



UNILU NEWS & EVENTS

July 1, 2020



FROM PASTOR JON

No, this picture is not photoshopped. This is me (in 2014) standing on top of a fallen redwood tree in Yosemite National Park.

And I thought our Live Oaks were magnificent. Imagine the tallest oak, standing on top of the tallest oak, on top of the tallest oak...well, you get the picture.

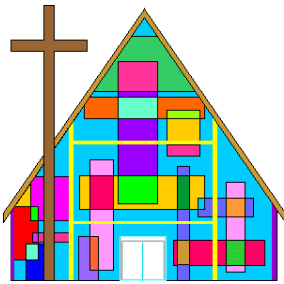
It's now July, 2020. Back in April we had hoped to visit with family in northern & southern California and go to Yosemite which to me is the most magical place I've ever visited. Assuming that we still have our health, and there's nothing at this moment to indicate otherwise, I look forward to returning whether that is in 2021 or 2022.

So, I cannot tell you how appreciative I am for University Lutheran for being so flexible in how we are offering worship, pastoral care (a small subset of Christian care!) and the administration of the office. I can't thank you enough, for those who are still able, for your continued financial support of our ministry through University Lutheran. You have given to Pastor Josh, me, Abi, Judi, Rebecca and Melissa (all UniLu staff) the hopes for a better tomorrow, whether that tomorrow is literal or aspirational.

For those who have been mandated to return to their public workplaces, please let's do our part by wearing a mask while in public, generously tipping if we eat out or even order take out, maintain physical distancing and contribute to the needs of the saints through our local food ministries or other support. By each of us doing what we are able God can do some amazing things through us. Thank you for your daily ministries – at home, through the congregation or out in the community.

God's peace & hope be with you,

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.



"JUST MERCY"

Movie Discussion via Zoom

Monday, July 6, 7:00 p.m.

I'm hoping to watch "Just Mercy" this week. It is currently free to view online. You can find different ways to watch the movie at

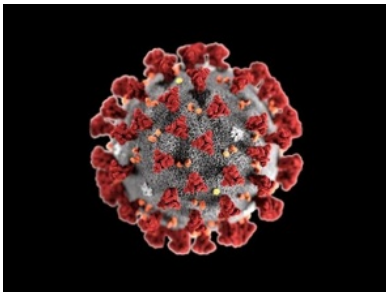
<https://www.justmercyfilm.com/>

The movie is based on a memoir written by attorney Bryan Stevenson, and it tells the story of his work with an appeal of a murder conviction. It is sure to be educational and add to the conversations about racial justice that we hope to keep having in our community. It'd be wonderful to gather for an online conversation (Zoom) and let the movie lead our discussion. If you've seen the movie, read the book, or would like to watch the movie in the next week or so - let's do it!

Send me a note if you're interested: 919-744-1590 or jkestne@g.clemson.edu.

I'll send out a Zoom link beforehand.

Let's plan for Monday, July 6 at 7:00 p.m.



IF YOU THINK YOU HAVE COVID-19

What to Do if You Feel Sick

If you have fever, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, or new

loss of taste or smell, you might have COVID-19. Please call your healthcare provider. Most people have mild illness and can recover at home. Monitor yourself for worsening symptoms, and if you are getting sicker, call your healthcare provider.

When to Seek Medical Attention

If you develop emergency warning signs for COVID-19, call 911 for immediate medical attention. Emergency warning signs include*:

- Trouble breathing

- **Persistent pain or pressure in the chest**
- **New confusion or inability to arouse**
- **Bluish lips or face**

***This list is not all inclusive. Please consult your medical provider for any other symptoms that are severe or concerning.**

Mobile Testing Sites

COVID-19 mobile testing sites are operating in counties across the state. As providers across the state continue to increase testing, DHEC wants to make sure South Carolinians know where they can go to get tested. The mobile testing clinic webpage provides information to help you locate where testing is happening right now, in your community. You can find a mobile testing clinic event near you at www.scdhec.gov/covid19mobileclinics.

All listed DHEC mobile and popup testing clinics are are part of an ongoing efforts to increase testing in underserved and rural communities across the state. Currently, there are 63 mobile testing events scheduled through July 21 with new testing events added regularly.

God's Peace,

Lena Jones RN, BSN

Guidance for persons who have tested positive for COVID-19

If you have tested positive for COVID-19, it's important that you take precautions to protect other people's health and limit the spread of this illness.

DHEC recommends that you isolate yourself from others and do the following:

1. Do not have direct contact with others.



- Stay home and avoid contact with others.
 - Do not go to work or school during this period.
 - Discuss your work situation with your employer before returning to work.
- Do not take public transportation, taxis, or ride-shares while practicing social distancing.
- Do not go to crowded places (such as shopping centers and movie theaters) or participate in public activities.
- Avoid contact with others in your home. Household members should stay in another room or be separated from you as much as possible. Household members should use a separate bedroom and bathroom, if available.
- Keep your distance from others (about 6 feet) and don't allow visitors.
- Avoid contact with pets and other animals. If you must care for your pet or be around animals while you are sick, wash your hands before and after you interact with pets and wear a facemask or cloth face covering.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains 60 to 95% alcohol.
- Wear a facemask, if available, when around other people. If you can't wear a facemask, others should wear a facemask, if available, when they're around you.
- Avoid sharing personal and household items such as dishes, bedding, towels, and other items. Wash these items thoroughly after you use them.
- Clean 'high-touch' surfaces frequently with a household spray or wipes. These surfaces include such things as counters, doorknobs, bathroom fixtures, phones, keyboards, and lamps.
- DHEC recommends that you do these activities until your respiratory symptoms (such as cough and shortness of breath) and other symptoms are better AND at least 10 days have passed since your illness onset AND you have been fever free without the use of fever-reducing medication for 3 days.

2. If you need to seek medical care during this time:



- Call your healthcare provider before going to their office.
- If emergency medical treatment is required for any condition, call 911. Tell the 911 operator and the emergency crew that you are in Home Isolation due to COVID-19.



Visit scdhec.gov/COVID19 for more information or call the CARELINE at 1-855-472-3432 for general questions.

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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



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. 107,450 are pledged as of June 24, 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 July. 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 your community.

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!!!

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

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.

UNILU CELEBRATIONS

Celebrating Birthdays this Week: Bruce Booher; Jim Jones; Evelyn McGavin;
Jimmie Pletta; Pat Wagner; Kristeen Balcombe; Zara Espinoza; Ken Cothran;
Bev Heiliger.

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries this Week: Bruce & Penny Booher.

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.