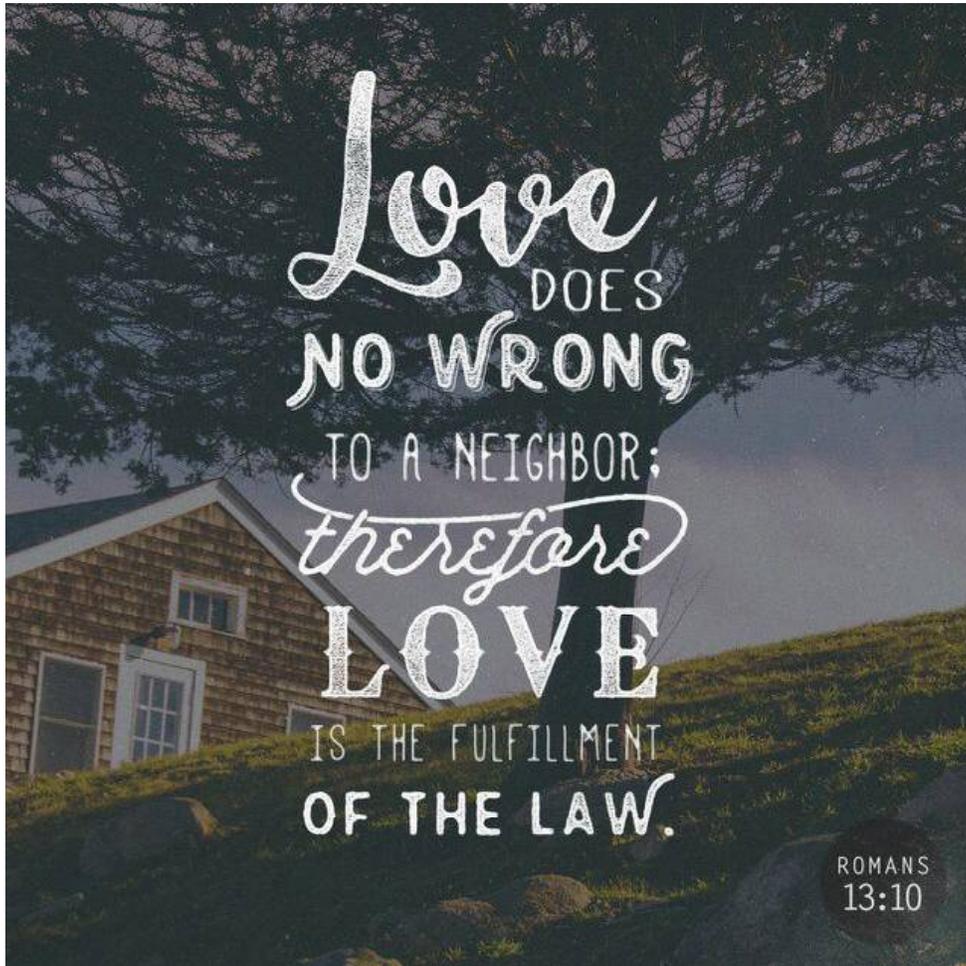


University Lutheran Church

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

September 10, 2017



Our Mission:

- To live among God's faithful people;
- To hear God's Word through the Spirit and share in the Lord's Supper;
- To proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed;
- To serve all people, following the example of our Lord Jesus;
- To strive for justice and peace in all the earth. ✦



WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN CHURCH during this season of Pentecost as we remain open and receptive to how the Holy Spirit is moving in our lives to give us the courage to live according to God's will. At the conclusion of this service, we invite everyone to join in the **Celebration of Our Community**. If you have a birthday or anniversary this month, or would like to share a milestone or some other significant transition in your life, you are invited to come forward for a blessing by the congregation.

WE WELCOME LOGAN HAMILTON as our new organist! Logan comes to us from Pennsylvania and he will be studying organ at the University of Washington. Nice to have you with us, Logan!

WE WELCOME EVERYONE TO THE LORD'S TABLE to receive God's gift of forgiveness and the powerful freedom of a new life in Christ. Please come down the center aisle, proceed to the communion rail, and kneel or stand at the first open space. Hold out your hand to receive the bread. **Gluten-free wafers are available**. Please indicate your desire for a wafer at the time you are offered the bread. You may drink either from an individual glass, which will be served first, or from the chalice. The individual glasses in the center of the tray contain grape juice (golden color). The outside glasses contain red wine. An acolyte will pass by to pick up your individual glass. In the spirit of continuous communion, please return to your seat via the side aisles after you have drunk from the glass or chalice. After everyone has been served at the communion rail, the ministers will serve anyone in the pew that is unable to come forward. Please indicate your desire in this regard to the pastor. Parents who desire that their children not receive communion may bring them forward for a blessing.

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR ATTENDANCE at worship today and your participation at Holy Communion by completing the enclosed Worship Registration form and placing it in the offering plate. Please join us for fellowship and refreshments in the lounge after the service.

THERE ARE CHILDREN'S BAG with bulletins and books available in the lounge and the narthex. They are hanging on the wall.

CHILD CARE is available in the Nursery for children of any age. Ask the usher for directions.

CHANGING STATIONS are in both the Women's and Men's restrooms, across the hall from the nursery.

OUR PRAYERS are for our homebound, and for those in need of healing in body or spirit.

TEXTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Genesis 50:15-21; Romans 14:1-12; Matthew 18:21-35.

Prelude

Meditation on “Nettleton”

SERVICE OF CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Confession

P: God has no pleasure in punishing anyone for their sins. Instead, God has made provision for our salvation by offering to us the forgiveness of all of our sins. In anticipation of this gift of grace, we turn back to God, confess our sins, and seek God’s reconciliation.

(Time for silent confession)

P: God of love,

All: We confess to you that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our entire being. We have not loved our neighbors as you desire. Our transgressions and sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of the guilt that we bear over the way that we do others wrong. We have a difficult time forgiving ourselves, let alone trusting in your forgiveness. We think that keeping all of your commandments will make us right with you, but we know otherwise. All that we can do is put our trust in you and in the presence of your Spirit to help us repent and make no provision for the sinful desires of our flesh. Forgive us, and renew in us a spirit of righteousness.

Absolution

P: God’s salvation is near to you in the forgiveness of sins as you are set free from your bondage of guilt and set free to be the reflection of God’s love that you were called to be in the name of Jesus Christ—God’s revelation of grace, truth, and reconciliation.

C: Amen.

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

(Please stand as you are able)

Opening Hymn

“When in Our Music God is Glorified”

Blue Hymnal #802

(Face the cross as it is carried forward)

Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

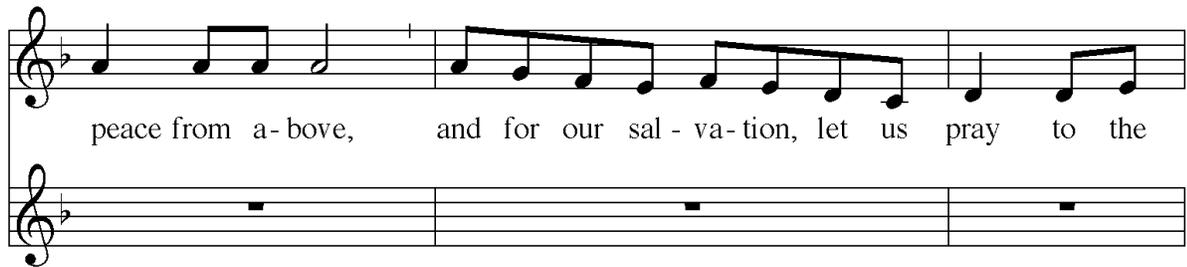
C: And also with you.

Kyrie

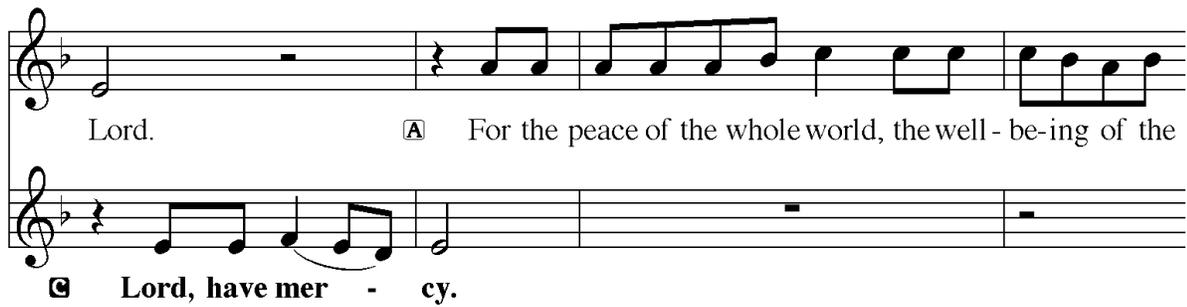


A In peace, in peace let us pray to the Lord. **A** For the

C Lord, have mer - cy.

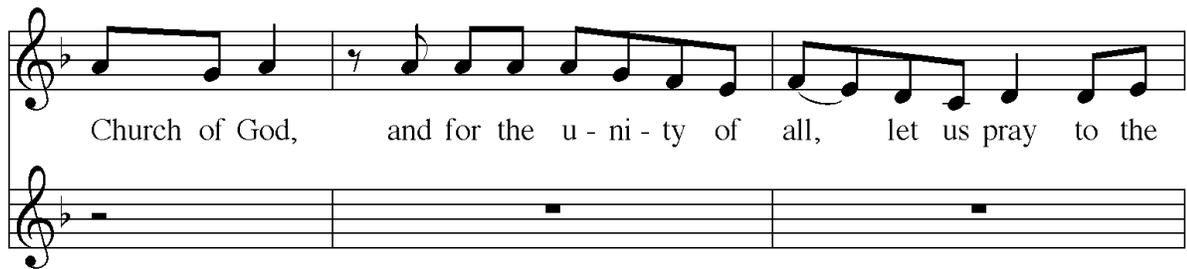


peace from a-bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the

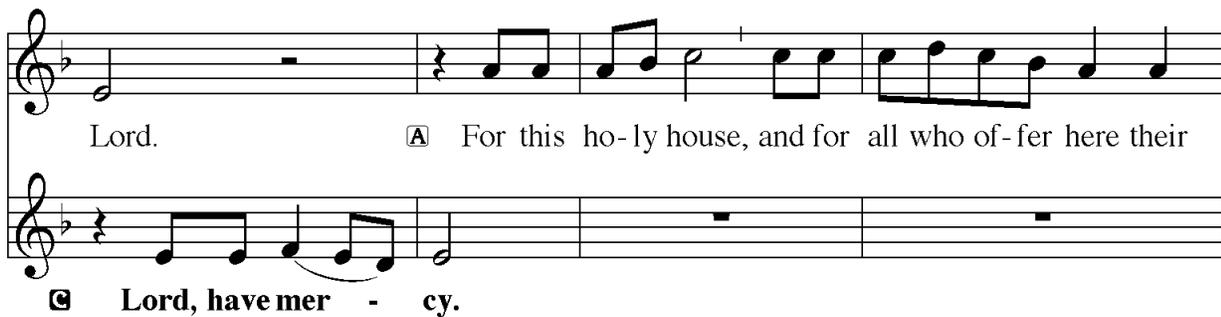


Lord. **A** For the peace of the whole world, the well - be-ing of the

C Lord, have mer - cy.



Church of God, and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the



Lord. **A** For this ho - ly house, and for all who of - fer here their

C Lord, have mer - cy.

wor - ship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

☒ Lord, have mer - cy.

☒ Help, save, com - fort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.

☒ A - men

Hymn of Praise

☒ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

☒ Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us

free to be peo - ple of God. ☒ Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and

strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.

☒ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

I Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of

all cre - a - tion: **II** Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and

might to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men

III This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

I For the Lamb, the Lamb who was slain has be -

gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

III This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. A - men

Prayer of the Day

A: Let us pray together:

C: God of reconciliation, you have revealed to us the way of making peace through the witness of Jesus, our Savior. Grant to us the Spirit of Jesus Christ so that we might learn how to make peace with those who do us wrong or with those whom we have wronged. Help us in our commitment to love one another by being willing to gather with those with whom we are in conflict and striving to live peaceably with all others in the name of Jesus. Amen.

(Please be seated)

First Lesson

Ezekiel 33:7-11

So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life. Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?" Say to them, As I live, says God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

L: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm Hymn

"A New Commandment"

Blue Hymnal #664

Second Lesson

Romans 13:8-14

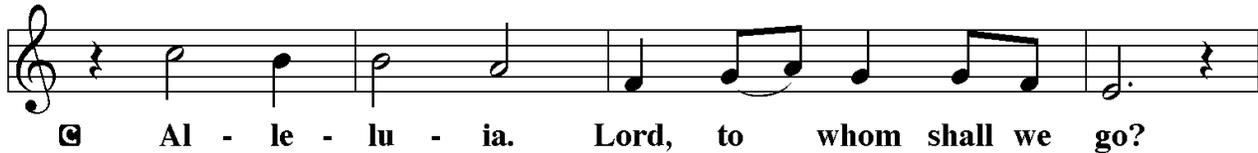
Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

L: Holy Wisdom! Holy Word!

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able)

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by God in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

P: The Gospel of the risen Christ.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

(Please be seated)

Sermon

"Love Makes the Ride Worthwhile"

Romans 13:8-14

(Please stand as you are able)

Hymn of the Day

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

Blue Hymnal #711

(vs. 1, 2 & 5)

Prayers of the People

A: God in your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

Exchange of Peace

P: The peace of God be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

(Please be seated)

Children's Message

Draw us in the Spirit’s tether,
For when humbly in your name
Two or three are met together
You are in the midst of them.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Touch we now your garment’s hem.

As disciples used to gather
In the name of Christ to sup,
Then with thanks to God the giver
Break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
So now bind our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living
Make as sacraments of you,
That by caring, help, giving,
We may be disciples true.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
We will serve with faith anew.

(Please stand as you are able)

Offertory Hymn



C Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, fill to the brim our



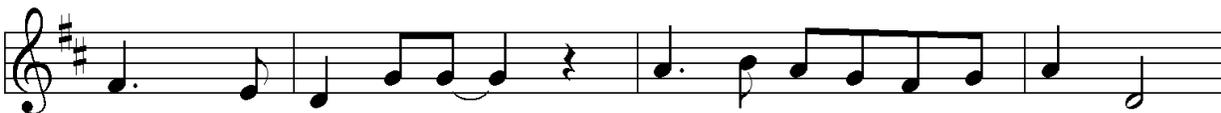
cup of bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown,



that we may be fed, we may be fed with the bread of life.



Gath-er the hopes and the dreams of all; u-nite them with the



prayers we of-fer now. Grace our ta-ble with your pres-ence,



and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

Offertory Prayer

A: Let us pray together:

C: God, our Creator and Provider, you have given us what we need to be sustained in this life. As an expression of our love for one another, we offer to you these gifts of our labor for the ministry of this congregation, the welfare of our community, and the well-being of your creation. Bless this bread and fruit of the vine that all who partake of this holy meal will be grounded in Jesus' new commandment and live ever more faithfully in the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord's Supper is the family meal of the church. In the Lord's Supper we partake of the body and blood of God's Son Jesus.

The body and blood of Jesus are given in, with, and under the bread and the wine. God sent Jesus into the world to save us from our sinfulness.

In his life Jesus proclaimed in word and deed God's love for sinful human beings. In his death on the cross Jesus bore the full weight of our sinfulness.

By raising Jesus from the dead, God affirmed that sin and death are not the final word for our lives and filled us with the hope of sharing in a new and glorious resurrected life with Jesus.

The meal we are about to share is a foretaste of this new life to come. It was instituted by Jesus on the night before he was crucified.

Jesus and his disciples were eating together for the final time. Toward the end of this meal Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, **“Take and eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”**

Then Jesus took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying, **“This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”**

As the children of God we have been invited to partake of the body and blood of Jesus our Lord and Savior. When we faithfully eat this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus and receive the gift of forgiveness of sins.

May this gift inspire us to reach out in love toward all God's children and fill us with the hope of new life with Jesus and with one another in the family of God. Let us join now together in praying as Jesus taught his disciples to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

(Please be seated)

Communion Distribution

**“Amazing Grace”
“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”
“Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing”**

*Green Hymnal #448
Green Hymnal #499
Green Hymnal #196*

(Please stand as you are able)

Communion Blessing

P: May the body and blood of Jesus, our Christ, unite us as one people and fill us with the faith and courage to pursue the holy calling that we have received in our baptism.

C: Amen.

Post Communion Hymn

Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry -
one what God has done. Let all who
seek the Lord re - jice, re - jice and
bear Christ's ho - ly name. Send us, O God, with your
prom - is - es, and lead us forth in joy
with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Post Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray together:

C: Gracious and merciful God, we give you thanks for this gift of life and freedom that we have received this day. Grant us a renewed faith that will do no wrong to our neighbor and will pursue the things that make for peace in this world. Give us the humility and courage not only to forgive, but to be forgiven so that we might fulfill the mission to which we have been baptized and called in the name of Jesus. Amen

Benediction

Celebration of Community



May the bles-sing of God be up - on you; May God's peace a-bide in you; May God's



pre-sence il - lu - mi - nate your life, Now and for-ev - er - more.

Dismissal

A: Go in peace in Jesus' name to love your neighbor.

C: **Thanks be to God!!**

Postlude

Prelude in D major

J. S. Bach

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Preacher	Pastor Tim Wolbrecht
Assisting Minister	Maggie Pehrson
Minister of Music	Brian Higham
Organist	Logan Hamilton
Acolytes	Jaydn Sandstrom
Lectors	Dustin Wunderlich Katie Saltanovitz
Communion Assistants	Liz Herlevi Sharon Reuter Kathy Lachata-Oakley
Children's Message	John Grebe
Greeters	Shane Maskalick
Ushers	Mark Hillman Mary Hillman Lisa Johnson
Fellowship	Ruth Ann & Michael Rouse
Altar Guild	Margoan Hunter Nona Taylor
Counters	Rick Reuter Linda Mohl
Courtesy Driver	Vic Ensz

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:30 AM	Service of Holy Communion
10:30 AM	Fellowship in the lounge
11:00 AM	Adult Forum in the chapel
11:00 AM	Sunday School Upstairs
11:00 AM	Quilters in room 208

PLEASE JOIN US IN THE LOUNGE after worship to welcome Logan Hamilton, our new organist. There will be goodies, juice and coffee!

THE SPECIAL OFFERING FOR SEPTEMBER IS ELIZABETH GREGORY HOME. Founded by ULC in 2001, today EGH operates a transitional home for 8 women in the Maple Leaf neighborhood and a Day Center for homeless women at ULC. Women who visit the Day Center can access a hot meal, laundry facilities, computers, food, clothing, and life-skill classes. The staff and volunteers form a compassionate Care Team that responds to each woman individually and ascertains what goals each woman might take on to move forward in this life. If you would like to contribute to EGH you may do so by using a special offering envelope in the pew, making your check out to ULC, earmarking it for EGH, and putting your gift in the offering plate, or bringing it to the church office. Thank you for your generous offering.

THE ADULT FORUM resumes today. For the next several Sunday the Adult Education Committee will be doing a series of videos on **Reformation Roots** at 11:00 a.m. in the chapel. Next Sunday will be **“From Darkness to Dawn”**, facilitated by John Gienapp. Everyone is welcome to join in this closer look at the Reformation.

SIGN UP TO HELP ON SUNDAY MORNING with fellowship hour, to be a greeter, or a lector. Mark the date you would like on the back of the Worship Registration form. We are trying to get dates that people prefer before we assign dates to people. If you have any questions, please call Mari in the church office.

THE ALTAR GUILD will be meeting after service on Sunday, September 17 at 11:00 a.m. All current members are asked to bring any issues you feel need attention to the meeting. We will also be selecting dates to serve for next quarter. If you would like to be part of this ministry, please feel free to attend!

ON TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 12, TOWN HALL will have its first event here at ULC. Jonathan White, water enthusiast and conservationist, will be speaking about his new book, **“The Science and Spirit of the Ocean.”** The event starts at 7:00 p.m. with the doors opening at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 and available on line at www.townhallseattle.org or at the door.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, TOWN HALL will have its second event featuring Vanessa Grigoriadis in conversation with Claire Dederer talking about “**Sex, Power, and Consent on Campus.**” The event starts at 7:00 p.m. with the doors opening at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 and available on line at www.townhallseattle.org or at the door.

LUTHERAN COMMUNITY SERVICES NORTHWEST will hold its fall brunch on Sunday, September 24. John and Katie Gienapp have agreed to arrange a table for ULC members. They are hoping for a good response to continue ULC's efforts to support refugees and others in need of services. They ask you to call [\(206-440-5508\)](tel:206-440-5508) or e-mail jgienapp@comcast.net to let them know if you can attend this brunch.

JIM WALLIS “CONGREGATIONS & RACISM” On Saturday, September 16, 7:00 p.m. Jim Wallis will be speak on “Race, Privilege and the Bridge to a New America” at McCaw Hall at Seattle Center. The Treacy Levine Center is co-sponsoring this evening with Jim Wallis as he explores the topic of his latest book, *America's Original Sin; Racism, White Privilege and the Bridge to a New America*. Wallis sees it as his faith's obligation to "support the poor and vulnerable and defend those under attack." He offers this path forward as a way to change our course. *"tell the truth...love our neighbor...welcome the stranger...expose and oppose racial profiling...defend Muslims...It is time to listen."* Tickets are now on sale at Brown Paper Tickets online at <http://bpt.me/3002763> or by phone [1-800-838-3006](tel:1-800-838-3006), 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

PASTOR SHELLEY BRYAN WEE, the new Assistant to the Bishop will be installed on Saturday, September 23, 3:00 p.m. at St. John United, Seattle. The installation service will begin at 3:00 p.m. A reception will follow. God bless this new ministry partnership!

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SINGING with the National Lutheran Choir on Friday, September 29 at St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral? Sign up by sending your name, congregation & voice part to Sept29Singer@gamil.com. Rehearsals are at Phinney Ridge Lutheran Church on Tuesday, September 19, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. and Sunday, September 24 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. There will be three anthems and a few hymn descants. Music will be distributed at the rehearsal.

ATTENDANCE was 83 last Sunday.

NEXT SUNDAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS ARE: **Altar Guild** – Frank & Sue Gregory; **Acolytes** – Jiali Maschhoff; **Asst. Minister** – Maynard Atik; **Communion Assts.** – Larry & Janice Gockel, Alison Stamey & Twig Mills; **Lectors** – Michael & Ruth Ann Rouse; **Ushers** – Rick & Sharon Reuter, Michael & Ruth Ann Rouse; **Greeters** – Alice & Jack Peterson; **Fellowship Hour:** Van & David Ginger; **Counters** – Ruth Ann Rouse & Jeff Berner; **Courtesy Driver** – Gary Marshall.

Sunday Schedule

Worship with Holy Communion:

9:30 AM

Fellowship: 10:30 AM

Christian Education: 11:00 AM

- Adult Forum
- Sunday School

Child Care: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Outreach at ULC

Elizabeth Gregory Home – Daily

Sanctuary Art Center – 5 times weekly

Teen Feed – 2 times weekly

ULu Women's Shelter - Daily

ULC Outreach in Seattle

Church Council of Greater Seattle

Compass Housing Alliance

Community Lunch at Central LC

Earth Ministry

Faith Action Network

Lutheran Campus Ministry - UW

Lutheran Community Services NW

Open Door Ministries

University Churches Emergency Fund

University District Foodbank

Young Adult Shelter (ROOTS)

206-525-7074

Office Hours:

Monday thru Thursday

9:00 AM to 5:00 PM



WELCOME!

Welcome to University Lutheran Church! We welcome you into the life and ministry of this congregation, and pray that as you worship with us and become familiar with our people and our many activities, you will discover a place to belong and a way to participate in this corporate ministry of Jesus Christ.

ULC is in a period of transition. In September 2016, Pastor Tim Wolbrecht was installed as our interim pastor. Our Transition Team then met for six months and created our Mission Site Profile, a necessary step before forming a Call Committee. The Call Committee was installed during our service on April 9, and they are in the process of bringing a new pastor to ULC.

ULC is also in a period of celebration. We are enjoying special events as we give thanks for our first 100 years and look toward an exciting future.

ULC is a metropolitan congregation, committed to being a vital ministry in the University District and the world. We offer a variety of liturgies for worship in order to make a joyful noise unto God every Sunday.

As a **Reconciling in Christ Congregation**, we affirm the dignity and worth of people of all races, ethnic backgrounds, sexual orientations, gender identity, social status, age, physical capability and economic condition. As a **Greening Congregation**, we strive to be faithful stewards of God's creation. As an **Advocating Congregation** we make our voices known to our governing authorities on behalf of those who are crying out for justice and peace.

Please join us after worship in the lounge for fellowship, coffee & goodies!

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