

UNILU NEWS & EVENTS December 2, 2020



FROM PASTOR JON

This evening, Wednesday, December 2 at 7
PM, we'll gather online via Facebook Live for our *Holden Evening Prayer* worship.

This beautiful service will be accompanied by members of the choir, and some visuals including the picture above. Taken when I visited the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem it captures for me a sense of peace and a sense of hopefulness.

The sanctuary will be dimly lit and you may want to worship at home in a setting that allows for candlelight (perhaps your Advent wreath?) as part of the overall mood and tenor of the service. This service is one of our congregation's and my favorites so I hope you'll join us live or view it later on University Lutheran's YouTube channel.

As a reminder this Sunday December 6, as the first Sunday of the month, we will be celebrating drive up Holy Communion from 10:30 – 11:00 am in the Sloan Street parking lot.

God's peace & hope,

Pastor Jon



ONLINE CONGREGATION MEETING SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13 AT 10:30 AM

Our congregation meeting will be held online Sunday, December 13 at 10:30 am.

There are two agenda items:

- 1. Pass the 2021 annual budget (click HERE to review budget)
- 2. Elect new council members (click **HERE** to read bios.)

The meeting will be held on Zoom (information provided below). You may click the link for video participation or you can call in to the meeting. We will vote by Zoom poll and more information on voting will be given at the meeting.

For those who are unable or uncomfortable attending this meeting online, you may attend the meeting in person. We expect the meeting to be short and will observe proper physical distancing. Masks will be required.

Zoom meeting information

Time: Dec 13, 2020 10:30 AM Eastern Time

Video link:

https://clemson.zoom.us/j/94020204536

Meeting ID: 940 2020 4536

Phone-in information:

- +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)
- +1 929 205 6099 US (New York)
- +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington D.C)
- +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)
- +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)
- +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

Meeting ID: 940 2020 4536

Find your local number: https://clemson.zoom.us/u/aedyeifwt



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The devotion for today in *Jesus Calling* by Sarah Young describes Jesus as the Prince of Peace. The bible verse is a very familiar one for this Advent season.

Isaiah 9:6

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his

name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace."

One of the disappointments of this December is that we will not be able to see our very own Ken Cothran perform Handel's Messiah with the Greenville Chorale as had been planned. It is time to get our CD out and let the music fill the house.

Even though we are not able to do everything we want this holiday season, we still have The Peace of God that passes all understanding in the form of his son born on Christmas Eve, The Prince of Peace. I find the peace of God throughout the day, but particularly in the morning while doing my morning devotions. There is a calm that makes the day start right. There are many times during the day when I forget about God and his peace. Then one day last week I walked into the sunroom and was greeted by the view above. What a glorious reminder of our God, his wonderful creation, and his Peace.

Where do you find the Peace of God and encounter the Prince of Peace?

Jean Mehlman

LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY

EXAM WEEK FOR LCM STUDENTS

Next week (12/7-12/11) is exam week for our LCM students. Although it will look different with exams being solely online/virtual, it will likely still be filled with the same stress and anxiety of any final week of the semester.

Please keep students and faculty in your prayers this week as they

prepare and execute!

-Pastor Josh

PARISH NEWS & UPDATES



POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS

Beautiful poinsettias adorning the sanctuary is a welcomed worship experience for the Christmas season.

We would again like to have poinsettias in our sanctuary for our on-line worship. If you would like to honor someone or remember someone with a poinsettia in the sanctuary, please place an order by contacting our church secretary, Abi, (unilusecretary@gmail.com or 864-722-5504) with your information (your name and memorial or honorary name(s)), and send in a check for \$15.00 to University Lutheran Church, 111 Sloan Street, Clemson, SC 29631. The deadline for your request is Sunday, December 13. Flowers will be in the sanctuary for worship beginning December 20. After Christmas, you are welcome to pick up your flower to enjoy in your home.



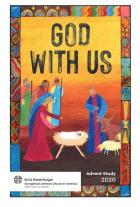
SURPRISE ADVENT WREATH!

What a great surprise to see an Advent Wreath on display surrounding our front doors!

Thanks to LCM student Amanda Taylor and Pastor Josh for this welcome addition of public art to enhance the

Advent Season.

At the time of the photo above, the greenery had not yet been put in place; but it's there now!



4 Weeks - via Zoom - Tuesdays - 10 am

Dec. 1 st - Keep Awake

Dec. 8th - Prepare

Dec. 15 th - Comfort

Dec. 22 nd - Presence

"GOD WITH US" booklet is available in the Narthex or download at:

https://download.elca.org/ELCA%20Resource%20Repository/ELCA-AdventStudy2020.pdf

ZOOM SIGN UP or questions: Karen Dreher 864 888 2828 - <u>jkdreher@att.net</u>
Jean Mehlmen 864 944 5205 - <u>jmehlman43@gmail.com</u>



WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

If you are in the mood for some wonderful

Lutheran camaraderie and Bible Study on Wednesdays at 10:00 AM, please join us at this <u>link</u>. If you have technical questions, contact <u>Marty High</u>. If you have questions regarding the class, contact <u>John Wagner</u>.

We would love for you to join us!



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Come and join the adult Sunday school class that is meeting via Zoom! We are

starting a new quarterly study on the topic *Call in the New Testament* where we will examine God's call in stories found in the New Testament. There are some of the participant books available at the church, in the classroom (cry room) beside the sanctuary, if you'd like to pick one up. But, you do not have to prepare, just join in at 10 am on Sunday morning and we'll develop a broader and deeper understanding of God's call and an appreciation for the ways people respond positively to that call.

Join Zoom Meeting at 10 am Sunday.

https://gzest.zoom.us/j/96273872837?

pwd=RoVobW14aC9EN3FscENaeGxaRU02Zz09

Meeting ID: 962 7387 2837

Passcode: 865931



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

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 Sunday at 10 am until Dec 27th.

Join Zoom Meeting:

https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/81812001614? pwd=bmk5cEdmN1FkdGtONUtMQmpjeDJSQTo9

Meeting ID: 818 1200 1614

Passcode: SSK-12



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

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 ONGOING EVENTS

SUNDAY

Worship at 9 am on Facebook Live

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

Adult Bible Study, 10 am

Linda Holt lindaGTholt@bellsouth.net

"Call in the New Testament"

(Link to join at 10 am on Sunday in Adult Sunday School article above)

Youth Sunday School, 10 am

Mollie Barrow mbarrowjr@aol.com

(Link to join at 10 am on Sunday in Children's Sunday School article above)

First Sunday of Each Month 10:30 - 11 am Drive Up Communion
In church upper parking lot

MONDAY - SATURDAY

Morning Devotion "Jammies with Jesus" at 7:30 am on Facebook Live https://www.facebook.com/uniluclemson/

TUESDAY

Bible Study, 10 - 11:15 am

Karen Dreher jkdreher@att.net

"The Son of David"

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study, 10 am

Marty High marty@martyhigh.com

"The Book of Isaiah"

FRIDAY

Zoom Drop in with Renee & Pastor Jon, 5 - 6 pm

Drop in for a few minutes or hangout for the full hour.

Contact Pastor Jon pastorjon12@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

UNILU CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

UNILU PRAYER CONCERNS

PRAYER CONCERNS for University Lutheran Members, Family and Friends: Mike Strand, Alton Fanning; Brenda Monn's mom, Betty Lighty; Kenneth Cothran, Sr.; Sarah Heyer's family; Gregg Dupree; Marty Copenhaver & family; 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: Jim Vetter; Margaret Cox; Jan Fritz; Pastor Jon Heiliger.

PARISH INFORMATION

Click <u>HERE</u> for UniLu Calendar Click <u>HERE</u> for Prayer Fellowship List

LINKS

SC LUTHERAN MAGAZINE

<u>UNILU WEBSITE</u> • <u>LECTIONARY/READINGS</u>

<u>LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY</u> • <u>SC SYNOD</u>

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/

REMOTE CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

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

Abi can be reached during the above hours at: 864-722-5504 or unilusectetary@gmail.com

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.