Megan and Brandon) and baby are doing well.

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## Calendar

**Parish** **THIS SUNDAY** **LCM**

Worship at 8:30am and 11am  
Sunday School at 9:45am  
Congregation meeting between the services  
Congregation Christmas Party at 5pm at Eternal Shepherd

### Monday

Quilters at 9am  
Staff Meeting at 1pm

Exam Meal at 5:30pm  
LCM Caroling at 6:30pm

### Tuesday

Exam Meal at 5:30pm

### Wednesday

Bible Conversation at 10am  
Advent Meal at 6pm  
Praise Band Rehearsal at 6pm  
Advent Service at 7pm  
Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30pm

### Thursday

Exam Meal at 5:30pm

### Friday

### Saturday

**NEXT SUNDAY:** Worship at 8:30am and 11am  
Sunday School at 9:45am

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## News from the Audio/Visual Team

The University Lutheran Audio/Visual Team is very happy to announce that the church now has the capability to produce videos of the weekly Gospel Readings and Sermons. These videos are posted to the church website, usually before noon on Sunday mornings. Just go to the website—[uniluclemson.org](http://uniluclemson.org)—and select the Sermons listings. You will have the option of listing to an audio transcription of the sermons or watching the full-blown video.

The Audio/Visual Team believes this enhancement will enable congregational members who cannot attend a service to hear the word of the Lord on a timely basis. It will also provide valuable information about what our church has to offer to anybody who is looking for a meaningful place to worship.

We are looking for additional team members to assist in providing this valuable ministry. It may look complicated but really isn't. If I can do it anybody can. We believe that this is a very good way for the youth in the congregation to participate in congregational activities, but everybody is welcome. If you are interested in joining the Audio/Visual Team please contact myself, Charlie Smith, or Miles Rockow.

Ned Johnson

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## Prayer Fellowship

The following is a list of people for whom prayer has been requested. If you know of anyone in need of prayer, please email [unilusecretary@gmail.com](mailto:unilusecretary@gmail.com) with their name, address if you'd like a card sent to them, and the reason for the request if it is not confidential. Please also let us know if they improve and need to be removed.

Dana Beville	Friend of Marie Lynn
Marge Butler	Sister of John Wagner
Mary Durnin	Friend of Marie Lynn
Kathy Francis	Friend of the Wagners
Lee Honeycutt	Brother of Frank Honeycutt
Theo Hurst	Grandson of Michael and Aija Seflic
Ken Ingram	Father of Cheryl Smith
Don Joseph	Friend of Bruce Booher
Bob and Faye Lawson	Friends of the Sanders
Ilse and Eberhard Lemcke	Parents of Susanne Lemcke
Barbara Lemcke	Sister of Susanne Lemcke
Fran and Billie Mentz	Uncle and Aunt of Kerry Smith
Joseph Moore	Friend of Linda Holt
Kay Powers	Friend of Patty Hudson
Abby Roe	Friend of the Lusk Family
Linda Smith	Friend of Rosalyn Flanigan
Gavin Todd	Son of Cindy Donnan
Robert Washabau	Brother-in-law of Ada Lou Steirer



### ***PRAYER OF THE DAY for Upcoming Sunday***

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming give to all the people of the world knowledge of your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Council Member Bios

### John Dreher

I've been a member of UNILU for 14 years. During those years, I've served in several leadership positions. I served one prior term on council about nine years ago. I was chairperson of the Capital Fund Campaign in 2008 and chairperson of the Building Committee for the construction of the new narthex. I was chairperson of the Call Committee for Pastor Jon. I currently serve on the Finance Committee and Property Committee. I stay active in local church outreach programs such as Habitat for Humanity and Our Daily Bread. Karen and I love being members of UNILU. We try our best to support all the church's activities.

### Marion Fisher

I have been a member of University Lutheran Church for over 22 years. I work at Milliken and Company, for the past 23 years, currently serving as process improvement manager for safety and quality assurance. I Live in Pendleton, my home town is Cleveland, Ohio and I have a daughter and two grandchildren that live in New Castle, England.

I have served on many committees and congregation councils. My passion to serve is for this worshipping community, youth mentoring and social justice opportunities.

### Courtney Green

I have been a UniLu member for about a year. In that time, I have contributed to the congregational community by playing handbells, singing in the choir, cantoring, lecturing, and bringing a really cute small toddler to 8:30 service (Iggy). As a Concordia College, Moorhead graduate (ELCA), I am passionate about "Becoming Responsibly Engaged in the World" and hope to bring a more global and diverse perspective to council. I am currently a seminarian at Luther Seminary, St. Paul and am taking distance learning classes towards a degree with a focus in justice and reconciliation. I have been involved in organizing the "Let's Talk Race, Clemson" events and Social Justice Bible Study and have participated in a *Be The Bridge* racial reconciliation group in Clemson. I am excited about continuing my work at University Lutheran as an advocate for justice and inclusion.

### Marty High

I was born in Reading PA and am a lifelong Lutheran. I went to school at Penn State (go Nittany Lions!) and University of Tulsa. When Karen and I lived in Stillwater OK, I served several terms on church council and as council president at Salem Lutheran Church. Karen and I moved to the Clemson area in 2015 and joined University Lutheran shortly thereafter. We enjoy all things University Lutheran. I particularly appreciate the Wednesday morning Bible study community. I have always tried to live as a servant-leader and will continue to do so on our Council.

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## University Lutheran Church-Lutheran Campus Center

### **Jim Jones**

Lena and I have been members of University Lutheran since 2015. We are both retired from the US Navy. Lena was a Navy nurse and I was a Cryptologic Technician, serving on three ships and four shore stations. We moved to the upstate to be closer to our children. Our daughter Andrea and son-in-law Joshua, live in Greenville, SC. Andrea is a high school biology teacher and Josh works for Clemson University. Our son Patrick lives and works in Asheville, NC.

I have served on church councils at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran in La Mesa, CA, St. John's Lutheran in Beaufort, SC and I am currently finishing a one-year term on the council at University Lutheran. Lena and I co-chaired the Evangelism Committee for the past three years. I am active in Lutheran Men in Mission and serve as a lector. Additionally, Lena and I have transported quilts and personal care kits up to St. Mark's Lutheran in Asheville, NC for the last four years.

### **Jim Keogh**

After prayer and reflection, I accepted the nomination to run for church council at Unilu in October 2018. I have been attending University Lutheran since March of 1993, but did not join the church until 1998; the decision overcame me during Ken Cochran's solo of "Were You There" during that year's Good Friday service. Since then I co-taught Sunday School with Michelle Martin for Junior and High School aged students, served one year on the church council during the year the plans for the narthex addition were developed, have been a teller for 9 years, while becoming increasingly active in Music and Worship and Property activities at Unilu. University Lutheran provides me with spiritual growth and opportunities to participate in a way which allows me to both discover the gifts God has graced me with and offer them in gratitude to the service of His church. I pray I discover God's purpose for my participation on the church council, even if that purpose is to remain in the current capacities with which I've been blessed. Being a member of the family of University Lutheran Church has enriched my life immeasurably with companionship, opportunities to grown spiritually and personally, for which I am grateful.

### **Karen Waltz**

My husband and I joined University Lutheran in the fall of 2014 after we both retired and moved here full time. We had been attending here off and on since February 2012. We moved here from Guyton, GA where we were both high school teachers. We were members of Holy Trinity Lutheran in Springfield, GA where I also served as church secretary for several years. Since moving to Clemson and becoming a member of University Lutheran, I have been active in the quilting group, teaching Sunday School for the last 2 ½ years, and serve as President of WELCA (Ruth Circle). I have also been an active member of the Evangelism Committee for the past 3 years, am a part of the Novel Bunch and volunteer with the reading program at Central Academy for the Arts (formerly Central Elementary). During worship service, I have served as greeter, usher, and lector. In my leisure time, I enjoy reading, baking homemade bread, and spending time with my family.