

The newsletter of University Lutheran Church and One Community Lutheran Campus Ministry at Michigan State University

Mark Your Calendars . . .

Sunday Worship

10 a.m. on Facebook
Followed by **ZoomForum**

Pub Theology

Tuesday, March 2 at 7 p.m.
Zoom (call 332-2559 for link)

Lenten Midweek Worship

Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24
7 p.m. on [Zoom](#)

Begin Daylight Saving Time

Sunday, Mar. 14

Food Movers

Thursday, Mar. 25 - 4:30 p.m.
Drive thru distribution.

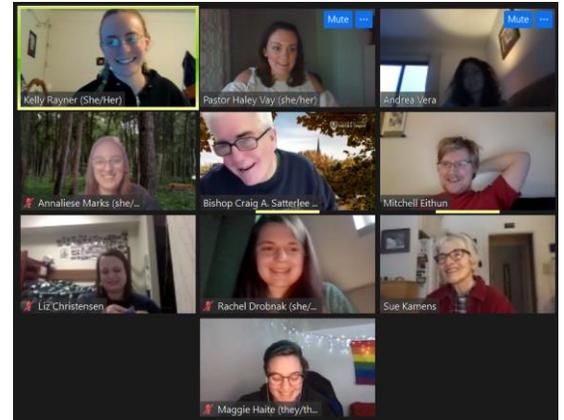
Due to Covid safety protocols, the ULC building remains closed. However, our ministry continues. The ULC number (517-332-2559) is connected to staff cell numbers, please call if there is a need!

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Justice is a Verb

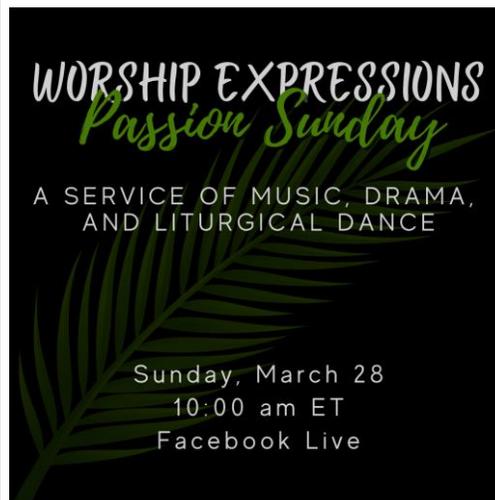
Each month, One Community Campus Ministry rotates through a different activity each week – a racial justice speakers series, fellowship and fun, Bible study, and service activities. “Justice is a Verb” is their monthly Bible study theme and their focus is Micah 6, accompanied by other prophetic texts. There are specific monthly themes that unpack justice as a verb: to “Do Justice,” “Love Kindness,” and “Walk Humbly with Our God.” Bible study leadership is shared by Mitchell Eithun and Pastor Haley Vay.



February Bible study group on Zoom.

Because of the pandemic, each of these activities continues to be offered virtually. In addition, there will be no opportunity for a Spring Break Servant trip this year. Please pray for both students and staff as they faithfully navigate this most unusual year.

Pastor Haley Vay



**Passion Sunday
Radio Drama**



Above is a screen shot of the radio drama run-through. Join us Mar. 28 for Worship Expressions Passion Sunday with a radio drama featuring cast members from Haslett to Sacramento!

Things to be Grateful for in the Pandemic

As we begin the month of March and enter the Lenten season, we also mark one year since the Coronavirus pandemic caused us to stop in-person worship and church activities. I remember the day I first got word that the Bishop was recommending that we suspend in-person worship for the next several weeks. I suspected that by Easter we would be back in our sanctuary and that everything would be back to normal. I was so wrong.

Now, here we are a year later, and we are still in the grip of this pandemic. As I reflect on this past year, I've had a number of different thoughts and feeling and want to share some of them with you.

This has been a very difficult time for all of us in so many different ways and I will be so glad when this pandemic is behind us. However, I also feel that there are things for which to be grateful and things that we've learned.

First, I'm grateful for our Council's leadership and especially grateful for the document we produced last April/May. This document was based on the Michigan Safe Start Plan and stated that we would not consider returning to in-person worship until Michigan entered Phase 5 of the plan. This was the wisest thing we could have done! What this document has enabled us to do, is focus on doing ministry best in the midst of the pandemic, and not waste precious time and energy at every Council meeting debating whether or not we should go back to in-person worship. It's allowed us as staff and leadership to put all our energy into being creative and finding/ learning

new ways to be effective in a new reality.



Second, the pandemic has forced/ allowed us to experiment and find new ways to do things. At our Council retreat in January, we spent time talking about what we've learned this past year, and what we want to preserve and build on as we reenter the building hopefully later this year.

We didn't finish our work with this and will do so at our next Council meeting. But the conversation centered on digital ministry being here to stay, use of technology in worship, use of art in worship, ways to include those who don't have the technology. We were moving in this direction already, but the pandemic accelerated the speed of moving in this direction.

Third, and this has come as a surprise to me, but virtual community is real community. I started to sense this right away as people commented on Facebook during the gathering time for worship. I've seen it as new relationships have been built or existing relationships deepened during Zoom events. I've seen

groups bond during Zoom meetings. Would I rather be in-person? Yes. But virtual community is still real community and the challenge going forward is how do we continue to include those who have become part of our virtual community of faith when we are back in-person.

Fourth, the pandemic has reinforced for me the importance of being flexible and pivoting when needed, rather than being rigid and simply relying on how we've always done things. Some of the things that have worked during this time have been planned while others have been stumbled upon. But it was the ability to be flexible and pivot that has served us well.

Finally, I have been keenly aware of the presence of God in the midst of this pandemic: upholding and sustaining us in the difficulties; empowering us to risk, experiment, and venture into new ways of doing things; continuing to build up the Body of Christ; and filling us with hope in God's power to make all things new.

This past year has been difficult, and I will be grateful when we move past the pandemic. But even more, this past year has been a year of God's grace in the midst of trying times. As we move forward into the second year of this pandemic, I trust that as God has been with us in this past year, so God will be with us this year, to strengthen and uphold us, and lead us into a new future.

*Trusting in God's grace,
Pastor Gary*

COMMUNITY

Campus Ministry News

Centering Prayer

Beginning in February and throughout the Lenten season, young adults are gathering on Zoom on Wednesday mornings, beginning at 7:30 a.m. We meet for about 20-25 minutes to read the Psalms, reflect, and pray together.

Fridays@Five Racial Justice Speaker Series



Rev. Ralen Robinson

Each first Friday in campus ministry we engage with a speaker and this year our focus topic is racial justice. Our speaker in March is Ralen Robinson who serves at Reformation Lutheran Church in Wichita, Kansas. When she is not pastoring, she is writing for ELCA publications and serving in leadership roles in churchwide events. Ralen believes

her faith and a good pair of shoes can take you a long way. See you Friday at 5 p.m. on March 5th!

Fellowship & Fun

Every second Friday of the month we celebrate community through fellowship and fun activities planned by our Student Associates. While gathering on Zoom, some of these activities include virtual games, art projects, cooking together and more!

Service Projects

Virtual service projects are different than in-person, but not as difficult as we first imagined. Some ideas for upcoming service projects are writing letters to our community and government leaders, connecting with ULC members through mentoring relationships, and more.

Cards, Cookies & Crocheted Hearts!

For Valentine's day our students baked cookies, handmade cards and crocheted hearts from home to deliver in person and by mail as a reminder to folks that they are loved by God and our congregation.



Handmade cards, crocheted hearts and homemade cookies share love with homebound members.

Soup for Students

We continue to provide soup, bread, and snacks for students living locally during the pandemic. If you are interested in helping with this effort, whether by making soup, baking bread or brownies, or by giving a donation toward the cause, please contact Pastor Haley Vay. Thank you for helping us feed our students spiritually and physically in this unprecedented time!

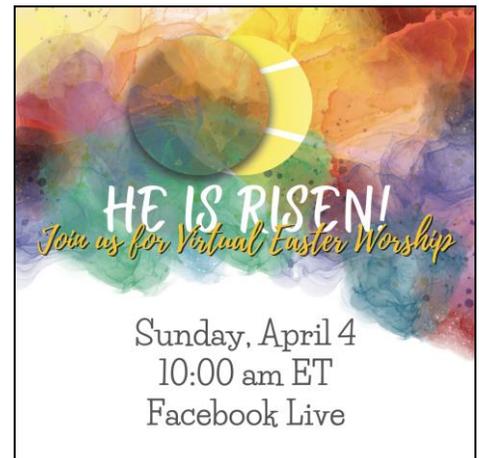
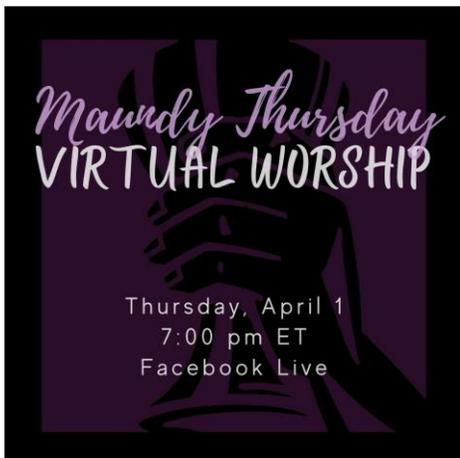
Ash Wednesday Creativity



Since Ash Wednesday was virtual this year, participants were asked to provide their own ashes – fireplace ashes, dirt from a potted plant or even just water. Student associate Rachel was a bit more creative and reported, “My at-home pumpkin spice ashes were a success, but it stung a bit...”

Pastor Haley Vay

Holy Week Worship



Zoomin' Through Lent



Save the Date!

We have “eggcellent” plans taking shape for a *Resurrection Bag distribution* and an appearance from the Easter Bunny on Saturday and Sunday, March 27-28!

Lent Activity Bags (LABs) & Worship Wednesdays

Children and families received their LABs on Sunday, Feb. 14th and will continue gathering on Zoom, Worship Wednesdays throughout the season of Lent. Contact me if you need a bag; it's never too late to join us!

Pastor Haley Vay

Confirmation

Soup Collected for Food Bank

On Saturday, Feb. 14, confirmation youth stood outside in the bitter Michigan weather to collect soup cans (and donations) for Souper Bowl of Caring. The food and donations went to the Greater Lansing Food Bank, our outreach of the month.

Youth shared that they enjoyed collecting soup cans, especially this year with so many struggling to put



Collecting Soup!

food on the table. This was one way the youth could support others during the pandemic. Another youth mentioned how cold they were, but that paled in comparison to so many who struggled daily with hunger. All echoed that it was worth helping those in need. They even found time for a small snowball fight and were able to reconnect in person.

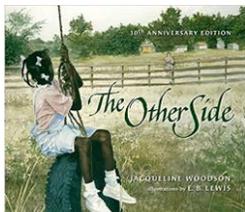
Louise Harder



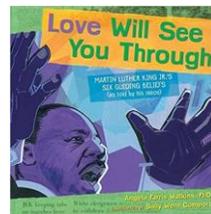
ULC Memorial Library

New Multicultural Children's Books Available

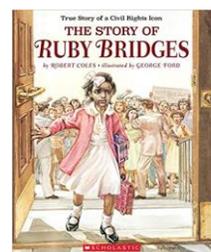
The ULC Library would like to share the children's multicultural/racial justice books in the ULC Library with our children and families. For the next few months, we will feature some books with links to people reading them on YouTube. Hopefully, you will be able to check these books out from the library soon, but for now you are invited to view the following books. The books are enjoyable and offer a great opportunity for discussion. Welcome to story time!



The Other Side by Jacqueline Woodson. Clover's mom says it isn't safe to cross the fence that segregates their African American side of town from the white side where Anna lives. But the two girls strike up a friendship and get around the grown-up's rules by sitting on top of the fence together. Click [here](#) to hear and see the story read on-line.



Love Will See You Through: Martin Luther King Jr.'s Six Guiding Beliefs (as told by his niece) by Angela Farris Watkins. Dr. Watkins details the guiding beliefs of one of the greatest men in history. Including “have courage” and “love your enemies,” these six hallmarks of virtue and nonviolence reinforce the truth that “the universe honors love” and will inspire readers of all ages. Click [here](#) to hear and see the story read on-line.



The Story Of Ruby Bridges by Robert Coles. When a judge orders Ruby to attend first grade at William Frantz Elementary, an all-white school, Ruby must face angry mobs of parents who refuse to send their children to school with her. Click [here](#) to hear and see the story read on-line.

The Library Team

Eclipsing Empire: Paul, Rome and the Kingdom of God

We continue the DVD series begun in February with New Testament scholars Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan exploring insights into Paul's message of the Kingdom of God, its challenge to Roman imperial theology, and the apostle's radical relevance for today.

Mar. 7 – Ethics: We will look at Paul's ethics from the viewpoint of Galatians 3:27-29 and baptismal equality and continue the discussion



of Paul's ethics focusing on: The Radical Paul; The Conservative Paul; and the Reactionary Paul.

Mar. 14 – Theology: In this session we will look at Paul's theology by focusing on his understanding of resurrection and his understanding of grace.

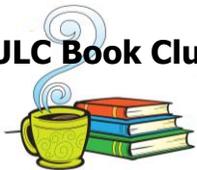
Mar. 21 – Eschatology: "Paul's ethics is simply Paul's theology at work and Paul's theology is simply Paul's eschatology in practice." This session is where we start putting

things together as to what Paul means on a practical level for our lives and mission.

Mar. 28 – Eclipse: This final session will look at two focal points for Paul and the Christian life: a relationship with God/Jesus that's lived out in Christian community; participation in God's passion for justice.

Linda Trevarthen

ULC Book Club

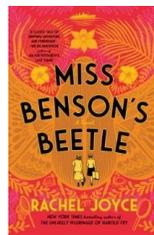


On Thursday, Mar. 18 at 10 a.m. the ULC Book Club will discuss *Miss Benson's Beetle* by Rachel Joyce.

Set in the 1950's, this book follows Margery Benson, a former schoolteacher from London and her lively assistant, Enid Pretty, as they search for the golden beetle of New Caledonia, an insect that might not even exist. As they search, the two women find adventure and friendship.

We meet the third Thursday of every month, September through May at 10 a.m. Currently we are meeting via

Miss Benson's Beetle



Zoom for everyone's safety. We would love to have you join us. Please reach out to Beth Rahe at bwojan1@gmail.com or Mary Kotnik at mkotnik@comcast.net to receive the Zoom link for our next meeting and to be added to our email list.

Looking ahead, in April we will discuss *The Henna Artist* by Alka Josh and in May we will discuss *The Star-crossed Sisters of Tuscany* by Lori Nelson Spielman. We hope you can join us!

Beth Rahe and Mary Kotnik



Prayers & Squares Chapter 163

Virtual QOV Sewing Day

The virtual Quilts of Valor sewing day on Feb. 6 was a chance for nine ladies to sew on next year's QOV. Using a provided kit, we each sewed at home, enjoying a Zoom lunch, some texting and Facetiming. Not the same as getting together in-person, but a good day, none the less.

If you have a friend or family member who is a veteran, please contact Bobbie Davis or Ann Booren. We



A completed QOV quilt top.

would love to honor them with a Quilt of Valor next fall.

Our quilters have continued to work on projects at home. We recently provided 16 quilts and numerous knit items to be distributed in the community. While we are happy to be sewing at home, we look forward to the day that we can gather once again in the Fellowship Hall.

Ann Booren

What Can I Do About Racism?

Racism hurts all of us. It separates us from God and each other. But what are we to do about it? A good starting point is gaining an understanding of racism – defining it, exploring its history, and learning the impact of racism in the United States.

The ULC Racial Justice Team is partnering with Lansing Area Congregations Organizing for Racial Reconciliation (CORR) and Grand Rapids CORR to offer a life-changing, church-changing, and city-changing two-day workshop “Understanding Racism.” The program will be delivered via Zoom on Friday and Saturday, Apr. 9-10.



CORR
Congregations
Organizing
for Racial
Reconciliation

Workshop Goals:

- To see and learn about racism in a new and redemptive way.
- To gain insights into systemic racism through the eyes of faith and Scripture.
- To see more of the connections between history and contemporary race relations.
- To identify organizing opportunities to

“eliminate racism, both causes and effects, within the body of believers and throughout the world.”

- To create a community of Christian antiracists in the Lansing area

Dates: April 9-10 Friday: 9 a.m. – Noon and 1 – 6 p.m. (with lots of breaks) Saturday: 9 a.m. – Noon and 1 – 6 p.m. (with lots of breaks) **Note: For first time attendees only, you must plan on and be able to attend the entire event!!**

Location: ZOOM – Links TBA

Cost: ULC members - \$10 (made possible through a ULC Endowment Grant), Lansing-Area Resident - \$75 (Lansing area churches’ sponsorship keeps the cost low) Non-Lansing-Area Resident - \$200. This includes training and a digital training manual.

Speaking of Racial Justice



Discrimination

Discrimination is the unjust or prejudicial treatment of different categories of people, especially on the grounds of race, age, or sex. It involves restricting members of one group from opportunities or privileges that are available to members of another group. Prejudice is the opinion or viewpoint; discrimination is the action that brings the prejudice to life through the choices we make.

For example, discrimination in the job market: A researcher sent pairs of college men to apply for 350 entry-level jobs in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. One team was African American, and one was White. The teams had identical resumes, except for one difference—on each team, one of the men said that they had served 18 months in jail for drug possession. Not surprisingly, men without a prison record were two to three times more likely to receive a callback from the job. However, there was also a significant racial difference—white men with a prison record were more likely to be offered a job than African American men who had a clean record!

Resulting Action: Because of this research study, Congress was asked to fund a \$300 million program to provide mentoring and other support to help former prisoners to get jobs. (Pager, D. (2003). “The Mark of a Criminal Record”, American Journal of Sociology 108(5): 937-975)

Register & Pay Online (Or register online and pay later): <http://bit.ly/CORRApril2021>

Questions: Contact Vicki Anderson or Thom McCurdy, ULC Racial Justice Team co-leaders.

Racial Justice Team

A Prayer for Racial Justice

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. John 14:27 NRSV

Heavenly Father, we know that You are the Source of the peace that passes understanding. In these troubled times, give us understanding minds and hearts as we listen to the cries of the oppressed, the wounded, the confused, and even to the voices of those with whom we disagree. Give us the wisdom to respond with Your Truth, offering words and actions that build up instead of tear down.

Across the nation, racism casts a long shadow. We believe that all life is sacred and worthy of our deepest reverence. Give us the courage to stand up for racial justice and reconciliation. As individuals, as a ministry, and as a nation, help us to see when we have missed the mark and empower us to do better.

Root up any violence or malice within our hearts and minds and transform it into love, a love of neighbor and a rightly ordered love of self. Let us work for peace and be peace to one another and the people we serve. Amen.

From St. Dominic’s Antiracism Team (St. DART) St. Dominic’s/Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady Health System. Submitted by Amy Wagenknecht

Seek the Welfare of the City

Jeremiah 29:7

Midweek Lenten Worship Wednesdays at 7 pm ET on [Zoom](#)

March 3

Rev. Lamont Wells

Racial Justice and the ELCA



- President, African Descent Lutheran Association (ELCA)
- Director, LuMin/Campus Ministry
- Graduate of Morehouse College & Interdenominational Theological Center, both in Atlanta

March 10

Rev. Ken Ponds

Systemic Racism, Education and the Justice System



- Ordained ELCA minister
- Served 40 years as chaplain at Starr Commonwealth, Albion
- Racial healing advocate & facilitator
- Board member/leader of several school and health boards

March 17

To Be Announced

March 24

Scott Hughes

Racism, Education & the Ingham County Justice System



- Juvenile Justice/ Community Outreach Coordinator
- Ingham County Prosecutor's Office

Pork Chops from Heaven

Four Kids Hope USA families recently received an unexpected surprise. ULC member, Ann Booren, and ladies from her Red Hat group decided to provide food for four families as their project of the month. The ladies provided the money and Ann organized the purchase and distribution.

Kids Hope USA mentors were initially contacted about whether the families of each mentee needed food. Four families indicated to mentors that additional food would be most helpful. Ann contacted each family to explain that basics such as fresh fruit and vegetables, hamburger and milk would be provided. She also asked if they

would like anything special. Two of the families said pork chops among other items.



After shopping for the food and dividing it up by family, Ann welcomed the mentors to come to her house to pick it up and deliver it. The food Ann purchased went to feed 19 people! What a blessing for those families!

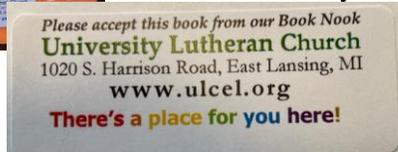
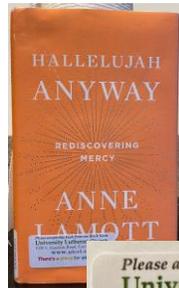
Thank you, Ann, and the Red Hat Ladies.

*Barbara Kissling
ULC Kids Hope USA Director*

March Outreach of the Month

The ULC Book Nook Ministry

The March outreach of the month collection will be used to purchase Bibles and books for the ULC Book Nook. Throughout the pandemic the doors of the Book Nook, located along Harrison Avenue in front of our church, have remained open even while our building has remained closed to protect our members and the community. Having a University Lutheran Church outreach ministry that could safely remain open and available to our neighboring community certainly feels very relevant “for such a time as this.”



Over the 12 months of the pandemic, interest in the Book Nook has remained strong. During the summer months I found the children’s books were flying off the shelves, and then as cold temperatures settled in, the items I stock for adult and young adult readers became very popular. Since the Nook opened on Sept. 17, 2019, 51 Bibles have found their way into our community. In addition, 118 children’s books, 35 books for young adults/teens; and 56 spiritual meditations, devotions and Christian writings for adults have been selected from within the Book Nook’s shelves.

Behind every Bible and book that has found a home (as well as a heart and mind to nourish) is the generosity of our ULC community. The Evangelism team decided early on that we wanted the books taken from the Nook to be a gift to the individual who chose a book from within its doors. A sticker (shown below) is placed on each book to relay this message. This allows the Bible or book to continue to encourage the reader while also offering them an invitation to participate in our ULC faith community. To sustain this ministry your monetary

contributions are needed to purchase books and Bibles to replace those taken. The month of March is designated as National Reading Month across

our nation and is therefore the perfect time to reflect on the impact of this exciting ULC ministry.

Outreach contributions can be made via PayPal or credit card under the Donate button at www.ulcel.org (enter “Book Nook” under Special Instructions) or by mailing a check made payable to ULC, with “Book Nook” on the memo line. Thank you all so very much for supporting this outreach ministry.

Beth Rahe

“Change for a *Change*” Lenten Collection

Want to make a change in the world, but don’t know where to begin?

Be generous in your Lenten contribution to ULC’s “Change for a Change” drive by donating the equivalent of your “daily Lenten pocket change” to this year’s amazing recipient, Samaritas (samaritas.org). Samaritas promotes and provides real and active change right here in Michigan.

Here are just a few highlights from the website of their “ripples of positive change across Michigan”:

“With a history as one of the **largest** refugee resettlement organizations in the state,” Samaritas opened yet another refugee residence this year, this time in Hamtramck. “We work to ensure [refugees] are no longer

defined by what has happened to them but by who they are and all they have the potential to be.”

“Our family preservation programs serve 1600 youth annually and are designed to keep families together by intervening with intensive home-counseling to prevent children from being removed from their home.”

“With the support of Samaritas donors...and partners, we provided \$1.7 million in COVID relief for our most vulnerable citizens, [including] critical safety supplies, meals for thousands of hungry families and

seniors, and technology for foster children, refugees [and more.]”



In April, Samaritas launched a Substance Use Disorder Services program across the state, “providing hope and a path to recovery for so many struggling with addiction.”

Although this drive originated by collecting our “loose change” during Lent, this year please contribute via either PayPal under the Donate button on ULC Website (enter “Change for a Change” under Special Instructions) or by mailing a check made payable to ULC, with “Change for a Change” on the memo line.

Social Action Team

From the President

2021 Council Retreat Prayerful Reflection and Direction

Members of the ULC Church Council had a productive Retreat looking at what we've learned, lost, and done well during our pandemic ministry. This led to discussion about what we want to retain and build on as we reenter the building, hopefully later this year.

In reflecting upon 2020, we gave thanks to God for keeping us safe and keeping us together. We laughed upon revisiting a primary goal from the 2020 Council Retreat, "Identify two barriers and work to remove them" having no idea the pandemic barriers that were in store! We recognized Council President Erin Frisch's outstanding leadership through the pandemic journey. We celebrated a staff and a church community that learned, adopted and thrived in new ways, thanks be to God. The big takeaway for 2020 was church is not a building.

Looking forward and setting goals for 2021, we took stock of insights and competencies developed through the pandemic. We asked, "What do we want to preserve and build on from pandemic ministry as we re-enter our church building?" This provided the framework for setting goals in these areas:

Digital Ministry

- Develop a plan to combine virtual and in-person worship
- Shape and build our digital ministry after the pandemic

- Develop a plan to reach out to those who cannot access digital ministry
- Consider plans to expand the Digital Intern position.

Mortgage Payoff

- Begin discussion of future dreams for funds freed up when the mortgage is paid off.

Re-entry Plan

- Develop plans for in-person worship and re-entering the building
- Consider a way to do communion
- Continue to have some meetings via Zoom.

Art Team

- Develop a team that uses the arts to enhance our worship life.

As we move forward during these dynamic times, I ask for your prayers for our church leadership and I look forward to working together with hearts open to where the Holy Spirit leads us. Please feel free to connect with me at any time on thoughts or ideas you have about our ULC ministry and life together.

*God's grace,
Nancy Lindman
ULC Council President*



Council Notes

ULC Council met on Feb. 16 via Zoom:

- The following are some highlights:
- Received and approved updated bid for screen and projector equipment for the sanctuary.
 - Continued planning 2021 goals and areas of focus.

- Appointed Carol Mackin to Members in Ministry Committee.
- Discussed possible candidates for Personnel Committee.

*Emily Uebel
Council Secretary*

January Attendance

Jan. 3: 83 devices live; 501 views
Jan. 10: 98 devices live; 518 views
Jan. 17: 98 devices live; 551 views
Jan. 24: 102 devices live; 580 views
Jan. 31: 102 devices live; 495 views.

Birthdays

- 1 Gary Dawson
- 4 Marian Stoll
- 5 Kirstan Jolin
- 7 Wendy Guilfoyle
- 8 Philip Brooks
- 9 Diane Goddeeris
James Kocher
- 10 Kristi Sneed
- 11 Pr. Haley Vay Beaman
- 12 Max Miller



- 15 Michael Anderson
Barbara Kissling
- 16 Lynn McCurdy
- 17 Patrick Milligan

- 19 TJ Christian
Dave Oslund
- 21 John Foley
Bill Nicholas
Brielle Williams
- 22 Lena Oslund
- 23 Paul Brooks
- 25 Virginia McKinstry
- 28 Sarah Gallagher
- 29 Jeffrey Andresen
Harold Prince
- 31 Lori Althouse

Anniversaries

- 4 Steven & Darra Haase
- 9 James Sype & Vivian
Leung
- 17 Bill & Linda Trevarthen
- 18 Max & Lou Ann Miller
Paul & Mary Kotnik
- 19 Gail & Barbara Riegle
- 20 Louise & Lee Paquette

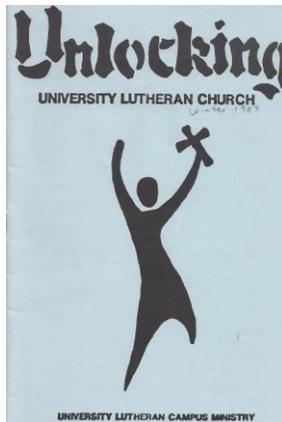
ULC Archives

Campus Ministry Newsletter

Last month we looked at the first newsletter published by ULC, *College Lutheran News*. Over the years various groups also put out a newsletter. From 1983 until 1991 Campus Ministry put out a quarterly booklet called *Unlocking*. In the winter 1987 issue Pastor Craig Shirley, the Campus Pastor, posted an article titled *Shirley's Share*. It follows.

“In a recent meeting with the University statistician, some interesting facts were shared. Surprising to me was the fact that on-campus films were the most frequently attended activities, more popular than football or rock concerts.

Satisfying was the fact that students find such facilities as the library and recreational facilities to be quite satisfying.



But disturbing were the results of a survey on use of time. Black and white students rated being of service to others as less important than other minority students, and women volunteer their time more often while men spend more time on recreation and leisure activities.

Along with those facts, comes the fact that 98 percent of the students on this campus are full time, with 69 percent of the student body holding outside jobs, eight percent of which are over 20 hours per week.

As pastor of an organization which depends upon volunteers to make things go these statistics tell me that students' time is a precious commodity, and those who choose to give some of it to church and campus ministry activities give a very great gift. But I think the rewards are equal to the task. Therefore, I invite you to “use” us, your campus ministry. Use us to relax and recreate, to volunteer your time, to find out about opportunities of service to others. We're here for you. Come and find out about us.”

Time is always a precious commodity, and we are blessed to have so many college students who are “served” by ULC but who also “serve” our community in so many ways. Thank you!

The Archives Team

Newsletter SUBMISSIONS

The deadline for the April Lux is **Monday, March 15.**

E-mail articles to Amy Wagenknecht at amylarryw@comcast.net and Britny Pollard at ulcsec@ulcel.org or place them in the Lux mailbox in the ULC office. Articles may be edited for size or readability, but you will be contacted if significant changes are made. Keep those wonderful photos and articles coming! Thanks!

MARCH

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| 2 | 7:30a | Tuesday Morning Bible Study-Zoom* | 1:00p | Rhodon Circle-Zoom* | |
| | 12:30p | Staff Meeting-Zoom | 4:00p | Worship Wednesday for Kids-Zoom* | |
| | 7:00p | Pub Theology via Zoom* | 7:00p | Midweek Lenten Worship-Zoom (TBA) | |
| 3 | 9:00a | Communications Team-Zoom | 18 | 10:00a | Book Club-Zoom* |
| | Noon | Lectio Divina-Zoom* | | 6:30p | ULC Council-Zoom* |
| | 4:00p | Worship Wednesday for Kids-Zoom* | | 7:30p | Sr. Choir-Zoom* |
| | 7:00p | Midweek Lenten Worship-Zoom
(Rev. Lamont Wells) | 19 | 5:00p | Fridays@Five-Zoom* |
| 4 | 7:30p | Sr. Choir-Zoom* | 21 | 10:00a | Worship-Zoom* |
| 5 | 5:00p | Fridays@Five-Zoom*
(Rev. Ralen Robinson) | | 11:00a | Zoom* Coffee Hour/Forum@11:10
(Eclipsing Empire: Eschatology–Part 7) |
| 7 | 10:00a | Worship-Facebook Live | 23 | 7:30a | Tuesday Morning Bible Study-Zoom |
| | 11:00a | Zoom* Coffee Hour/Forum@11:10
(Eclipsing Empire: Ethics – Part 5) | | 12:30p | Staff Meeting-Zoom |
| 9 | 7:30a | Tuesday Morning Bible Study-Zoom* | 24 | Noon | Lectio Divina-Zoom* |
| | 12:30p | Staff Meeting-Zoom | | 4:00p | Worship Wednesday for Kids-Zoom* |
| | 6:30p | Racial Justice Team-Zoom | | 7:00p | Midweek Lenten Worship-Zoom
(Scott Hughes) |
| 10 | Noon | Lectio Divina-Zoom* | 25 | 10:30a | RJ: Education-Zoom |
| | 4:00p | Worship Wednesday for Kids-Zoom* | | 1:00p | RJ: Communication-Zoom |
| | 7:00p | Midweek Lenten Worship-Zoom
(Rev. Ken Ponds) | | 4:30p | Food Movers Distribution-Drive thru |
| 11 | 7:30p | Sr. Choir-Zoom* | | 7:30p | Senior Choir-Zoom |
| 12 | 5:00p | Fridays@Five-Zoom*(Fellowship & Fun) | 26 | 5:00p | Fridays@Five-Zoom* |
| 14 | Daylight | Saving Time Begins | 28 | Palm/Passion Sunday Worship Expressions | |
| | 10:00a | Worship-Facebook Live | | 10:00a | Worship-Facebook |
| | 11:00a | Zoom* Coffee Hour/Forum@11:10
(Eclip. Empire: Theology – Part 6) | | 11:00a | Zoom* Coffee Hour/Forum@11:10
(Eclipsing Empire: Eclipse – Part 8) |
| 16 | 7:30a | Tuesday Morning Bible Study-Zoom | 30 | 7:30a | Tuesday Morning Bible Study-Zoom |
| | 12:30p | Staff Meeting-Zoom | | 12:30p | Staff Meeting-Zoom |
| 17 | Noon | Lectio Divina-Zoom* | 31 | Noon | Lectio Divina-Zoom* |
| | | | | 4:00p | Worship Wednesday for Kids-Zoom* |

* Zoom link contacts: Forum- found in Friday email announcements (contact [Britny](#) to be added to list); Choir - Janine Smith; Friday@Five - Pastor Haley Vay; Tuesday Study - Jim Kiefer; Pub Theology - Britny; Lectio Divina - Britny; Worship Wednesday for Kids – Pastor Haley Vay; Book Club – Beth Rahe; Rhodon Circle – Connie Lenkowski (clenkowski@frontier.com); Council Meeting – Nancy Lindman



Due to Covid safety protocols, the ULC building remains closed. However, our ministry continues. The ULC number (517-332-2559) is connected to staff cell numbers, please call if there is a need!



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