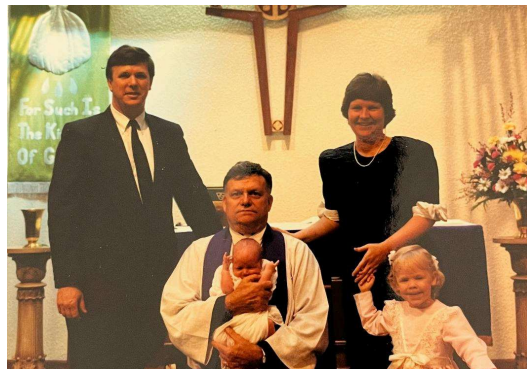




UNILU NEWS & EVENTS
February 26, 2025



FROM PASTOR JOSH

Tonight, our students and I are going to talk about baptism. I asked them to bring some photos of themselves at their own baptisms if they've got them.

The hope is that we can root ourselves in the promises of baptism as we journey into the season of Lent together.

Baptism reminds us of God's grace and unconditional love in our lives. It also reminds us that we depend on God because our own lives are fragile and inconsistent. Perhaps you want to think back to your own baptisms, too. Or the baptisms you've seen over the years. Then, as we gather for Ash Wednesday and the following weeks of Lenten focus, we'll find ways to center ourselves on the God who meets us at the font.

ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5th

Ash & Dash on campus at Library Bridge, 11:00 am -1:00 pm

Imposition of Ashes in the Narthex at UniLu, 4:30 pm—5:30 pm

Dinner in Fellowship Hall, 6:00 pm

Ash Wednesday Worship in Sanctuary, 7:00 pm

LENTEN DEVOTION CONTRIBUTORS NEEDED

This year during the 40 days of lent we would like to offer a devotional booklet written by our members that would contain meditations on our theme: “For the Beauty of the Earth.”

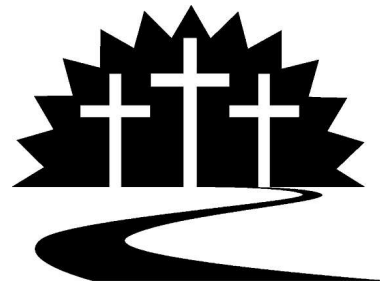
Members and friends of University Lutheran are asked to submit possible devotions (150 words or less) by March 4, 2025 focusing on the theme of nature and how you love the earth (or a part of creation).

Submit your devotion, story, poem, picture, or drawing to Pastor Josh at [jkkestner@gmail.com](mailto:jkestner@gmail.com).

LENTEN MEALS

The Hospitality Committee is organizing meals for the congregation to enjoy before our Lenten services next month. The dates this year are **March 5, 12, 19, and 26, and April 2 and 9**. We are suggesting soup and salad or bread, and an easy dessert like cookies, something simple to fix and clean up. There is a **sign-up sheet in the narthex for those who are interested**.

If you have any questions, contact David Foster at **864-373-4798**.



THE ROAD TO THE CROSS

Good Friday, April 18

University Lutheran Church

5:30-6:45pm (just before 7 pm service)

Please join us for a journey of Jesus' last days on earth. Through scripture, a hands-on activity geared for children aged 2 to 92, and prayer, you will have a better understanding of what Jesus went through for us. You will walk through this experience as a family, sharing quality learning time together.

If you are alone, we will be happy to group you with others if you like. It takes approximately 40 minutes to complete the nine stations, so come any time during the time listed above.

Please make this program a priority and invite friends and neighbors to join us!

Sign up for a time in the Narthex or contact Judy Aikens at

jbaikens57@gmail.com.

A light supper will be provided before or after your journey.

YARD WORK THANK YOU!

The Property Committee wishes to acknowledge the overwhelming support of the community by preparing the property for participating in the Landscaping Weekend Project 2025.

Because of the overwhelming response, we were able to finish preparation on February 15th, with the following members of the community: John Dreher, John Fulmer, and Keith Rockow.

Then we completed a 2-day schedule in only one day, February 21: Jean Askew, Greg Bauld, Gary and Barbara Caruso, Lon Carlson, John Dreher, Brenda and Robbie Harrell, Lena and Jim Jones, Pastor Josh, Susan and Dwayne Lusk, Carol Miller, Keith Rockow, Lynn and Angie Tortora. In the process on the 21st, an education student, by the name of Gavin, asked if he could join us while he was returning from his classes, and participated until the conclusion of the project, reflecting the power of community participation and its impact on those who witness it in action.

It's amazing how God works through us. Thank you all!

OPERATION IN AS MUCH

"In as much as you did it for the least of these, you did it for me".

Mark your calendars: Come all of every age!

Sunday, March 30 after the 11:00 service we will have a light lunch followed by various projects including: Shanklin Sams cleanup followed by weeding around the church (if time), Scrub Hats, Easter crafts for youth to make for residents of Clemson Downs.

Come eat and stay as long as you can!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Mistakes Christians Make about Jews

On Sunday **March 2 and 9 we'll be looking at some of the stories of Jesus as he approaches Jerusalem for the crucifixion specifically talking about typical misunderstandings Christians have about Jews. Eunice Lehmacher will lead the discussion based on a lecture by Dr. AJ Levine who is the Distinguished Professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies at Hartford International University for Religion and Peace.**

Class starts after early service finishes and ends at 10:45am. Come for a fresh perspective on some familiar new testament stories. Class is discussion oriented and no previous Biblical knowledge is required or expected.

Join us for TUESDAYS TOGETHER BIBLE STUDY

JESUS AND WOMEN

DVD: Krisi McLelland

Join biblical culturalist Kristi as she takes you back to Jesus' first-century world, explaining

the historical and culture climate of His day.

What does it have to say to us today?

Tuesdays 10:00am – Youth Room

Feb. 4 – March 18, 2025

No need to sign up - join us anytime.

Questions: Jean Mehlman: jmehlman43@gmail.com

Karen Dreher: jadreher@att.net

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

Sam & Elena Plonk (Youth, Middle & High School) samplonk@hotmail.com

Linda Holt (Adult) lindagtholt@bellsouth.net

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

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY

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

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

TUESDAY

Tuesdays Together Bible Study 10 am

Jean Mehlman: jmehlman43@gmail.com

Karen Dreher: 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:
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: Dan Shonka, Rachel Quesada.

PARISH INFORMATION

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 & 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

ONSITE CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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

EMAIL ADDRESSES

Pastor Josh Kestner, Campus Ministry Pastor: jkestner@gmail.com

Abi Donhauser, Office Administrator: unilusecretary@gmail.com

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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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