



UNILU NEWS & EVENTS
July 23, 2025

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

VOTE FOR CAMPUS PASTOR CALL

This past Sunday, July 20, the congregation had a chance to meet Rev. Megan Boatwright, the primary candidate for the next Campus Pastor. We are sending this notice to you that there is a congregational meeting scheduled for **Sunday, August 10 at 10:00 a.m. between worship services in the Sanctuary. The primary candidate must be affirmed by a two-thirds majority at a minimum and the compensation package by a simple majority.**

If you have any questions between now and then, please be in touch with Pastor Josh or the Council President, Stephen Avery. If transportation is an issue, please contact Pastor Josh or a member of the Congregational Council.



PASTOR MEGAN'S BIO

HAPPENING THIS SUNDAY, JULY 27

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

July 27 at 10:00 we will be packing backpacks for Lutheran World Relief. Please come to the Fellowship hall to join in the fun! **Also at each service** we will have the Blessing of the Backpacks. Please bring your backpack with you to service!

END OF SUMMER BASH AT BIGGERSTAFF

July 27, 4-7:00 pm at Biggerstaff. St John's Lutheran in Walhalla is hosting a fun and festive event at the lake before kids head back to school. Many of our young ones who went to Day Camp at Biggerstaff in June might be interested!



LCM UPDATES

HELP WITH HOME PROJECT IN VA



LCM President, David Smith, has a request! He's back with Appalachia Service Project this summer and he's asking for some generous folks to help them with a heat pump project. You can donate via [THIS LINK](#). Make sure to select "VA Wise (Wise)" for the center when filling out the form.

LCM SUMMER NEWSLETTER

This summer's [LCM Newsletter](#) is out! It may be in your mailbox soon. If you're not on the mailing list, let Pastor Josh know and he'll change that. There are a few hard copies in the Narthex, too!



Summer 2025

Important Dates:

May 2-8 —
End of the year beach trip
to Edisto Beach, SC

June 23-27 —
LuMin Annual Staff Confer-
ence in St. Louis

August 20 —
First Day of Class, First
Wednesday Night Dinner

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Congregational Connections

One of the things that sets campus ministries apart from other areas of the Church is its embrace of **change**. Things are always changing in campus ministry. Students are only here for a handful of years. Every year older students graduate and new students begin their academic careers. Every semester students have different schedules and availability. Campus ministries embrace the reality of change and consistently adapt to new people and new things.

Every summer, we anticipate change. There are bittersweet goodbyes. There are summer jobs and adventures that offer new inspiration for the year ahead. There are freshmen who show up at various points of the summer for orientation or early starts.

This year, though, there is more change than usual! We are right in the middle of a transition in pastoral leadership.



Back in January, University Lutheran's Parish Pastor Jon Heiliger retired from ministry. We sent Pastor Jon with a farewell and a bundle of gratitude for all that he's done for and with UniLu and LCM. In February, the congregation voted to call me as the next Parish Pastor. **And that sent us into a period of discernment and a call process for a new Campus Pastor.**

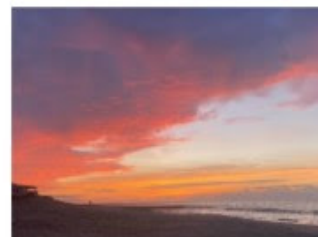
The call committee has been busy all summer with interviews and difficult, meaningful conversations. We are hopeful that there will be news to share in the next couple of months. But in the meantime, please say some prayers for the future of this ministry!

We're excited, even in the midst of some uncertainty. But the days ahead are sure to be full of food, faith, and friendships—just as they have for decades before now. The legacy of this campus ministry is strong, and it is with confidence that we step into this time of transition. No matter what, this will always be a community that lives into the ideals that Paul writes about in his letter to the Colossians: "Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience."

Thank you for your love and support! God bless y'all!

Peace,

Pastor Josh



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

SC WELCA PROJECT

For this year's SC WELCA Convention, the local WELCA units have been asked to support the Lutheran World Relief Fabric Kits Project. If you are interested in contributing to this project, please bring the following items to UniLu. A collection box has been placed in the narthex.

Items needed:

- **Two spools of neutral-colored, general-purpose thread**
- **Two pieces of cotton or cotton-blend fabric (each piece should be 3 yards of 44" or wider fabric)**

***Please do not donate fabric with any religious symbols or messages or fabric decorated with U.S. flag, patriotic or references to armed forces.**

ASTRALIS CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

AUGUST 11, 2025

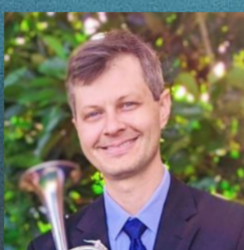
CAMPUS EDGE CONCERTS AT
SAINT ANDREW CATHOLIC CHURCH
FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

7:30^{PM} 209 Sloan St
Clemson, SC 29631

Angela Massey **FLUTE**



Kris Marshall **TRUMPET**



Li Shan Tan **HARP**



FANTASIA OF THE ISLES

The award-winning musicians of the Astralis Chamber Ensemble, Angela Massey (flute), Kris Marshall (trumpet), and Li Shan Tan (harp) present "Fantasia of the Isles." The program will include two works written for the ensemble that have become audience favorites by Beeftink and LaMotte. Concert will also include a beautiful Irish fantasy by Harty and a work by Kerschek featuring a colorful array of mutes and sounds for the trumpet. Join us for a magical evening of music with the Astralis Chamber Ensemble.

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/>

WEDNESDAY

Choir Practice 5:30 pm

Bell Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm

UNILU CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

UNILU PRAYER CONCERNS

PRAYER CONCERNS for University Lutheran Members, Family and Friends:

Cindy Donnan & family, John Wagner, 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: Mark Smith, Logan Barrow, Tamie Herin, Abby Dedecker.

CELEBRATING WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES this coming week: Tony & Rachel Quesada, Kerry & Cheryl Smith.

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.

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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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