



UNILU NEWS & EVENTS

June 10, 2020



FROM PASTOR JON

Next Wednesday, June 17th will be the 5th Anniversary of the Emanuel 9 Massacre in Charleston. Pastor Josh and I will be leading a “Service of Remembrance” via Facebook Live at 7 PM. We are inviting you to help us create the backdrop for that service.

In the narthex is a roll of craft paper. The center section (marked off in pencil) will have the verse that the Emanuel 9 and survivors were studying that night, Mark 4:16. To the right and left we are inviting you to come and write a prayer, draw a picture, voice a lament, anything that you think would be in keeping with the solemnity and weight of this service.

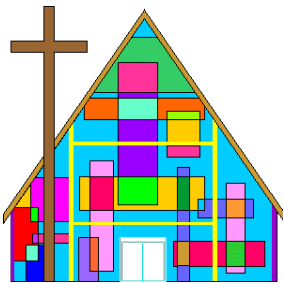
The day after the killings I went to Campbell Chapel AME in Bluffton to express my condolences. Pastor Clementa Pinckney and I had met a couple of times when he served there briefly. I later learned that the shooter had been baptized and confirmed in an ELCA congregation in Columbia, SC. Clergy friends I camp with each year were friends and classmates of “Clem”. He and another victim, Rev. Daniel Simmons, were graduates of my alma mater, Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary. Many of you were here to hear our friend and my colleague Pastor Thulie Beresford preach when she was our visiting theologian. Pastor Thulie was a Chaplain called to be at the hospital

the night of the fateful shootings.

If you are unable, or uncomfortable, coming to the narthex but would like something added to the artwork, please email, call or text me or Pastor Josh and we will add it. If you happen to have Netflix the documentary “Emanuel” is available. If you don’t have Netflix there are some powerful trailers and scenes available on YouTube.

God’s peace, justice and hope,

Pastor Jon



These days, while we are worshiping together online, it may be nice to visit the sanctuary and use that space to connect with God in different ways. It could provide an opportunity for individual peace and prayer for yourself (or together as a family unit).

Thank you for respecting these guidelines. They will help to ensure your safety and the safety of others.

Please:

- *Wear a mask while you are inside.*
- *Wash your hands after you enter and before you leave.*
- *Put a sign on the doors to indicate that the space is occupied. Remember to remove them again when you leave. If the space is currently being used, please do not interrupt. Simply come back at a different time.*
- *Use the provided wipes and/or spray to sanitize any surfaces you touch or places you sit.*
- *Try to avoid using the restroom or going into any other areas. But if you do, take extra care in cleaning up after yourself.*
- *Make sure the door locks behind you when you leave.*

Thank you. God bless you.

If you have any questions or comments, contact the pastors.

PARISH NEWS & UPDATES

SUMMER ACTIVITIES DURING COVID-19

SUMMER FUN!

What's Safe During COVID-19

Summer is here and most of us want to get outdoors. With the COVID-19 pandemic, you are probably wondering what is safe. A few safe options for families who have a member with a complex medical condition:



Getting outdoors has multiple benefits, both physical and mental, and — due to the “unlimited dilution” of viral particles in a breeze and the virus’ low survival on sunny surfaces — lower risks than remaining indoors. The safest summer activities will occur within established personal networks, involving in many cases the people with whom you share a household. The responsibility for helping to prevent the spread of the virus will fall most heavily on individuals and our willingness to take the now-familiar steps to ensure safety.

What is important is reducing risk while enjoying summertime activities. That means continuing to keep your distance, wear a mask, have hand sanitizer nearby, wash your hands frequently, cough or sneeze into your elbow, *and stay home if you are not feeling well* . Any version of summertime fun will require each person to do his or her part to keep everyone safe.

- Wait at least six feet apart (through social distancing).
- Wear a face covering in public settings where social distancing is not possible.
- Wash your hands.

Have a general question about COVID-19?

Call the DHEC Care Line at 1-855-472-3432 between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. daily.

Additional information can be found on DHEC’s FAQ site at:

God's Peace,

Lena Jones, RN, BSN, MS

**THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND AS WE NAVIGATE
COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY TOGETHER
(Subject to Change as Circumstances Change)**

- **All worship services and church meetings will be conducted online until CDC/NIH give a declaration that people can gather in groups of more than 100.** Sunday service livestreamed at 9 AM on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/uniluclemson/> later posted to our website www.uniluclemson.org and YouTube https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQVMnXOXzFkX65vue_fONog.
 - Council has requested that the pastors not have in-person pastoral visits, except in the case of life-threatening emergency.
 - Pastors will use telecare or other methods for the duration of this public health emergency.
 - Pastors can be reached via cell phone 24/7. Please **DO NOT CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE.** Pastor Jon: 843-304-5664; Pastor Josh: 919-744-1590.
 - Church administrative assistant, Abi Donhauser will work remotely from her home office. She can be reached during normal office hours Monday - Thursday, 7 am to 12 noon & 1 pm to 2:30 pm; Friday 8 am to 12 noon at 864-722-5504 or by email; unilusecretary@gmail.com.
 - LCM meals will be provided as boxed/to-go meals rather than usual group meals. A small number of people will help with meal preparation.
 - This public health emergency may leave people feeling isolated. To combat this, Council and others in the congregation, who desire to do so, (volunteers are welcome!) will be asked to contact others regularly to check in (lists will be provided).
 - Church facilities remain available to congregation members, but we suggest that this be for **INDIVIDUALS ONLY AND NOT FOR GATHERINGS/MEETINGS.** Please thoroughly sanitize after use.
 - Clemson Community Care will continue their regular schedule of operations. Donations can be made at the church (baskets in narthex) or can be brought directly to their facility. Online monetary donations are also greatly appreciated
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FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

To give electronically, look for this icon on the lower right of the University Lutheran webpage at <http://uniluclemson.org/>. Click on “Give an Offering.”

Or [CLICK HERE](#) to go directly to the giving page.

COMMUNITY MINISTRY

CLEMSON COMMUNITY CARE NEEDS

Clemson Community Care has special need for the following food items:

Jello, cans of soup, pudding, and cans of mixed vegetables.

Any food items will be appreciated!

Non-food items which are always needed:

Diapers, wipes, toiletries, laundry detergent.

We are so thankful for your continued support!



JOIN THE 75,000 - **NOW 150,000!** FACE MASK CHALLENGE!

A huge Thank You to all the mask makers!!!

Our masks are traveling nationwide!!

If you are personally in need of a mask, please contact me!!!! We have plenty to share!!

Lutheran World Relief's mask challenge has increased to 150,000 masks. 98,975 are pledged as of June 3, 2020. See their website: lwr.org/masks to make your pledge and get instructions on how to make their masks. Ellen Reneke has offered to mail all masks we make for LWR when we are done.

Ellen now has a drop off box inside the narthex door as you come in from the upstairs parking lot. Please package in bags of 25 masks. Any additional ones, place in box loose.

Any questions, contact Judy Aikens at [724-831-8104](tel:724-831-8104); jbaikens57@gmail.com.

***OPERATION INASMUCH
ALTERNATIVE***

***When: Now Thru End of Physical Distancing
Serve Eagerly!***

***Jesus said in essence, "Inasmuch as you serve the least of these,
you serve me."***

UNILU's doors will remain shut through June. However, our hearts remain open to continue to love our neighbors by:

1) Be sure to take care of yourself: get outside and enjoy the beautiful weather, take advantage of the fresh produce - strawberries can be picked locally, start your day with other Unilu members at "Jammies with Jesus" each morning, Monday - Saturday at 7:30 am on facebook (link below). We are no good to others if we are depleted.

<https://www.facebook.com/uniluclemson/>

2) Donate locally: give to Clemson Community Care or other charities in Clemson and Seneca.

3) Keep sending cards! See the list of names of our "LCM Friends," "shut-ins," those who are ill, first responders/health care workers by clicking [HERE](#). If we have left anyone off this list, please let us know and we will send out an updated list. We know these are appreciated! Send cards to those impacted by the tornado too!

4) We have many members who work in health care or are first responders. Pray for them during this time. In addition to these, any other folks working in the community (grocery stores, postal workers, etc.) where they are exposed to more people need our prayers. Those being laid off need our

prayers. Those with COVID-19 need our prayers. If you have names to be added to the list, let the church know!

5) Hospitals are experiencing a blood shortage right now. If you are healthy and qualify, please donate!!! Linda Holt went on "Taco Tuesday!"

6) Continue with all the things you have been doing – attend church online, shop for someone who is high risk, make a phone call, be creative!

Blessings to all during this unique time. Any questions, contact Judy Aikens, 724-831-8104, jbaikens57@gmail.com



FAMILY PROMISE JUNE MEAL PREPARATION

2020 has been a bit unique for Family Promise.

We, with Holy Trinity Episcopal (HTE) were scheduled to host a week in February and a week in March. These had to be canceled due to construction at HTE.

Subsequently, we have been forced to close our doors as a result of COVID-19. CURRENTLY, there are no guests at Family Promise. We had a recent graduation! Family Promise is doing intake interviews and is devising a plan as to how best to house a family in light of COVID-19

As of now, there are no guest families. However, Family Promise is actively working to establish new policies and procedures and we are still planning to provide meals - just in case - June 14 thru June 27.

Please sign up at [Family Promise June Meal Signup](#) or email me if you are willing to prepare a meal, dates you are available and if you are willing to drive the meal to Easley. If not, there are folks both at UNILU and HTE that are willing to deliver the meals. Also, let me know if you don't wish to cook but would be willing to deliver a meal.

A huge Thank You to all who volunteer!

Judy Aikens; jbaikens57@gmail.com

UNILU CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

UNILU PRAYER CONCERNS

PRAYER CONCERNS for University Lutheran Members, Family and Friends:
Gail Paul; Pat Wagner; Rosalyn Flanigan; George Harris; Tony Quesada; Gene Copenhaver; Randy Gilchrist; Larry Bock; Joyce Lillehamer; Marie Lynn's sister, Ellen; Judy Morrison's nephew, Christopher Stott; expecting parents, Donny & Cathy Harris.

UNILU CELEBRATIONS

Celebrating Birthdays this Week: Denise Bauld; Pat Bennett; Gerald Lehmacher; Cheryl Smith; Roger Liska; Gail Paul; Nick Willis.

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries this Week: Marc & Abby Dedecker; John & Barbara Blackmon; Jim & Suzanne Keogh; David & Kandee Beckley; Freddie & Karen Waltz.

PARISH INFORMATION

Click [HERE](#) for UniLu Calendar

Click [HERE](#) for Prayer Fellowship List

LINKS

[SC LUTHERAN MAGAZINE](#)

[UNILU WEBSITE](#) • [LECTIONARY/READINGS](#)

[LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY](#) • [SC SYNOD](#)

[ELCA GOOD GIFTS](#)

Miss a service? The recorded church sermons, audio and video, are posted weekly to the website: www.uniluclemson.org and to the University Lutheran Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/uniluclemson/>

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

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.