

# UNILU NEWS & EVENTS March 12, 2025



#### FROM PASTOR JOSH

A few students and I are headed to Virginia for spring break to serve with Appalachia Service Project. It's an organization that helps to repair homes so that they are "warmer, safer, and drier" for the families who live there.

I'll be gone right after church Sunday, March 16 through about noon on March 22. I'll look forward to sharing some stories when I get back. In the meantime, I've arranged for a few pastors in the area to be on call for any emergencies that arise. I'll list their names and numbers below, along with the dates they're available.

Pastor Sean Miller-Perez (864-859-0639) from St. Matthias Lutheran in Easley will be available Sunday afternoon through Tuesday (March 16-18).

Pastor Rachel Connelly (910-515-0897) from St. John's Lutheran in Walhalla will be available Wednesday-Saturday (March 19-22).

And Mother Suz Cate (864-364-1592) from Holy Trinity Episcopal in Clemson is available most of the week as well, Sunday-Thursday (March 16-20).

Preludes will be offered before announcements instead of after.

This plan will begin in Lent at both services.

#### **LENTEN MEALS**

The Fellowship Committee is organizing meals for the congregation to enjoy before our Lenten services next month. The dates this year are March 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 signup sheet in the narthex for those who are interested.

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



**GOD'S GLOBAL BARNYARD** 

#### LENTEN OFFERING

March 5 - April 20 (EASTER)

Save your coins and help purchase barnyard gifts such as: sheep, fish, cows, pigs, goats, honeybees and oxen.

These gifts make a world of difference for a family in need.

Barnyard coin boxes are available in the Narthex.

You may also give by check through the church (memo: God's Global Barnyard) or give directly to ELCA Good Gifts.

**Questions: Karen Dreher** 



#### FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

Each Wednesday night during Lent, UniLu's new sustainably committee will host a display in the narthex to highlight ways we can protect the earth.

This week you'll see ways to reduce waste. We'll be displaying ways that you can reuse items that you often throw out or recycle. Do you know how you

could re-use something so as to avoid buying paper towels, plastic bottles, plastic ware, watering cans, trash bags, ziplock bags, and pots for planting? Share your ideas for re-use as well.

Each Wednesday night table will also include give-aways. Can't make it Wednesday? We'll repeat the table on Sundays between services and after late service. Interested in joining the sustainability committee? Contact Annette Godsey or Eunice Lehmacher.

**OPERATION IN AS MUCH** 

## OPERATION IN AS MUCH: March 30 after 11:00 Service We need you! Its only two weeks away! Mark it on your calendar!

We have an exciting afternoon planned:

LUNCH (Karen and Susan always feed us well!)

Then - you can participate in one or more of the following:

Clean-up at Shanklin Sam's

String Scrub hats and cut circles

Pack Birthday Bags for CCC

Easter Crafts for our residents at Clemson Downs (geared to youth - but all can help)

If you want to donate for this event - we are in need of the following:

Fabric for the scrub hats - 1/2 yard increments

Items to make complete birthday bag:

- 1 box of cake mix
- 1 12 oz. can of soda (Sprite)
- 1 can of frosting
- 1 tube of sprinkles
- 1 package of birthday candles
- 1 13 x 9 disposable baking pan

Package of small paper birthday plates (optional)

1 whisk (optional)

All items can be placed in a 2-gallon zip lock bag - or we will do this on the 30th.

Come and enjoy an afternoon of service!



#### WELCA SPRING FOOTHILLS CONFERENCE MEETING

Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Immanuel Lutheran Church, Greenwood

The WELCA women's group of University Lutheran will be attending the Spring Foothills Conference meeting scheduled for Saturday, April 5th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Greenwood. A light lunch will be served. All are invited to attend.

The guest speaker will be Mrs. Mary Ann Stroup, Coordinator of Immanuel's Children. This nonprofit organization's mission is to work in conjunction with the local school District 50 to identify children struggling with food and/or housing insecurity. Once identified, various local organizations come together to assist in providing food and housing needs to these children in a dignified and confidential manner so that they can learn and grow in a safe, secure and healthy environment.

We will be carpooling from the church leaving at 7:15 am.

Please RSVP By Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup> to Lena Jones at lena.m.jones@nctv.com.





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.

Alight supper will be provided before or after your journey.

CHURCH NURSERY REFRESHING

Our Church Nursery needs a little refreshing. Are you interested in helping

to sort toys, put up curtain, something for the walls or have suggestions?

Thank you to those that worked to get a new floor and painted walls!

Please contact: Karen Dreher jadreher@att.net

Interior decorating in not one of my gifts so I can use all the help I can get.

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
<a href="https://www.facebook.com/uniluclemson/">https://www.facebook.com/uniluclemson/</a>

Preschool, Youth & Adult Sunday School 10:00 am

Sam & Elena Plonk (Youth, Middle & High School) <a href="mailto:samplonk@hotmail.com">samplonk@hotmail.com</a>

Linda Holt (Adult) <a href="mailto:lindagtholt@bellsouth.net">lindagtholt@bellsouth.net</a>

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

#### MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY

Morning Devotion *Jammies with Jesus* about 7:30 am on Facebook Live <a href="https://www.facebook.com/uniluclemson/">https://www.facebook.com/uniluclemson/</a>

#### **TUESDAY**

Tuesdays Together Bible Study 10 am

Jean Mehlman: <a href="mailto:jmehlman43@gmail.com">jmehlman43@gmail.com</a>

Karen Dreher: jadreher@att.net

#### WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 10 am
Choir Practice 5:15 pm
Lenten Supper 6 pm
Lenten Worship 7 pm

## **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: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/uniluclemson/">https://www.facebook.com/uniluclemson/</a>

#### 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 <u>unilusecretary@gmail.com</u>

#### **ONSITE CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

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

#### **EMAIL ADDRESSES**

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

Abi Donhauser, Office Administrator: unilusecretary@gmail.com

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

#### LINKS

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UNILU WEBSITE • LECTIONARY/READINGS

LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY • SC SYNOD

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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