

# UNILU NEWS & EVENTS August 26, 2020



### **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

The new testament reading for yesterday, August 25th, was Romans 11:33-36. In the

NIV, this reading has the heading *Doxology*. I must admit that my first thought was "Praise God from whom all blessings flow ..." When these words were not the text, I looked up doxology in the dictionary and found that it means "an oral expression of praise and glorification." Thomas Ken wrote the words we are familiar with around 1700. Here is Paul's doxology from Romans 11:33-36.

Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments and his paths beyond tracing out. Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor? Who has ever given to God, that God should repay them? For from him and through him and for him are <u>all</u> things. To him be the glory forever! Amen.

Earlier in the 11th chapter of Romans, Paul is talking about the fact that the gospel is for both Jews and Gentiles. The two groups didn't seem like they got along too well. The early church sounds a lot like our current situation. Democrats and Republicans don't seem to speak the same language. It is hard to understand what our Black and Latino brothers and sisters go through. I love the way Sarah Clark, a pastor from St. Paul, Minnesota, ends her devotion.

Paul reminds them - and us - that God's love is for <u>all</u> people. The depth of God's riches, wisdom, and knowledge is astounding and wonderful. It can also be disorienting. Still, God's love is for <u>all</u>: this is truly good news.

I will conclude with the prayer at the end of the Jesus Calling devotion which is very appropriate this day and week. *O God, your love is limitless. Help me to recognize you in every face I see today. Amen.* 

God's peace be with you, Jean Mehlman

# **PARISH NEWS & UPDATES**

## **HUGS FROM JOHN & PAT WAGNER!**



### **HUGS FROM PETE & SHARON RUNGE!**



## **HUG SIGNS**

If you would like to share a picture or story about your "Hug Sign" in the newsletter, please send the information to Abi at <u>unilusecretary@gmail.com</u> and it will be included in the next newsletter!



### **GOD'S GLOBAL BARNYARD**

Thank you for your support!

Many of you still have coin banks at home and we look forward to collecting them some day.

We placed an order for chicks, roosters, lots of goats, honey bees and vegetable garden items with the money that was already donated. The need is probably even greater now, so we didn't want to wait to donate items.

-UniLu Community Ministry Team



## FROM THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Thank you to everyone who packed a backpack for Lutheran World Relief. We have over 40 packed and ready to be delivered. If you have some to bring in,

please try to get them to the narthex by THIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 30th.

If you need a tag for your backpack, please email Mollie Barrow at <u>mbarrowjr@aol.com</u>. She will get one to you.

Sunday school for kids, Kindergarten through 12th grade, has begun on Zoom. Mollie Barrow leads.

### Join Zoom Meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81812001614? pwd=bmk5cEdmN1FkdGtONUtMQmpjeDJSQT09

Meeting ID: 818 1200 1614

Passcode: SSK-12

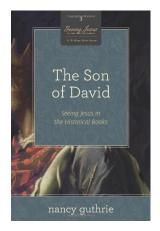
Virtual Sunday School for Adults will begin on September 13th and will be led

by Linda Holt. More information to come.

When we are able to resume "in person" worship and Sunday School, we will have our regular classes:

- PreK K will be taught by Renee Heliger and Alison Mero
- 1st 5th will be taught by Karen Waltz and Molly Parkhill
- Middle and High School will be taught by Mollie Barrow (confirmands pulled out by Pastor Jon)
- Adult discussion in the Fly room led by Linda Holt
- Adult Bible class in the downstairs room is looking for a leader.

## TUESDAYS TOGETHER BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM



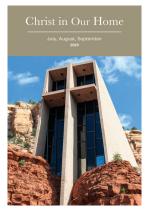
*The Son of David* Seeing Jesus in the Historical Books DVD and study book by Nancy Guthrie

10 sessions: Sept. 15 – Nov. 17, 2020 10:00 to 11:15 am

SON OF DAVID books are available with home study or you can just watch the lecture video and join the Tuesday's class. The lectures are printed in the book if you miss a class. We will deliver books.

> Sign up or questions please contact Karen Dreher <u>jkdreher@att.net</u>

We will have help for using Zoom. For more information about the material see *The Son of David* by Nancy Guthrie on the internet.



### **CHRIST IN OUR HOME EMAIL EDITION**

With the outbreaks of Coronavirus disease in North America and around the world many people may be without a physical copy of *Christ in Our Home*. To assist with devotional life during this time, Augsburg Fortress is offering a limited-time complementary email subscription.

To sign up, follow the link below to submit your email address. Augsburg Fortress will deliver the daily devotional to your email at 4am Central Time through September 30, 2020.

https://www.augsburgfortress.org/store/product/CIOH-EMAIL/Christ-in-Our-Home-Email-Edition



## FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

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

Or <u>CLICK HERE</u> to go directly to the giving page.



# WHAT'S SO AMAZING THAT KEEPS US STARGAZING ? BEGINS TONIGHT!!

Wednesdays – August 26; September 2 & 9

#### at 8 p.m. EDT

For nearly sixty years, the marvels of God's universe have been a source of joy and wonder for Pastor Bruce Booher. You are invited to join him for a three session Zoom event to explore some of these marvels and consider how they can inspire faith and awe. There will be links and resources to help you continue to explore the marvels of God's creation, and the opportunity for you to share your thoughts and questions.

Wonders of the Universe – 8/26/20 – Marvel at the beauty and majesty of some of the most exciting objects in the cosmos. Discover ways to make new faith connections with God's magnificent creation.

Touring Our Solar System – 9/2/20 – We will explore stunning images of the Sun, Moon and planets from observatories and space probes. Discover what you may expect to see through telescopes as an amateur astronomer.

Introductory Stargazing – 9/9/20 – Learn the basics of telescopes and binoculars and how to use them. Find out easy ways to locate some of the brighter deep sky objects in the night sky. Learn some constellations and the stories behind them.

#### These events are free, but you must register in advance!

Sign up for any or all of these sessions by going to: https://bit.ly/33e7R5t

Each presentation will last about 30 minutes, followed by time for questions and discussion. These events are intended for ages 12 and up.

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 <a href="https://www.facebook.com/uniluclemson/">https://www.facebook.com/uniluclemson/</a> later posted to our

website <u>www.uniluclemson.org</u> and YouTube <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQVMnXOXzFkX65vue\_fONOg</u>.

- 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; <u>unilusecretary@gmail.com</u>.
- 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

# **UNILU CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS**

### **UNILU PRAYER CONCERNS**

PRAYER CONCERNS for University Lutheran Members, Family and Friends: Jimmie Pletta & family; Gail Paul; Pat Wagner; Rosalyn Flanigan; George Harris; Tony Quesada; Randy Gilchrist; Larry Bock; Joyce Lillehamer.

## **UNILU CELEBRATIONS**

Celebrating Birthdays this Week: JoAnn Sanders; Cheryl Summers; Sheri Smith. Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries this week: Jackson & Rosalyn Flanigan.

# **PARISH INFORMATION**

Click <u>HERE</u> for UniLu Calendar Click <u>HERE</u> 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: <u>www.uniluclemson.org</u> and to the University Lutheran Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/uniluclemson/</u>

## **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday–Thursday 7 am–12 pm; 1 pm–2:30 pm Fridays 8 am - 12 Noon

### **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.