

May 2023

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

Mark Your Calendars . . .

Greater Lansing Arts Chorale Spring Concert May 2 at 7:30 p.m. ULC Sanctuary

> Food Prep Event Saturday, May 6 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Library Book Sale Apr. 30 – May 7 ULC narthex

Confirmation Sunday May 21 at 10 a.m.

Food Movers Thursday, May 25 at 3:30 p.m. Drive-thru distribution

> Pub Theology Tuesday, May 30 7 p.m. on Zoom (Call 332-2559 for link)



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Glorious Easter Morning!



Pastor Haley Vay led the children in a special musical message during Easter worship. (Recommend watching on Facebook or <u>You Tube</u> min. 24!)

Easter Sunday, April 9 dawned bright and sunny. For the first Easter in three years, the ULC sanctuary was full of flowers, music and worshippers. It was wonderful and felt like we hopefully saw the end of the extreme Covid19 restrictions.

Worship included many of the usual elements, including Holy Communion that was not prepackaged. There were many children for the children's sermon. Joyful music included soloists, the bell choir, the scholarship singers, special musicians, the piano and the organ. At the



ULC Bell Quartet, led by Louise Paquette and accompanied by John Dale Smith.

close of worship, many worshippers joined the choir for the traditional Hallelujah Chorus. ULC Council members provided a delicious continental breakfast both before and after worship. Christ is risen indeed!

Amy Wagenknecht

An integrated family journeying faithfully together, inspired by God's grace, guided by Christ, and empowered and sustained by the Holy Spirit

From the Pastor's Pen . . .

It was May of 1972, 51 years ago, that I stood up in front of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Lakewood, Ohio and affirmed my Baptism. My confirmation verse that day was the end of the Gospel of Matthew, a verse that was part of our Gospel reading just last Sunday, "And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." I chose that verse

from a list of many different verses that we could choose from, because it is a verse that has a wonderful promise – the presence of Jesus with me

always. And over the 51 years since my confirmation, this verse has been a source of strength and confidence in so many different situations of my life and ministry.

I'm writing this article on the day that I've shared the news that I'll be retiring from full time ministry at the end of September this year, and as I reflect on my confirmation verse in light of this big step, this verse couldn't be more appropriate for both ULC and for Miriam and me.

A Big Decision

Making the decision to retire is a big step involving so many unknowns. It's exciting. I feel sad in leaving ULC. It's also somewhat scary because it's a huge transition. But the promise, "And remember, I am with you always to the end of the age," is an incredible source of strength. With that promise I can trust that whatever changes retirement and the

> future brings, Jesus will be with Miriam and me, which is incredibly reassuring.

The same goes for ULC. I understand

that pastoral transitions are always a challenging and uncertain time for congregations. There's so much unknown. Will there be an interim pastor and who might it be? Will the call process take a long time? Will we find someone who will be a good fit? What about Pastor Haley Vay? Will we like a new pastor. What about....?

But what I've learned and come to trust in the 51 years since my confirmation in 1972, is the incredible promise of Jesus – that Jesus is always with us. In other words, no matter the uncertainties we face, no matter the questions, no matter the unknowns, no matter what happens in life, we can always trust that Jesus is with us.

Over the last few months since Christmas, we've been reading Matthew's Gospel in worship. Matthew began his Gospel with the proclamation that Jesus would be named "Emmanuel which means 'God is with us.'" And last Sunday as we finished reading Matthew's Gospel, Matthew ended with Jesus' promise, "And remember, I am with you always to the end of the age." As I head into retirement with all the unknowns, I plan to lean into that promise that Jesus is always with us. As you begin the process of looking for a new Lead Pastor with all the unknowns, I hope that you will lean into the promise that Jesus is always with you. It's a promise that has grounded my life for the last 51 years, and a promise that I hope will ground your life as a congregation now and into the future.

> We move forward trusting in the presence of Jesus, Pastor Gary



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COMMUNITY Campus Ministry News

Congratulations Graduates!



Andrea Vera, Student Associate: Campus Ministry and ULC have been my chosen family for the last four years. Looking back, I'm reminded of the first time I attended a Sunday service at ULC with Rachel before the start of our freshman year; hearing from a variety of speakers over

the years about racial justice, queer theology, and reparations; my first and last spring break trips where I was given a unique opportunity to learn, serve, and grow; attending the MLK Jr. luncheon with some members of the congregation. One Community has been a place where I can be authentically myself alongside my friends. ULC has been a place where I've learned that justice should inherently be a part of faith. It's an easy decision, then, to say that I plan to continue to be a part of campus ministry and ULC for the remainder of my time in East Lansing. I am always hopeful to continue to grow in my faith, and ULC has become foundational to that.

Even though I'm graduating, I won't be leaving ULC quite yet. Over the summer, I will be interning as a process engineer for drinking water at Black & Veatch at their headquarters in Kansas City, after which I will be returning to MSU for one final semester to finish my master's degree in environmental engineering and work towards certification as a professional engineer. This means, if all goes as planned, I will graduate twice this year!



Rachel Drobnak, Student Associate: ULC has been my community from the first moment I walked through the church doors way back in January 2019 on my first visit to Michigan State. I met Bobbie Davis (who was leading a Prayer Quilters event) and I remember the church had this energy that called to me and

made me feel like I was home. She told me about this amazing campus pastor and how she was going to have a baby but would be back for the fall semester. Then, I met Maggie and Andrea during my first week at MSU (we all did the same early-arrival program a week before movein) and found out we all were Lutherans planning to attend ULC. Talk about God sightings!

And now, reflecting on four incredible and life-changing years, I know that ULC has transformed me in ways seen and unseen. I have made lifelong friends, gained a deeper and more authentic relationship with my faith, and learned what it means to be part of a life-giving community. My peers and I have experienced joy and tragedy, and we have healed together and loved one another with compassion. I will always cherish the insects I caught with Norm Jolin, the children I sang with during Worship Wednesday, the homecooked meals made for One Community, and the people who unconditionally cared for me. Thank you, ULC, for all the love you have shown me and all the ways in which you have helped me grow.



Jared Koenigsberg, Student Associate: My time as a student associate over the past year, and time in One Community over the past two years has been nothing short of amazing. The highlight of this year for me has to be going to New Mexico over spring break. During that trip I became closer with all the

friends I have made here and learned lots about indigenous communities. Growing closer to Pastor HV and my fellow students here at One Community has made me a better person and my time here at MSU more meaningful.



Maggie Haite (they/them), Student Associate: I've had an incredible last four years at ULC and MSU. I am graduating with a major in Fisheries and Wildlife and I'm hoping to find a job in Lansing after taking some time off to be with family. I've been a student associate with Rachel and Andrea for

the past three years and I have had such a wonderful time going from in-person, to Zoom, and back to in person again with all the hijinks we get up to as campus ministry.

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Worship Wednesday

Worship Wednesday with our children continues to be a bright spot in our faith formation programming. This screenshot is from a recent scavenger hunt where participants were invited to find different earth elements around their home as we learned about God's love for creation and celebrated Earth Day.



Earth Day scavenger hunt.

Worship Wednesday concludes for the season on May 3 with Children's Choir rehearsal (singing in worship on May 7) and a pizza party. Sunday Fun Days will be scheduled throughout the summer months as an opportunity for children, youth, and families to engage in music ministry, fellowship, and faith formation.

Pastor Haley Vay

Easter "Peep" Show



Youth and their leaders depict scenes from the Easter stories in scripture using Peeps and other sweet treats.

Graduates continued from page 3.

I've appreciated having ULC as a home away from home and as a caring and supportive place to talk about complicated things and to work through hard times. I will miss being a part of ULC's campus ministry but the connections I've made here will stay with me forever and plus, I won't be that far away!! Go Green!



Simon Peterson, High School Youth Group Leader: Family at ULC, I want to begin with a massive thank you to all of you. Even if we have never met, this thank you goes to you just as much as everyone else. The community at ULC has been so unprecedentedly welcoming over the course of my college

experience and I could not feel more welcome in this space. You all go above and beyond to make everyone at ULC feel welcome and at home; this does not go unnoticed. While I did not start attending ULC until the Fall of 2021 (post covid), This place has so quickly become my home away from home. Given my unique circumstance in which I will complete my degree as a nearly part-time student next school year, I cannot wait to spend another year with you all! You have provided me with a wonderful opportunity to help rejuvenate your high school Youth Group program. While we remain in the early stages, I have absolutely loved growing in friendship with the high schoolers that continue to attend on Sunday evenings.

To wrap up, here is a little bit about me and what my immediate future looks like. For at least the next year I will remain here in East Lansing and at ULC as I tie up the remaining ends of my bachelor's degree in psychology. As I do so, I will begin to apply to PhD programs which bring me closer to the world of human expertise in motorcar racing.



ULC Memorial Library Library Used Book Sale Through May 7

You have one more week to visit the ULC Library Used Book Sale. The sale is set up in the narthex and will be available until after worship on May 7. You can also purchase books during the week. Just put your payment in an envelope available at the sale and leave it in the office.

We are trying something new this year so our

children can be involved. Children can "trade" a book

they have outgrown for something new and exciting. Just bring the book on Sunday and pick a new one. If

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you donated a children's book before the sale, be sure and claim your free book. Just remind the worker that your name is on the list.

Don't forget to look for the "book worms" and chocolate "books." And be sure to take a new bookmark. **All proceeds from the sale are used to purchase new items for the library.**

Thank you for supporting the used book sale and the ULC Library!

ULC Library Team

ULC Book Club

The ULC Book Club will meet for the final time this academic year on Thursday, May 18, at 10 a.m. We

will discuss *Invisible Child: Poverty, Survival & Hope in an American City.* For eight years, New York Times Pulitzer Prize winning journalist, Andrea Elliott followed the life events of a young girl, Dasani Coates. Dasani and her family must

navigate the challenges of living in shelters, hunger, drug addiction and violence faced on a daily basis by America's Homeless. When Dasani has a chance to leave her life of poverty, she struggles with whether

Join us to Discuss Invisible Child

this means she must also leave the family she loves behind.

ULC Book Club will not meet during June, July, and August. We will return to meeting on the third Thursday of the month in

September. We offer three ways to participate. You can join us in person at ULC in the Fireside room, join us via ZOOM or we can send you a recording of the discussion.

We would love for you to join us. Please reach out to Beth Rahe at <u>bwojan1@gmail.com</u> or Mary Kotnik at <u>mkotnik@comcast.net</u> so we can add you to our email list for updates on books, meetings or locations.

Looking ahead, over the summer, we will read *The Shoemaker's Wife* by Adriana Trigiani and discuss this book at our September meeting.

Beth Rahe and Mary Kotnik

May Outreach of the Month Food Packing with the Islamic Center

For I was hungry, and you gave me food, I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me. Matthew 25:35

We've booked Sunday, Oct. 8 for Food Packing with the Islamic Center! We'll pack over 10,000 meals that will feed hungry people in our community, across the United States, and around the world. Finding a date is just the start. As the May Outreach of the Month, we need to raise \$1,750 so that we can purchase the rice, vitamins, minerals, and dehydrated vegetables that make up the food



The 2022 Food Packing Event

packets. A donation of \$35 will sponsor a volunteer to pack food for the day.

Please consider sponsoring one or more volunteers (or yourself if you plan to pack food). The MSU Student Food Bank will be the recipient of the third of the meals that will stay locally. Place donations in the offering plate, deliver a check to the office, or use the "Donate" button on our website. Thank you for making this impactful event possible!

Vicki Anderson

Adding to Our Solar Array

ULC, *a community of faith, hope and action,* is now on the path to adding more solar energy to our energy mix.

The Church Council voted in April to accept a proposal to install a 20.25kw, ground mounted solar array on the lawn, just north of the west parking area. The project will be paid for by:

- 1. A \$30,000 Convertible Grant (loan) from the ULC Endowment Fund. This will be repaid over eight years at five percent from electrical savings in the utilities budget.
- 2. A direct payment of \$17,000. (30 percent) to ULC from the Federal Inflation Reduction Act when the project is completed.
- 3. \$9,125. to be raised from individual contributions. Any funds raised over and above this amount will be used to pay off the loan sooner.

This loan amount was calculated to ensure that repayments could be made without any increase in the utilities budget.

> In the past few years, ULC has undertaken several significant energy reduction projects. They include replacement of 1,200 florescent tubes with LED bulbs, conversion of parking lot lights to LED's and installation of a 20kw rooftop solar array which has

provided 30 percent of our annual electric use. These initiatives will serve ULC well for many years into the future. They not only reduce our carbon footprint, free up more funds for programing and outreach but also serve as a symbol of a community which cares for God's creation. Together we can make a difference!

For more details and progress, speak with Dale Romsos, Facilities Team Leader, who will happily answer all questions.

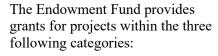
Judy Kindel

Endowment Committee

One of the wonderful gifts that current and former ULC members have established over the years is the

ULC Endowment Program. The ULC Endowment Program was established to provide a vehicle for members to glorify God and serve the world through gifts of long-range financial support. The ULC Endowment Program includes two separate endowment funds - one is dedicated totally to campus

ministry efforts and the other is a general endowment fund. Each year, funds are awarded to organizations and projects that reflect the mission and vision of University Lutheran Church. Grant proposals for 2023 must be received by Sept. 30, 2023.



Grant Proposals Requested

A) **Mission In Christ's World** - The Endowment Fund gives priority to support of missions of the ELCA including development of new congregations in North America, equipping leaders for the mission of the Church; support professional educational growth; global mission;

ecumenism/interfaith; evangelism; and social ministries.

B) Christ's Mission Among Us -Funds are provided to efforts that enrich ULC programming as identified by ULC Church Council and teams; special programs designed for those persons in our parish who are in spiritual or economic need; contributions to improvement of ELCA facilities and building programs; and debt reduction.

C) Christ's Mission On Campuses - Funds are used to build the capacity of young adults to serve Christ as leaders and program enrichment for campuses as identified by ULC's Campus Ministry team.

Grant applications may be obtained on the ULC website <u>www.ulcel.org</u> under "Resources." Completed applications and/or for assistance or questions, contact the Endowment Committee at <u>ULCEndowment(@</u> ulcel.org

> Larry Wagenknecht Endowment Committee Chair



Prayers & Squares Chapter 163 Quilts Distributed to Grads and Groups

It was a joy to honor our graduating student associates and musician during the 10 a.m. worship service Sunday, Apr. 16. We wrapped Rachel Drobnak, Maggie Haite, Jared Koenigsberg, Cheyenne Lacasse, Simon Peterson, and Andrea Vera in special quilts. We look forward to seeing them when they return to the campus in years to come and hope they visit us often!

Terrie Reinoehl and her friends at Sticks & Strings yarn store in Lansing generously gave us knitted afghans and beautiful baby quilts that we sent on to Pastor Jan Hite at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Lansing for their outreach ministry. Our Prayers & Squares members made 22 baby quilts, 24 bibs, and gave an assortment of disposal diapers for the women at Hannah's House in downtown Lansing where homeless, expectant mothers receive food, shelter, and counseling.

We are most thankful for the generous gifts our ministry has been given. Monetary gifts have allowed us to purchase supplies to make prayer quilts, Quilts of Valor, and quilts for Lutheran World Relief. These gifts also help us pay for the reconditioning of sewing machines that members have given for the Afghan refugees who now call the Lansing area their home.

Thank you to several new people who have joined our regular sewing morning, Tuesday 10 a.m. –12:30 p.m. We look forward to seeing you too! There are many steps to making a prayer quilt. Come learn the process and be part of a wonderful ministry. Questions? Please give either Bobbie Davis (<u>bobbieann</u> <u>davis80@gmail.com</u>) or Ann Booren (boorena@msu.edu) a call or email.

Bobbie Davis



Racial Justice Team

National Day of Awareness for Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women

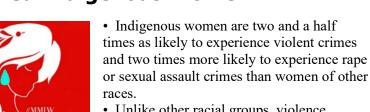
STOLEN SISTERS

On **May 5**, I encourage you to join Native people across the United States in wearing red to raise awareness of missing and murdered Indigenous women. Consider these statistics from the ELCA fact sheet "<u>Missing and Murdered Indigenous</u> Women, Girls, and Relatives":

• Homicide is the third leading cause of death for Indigenous women 10-24 years

old and the fifth leading cause of death for Indigenous women 25-34 years old.

• 40 percent of victims of sex trafficking are identified as Indigenous women.



• Unlike other racial groups, violence against Indigenous women is more likely to be perpetuated by someone outside their racial group.

To learn more about the National Day of Awareness and more ways to get involved, I invite you to read <u>National</u> <u>Missing and Murdered Indigenous Person's Awareness</u> <u>Day</u> from WeRNative.org.

Vicki Anderson, Racial Justice Team

Kids Hope Show and Tell a Success

On March 19, ten of ULC's 12 mentors, their prayer partners and some spouses spent two hours together in the ULC Fireside Room enjoying a tasty lunch provided by a

Thrivent grant and sharing stories about this mentoring ministry. Our director, Barb Kissling, had us begin our time together with

introductions as we had not had a chance to meet together for a few years. Miriam Bunge, our prayer partner leader, shared some fun quotes from a children's book and prayed for our time together to be fruitful, and it was.

After lunch the prayer partners moved to a separate meeting space while the mentors began to share activities, games and books that had worked well for them with their child. One new activity that has been a hit is the use of felt storyboards. Jerry Lindman shared that his kindergartner liked the activity so much he decided to make his own felt figures, with Jerry's help cutting out the figures, so he could tell his own stories. He then shared with us



one of his mentee's favorite sayings, "teamwork is dream work."

Many books were also shared among the mentors. Barb had brought a book called "All about Feelings" and told us she shared a few pages with her child at each session. Cindy Ramsey shared several favorites including "Clancy the Courageous Cow" a book about being inclusive, and "When Oliver Speaks" a book about stuttering that has helped her reach her child who struggles with his speech.

Sheila Nicholas highlighted books about historical events from the "I survived..." series. Connie Lenkowski, our ULC library lead, brought along a selection of books that she thought would aid our ministry including some from the racial justice section started in memory of Sharon Bandlow. Several mentors also mentioned how their students loved the maps of Michigan that Barb provided each mentor/ mentee pair and how they have served multiple purposes in helping teach our students about geography, their home state, and math.

We also shared how thankful we are that Pastor Gary brought this ministry to ULC and for Barb's expert skill in leading us. Listening to the stories of the different mentors made it clear that this is a vibrant and meaningful ministry.

We have two kindergarten age boys still looking for a mentor so please reach out to Barb if you have any interest. Thank you for your ongoing support of Kids Hope.

Beth Rahe, Kids Hope Mentor



Kids Hope mentors and prayer partners and spouses met for lunch to share their experiences and to learn new ideas.

Worship Expression – Palm/Passion Sunday



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WORSHIP EXPRESSIONS PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

The Passion of Jesus According to Matthew Matthew 26:14 - 27:66 (CEV)

Narrators - Haley Vay Beaman and Gary Bunge Judas and Disciples - Nick Perkins Peter and Disciples - Simon Peterson Servant Gril/Pilaté's Wife - Kristi Sneed Pilate - Steve Sneed Chief Priest - Will Mahoney

Jesus - Ryan Jordan Passion recordings:

Passion recordings: I Wonder as I Wander, Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent, Of the Father's Love Begotten, Lully, Lullay, What Child Is This



Palm/Passion Sunday procession

Upcoming Projects at ULC

I am pleased to announce that at the last council meeting, Council approved two new projects that will be

happening this summer and fall. First, we approved a project to upgrade our sound system. The current system is 25 years old and was not designed to do streaming. Color of Sound will be doing the upgrades. This will improve our sound quality in the sanctuary as well as our streaming. The cost of



about \$22,000 will be funded from designated funds and private donations.

We also approved a ground based solar array to be installed in the northwest corner of our property. This

ULC Council met via Zoom on Apr. 18. Here are some highlights from the discussion:

- Council reflected on the joyous and meaningful Holy Week and Easter worship services.
- Treasurer's Report: Giving is on track, but there are some unbudgeted expenses that are coming up (e.g. sound system



replacement) that will need to be taken into account

• Council decided to continue the Narrative Lectionary for the summer and next church year.

will double our solar capacity. The project is being funded by a combination of grants. We are receiving \$17,000 from the US government as part of the Build Back Better Act.

Additionally, the ULC Endowment Fund is doing a convertible grant for \$30,000. A convertible grant is like a loan. The Earthkeeping team plans to pay the grant back to the Endowment Fund with the money saved by lower electric bills. This will be done over eight years with five percent interest. The rest of the cost, about \$10,000, will be covered by private donations.

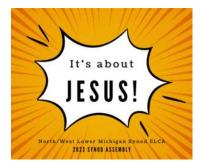
Rick Milligan ULC Council President

More volunteers are needed for assisting in several roles, including counting offering after church and in the audio/visual room. In order to have the most effective streaming and in-person experiences, a modest stipend for an assistant would need to be included with next year's budget.

> *Emily Uebel ULC Council Secretary*

The Greater Church

2023 North/West Lower Michigan Synod Assembly



"In [Jesus] all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible...all things have been created through him and for him. [Jesus] himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. [Jesus] is the head of the

body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything" (Colossians 1:16-18).

The North/West Lower Michigan Synod's 2023 Synod Assembly will be held May 7-9 at the Comfort Inn and Suites in Mt. Pleasant, MI. The theme for Synod Assembly is "It's About Jesus!" This year's Synod Assembly will be held in-person and will not be live-streamed or recorded.

All information pertaining to the 2023 Synod Assembly will be posted on the synod website, <u>Synod Assembly –</u> <u>North/West Lower Michigan Synod (mittensynod.org)</u>. Please check back regularly as information will be updated and added in the coming months. If you have additional questions, please contact <u>communications@</u> <u>mittensynod.org</u>.

From the N/WLM Synod website.

Celebrations

Birthdays

- 1 Janine Novenske Smith Lily Green Asher Greiter
- 2 Christine Harder Barry Williams David Williams
- 3 Robert Lasley Jan Becker
- 4 Ian Brown Bobbie Davis
- 5 Alex Williams
- 7 Emma Tracy
- 11 Maggie Foley



- 16 Jack Guevara Janice Mutka Steve Sneed17 Darlene Romsos
- Rich Tracy
- 18 Laura Sauceda
- 19 Amanda Brown
- 20 Sal Bubolz

- 21 Hannah Hagman Louise Paquette
- 22 Carl Bennett Alexander Dethloff Karen Sanders
- 24 Nancy Lindman
- 25 Leslie Booren
- 27 Bryan McPhall Demani Ruiz
- 28 Ashton McPhall Gavin Witter
- 30 Megan Mahoney Terrie Reinoehl
- 31 Robert Baldus Eva Beaman Caroline Hoffman

Anniversaries

- 1 Jeff & Kathy Bracken
- 4 Sandy & Bobbie Davis
- 8 Bruce & Terrie Reinoehl
- 9 Ed & Sharon Vanous
- 19 Jim & Melody Kiefer
- 20 Corbin & Paula Davis
- 22 Mike & Vicki Anderson
- 27 Hal & Betsye Prince
- 28 Ed & Laura Brown
- 30 Jeff & Melissa Andresen

ULC Archives

There was a time when ULC had a very successful softball team. A Lux article from 1972 documented their achievements.

> "**Time To Play Ball** (A Very Short Message from Bill Cooley)

It's getting around to that time again when the church softball enthusiasts are itching to grab their gloves, put on their cleats, and throw the ball back and forth to loosen up for what shapes up to be another banner year for the University Lutheran Church slow-pitch softball team.

It's Baseball Season!



The 1973 U-Lus slow-pitch softball team. Do you recognize the player on the left?

In 1971, our team distinguished itself by placing second in the East Lansing School-City Activity Program; then went on to win the championship of the East Lansing-Haslet-Okemos Men's Slow-Pitch Softball Tournament with a 5-0 record.

Our team later played in the Fowler Second Annual Invitational Men's Slow-Pitch Softball Tournament and came away with the championship. Our team has, in just three years, won the championship in three events and placed second in the other two, no mean

The team won the YMCA Slow-pitch Softball League Championship in 1969, their first year as a team. A year later, our team finished in second place in the same league. accomplishment for a bunch of guys who just like to play the game of softball."

Connie Lenkowski



The deadline for the June/July Lux is Friday, May 19.

E-mail articles to Amy Wagenknecht at <u>amylarryw@comcast.net</u> and Mandy O'Neil at <u>ulcsec@ulcel.org</u> 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!



- 1 Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month 4:00p Tight Knit-Fireside 6:30p Arts Chorale Rehearsal
- 2 7:30a Tuesday Morning Bible Study-Zoom* 9-4p ULC Office Open
 - 10:00a Prayers & Squares-Fellowship Hall
 - 1:30p Staff Meeting-Zoom
 - 2:45p Faith, Writing & Reflection-Zoom*
- 7:30p GL Arts Chorale Spring Concert
- 8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL
 9a-4p ULC Office Open
 9:30a Lux/Communications-Zoom
 Noon Lectio-Zoom*
 5:00p Children's Child Rehearsal
- 4 9a-4p ULC Office Open
- 5:30p Sr. Choir Party-Sweat Residence
- 6 9:00a Meal Ministry Cooking Event
- 7 9:30a Library Book Sale-Narthex
- 10:00a Worship-Sanctuary/FB
- 8 4:00p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 9 7:30a Tuesday Morning Bible Study-Zoom* 9-4p ULC Office Open
 - 10:00a Prayers & Squares-Fellowship Hall
 - 2:45p Faith, Writing & Reflection-Zoom*
 - 6:30p ULC Racial Justice Team-Zoom*
- 10 8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL 9a-4p ULC Office Open
 - Noon Lectio-Zoom*
 - 4:15p Worship Wednesday Finale-Zoom*
- 11 9a-4p ULC Office Open
- 9:30a Brunch Bunch-EL IHOP
- 13 Noon Celebration of Life-Barb Riegle-EL Marriott
- 14 Mother's Day
 - 10:00a Worship-Sanctuary/FB
- 15 4:00p Tight Knit-Fireside
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ULC Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closed Monday and Friday until further notice. **Reminder:** Please let the office know when ULC meetings and events are scheduled, even if they're happening virtually. We would like to keep the calendar current. Thanks!



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