



## UNILU NEWS & EVENTS

January 8, 2025



### FROM PASTOR JON

**Although difficult to detect since they are virtually without leaves and the stems blend beautifully with the mulch behind, we now have three new shrubs on the hill by the lower parking lot. And**

**these shrubs have a neat history; at least to me.**

**They originated in the Ringeisen's yard. Several years ago Carolyn & Rich were in the process of thinning them out and invited me to dig some up. Having never transplanted an oakleaf hydrangea I was more than willing to experiment. All five shrubs not only survived the move, they seemed to enjoy the new location in our yard. And now, a few years later, having**

begun to spread out they could be thinned once again, yielding three new shrubs. Nature's abundance; God's abundance.

When the Property Committee had the junipers removed from these slopes we began to envision what might take their place. The benefits of adding native plants and shrubs to a yard or landscape helps with building ecological diversity, not to mention that oakleaf hydrangeas have beautiful blooms in the spring, interesting leaves in the summer and stunning fall foliage. <https://hgic.clemson.edu/factsheet/hydrangea/>

God's peace & hope,

Pastor Jon



## **CELEBRATION OF PASTOR JON & RENEE HEILIGER'S MINISTRY**

**Please save the date, mark your calendar...**

**On Sunday January 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am  
(between services in the Fellowship Hall),**

**University Lutheran will be holding a special coffee hour to recognize Jon and Renee Heiliger for their twenty-four years of service and sacrifice to the Lutheran church. Twenty-eight years ago, this very close family of faith truly answered the call of God.**

**Jon gave up a very successful commercial career at mid-life, and moved to Columbia, SC to tackle four years seminary. To support their young family of four, Renee returned to work teaching. What a true act of faith!**

**And now after twenty-four years of ministry, he has decided to retire. This man and his wife have done so much for us as a congregation and friend, both professionally and personally. So please don't miss this opportunity to express your personal appreciation and gratitude for all their efforts over the last eight years.**

If you would like to help with refreshments, there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex.

## FLOWERS FOR OUR WORSHIP SPACE

The new pages for the coming year have now been placed in the flower book in the narthex so that you may sign up to donate flowers to beautify our worship space. You can sign up for one arrangement or for two arrangements. There is space on the sign-up pages for you to dedicate the flowers in honor or memory of someone.

There are two options for providing flowers on the date you have selected. One is to create an arrangement (or two) yourself, if that is something you like to do. The second option is to have your arrangement(s) done by Tiger Lily Flowers. The order for flowers is placed with Tiger Lily Flowers by our flower coordinator. Tiger Lily bills the church monthly for flowers that have been ordered, rather than bills sent to the individuals giving the flowers. When the Sunday approaches for which you have signed up, a check for payment for flowers should be made out to University Lutheran Church, with the word "Flowers" on the memo line. **The current cost for a beautiful arrangement done by Tiger Lily is \$48.15 which includes taxes and delivery fee. When two arrangements are ordered for a Sunday, the \$10.00 delivery fee is split between the two arrangements (\$43.15 for an arrangement.)**

Flower donors are invited to take their arrangements home following the 11 am worship service to be enjoyed at home or shared with family or friends. Flowers are in a removable container, so the outer pot remains at the church.

Thanks to all of you who have provided flowers in the past and who will do so for coming Sundays.

If you have any questions about providing flowers for worship, please contact Jan Fritz by email or phone at [janfritz52@charter.net](mailto:janfritz52@charter.net) or 864-630-4945.

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our adult Sunday School class meets at **10:00 am on Sundays** in the Fellowship Hall.

For the winter quarter of 2025 we will be using the curriculum *Hope in the Lord*. We will ponder what hope means in our lives and the mission of Christ's church in order to act with faith and love in our world. Through our study of God's word, Christ's Spirit strengthens us to be people who hope in the Lord. Such sturdy hope empowers us in mission.

The class is informal, and no preparation is needed so feel free to drop in any Sunday that you are able.

## Join us for TUESDAYS TOGETHER BIBLE STUDY

***TAKE COURAGE***

***A study of Haggai***

**DVD: Jennifer Rothschild**

**Haggai is an Old Testament book  
What does it have to say to us today?**

**Tuesdays 10:00am – Youth Room**

**Dec. 3 - Jan.28, 2025**

## NAMI FAMILY-TO-FAMILY EDUCATION PROGRAM

**FREE for \*family members and significant others**

**of an adult individual with:**

**Major Depression**

**Bipolar Disorder (Manic Depression)**

**Schizophrenia and Schizoaffective Disorder**

**Borderline Personality Disorder  
Panic Disorder and Obsessive Compulsive Disorder  
Post-traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)  
Co-occurring Brain Disorders and Addictive Disorders**

**A series of 8 sessions designed to help families understand and support their loved one while maintaining their own well-being. Participants improve their self-care and communication skills, learn problem-solving techniques, and how to advocate for their family member. The course is taught by a team of trained NAMI family member volunteers who, also, have loved ones affected by these brain disorders. You are not alone!**

**The course is FREE, and you will receive new materials each week.**

**Pre-registration is required.**

**Clemson, SC**

**February 16 - April 6, 2025**

**Every Sunday from 2:30 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.**

**Contact: Michelle Ready**

**864-882-5131 (landline- no texts)**

**[michelleready@hotmail.com](mailto:michelleready@hotmail.com)**

**\*For parents, spouse/significant other, siblings, or adult children of a person (age 17 or older) with a mental illness. Class size limited to 20 persons.**

**This NAMI Family-to-Family Education Program is sponsored and funded by NAMI SC and the NAMI Anderson-Oconee-Pickens affiliate.**

**[www.namiaop.org](http://www.namiaop.org)**

## **UNILU ONGOING EVENTS**

### **SUNDAY**

**Indoor Worship Services at 9 am & 11 am**

**Facebook Live Worship Service at 9 am**

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

Preschool, Youth & Adult Sunday School, 10:00 am

Renee Heiliger (Preschool) [rch719@gmail.com](mailto:rch719@gmail.com)

Molly Parkhill (K - Grade 5) [parkhill.molly@gmail.com](mailto:parkhill.molly@gmail.com)

Sam & Elena Plonk (Middle & High School) [samplonk@hotmail.com](mailto:samplonk@hotmail.com)

Linda Holt (Adult) [lindagtholt@bellsouth.net](mailto:lindagtholt@bellsouth.net)

Children's Choir 10:45 am - 11:15 am

## MONDAY - SATURDAY

Morning Devotion *Jammies with Jesus* at 7:30 am on Facebook Live

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

## TUESDAY

*Tuesdays Together* Bible Study 10 am

Jean Mehlman: [jmehlman43@gmail.com](mailto:jmehlman43@gmail.com)

Karen Dreher: [jadreher@att.net](mailto:jadreher@att.net)

## WEDNESDAY

Bible Study at 10 am

Choir Practice 5:30 pm

Bell Choir Practice at 6:30 pm

## UNILU CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

### UNILU PRAYER CONCERNS

PRAYER CONCERNS for University Lutheran Members, Family and Friends:  
Marilyn Bull, Russell Brown, John Broadwell, Jackson Flanigan, Larry Reamer,  
Alton Fanning, Scott Crane, Gregg Dupree, Gail Paul, Pat Wagner, Rosalyn  
Flanigan & Family, Tony Quesada, Joyce Lillehamer, Mona, Jean Erskine, Chris,  
Elise (Smith) White.

### UNILU CELEBRATIONS

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS this coming week: Marie Lynn, Herm Spitzer

## PARISH INFORMATION

### MISS A SERVICE?

The recorded church sermons, audio and video,  
are posted weekly to the website: [www.uniluclemson.org](http://www.uniluclemson.org) and to the  
University Lutheran Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/uniluclemson/>

### REMOTE CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday & Wednesday 7 am–3:30 pm

Friday 7 am - 12 noon

Abi can be reached during the above hours at **864-280-5605**

or [unilusecretary@gmail.com](mailto:unilusecretary@gmail.com)

### ONSITE CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday 9 am to 1 pm. Other days by appointment.

### EMAIL ADDRESSES

Pastor Jon Heiliger, Parish Pastor: [pastorjon12@gmail.com](mailto:pastorjon12@gmail.com)

Pastor Josh Kestner, Campus Ministry Pastor: [jkestner@gmail.com](mailto:jkestner@gmail.com)

Abi Donhauser, Office Administrator: [unilusecretary@gmail.com](mailto:unilusecretary@gmail.com)

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[ELCA GOOD GIFTS](#)

**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.***

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