



## UNILU NEWS & EVENTS

January 15, 2020



### From Pastor Jon

This is the view from my home office, where I compose 95% of my sermons. Even on a dreary day such as this one I can hear some birds singing, the rain falling on the remainder of the leaves, and remember that the rain is sustaining life in its apparent dormancy.

It's hard to believe that only one week ago I was writing about the turmoil in Iran and the sense that we were trapped in a cycle that would lead to war. That has been avoided for now, thankfully.

Perhaps I'm the only one who feels like I'm on a roller-coaster, but from comments from others, I doubt that to be the case. So how does one find some balance between staying informed and plugged in, and disconnecting to replenish? For me, nature has always been key. Right now, I'm in a phase of enjoying nature through landscaping and gardening. But at other times it has been hiking, climbing trees, car trips to National Parks etc. Renee finds release through her baking. What brings you joy and replenishes you? I'd love to know, [pastorjon12@gmail.com](mailto:pastorjon12@gmail.com) or 843-304-5664.

God's peace & hope,

Pastor Jon

# Fellowship & Service

## Where Do You Serve?

As part of our 2020 congregation focus on service, we are updating our information on where UniLu disciples serve throughout the week. So, if you participate in ministries in the community (either through UniLu, your neighborhood, a civic group, individually...) could you please email your name and activities to [pastorjon12@gmail.com](mailto:pastorjon12@gmail.com)?

This way as people new to the congregation are looking for places to connect, or people within UniLu are looking to try something new, we can make a personal connection to help get that started.

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Jon at [pastorjon12@gmail.com](mailto:pastorjon12@gmail.com) or 843-304-5664.

Thank you.



### Thrivent - Live Generously

You may have seen this logo from Thrivent on Tshirts during our “God’s Work, Our Hands” events, or on the backs of students or others. Whenever a Thrivent Member sponsors an “Action Team”, Thrivent provides \$250 as seed money to purchase supplies to help get a project off the ground, or to make it have an even greater impact in our community. Complimentary Tshirts are part of the promotional packet.

Some recent/previous Thrivent Action Team Grants:

- Purchase of supplies for “God’s Work, Our Hands” and “Operation Inasmuch” projects
- Materials for the Minister’s Cookoff
- Books for “Let’s Talk Race, Clemson” & “Clemson Area Pledge to End Racism”
- 500th Anniversary of the Reformation materials
- Daffodil bulbs to beautify the exterior walkway between

N. Clemson Ave. & Sloan St.

If you are a Member of Thrivent, you have the opportunity to sponsor 2 Action Teams per year. Also, if you are a policy holder or investor through them, you have the opportunity to direct “Thrivent Choice” dollars to a ministry of your choosing, including Lutheran Campus Ministry or University Lutheran Church! If you have an idea for a project that could benefit from a Thrivent Action Team, or if you have any questions about Thrivent Action Teams or Choice dollars, please see Pastor Jon or Cyra Phelan. Thank you!

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**YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR  
TUESDAYS TOGETHER BIBLE STUDY**

**THE PROMISED ONE**

**“Seeing Jesus in Genesis”**

**Nancy Guthrie: DVD Bible Study**

**TUESDAYS: Jan. 7th – March 10th**

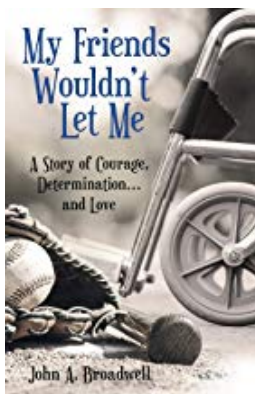
**10:00 a.m. - Youth Room**

**YOU MAY ATTEND ANY OR ALL OF THE CLASSES.**

**WORK BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WHO WANT ONE.**

**QUESTIONS: KAREN DREHER or MARILYN DELOACH**

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***A Novel Bunch* - All are welcome to join us!**

**On Thursday, January 16th, we will meet during the noon hour in the Fellowship Hall for fellowship and discussion of *My Friends Wouldn't Let Me* by our very own John A. Broadwell. John will be joining us as we discuss his first novel about Bobby Murphy, a high school senior and baseball star who is seriously injured and disabled in an automobile accident and who rebounds with the help and encouragement of**

friends, his parents,  
coaches/teachers and his therapists.

- **February 20th book selection:** *God's Scorekeeper and Other Stories* by Frank G. Honeycutt.
  - **March 19th book selection:** *One Foot In Eden Marsh* by Ron Rash
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## WELCA - Ruth Circle

The Ruth Circle will have our annual planning meeting on **Monday, January 27, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Katie Healy.**

**Katie's address is 140 Folger Street, Clemson, SC.**

We will have breakfast and then plan our meetings for the entire year. We look forward to seeing our current members and we welcome any new ladies who would like to join us.

Please RSVP to Katie at [katiein3@gmail.com](mailto:katiein3@gmail.com) or call or text (678) 458-1840.

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## WELCA - Evening Circle

The Women of the ELCA Evening Circle will meet **Monday, January 27 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Adult Sunday School** on the lower level of the church.

All women of the congregation are invited to attend!

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## Reading Buddies

Do you enjoy reading with children? If so, you are invited to join like-minded folks who volunteer time reading with elementary school children at Central Academy of the Arts. If you can volunteer **as little as a half hour per month from 8:30-10:30 a.m. on school days**, you are invited to join the Reading Buddies. The only pre-requisite is attendance at a 45 minute training session and completion of a Volunteer Application (part of the training session).



If this sounds like fun, email Ellen Reneke, [ereneke@nctv.com](mailto:ereneke@nctv.com) for more

information.

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## Youth Events

**THE YOUTH of University Lutheran** will be collecting non-perishable food items for Clemson Community Care as part of the 30th annual "Souper Bowl of Caring."

Please bring all donations to the labeled box in the Narthex  
by **February 2nd!**

Check out [www.souperbowl.org](http://www.souperbowl.org) for more information.

**THE SR. YOUTH of University Lutheran** will be hosting a simple soup meal  
on

**February 2nd at 12:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.**

Please join them for the meal and fellowship. They will be collecting a love offering for the *National Youth Gathering* and the *LMM Water Missions*.

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## Safe Church Training

On **February 9th after the 11:00 service (12:15)** the Education Committee will hold Safe Church Training in the fellowship hall. Please plan to attend if you currently work with children or youth and if you would consider working with children or youth in any capacity at UniLu in the future.

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## Thank You!

*For 2019, a big thank you goes to a lot of folks who came out and helped with watering plants or participating in one of many grounds maintenance workdays. Without their help, UniLu would be knee deep in weeds.*

*Kudos to John Fulmer who faithfully kept the lawn mowed. Kudos to those who delivered mulch, spread mulch, pulled weeds, pruned, sprayed, and pulled more weeds.*

*Additional grounds maintenance thanks go to Harold Holt, Larry Hudson, Freddie Waltz, Jim Keogh, John Dreher, Christel Loescher, David Foster, Keith and Miles Rockow, Jim and Lena Jones, Pastor Jon for planting the daffodils, and to the LCM team who kept the Chinese Fringe Tree watered and alive.*

*Another round of kudos go to the volunteers who kept the Fellowship flower bed watered. Thank you to watering volunteers: Susanne Lemcke, David Foster, Ellen Reneke, Katie Healy, John Blackmon, Karen Dreher, Zoraya Rockow, Pastor Jon, and Carolyn Ringeisen.*

*Please forgive any omissions.*

*-Jean Askew*

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## UniLu Concerns & Celebrations

### UniLu Prayer Concerns

**PRAYER CONCERNS for University Lutheran Members, Family and Friends:**  
Carol Spitzer; Wayne Gilchrist; Gail Paul; Pat Wagner; Rosalyn Flanigan; George Harris; Tony Quesada; Gene Copenhaver; Randy Gilchrist; Larry Bock; Joyce Lillehamer; The Childress Family as they await the arrival of Baby Boy #2.

### UniLu Celebrations

**Celebrating Birthdays this Coming Week:** Donna Hershberger; Austin Hinson; Jesse Hinson; Barbara Chapman; Kande Beckley; Larry Reamer.  
**Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries this Week:** Keith & Katie Kargel; George & Martha Harris.

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## Parish Information

Click [HERE](#) for UniLu Calendar

Click [HERE](#) for Prayer Fellowship List

Click [HERE](#) to see this Sunday's Servers

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## Clemson Community Events

# Clemson Area Better Angels

Join us!

*Clemson Area Better Angels* is partnering with the Pastoral Care Committee at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Clemson to offer an amazing all day workshop on **January 25th at Holy Trinity.**

This Red/Blue Workshop will bring together 7 conservative-leaning (Red) people and 7 liberal-leaning (Blue) people and about 15 observers in a safe, structured conversation with two trained moderators.

Participants will speak openly about their political beliefs and listen attentively to the other side in order to find areas of common ground.

We have completed 7 of these events over the last two years. Participants have consistently said, "We have much more in common than we have differences."

To reserve your space, email us at [caba@mail.com](mailto:caba@mail.com)

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\* **Sunday Worship** at 8:30 am and 11 am. Sunday School at 9:45 am

\* **Miss a service?** The recorded church sermons, audio and video, are posted weekly to the website: [www.uniluclemson.org](http://www.uniluclemson.org) and to the University Lutheran Facebook page.

\* **Church Office Hours** \*

Monday–Thursday 7 AM–12 PM; 1 PM–2:30 PM  
Fridays 8 AM - 12 PM

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## University Lutheran Church 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.*