



UNILU NEWS & EVENTS February 11, 2026

FROM PASTOR JOSH

Do you usually do something to recognize the season of Lent every year? Do you fast from something to try to make more room for God? Do you take on a new habit to try to be more intentional about your faith? Do you have a certain devotion book that you turn to each day?

Next week we'll jump into a new rhythm of church life together. We'll have a **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner & Bingo on Tuesday, Feb. 17**. We'll worship together for **Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18**. We'll begin our weekly **Midweek Lent Dinner & Worship on Wednesday, Feb. 25 through March 25**. Check out that schedule below and be on the lookout for other opportunities to lean into the liturgy of Lent together.



LOOKING AHEAD TO LENT

We're just a week away from the season of Lent. How can we lean into an intentional season of contemplation and prayer? How can we grow closer to God and to one another during Lent?

As we inch towards the season, **keep these events** in mind:

- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner & Bingo - Tuesday, February 17 - 6:00 p.m.
- Ash Wednesday - Wednesday, February 18 - 4:30-6:00 p.m. Drop-In Ashes - 7:00 p.m. Worship
- Midweek Lent Dinner & Worship - Wednesdays Feb. 25-Mar. 25 - 6:00 Dinner, 7:00 p.m. Worship



SOUPE BOWL OF CARING - Thru February

Let's celebrate last week's game by showing some generosity. **We're spending the month of February raising money and collecting donations for CCC. Food**

and other goods can be placed in the basket in the Gathering Area. And put your coins and cash in the big pot on the table!



GETTING INVOLVED AT UNILU

Fill out this Time & Talent form to see what kinds of things you might jump into this year at church. There is also room for some brainstorming if you have ideas for the congregation & community, too! We'll start compiling results in February and try to get you connected!

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JEAN MEHLMAN'S NEW CONTACT INFORMATION

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GOD'S GLOBAL BARNYARD
LENTON OFFERING 2026
FEBRUARY 19 – APRIL 5 (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

CHURCH YARD WORKDAY

We need lots of help - please come!

We have a beautiful Church yard that needs many hands (whatever little you can do) to prepare for another year.

Friday, February 20: 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

Saturday, February 21: 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

Bring your own tools and gloves. Wheelbarrows and weed whackers needed.

We will be weeding, trimming, spreading mulch and other yard work.

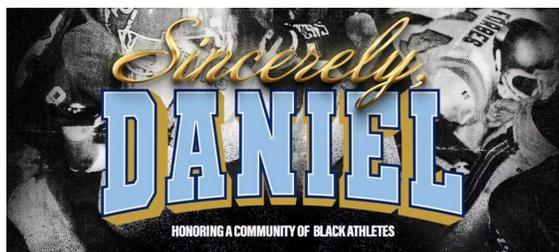
Thank You!

Questions, Jim Keogh



TABLE TALK at KITE HILL BREWING - Monday, 2/16

Our monthly conversation group will meet on **Monday, February 16 at 6:30 p.m.** at Kite Hill Brewing. We'll lean into the season of Lent a bit, and we'll talk about where we hold onto faith in the midst of our mortality. Most importantly, we'll have some time together with friends! Food and beverages are available for purchase at the bar. Come on out!



SINCERELY, DANIEL EXHIBIT AT CAAAM

Black History Month is a great time to visit the "Sincerely, Daniel" Exhibit at the Clemson Area African American Museum. It's an opportunity to learn more about the black athletes in Daniel High School's history.

Let's get a group together to visit the museum on **Sunday, Feb. 22, at about 2:00 p.m.** Admission is free on Sundays. But talk to Pastor Josh if you'd like to join so

that we can get a head count!

Join us for TUESDAYS TOGETHER BIBLE STUDY
“LUKE IN THE LAND”

GOSPEL OF LUKE: Walking with Jesus in His First Century World.

Video by Kristi Mclelland

“Luke in the Land” study book is available if you want one.

Let Karen Dreher know if you want a Study Book ordered for you. Or you can order your own. (Amazon or Christian Book.com)

jadreher@att.net

Tuesdays 10:00 am – Youth Room

January 20 - March 10, 2026

No need to sign up - join us anytime!

Questions: Karen Dreher jadreher@att.net

WEDNESDAY NOON BIBLE STUDY

We meet in the "Cry Room" in the Sanctuary building at **NOON on Wednesdays. You can bring a lunch or just bring a Bible. We'll have the coffee on! And we'll settle into a Lent-Themed Bible Study during Lent!**

MEN'S MINISTRY - BREAKFAST & BOOK STUDY

Starting **Feb. 24, 8:00 a.m.**

at Dimas Bros. Cafe in Seneca

Contact Dave Schneck if you're interested or have questions!

david.schneck58@gmail.com OR 727.422.7542

Starting in February, the men's ministry will be embarking on a book study with the book "The True Measure of a Man" by Richard E Simmons III. The goal will be to read two chapters each month, answer 3-4 reflection questions for each chapter, and be ready to share at the men's ministry breakfast that meets each month (usually the 4th Tuesday).

You don't have to attend the breakfast to be a part of this study. You can do a self-study, or if enough men are interested, we can explore a separate time each month to meet and share together.

If you are interested in obtaining the book and joining in the study, and for more information email Dave Schneck at David.schneck58@gmail.com. You can also call or text Dave at 727.422.7542

SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

Between our 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship services on Sundays, we have learning opportunities for all ages! Remember that **Children's Choir rehearses at 10:45 a.m. every Sunday** in the WALK Classroom in the Education Building.

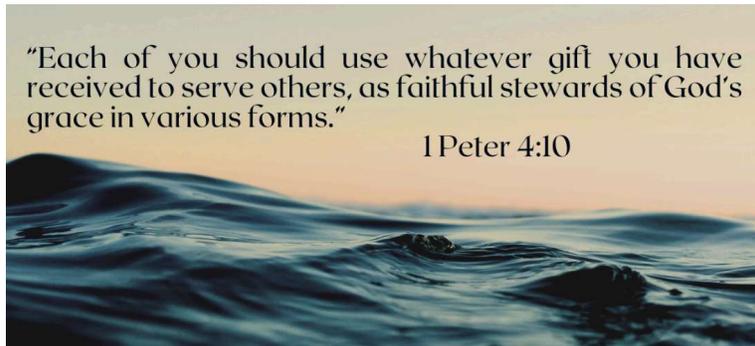
ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS *in the Fellowship Hall.*

Join a group of adults of all ages as we explore a new Bible study series, *Together by Grace*. These studies are built around the goals of encouraging participants to:

- Read and explore the Bible together, whether they are new to the Christian faith or long-time Bible study attendees.
- Build relationships with others in the congregation and community.
- Respond to God's grace by loving and serving God and neighbors in the congregation, community, and world.

PARENTS' CLASSES

Parents of kids of any age are invited to join us on **February 22 at 10am**. Our **topic is - Parenting as Radical Hope**. We meet in the cry room. Parents of under 2-year-olds are invited to bring their baby along to class. We'll also share ideas for continuing our parenting class in the spring.



SPRING FOOTHILLS CONFERENCE GATHERING

Saturday, March 14th, 2026

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

University Lutheran Church

111 Sloan St., Clemson, SC 29631

University Lutheran WELCA Women's Group is pleased to host the Spring Conference for the Foothills Region on **Saturday, March 14th, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Registration starts at 9:30 am. A light lunch will be served.

Our guest speaker will be from *Ripple of One*, an organization that empowers families and young adults to move beyond the need for public assistance and into their full God-given potential. Ripple's vision is to transform poverty into generational success one client at a time, and to walk alongside their clients by providing them with emotional, educational, and financial support. Please join us as we gather to celebrate and act boldly on our faith in Jesus Christ. ALL ladies are invited. No need to be a member of WELCA to attend!

If interested feel free to text Lena Jones at (864) 425-2622 or email lena.m.jones@nctv.com.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

LCM HELPERS

Need a pet sitter? Babysitter? Yard work done? Anything else? Our LCM students would love to help! Please fill out the form [HERE](#) and they'll be in touch. This is volunteer work—but if you'd like to offer payment, any funds received will go directly towards their fees for LCM retreats and trips.

UNILU SUNDAY EVENTS

SUNDAY

Worship Services at 9 am & 11 am

Livestream Worship Service at 9 am

[UniLu Youtube Channel](#)

(look for the LIVE tab to watch live, or find videos posted later, t00)

Sunday School for All Ages 10:00 am

Sam & Elena Plonk (Children & Youth) samplonk@hotmail.com

Linda Holt (Adult) lindagtholt@bellsouth.net

Children's Choir, 10:45 am - 11:05 am; Deanna Sellnow dsellno@clemson.edu

UNILU PRAYERS

WE ARE PRAYING FOR...

UniLu Family

Heather Edge & Family, Bishop Ginny Aebischer, Penny Booher,
John Broadwell, Ann Brown, Roger Brown, Rosalyn Flanigan, Martha Harris,
Ned Johnson, Joyce Lillehammer, Gail Paul, Tony Quesada, Larry Reamer,
John Wagner, Pat Wagner, Jessica Wiltgen

Extended Family & Friends

Tom Healy, Nancy Carlson, Rose Angela Bennett, Russell Brown,
Duke Brunetti & family, Marge Butler, Scott Crane, James DeLoach,
Gregg Dupree, Jean Erskine, Alton Fanning, Jackson Flanigan, Kathy Francis,
Barbara Lemcke, Marilee Long, Billie Mentz, Albert Parish, Billy Smith,
Linda Smith, Martha Smith, Nancy Thomas, Elise White, Chris, Mona,
Moriah, Anita McKnight

PARISH INFORMATION

MISS A SERVICE?

The recorded worship services are posted to the "Live" tab of the
UniLu YouTube Channel: [University Lutheran YouTube Channel](#)

ON-SITE CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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

To make an appointment to meet on-site, please call [864-654-4232](tel:864-654-4232) or email Abi at
unilusecretary@gmail.com

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 [864-654-4232](tel:864-654-4232)
or unilusecretary@gmail.com

EMAIL ADDRESSES

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Pastor Megan Boatwright, Campus Pastor: boatwrightma@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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