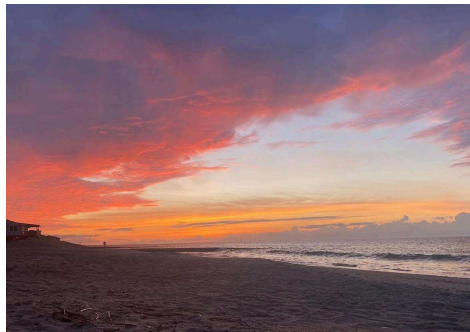




**UNILU NEWS & EVENTS**  
**April 9, 2025**



**FROM PASTOR JOSH**

The stories we'll hear during Holy Week are familiar ones: Jesus riding into Jerusalem on a donkey as the crowds lay their palms on the ground, the intimacy of the Last Supper, the excruciating details of the crucifixion, the mystery of what happens in the tomb, the overwhelming joy of the resurrection.

Each of these stories invites us to examine our relationship with Jesus, and they each act as a window into who Jesus is in his life, death, and resurrection.

Who, then, is Jesus for you? What does your relationship with Jesus mean for you? How does it affect the way that you live your life? And how are we, as a community of faith, called to respond to what we hear in the week ahead?

**THIS SUNDAY, Palm Sunday, immediately after the 11:00 service, you are invited to join us to celebrate Tiffany and her impending bundle of joy in the fellowship hall. There will be light refreshments and a time to show our support for them.**

**FRIDAY from 4:00-6:00 p.m. the students from Habitat for Humanity at Clemson will be using the lower parking lot for an event. If you need to park at church during that time, please park as you're able in the nine parking spots that we have in the upstairs lot on Sloan Street (in the back, along the fence). If you need to park downstairs, just let them know you're with the church.**



## **LILIES FOR EASTER**

**The last day for placing your request is TODAY, WEDNESDAY, April 9th!**

**The glory of white lilies adorning the sanctuary is a welcomed worship experience for Easter morning. If you would like to honor someone or remember someone with a lily in the sanctuary, please place an order by completing the information on one of the envelopes to be found on the table in the narthex and enclose \$25 in cash or check (made out to University Lutheran Church, and “lily” on the memo line.) You can also contact Jan Fritz ([janfritz52@charter.net](mailto:janfritz52@charter.net)) to place an order.**

Flowers will be in the sanctuary for worship on Easter Sunday, April 20th. After the 11 am service, you are welcome to pick up your flower(s) to enjoy in your home and then plant in your garden.

### **FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH...**

Eating local foods not only gives you foods that taste better, buying local products helps support the local economy (allowing your purchases to help community members near you). And it protects the earth (by decreasing the cost of transporting so much food from California, South America, Europe, etc.). Although locally grown food often costs more, the better taste makes it worthwhile. There's nothing like a fresh lettuce, tomato, peach, or pepper that hasn't traveled long distances to get to market! This week, we'll be providing samples of some local foods, breads, and products along with information about nearby farmers markets which will open soon.

Here's some information about community-sponsored markets in our area. There are also many other commercial vendors in our area that feature fresh produce, as well as a variety of locally made baked goods, homemade jams and jellies, etc.

For more markets in SC check out the SC Department of Agriculture by clicking on [Where to Buy Local - South Carolina Department of Agriculture](#). If you use Facebook, many markets have information pages with current information about available products. These include commercial operations, as well as community-sponsored markets.

[Clemson Area Food Exchange](#) (open for orders year-round, pick up in 9 locations on Tuesdays including Clemson, Anderson, Easley, Fair Play, Walhalla, Seneca, Salem, Long Creek, and Pickens.

#### [Clemson Farmer's Market](#)

[578 Issaqueena Trail, Patrick Square](#)

Opening: Wednesday May 7 3:30 PM

### **Central Produce and Craft Market**

**Located at Tiger Valley Farm and Market**

**703 W Main Street, Central**

**\*produce also available at Clemson Farmer's Market**

**<https://www.tigervalleyfarm.com/> \*check website for store hours**

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

### **Foothills Heritage Market (Seneca)**

**2063 Sandifer Blvd, Seneca**

**Open Saturdays 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM; April 26 – Oct. 11, 2025**

### **Foothills Heritage Market (Westminster)**

**178 Hayfield Rd. Westminster, SC**

**Saturdays 8:00 AM until Noon**

### **Anderson**

**402 North Murray Ave. Anders,**

**Craft Market open in May Saturdays only 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

**June through November, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

### **Walhalla**

**Now open! Mondays 7 to 10 AM and Thursdays 4 to 7 PM**

**Located on Main Street**

**Interested in joining the sustainability committee? Contact Annette Godsey or Eunice Lehmacher.**

## **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - APRIL 27**

**We have two congregational meetings each year - one in December and one in April. Plan to meet in the Sanctuary between services on **April 27, about 10:00a.** We'll approve the Annual Report, talk about the year ahead, and**

come together around our hopes for the congregation. You can read the 2024 Annual Report by clicking the button below.

## 2024 Annual Report

### MOVIE SUGGESTION FOR LENT

Many folks may not have heard of the movie “The Shack”; a 2017 American drama film based on the 2007 novel of the same name. After suffering a family tragedy, Mack Phillips spirals into a deep depression that causes him to question his innermost beliefs. Facing a crisis of faith, he receives a mysterious, personal invitation to meet with God at “The Shack.” This invitation will bring him face to face with God, where God's manifestations appear in nontraditional forms. The film deals with some deep spiritual issues about the nature of God and in particular about sacrificial love, making it very appropriate for the Lenten Season. Of course some predictable clichés are thrown in; and there is a surprise ending. The theology presented may not be completely ‘Lutheran’; but it will make you think about spiritual things more deeply – which after all is the main point of Lent.

“The Shack” is available on Netflix and probably on a lot of other streaming services as well.



## LCM Helpers



Have a project or a need?  
Students are here to help! Fill out this form if you're looking for some help with delivering groceries, yard work, babysitting, etc.

<https://forms.gle/KMdbE5mjoUdFgA1P9>

The students are ready to help! Fill out a form [HERE](#) to let them know what projects they might be able to help with.

If you have any questions, contact Pastor Josh!



## CLEMSON COMMUNITY CARE FACTS

- In 2024, CCC distributed 341,241 pounds of food.
- The average food distributed per day is 1,600 pounds.
- Food is valued at \$1.97 per pound.
- \$154,299 was spent by CCC in 2024 to assist our neighbors with rent payments and \$86,475 on power and water bill assistance.
- CCC sees an average of 18-20 clients each day.

CCC also assists with school supplies, holiday food, holiday gift assistance and home repairs.

We serve Central, Clemson, and Pendleton residents. None of this can be provided without the continued support of churches and individuals in the Clemson area.

Grocery bags are available in the narthex with current pantry needs list attached. Please consider taking one and return it filled for distribution to CCC.

**Food needs: Canned meat/fish, Shelf stable milk, Dry beans, Pork and beans,**

**Fruit, Soup, Mixed vegetables, Toiletries**

Any in date, non-perishable items are appreciated and needed. Pantry is very low.

If you wish to donate financially, please visit the Clemson Community Care website for instructions to mail a check or donate online.

[www.clemsoncommunitycare.org](http://www.clemsoncommunitycare.org)

**Thank you to University Lutheran Church for your continued support of  
CCC enabling us to serve our neighbors in need!**

## **University Lutheran Women's Group Lunch**

The WELCA women's group of University Lutheran will be meeting on **Monday, April 28th at 12:00 pm** at SunnySide Cafe, located in Patrick Square at 101 Market St, Clemson for fellowship and lunch.

**Please RSVP no later than Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> to Lena Jones at [lena.m.jones@nctv.com](mailto:lena.m.jones@nctv.com) or text to (864) 425-2622. Her contact information can be found on online Church Directory. A sign up sheet is also available in the Narthex.**

*ALL Ladies are Welcome to Join!*

## **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**



## **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](mailto:jbaikens57@gmail.com).**

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





Bouncy House



Balloon Artist

# Unity In All Communities

APRIL  
26

FREE | FOOD | DRINKS | FUN | GAMES

1:30PM  
6:30PM

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Abel Baptist Church  
150 Abel Church Road, Clemson, SC 29631



## WOMEN'S CLOTHING EXCHANGE

Women of the church, come join us for our first annual Women's Clothing Exchange on **Sunday, April 27 at 3:30 pm in the fellowship hall.** Women of all ages and sizes are invited. Bring clothing, shoes, or accessories that you no longer wear but are still in good condition and leave with preloved items. Drop in any time before 5:00 pm. Please bring a friend. The more that come, the better the variety! Questions? Contact Eunice Lehmacher ([eunicerkl@gmail.com](mailto:eunicerkl@gmail.com)) or Allison Unda ([allisuperestrella@gmail.com](mailto:allisuperestrella@gmail.com)).

## LUTHERIDGE CAMP 2025

(Arden, N.C. 95-minute drive from Clemson)

Lutheridge has a variety of camps for all ages. Discover the programs and facilities by looking up Lutheridge Summer Camps on the internet.

Information also posted on the Narthex Bulletin Board. **University Lutheran Church has funds set aside to cover the cost of this great summer camp for**

anyone that would like to attend. If you are interested contact Pastor Josh or Karen Dreher at [jadreher@att.net](mailto: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](mailto:samplonk@hotmail.com)

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

### WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 10 am

Choir Practice 5:15 pm

Lenten Supper 6 pm

Lenten Worship 7 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: Jean Askew, Sarah Hood, Becky Spray, Cloe Shields

**CELEBRATING WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES** this coming Week: Frank & Susan Boatwright

## 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 Josh Kestner, Pastor: [jkkestner@gmail.com](mailto:jkkestner@gmail.com)

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

Click [HERE](#) for UniLu Calendar

Click [HERE](#) for Prayer Fellowship List

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## 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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