



UNILU NEWS & EVENTS

September 9, 2020



FROM PASTOR JON

OK, let's try this again!

This Sunday, September 13th I will be serving drive up Holy Communion from 10:30 – 11 AM in the upper parking lot. We will then move to the first Sunday of the month for successive months. My apologies for the late notice of postponement of last week's planned distribution and thank you for your understanding.

This morning I was reflecting back that our last in person worship was held March 15, 2020. So this coming Sunday marks six months. To say we miss gathering together for corporate worship would be an understatement. When I enter the sanctuary, with the cross deliberately still draped from Lent, I get choked up. "How long, O Lord?" is my lament.

I am very grateful that you've been so understanding towards Pastor Josh and me. Nationally, some of our pastoral peers have been pressured to go against their consciences and the best prevailing science and have gathered for indoor worship. Some have dodged bullets, while others are living with remorse. There are physical spaces and community makeups where that is a safe practice. We are not yet there.

Like all of you, we yearn to get to the time and place when we can safely visit distant family or simply relax in a restaurant filled with conversation and

laughter or be thrilled by a stadium full of fans. Till then, thank you for wearing a mask when around others. Continue with the good hand washing. Be physically distanced whenever possible. Express gratitude and give monetary tips when being served by others. Enjoy the outdoors when you can. Extend grace to your neighbor, and extend that grace to yourself as well.

God's peace, hope & love,

Pastor Jon

PARISH NEWS & UPDATES



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The devotion for yesterday (September 8th) in *Jesus Calling* by Sarah Young starts out with the following words.

Accept each day exactly as it comes to you.

I don't know about you, but for me that is hard. I like to feel that I am in control of my life. The last 6 months have certainly made me question that. Looking back at yesterday, it was not a bad day. In fact, it was a good day, but it was a busy one. I woke up this morning to thoughts of several things that I didn't do yesterday that definitely need to be done this morning. So much for going back to sleep. The scripture readings that go with the devotion give us insight into how God helps us accept each day.

Psalm 42:5

Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.

Jeremiah 31:25

I will refresh the weary and satisfy the faint.

The psalmist tells us to *put our hope in God*. Jeremiah tells the Israelites living in exile that God will bring them back to the promised land and *refresh the weary and satisfy the faint*. With God's help, we can accept each day knowing that God is with us and stay in communication with God throughout the day.

Who knows what God has in store for us today. We do know that He is with us.

God's peace be with you,
Jean Mehlman

HUGS FROM FRANK & SUSAN BOATWRIGHT!



HUGS FROM KEN COTHRAN!



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 unilusecretary@gmail.com and it will be included in the next newsletter!

GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS

God's Work Our Hands was to be this weekend - a day of fellowship and service to our community.

While we are sad we cannot meet in person and share in the fellowship, our members are actively using Our Hands for God's Work!

A huge Thank You to Carol Miller!!!

She has sewn 101 scrub hats for GHS Children's Hospital.

You see her pictured below with her latest - 50 hats!!!

Please share with us wherever you see someone's hands doing God's work!



FROM THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Mollie Barrow is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Sunday School K-12

Time: 10:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Every week on Sun, until Dec 27, 2020, 17 occurrence(s)

Sep 6, 2020 10:00 AM

Sep 13, 2020 10:00 AM

Sep 20, 2020 10:00 AM

Sep 27, 2020 10:00 AM

Oct 4, 2020 10:00 AM

Oct 11, 2020 10:00 AM

Oct 18, 2020 10:00 AM

Oct 25, 2020 10:00 AM

Nov 1, 2020 10:00 AM

Nov 8, 2020 10:00 AM

Nov 15, 2020 10:00 AM

Nov 22, 2020 10:00 AM

Nov 29, 2020 10:00 AM

Dec 6, 2020 10:00 AM

Dec 13, 2020 10:00 AM

Dec 20, 2020 10:00 AM

Dec 27, 2020 10:00 AM

Join Zoom Meeting:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81812001614?
pwd=bmk5cEdmN1FkdGtONUtMQmpjeDJSQTo9](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81812001614?pwd=bmk5cEdmN1FkdGtONUtMQmpjeDJSQTo9)

Meeting ID: 818 1200 1614

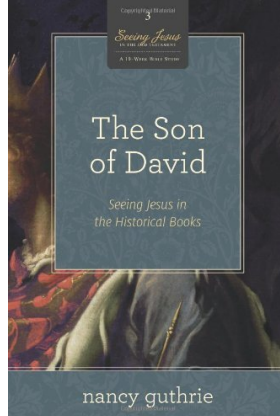
Passcode: SSK-12

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL HAS BEGUN MEETING! JOIN US THIS SUNDAY AT 10 AM VIA ZOOM!

We will be using the Adult Bible Studies series as we have in the past. This quarter's study topic will be *Love for One Another*. As it says in the introduction: *It's not as easy to love some people as it seems at first glance. That's why we need three months to dig into this study of Jesus's commandment to love one another.*

Please contact Linda Holt via email lindaGTholt@bellsouth.net prior to gathering time. I will send you the meeting ID and passcode for the meeting, along with some materials you may want to preview (but it's not necessary). I am excited to gather again in community, even if it is in a new way, with previous classmates and with new classmates.

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 jkdreher@att.net

We will have help for using Zoom.

**For more information about the material see *The Son of David*
by Nancy Guthrie on the internet.**

**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.



WHAT'S SO AMAZING THAT KEEPS US STARGAZING? CONTINUES TONIGHT AT 8PM!!

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 Zoom event **TONIGHT** 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.

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.

This event is free, but you must register in advance!

Sign up by going to:

<https://bit.ly/33e7R5t>

The presentation will last about 30 minutes, followed by time for questions and discussion. This event is 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 <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

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 Coming Week: Elaine Knoerr; Raz Rysinski;
 George Harris; Michael Seflic; Katie Stephan.

Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries this Coming Week: Jim & Lena Jones.

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 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.*