



UNILU NEWS & EVENTS

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FROM PASTOR JON

On this day of Remembrance for the Emanuel 9 martyrs, this photo came to mind. I took it while Renee & I were visiting the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem. Between the

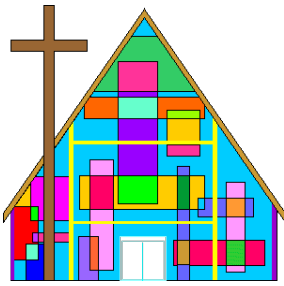
symbols, materials, colors and candles it speaks to me.

My Facebook feed is full of remembrances, especially from those friends of mine who were friends with the Rev. Clementa Pinckney while at Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary in Columbia. Today Dr. Rhondda Thomas' "Call My Name" project on Facebook shared smiling photos of the nine who were murdered with a simple sentence or two from family or friends describing who they were as people. As children of God.

Please join us tonight at 7 PM for a worship service commemorating the nine who were murdered while closing in prayer at their Bible Study. Join us as we re-commit to doing the work of dismantling racism in our lives, the life of the congregation, church and country. God's kingdom is one of justice and peace; something we are called to strive for and to enjoy.

God's peace, justice and hope,

Pastor Jon



VISITING THE SANCTUARY

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

VENTURING OUT? BE PREPARED & STAY SAFE!

LOWEST RISK	MODERATE RISK	HIGHER RISK	HIGHEST RISK
			
HOME ALONE OR WITH HOUSEMATES	OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES	OUTDOOR GATHERINGS	INDOOR GATHERINGS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay home as much as possible. • Try to allow only people you live with into your home. • Wash your hands. • If you're sick, stay home and isolate from housemates. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wash your hands and don't touch your face. • Stay at least 6 feet from people you don't live with. • Wear a mask. • Avoid shared surfaces, like swings or benches. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wash your hands and don't touch your face. • Stay at least 6 feet from people you don't live with. • Wear a mask. • Don't share food, toys, and other items, and avoid shared surfaces. • Participate in events like these infrequently. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wash your hands and don't touch your face. • Stay at least 6 feet from people you don't live with. • Wear a mask. • Don't share food, toys, and other items, and avoid shared surfaces. • Open windows for better ventilation. • Try to avoid gathering indoors as much as possible.

Adapted from Julia Marcus, Harvard, and Eleanor Murray, Boston University

Vox

As communities and businesses are opening, you may be looking for ways to resume some daily activities as safely as possible. While there is no way to ensure zero risk of infection, it is important to understand potential risks and how to adopt different types of prevention measures to protect yourself and to help reduce the spread of COVID-19.

The risk of an activity depends on many factors, such as:

- ***Is the COVID virus spreading in my community?***
- ***Will my activity put me in close contact with others?***
- ***Do I live with someone who is at risk for severe illness?***
- ***Do I practice everyday preventive actions? Wear a mask & social distancing.***
- ***Will I have to share any items, equipment, or tools with other people?***
- ***Will I need to take public transportation to get to the activity?***
- ***Does my activity require travel to another community?***
- ***If I get sick with COVID-19, will I have to miss work or school? Do I know what to do if I get sick?***

The CDC cannot provide the specific risk level for every activity in every community. That is why it is important for you to consider your own personal situation and the risk for you, your family, and your community before venturing out. In general, the more closely you interact with others and the longer that interaction, the higher the risk of COVID-19 spread. Engaging with new people (e.g., those who do not live with you) also raises your risk. Indoor spaces are more risky than outdoor spaces where it might be harder to keep people apart and there is less ventilation.

As a reminder, if you have COVID-19, have symptoms consistent with COVID-19, or have been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19, it is important to stay home and away from other people.

God's Peace,

Lena Jones, RN, BSN

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_fON0g.
- 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



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) Give to Clemson Community Care or to charities in your area.

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:
Cheryl Summers; Gail Paul; Pat Wagner; Rosalyn Flanigan; George Harris; Tony Quesada; Gene Copenhaver; Randy Gilchrist; Larry Bock; Joyce Lillehamer; Judy Morrison's nephew, Christopher Stott; Kristeen Balcombe's brother, Stephen Slice; expecting parents, Donny & Cathy Harris.

UNILU CELEBRATIONS

Celebrating Birthdays this Week: Jon McGinney.

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries this Week: Bill & Judy Aikens; Keith & Cyra Phelan.

PARISH INFORMATION

Click [HERE](#) for UniLu Calendar

Click [HERE](#) for Prayer Fellowship List

LINKS

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[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.