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October 2026

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

Mark Your Calendars . . .

P & S Baby Quilt Workshop
Saturday, Oct. 3 at 10 a.m.
Fellowship Hall

Coffee Connections
Saturday, Oct. 24 at 10 a.m.
Moka & Co., Okemos

Food Movers
Thursday, Sept. 24
Drive-thru distribution starting at 3:30 p.m.

Pub Theology
Tuesday, Oct. 27 at 6:30 p.m.
Harrison Roadhouse, EL

Food Packing Event
Sunday, Nov. 1 at 11:45 a.m.
Islamic Center

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Welcome and Blessings

Students and educators receive a blessing.

New staff were blessed. Students and teachers were blessed. Everyone was welcomed back to Fall activities and programs. During Sunday worship on Sept. 13, Pastor Rob and Council members officially welcomed Rose Rodrigue, music director and Yvette Smith, pianist, to the ULC staff. Students were invited to bring their backpacks to the front of the sanctuary, where they were joined by family and educators to receive a blessing and a blessing tag for the new academic year.

Following worship, everyone joined together in the Fellowship Hall to share a delicious potluck. As Pastor Rob described it "the third Lutheran sacrament!"

See more details on page 4.

An intentionally inclusive community trusting in God's grace, strengthened by the Holy Spirit, living and loving like Jesus.

From the Pastor's Pen . . .

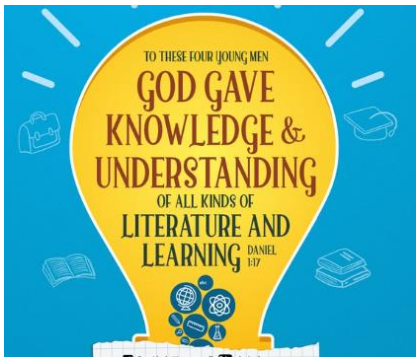
Be Different: The Gifts of Wisdom and Knowledge

Last month, I asked, "What makes ULC stand out?"

In my short time here, I have discovered that education, research and teaching achievement, and administrative leadership are a unique aspect of the culture of ULC.

Being so close to a world-class university, you may not consider that particularly unusual. But, for me, this is remarkable!

In my first week, art enthusiasts introduced me to the Broad Art Museum. Along with you, I celebrated the life of a world traveler and language enthusiast. And she was married to a successful entrepreneur. I've had lengthy conversations about computer and tech design; the native plant species that made the Great Lakes region attractive to settlers; and have



learned about the shameful story of Indian boarding schools.

The office staff are some of the most creative, wise leaders I have ever worked with. I've never served a congregation with so many retired pastors and spouses willing to offer their wisdom and experience in so many different ways.

I love the curiosity and engagement the ULC community inspires. Most recently, I was a part of a Bible study in which we discussed Foucault's concept of the "panopticon" to describe the role of God. Don't worry if you don't know what the panopticon is. What made that Bible study stand out is the confluence of curiosity, wisdom, and faith.

I love the intellectual engagement!

As you think about the future of University Lutheran, consider in what ways intellectual engagement is a gift in ministry:

- What are the barriers that keep us from using this gift to build relationships in the neighborhood?
- How might God be calling us to welcome, adopt, and nurture the next generation of intellectual faith leaders?

In God's Peace,
Pastor Rob

The *Joy of Generosity* is Coming to ULC

Have you ever done something generous and been surprised at the joy it brought into your life? Perhaps you made a generous financial gift. Perhaps you volunteered many hours of time to a nonprofit organization. Perhaps you shared your talents in a way that benefited another person. Whatever the specifics, you were surprised by how much joy your generosity brought you.

In this experience, you bore witness to the truth of Jesus' words recorded in Acts 20:35: "Happiness lies more in giving than in receiving".

Over the next few weeks, we in the community of University Lutheran will consider the joy that generosity brings us. First, we'll think about the connection between generosity and joy in our personal lives. Then we'll celebrate the joy we experience through living in community. Finally, we'll reflect on the joy we experience and the joy we give when we as a congregation do God's work in the world.

As this unfolds, we encourage you to pay extra attention to material that comes your way from the church. Please join in worship, where we will focus on these three aspects of joyful generosity. Finally, we will ask you to reflect on your own life. How have you found generosity and joy to be related?

At the end of these three weeks, we'll ask you to consider your giving to University Lutheran for the coming year. You can be confident that your gifts will bring joy to others, both inside and outside our community. You can also be confident that your generous gifts will bring you joy. Of that you have Jesus' promise.

Bruce Callen, Stew Crew

Meet Our 2026-27 Student Associates

Name/Nickname: Annasophia or Sassy (She/Her)

Hometown: Lansing

College: Lansing Community College

Major: Psychology

Fav. Coffee Shop (and drink): Biggby or Constellation Cat Cafe (I like energy drinks or cocoa Carmella from Biggby and dirty sodas from the Cat Cafe)

Fav. Sport: Horseback riding, football, and basketball

Free Time Favs: Listening to music and hanging out with family, friends, and my significant other 😊

Fav. Literary Genres: Romance, drama, and adventure

Fav. Movie/TV Show: I like The Rookie, Outer Banks, and more

Bible verse that resonates: O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. There is the sea, great and wide; creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great. Psalm 104 24-25

Quote: "Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever." - Mahatma Gandhi

What are you most excited for this year? Meeting new students, expanding my understanding of psychology, spreading God's love, and building community.

Name/Nickname: Love Angel Rivera

Hometown: Weehawken, NJ

College: Michigan State University

Major: Kinesiology (hope to be an athletic trainer)

Fav. Coffee Shop (and drink): Thai iced tea; don't have a favorite coffee shop

Fav. Sport: Volleyball

Free Time Favs: Sing and hang out with my friends

Fav. Literary Genres: Romance, fantasy, and psychological thrillers

Fav. Movie/TV Show: Tangled and the Spider-verse trilogy

Bible verse that resonates: Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

Quote: "Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever." - Mahatma Gandhi

What are you most excited for this year? Meet more of the congregation, bring in new students, and continue developing my faith!

Hello ULC and Happy Fall from Friendship House!

It is so good to reconnect with you all as the Director of Friendship House! My work at Friendship House officially began on May 1st; however, it feels like this work began long before then, while working in the office at ULC. From offering classroom space for ESL classes, sharing your parking lot, inviting the Friendship House community to ULC events, volunteering, and financial support – ULC has been supporting the mission of Friendship House for many years!

Participants and staff during the Spring 2026 final potluck.

The mission of Friendship House is to build community, connection, and care with members of the international community here in East Lansing. Supported by local faith communities, we work to live out the call of loving our neighbors as ourselves by providing a safe community space for the international community to gather, learn, and connect. Our hope is to welcome our neighbors, as they are, and offer needed support, friendship, and community to those navigating life in the United States for the first time.

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Help us with the Trunk or Treat Festival!

We are excited to be planning a **Trunk or Treat Fall Festival** at University Lutheran Church, and we would love your help in making this a fun and memorable event for children and families in our church and community!

Our **Trunk or Treat Fall Festival** will be held on **Saturday, Oct. 24, from 4 to 6 p.m.** We are planning an afternoon filled with **trunks and treats, carnival-style games, food, and lots of fall fun!** The whole community is invited.

There are several ways you can support this event:

Decorate a Trunk – Bring your creativity and decorate your vehicle for our Trunk or Treat. We'd love to have lots of fun and festive trunks for the kids to visit!

Help with Carnival Games – We are looking for people to provide, set up, and/or run simple carnival-style games for children of all ages.

Provide Financial Support – Donations will help us purchase candy, prizes, food, game supplies, decorations, and other items needed to make the event special. Any amount is greatly appreciated!

Volunteer the Day of the Event – We need helping hands for setup, games, food, Trunk or Treat, welcoming families, cleanup, and all the little things that make an event like this run smoothly.

You don't have to do everything—**choose whatever way you are able to help!** Whether you bring a decorated trunk, donate a few dollars, run a game, or volunteer for an hour, your support will help us create a welcoming and joyful event for our community.

If you are able to help in any way, please contact Cindy Baswell at cindylou1940@yahoo.com or Marge Mahoney at scrapping.marge@gmail.com. We would love to have you be part of making this year's Fall Festival a success!

Thank you for supporting University Lutheran Church and for helping us reach out to our community with a fun afternoon of fellowship and family fun!

Cindy Baswell

Friendship House continued from page 3.

Grounded by the faith we carry, we envision a local community where all people, regardless of country of origin, are welcomed, connected, and cared for.

We began our fall semester on Sept. 8, and Friendship House is full of new faces and lively conversations. Our fall classes include 17 volunteer-led classes and two intensive ESL classes (held at ULC) for those at the beginning stages of learning English. Our classes range from casual conversation, idioms, and Bible studies to painting and baking! We are working to build community with our monthly potluck and plans for apple picking, pumpkin carving, and a trip to Frankenmuth later this semester.

Many of our volunteers come from local faith communities. Our volunteers are people who have a heart for others and a genuine interest in learning with and from people around the world. We have volunteers teaching special topics classes based on their skills and experiences (like crochet and painting), conversation and English focused classes, one-on-one conversation partners, and people working with small groups.

If you are interested in learning more about how you can connect with our work at Friendship House, please let me know. I would welcome the opportunity to connect with you, show you around, and talk with you about the ways your gifts can be shared with the international community we support.

Every day I look at the world map above my desk, and it continues to become smaller and smaller. The different countries on the map are not just destinations or places far from East Lansing but instead are connected to real people - beautiful humans who make up the community here at Friendship House. We are a place of comfort, welcome, and connection for so many - a home away from home.

Please come by to say hello and learn more!

Mandy O'Neil
Executive Director, Friendship House MSU
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https://friendshiphousemsu.global/

Sunday Forum Resumes in October

Sunday Forum presentations, which are held in the Fireside Room at 11:30 a.m., following worship will begin Oct. 4. Here is the list of topics this month. Note: We are still in need of a Sunday Forum coordinator. Please contact Louise Montag or Linda Trevarthen to learn more.

Oct. 4: Jack Guevara will talk about the Campus Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP). CAMP is the October Outreach of the Month focus.

Oct. 11: Rose Rodrigue and Pastor Rob will talk about Why we Sing What we Sing and the Lutheran Liturgy.

Oct. 18: The ULC Racial Justic Team presents the 30-minute documentary, "Jesus Was a Migrant." A short discussion will follow.

Oct. 25: The ULC Finance Committee, led by Matthew Uebel and Louse Montag, will begin discussion of the current and upcoming ULC budget.

Lynn Kriser

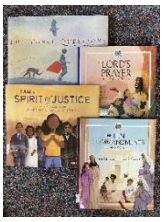
ULC Memorial Library

Check Out Our New Books!

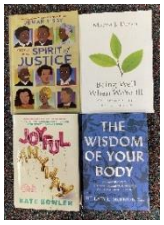
There are many new books on the end table and shelf above the heater. A few are listed below.

Children:

- ***Ten Commandments*** by Harold Senkbeil (E 241.52 Sen – FatCat series). Shows us how Jesus fulfilled God's will for us and shows us how to love God and others.
- ***Lord's Prayer*** by Harold Senkbeil (E 226.96 Sen – FatCat series). Encourages children to pray with reverence and boldness.



- ***I Am the Spirit of Justice*** by Jemar Tisby (E 323.11 Tis). Inspires young readers to see the importance of justice in our world.
- ***Three Questions*** by Jon Muth (E Mut). Focuses on compassion and being engaged in each moment.



Intermediate:

- ***Stories of the Spirit of Justice*** by Jemar Tisby (INT 323.11 Tis). Tells the story of the justice movement through short biographies of the figures who did the work.

Adult:

- ***Wisdom of Your Body: Finding Healing, Wholeness, and Connection through Embodied Living*** by Hillary McBride (613 McB). Invites us to reclaim the wisdom of the body and to experience the wholeness that has been there all along.
- ***Being Well When We're Ill: Wholeness and Hope in Spite of Infirmity*** by Marva Dawn (248.8 Daw). Readers find themselves companioned in their sufferings and encouraged with new ways to surmount them.
- ***Joyful Anyway*** by Kate Bowler (158 Bow). A deeply human case for joy that doesn't depend on everything getting better.

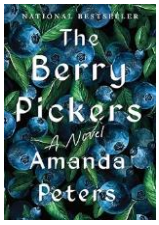
Visit the library anytime. There is often something new to see.

Connie Lenkowski

ULC Book Club

Join us to Discuss *The Berry Pickers*

ULC Book Club will meet Thursday, Oct. 15 at 1:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room. We will discuss *The Berry Pickers A Novel* by Amanda Peters. This novel tells the story of a Mi'kmac family whose four-year-old daughter is kidnapped while her family picks fruit. The story spans fifty years and is told from the different perspectives of those involved.



We meet on the third Thursday of the month. 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 depend on email to keep those wishing to attend informed of any changes in meeting time or location as well as the books we choose for our discussions. If you would like to join us, please reach out to Beth Rahe bwojan1@gmail.com or Mary Kotnik at mkotnik@comcast.net so we can add you to our list.

Looking ahead: In November we will discuss *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman. We do not meet in December due to holiday schedules. In January we will discuss *I Cheerfully Refuse* by Leif Enger.

Mary Kotnik and Beth Rahe

Meet Our New Scholarship Singers!

Emily Jaszewski, Soprano, and Janna Carlson, Alto singers.

Emily Jaszewski is delighted to be ULC's soprano section leader for the 2026 Fall semester!

Emily is a graduate student in MSU's Higher, Adult, and Lifelong Education program. By day, she works for MSU as a research administrator, specializing in supporting efforts to secure student success grants. Emily has provided vocals for bands, sung in choirs, and participated in musical theater and plays throughout her life, and she's thrilled to return to her roots as a church choir member and cantor!

Emily sends special thanks to ULC's staff for this opportunity, ULC's congregation for funding her scholarship and offering such a warm welcome, and her husband for always encouraging her to engage in activities that spark joy!

Hi! My name is **Janna Carlson**! I am in my last year at Michigan State University, and I am pursuing a double degree in Spanish and Environmental Studies & Sustainability. I am from White Lake, Michigan and I have been going to an ELCA Lutheran church for my entire life.

I went to high school at Walled Lake Northern, where I was in choir all four years, including being a member of the Chambers Singers choir for three years. I also participated in all the musicals and plays. I am super excited to be singing with both the New Hope singers and the senior choir! I have been singing in choirs since I was about seven years old. I even was part of the Handbell choir for a few years. One of my favorite parts about singing in choirs is hearing all the voice parts and harmonies come together to form one song.

Outside of school and church, I love to spend time with family and friends, play piano, read, sew, watch Star Wars, and listen to music. I also love spending time outdoors. Whether I spend my time hiking, walking, biking, or playing with my dog, I always love being outside. This summer, I worked at Living Water Ministries as a camp counselor and I loved it!

Having the opportunity to deepen my faith and personal understanding of scripture while also seeing the campers grow in their faith throughout each week was such a blessing. I am so excited to be coming to church at University Lutheran, and I am especially thrilled to sing with both choirs and the other scholarship students!

Thank You for Your Donations!

In August, ULC collected personal products for distribution through Christian Services and Greater Harvest NT Church. Our congregation collected 1,202 items! Bishop Michael and First Lady, Shad, sent a picture and note saying "Thank you for your prayers and support." We echo that sentiment. ~ *Cathy Clugston and Terrie Reinoehl*

October Outreach of the Month

Campus Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP)

My journey from being an international student to an Assistant Professor at Michigan State University would not have been possible without two communities in East Lansing that welcomed me with open arms, gave me a sense of belonging, and became an important part of the place I now call home.

CAMP Freshmen Cohort 2024 completing their first year at Michigan State University.

University Lutheran Church has given me love, support and most importantly, a safe place where I can truly be myself, build confidence, and embrace who I am. Just across the road, before finding ULC, another community – the Farmworker Student Services – played an equally important role in shaping my journey. Farmworker Student Services gave me the opportunity to study at MSU through an exchange program with the University of the Philippines – Los Baños, opening a door that ultimately changed the course of my life.

Farmworker Student Services is also home to the Campus Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP), whose mission since 2000 has been to empower students from farmworker families in their pursuit of higher education. CAMP provides academic, financial, and mentoring support, as well as career guidance, leadership development, and global learning opportunities to help eligible students succeed in college.

Although I was not a CAMP student, the staff welcomed me as their own and helped me navigate my transition to life in the US. Over the years, I have witnessed firsthand the life-changing difference CAMP has made in the lives of countless students and families, including my own.

For the past 25 years, CAMP has been federally funded by the U.S. Department of Education. Unfortunately, the current federal grant has not been renewed, placing this program and its continued impact at risk. As someone whose life was transformed by the support of CAMP, it is difficult to imagine how many opportunities will be lost if the program can no longer continue its work. With this in mind, I am hoping to bring my two communities together. Just as ULC has welcomed me and supported me, I hope it will support CAMP and its mission of creating opportunities and changing lives for students and families.

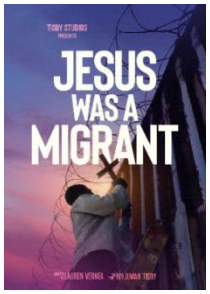
You can contribute to the Outreach of the Month by placing cash or check in an envelope and placing it in the offering plate or by using the Donate button at www.ulcel.org. Please include "CAMP" on the memo line. You may also receive credit from MSU by donating directly; CAMP will notify ULC of your donation.

Jack Guevara

Racial Justice Team

Join us for a Movie and Discussion

250,000 asylum seekers. Many were Christian. So were the people celebrating. A documentary about borders, belief, and what we owe each other.



Please join us at Sunday Forum following worship on Sunday, Oct. 18 for this 30-minute documentary by Dr. Jemar Tisby. With filmmaker Lauren Vernea, he traveled to the US-Mexico border for conversations with ministers, doctors, laborers, and families seeking asylum through the Customs & Border Patrol *CBP One* app, which was shut down in January 2025.

What he finds raises a question that cuts to the core of American Christianity: how did a religion born among the poor, the foreign-born, and the displaced become the spiritual backbone of a movement that closes its doors to them? *Jesus Was a Migrant* doesn't offer familiar talking points on immigration policy. It takes an uncomfortable look at the theology that got us here, and what it means when a nation built on faith turns its back on the most vulnerable.

Discussion to follow. Presented by the Racial Justice Team.

Bruce Callen

Prayers & Squares Chapter 163

Babies & Veterans are Wrapped in Prayers

August Quilt of Valor recipients.

Prayers & Squares was proud to award eight veterans with Quilts of Valor during our regularly scheduled sewing day Tuesday, Aug. 25. These men and woman traveled from various towns in Michigan to join in the award ceremony. They are Lawrence Bush, John Howe, Tom Koenigsknecht, John McCain, Ted Mickevicius, Lisa Nowakowski, Richard Nowakowski and Gary Van Farowe. We were honored with their stories of their service to our nation. If you would like to nominate a veteran for a Quilt of Valor, please contact either Ann Booren, boorena@msu.edu or me bobbieanndavis80@ gmail.com. We are hoping to honor veterans on Jan. 30, 2027 as part of National Quilts of Valor Sewing Day.

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, Oct. 3 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. for a special workshop to make quilts for the Baby Pantry at Trinity Lutheran Church in New Era, Michigan. This church is located near Stoney Lake Camp where many of our ULC youth have attended. They serve over 90 families each month with supplies for children ages 0 – 5 years old. We have all the materials and tools, including sewing machines. There are opportunities for non-sewers as well. Lunch will be provided.

Help identify 2027 high school grads! Even though Spring 2027 seems far off, we need to know soon if you have a graduating high school senior in your family. It has been a long tradition here at ULC to honor these grads with a special quilt. Because it takes time to make these gifts from the congregation, we need to know soon. Each quilt is designed and made special to recognize this important life milestone.

Sew with us! We are hoping to see some new and returning folks this fall during our regular sewing time: Tuesday morning 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. We have all the tools, patterns and fabric to make prayer quilts. What we really need is YOU!! No previous experience is needed!

Bobbie Davis

Food Packing Event with the Islamic Center

Group photo taken at the 2025 Food Packing event at ULC.

It's that time of year again! Our annual Food Packing event is just around the corner. Every Fall we partner with our neighbors at the Islamic Center to package meals for Kids Coalition Against Hunger. In under two hours we package over 10,000 highly nutritious meals that will be distributed in our community, throughout the country, and across the world. Not only is this a great cause that feeds people in need all over the world, but it's also an excellent opportunity to work with the Islamic Center and get to know our faith neighbors right next door.

The Islamic Center is hosting the Food Packing event this year. It will be held on Sunday, Nov. 1 at 11:45 a.m. We are looking for at least forty volunteers who are willing to help package meals. Anyone from age five and above can participate in the event. If standing is a challenge for you, there will be positions that allow you to sit. You can sign up online through this link, or there will be a physical sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Enjoy an extra hour of sleep as Daylight Savings ends, come to church, grab a snack at coffee hour, and then head over to the Islamic Center to have a hand at feeding people in need across the world!

Jay DuBois-Jones

Council met in person and online on Sept. 17. Highlights include:

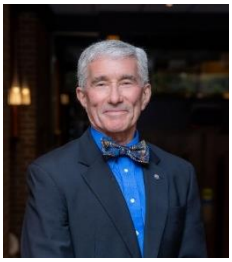
- Welcomed Pastor Rob and reviewed his dual role with ULC and the synod.
- Approved the Personnel Committee's proposal to hire a consultant to help update ULC's outdated HR policies. Thank you to the committee for identifying a way to meet this need.
- Set the annual meeting for Dec. 13. The Finance Committee/Council will host forums on October 25 and November 22 to gather congregational input before the annual meeting.
- Provided input to the Finance Committee on next year's budget.

Respectfully submitted,
Emily Kirkpatrick
ULC Secretary

ULC People

Congratulations Tom!

The NAACP Lansing Branch congratulates Dr. Thomas McCurdy on receiving the 2026 Health Advocate of the Year Award. A proud Diamond Life member of the NAACP, Dr. McCurdy is a dedicated physician, military veteran, and civil rights advocate with a commitment to public service and community



health. An Air Force veteran, Dr. McCurdy has fought to eliminate health disparities through his work in the NAACP. Congratulations, Dr. McCurdy, and thank you for your service.

9/21/2026 post on the NAACP Lansing Branch Facebook page.

Former ULC Member Recognized by East Lansing City Council

Mayor Pro Tem Chuck Grigsby presented a special tribute for former Building Board of Appeals commissioner Larry Cross, who passed away earlier this year. Cross was a highly accomplished architect and structural engineer whose skill, insight and dedication shaped the

Larry, with his wife Shirley.

environment of East Lansing, Lansing and the surrounding region through numerous structural design projects.

He shared his expertise generously with the public by serving for many years on the East Lansing Building Board of Appeals, offering steady guidance and a deep understanding of building structures and codes. His practical knowledge, thoughtful perspective, and unwavering commitment to safety and best practices strengthened every deliberation of the Board. Larry contributed significantly to the development and well-being of the community.

Watch the full tribute here.

Submitted by Linda Trevarthen

Take a Peek at Our New "Neighbor"

This past Spring, the new MSU Student Recreation and Wellness Center opened across the street from ULC. Here is a link to a "fly through" video of what's inside, https://msutoday.msu.edu/news/2026/09/fly-through-the-rec.

Birthdays

1 LaVon Miller
Rick Milligan
Travis Williams
2 Mary Ludtke
3 Chris Anderson
6 Gary Bunge
Anne Smith
7 Sonja Christensen
Carolyn Lohr
Annaliese Marks
Juliana Marks
9 Connie Lenkowski
11 Michael Hill
14 Nathaniel Dalton
Debbie Heidrich
James Sype
15 David Ramsey
Rose Rodrigue
Kristie Wiggert
17 Jon Althouse
Liam Clise
18 Pat Lee
19 Don Kvorka
21 Evan Dawson Baglien
22 Michael Masnyj
25 Susan Fisher
Steven Haase
26 Laura Appel
29 Beeper Baswell
Jesse Clyma
Todd Helser

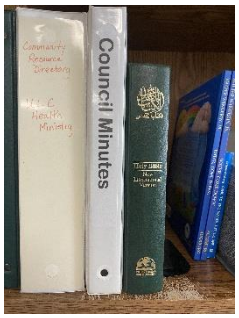
Anniversaries

1 Brandon & Cindy Baswell
7 Darrin & Elizabeth Karcher
29 Michael & Heather Hill
31 Jim & Nicole Greiter

ULC Archives

New & Old Archive News

The Archives Team received a request to have minutes of Council meetings and Lead Management meetings available in the office. This was a longstanding practice but did not start again once Covid was over. You can once again find the minutes in a white binder located on the first tall bookcase as you enter the office. Feel free to view these documents when you are in the office.



Council Minutes binder

We have welcomed many new staff and students to ULC this fall. Pastor Craig Shirley shared some thoughts in the October 1985 Lux when he joined the staff which give us some things to ponder. Bits of his wisdom follow.

Being New is Wonderful. Being New is Awful…It is so much work getting established in a new place, and it so frightening to have to meet new people and go to new places…

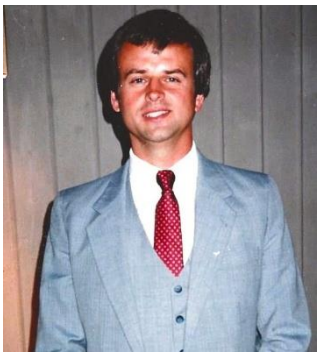
Being new is wonderful. You meet so many interesting people who are ready to welcome, care for, and help you…

Being new is awful. Clerks are rude…

When you are new, everything is so much more distinctive. You remember your first…. new home…friend…place for ice cream. It is so exciting.

When you are new, everything is a blur! You can never find your way… You remember one out of every ten names, and no one…wears a nametag because they all know each other already.

Being new is wonderful! Being new is awful!


Pastor Craig Shirley

This seems like a gentle reminder to wear our name tag when we are in church. People around you will probably be appreciative.

Connie Lenkowski, Carol Mackin, and Steve Simonson, ULC Archive Team

NEW EMAIL!

The deadline for the November Lux is **Friday, Oct. 16.**

E-mail articles to Amy Wagenknecht at Lux@ulcel.org and Oprah Jrenal 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!

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1	8:00a	Mushers-IHOP, EL
	7:00p	ULC Chancel Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary
2	3:00p	Members in Ministry-Conference
	7:30p	Ten Pound Fiddle-Sanctuary
3	10:00a	P & S Baby Quilt Workshop-Fellowship
4	10:00a	Sunday Worship-Sanctuary/YouTube live
	11:15a	Social Action Team-Conference
	11:30a	Sunday Forum (CAMP)-Fireside
	5:00p	HS Youth Group-ULC
5	4:00p	Tight Knit-Fireside
	7:00p	Racial Justice Team-Zoom
6	7:30a	Tuesday Morning Bible Study-Zoom*
	10:00a	Prayers & Squares-Fellowship Hall
	1:00p	Staff Meeting
7	9:30a	Lux/Communications Team-Conference
	Noon	Lectio Divina Bible Study-Zoom*
	4:30p	Lead Management Team-Reports only
8	8:00a	Mushers-IHOP, EL
	9:30a	Brunch Bunch-IHOP, EL
	7:00p	ULC Chancel Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary
9	1:00p	Hal Prince Celebration of Life
	7:30p	Ten Pound Fiddle-Sanctuary
10	1:00p	MSU Football Parking (Homecoming-Ill.)
11	10:00a	Sunday Worship-Sanctuary/YouTube live
	11:30a	Sunday Forum (Why We Sing)-Fireside
12	Indigenous Peoples Day	
	4:00p	Tight Knit-Fireside
13	7:30a	Tuesday Morning Bible Study-Zoom*
	10:00a	Prayers & Squares-Fellowship Hall
	1:00p	Staff Meeting
	6:30p	Racial Justice Caucus-Fellowship Hall
14	Noon	Lectio Divina Bible Study-Zoom
	6:00p	Finance Committee-Zoom
15	8:00a	Mushers-IHOP, EL
	1:30p	ULC Book Club-Fireside
	7:00p	ULC Chancel Choir Rehearsal-Fellowship
16	6:30p	Ten Pound Fiddle Concert-Sanctuary
17	TBD	MSU Football Parking (Northwestern)
18	10:00a	Sunday Worship-Sanctuary/YouTube live
	11:30a	Sunday Forum (RJT film: Jesus was a Migrant)-Fireside
	5:00p	HS Youth Group-Faith Lutheran, Okemos
19	4:00p	Tight Knit-Fireside
20	7:30a	Tuesday Morning Bible Study-Zoom*
	10:00a	Prayers & Squares-Fellowship
	1:00p	Staff Meeting
	6:30p	ULC Council-Conference
21	9:45a	Amnos-Burcham Hills
	Noon	Lectio Divina Bible Study-Zoom
	1:00p	Rhodon-Conference Room
22	8:00a	Mushers-IHOP, EL
	3:30p	Food Movers Distribution-Drive thru
	7:00p	ULC Chancel Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary
23	1:00p	Fourth Friday Friends-Delhi Café-Holt
	6:00p	Stew Crew-Zoom
	7:30p	Ten Pound Fiddle Concert-Sanctuary
24	10:00a	Coffee Connections-Moka & Co, Okemos
	4:00p	Trunk or Treat Fall Festival-Parking Lot
25	10:00a	Sunday Worship-Sanctuary/YouTube live
	11:30a	Sunday Forum (Finance Committee)-Fireside
26	4:00p	Tight Knit-Fireside
27	7:30a	Tuesday Morning Bible Study-Zoom*
	10:00a	Prayers & Squares-Fellowship
	1:00p	Staff Meeting
	1:00p	ULC Bridge Group-Fellowship
	7:00p	Pub Theology-Harrison Roadhouse, EL
	7:00p	Face Addiction Now (FAN)-Fellowship
28	Noon	Lectio Divina Bible Study-Zoom
29	8:00a	Mushers-IHOP, EL
30	7:00p	ULC Chancel Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary
31	Halloween	

It's That Time Again!

Staff, Council & Team Leaders -- Annual Reports are due to Oprah Jrenal by Friday, Oct. 16.

ULC Office Hours
Tuesday - Thursday
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Friday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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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Sunday, November 1