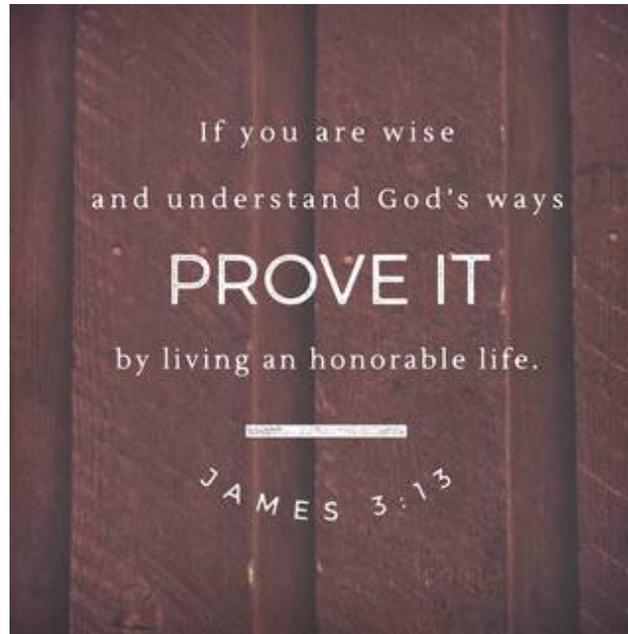


# University Lutheran Church

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

September 23, 2018



## **Who We Are:**

- We are a progressive congregation with a history of taking action on peace and justice concerns;
- We support people of all sexual orientations and gender identities;
- We are passionate about our worship, and we cherish our music;
- We are poised on a threshold ready and eager to creatively try new and innovative ways for mission and ministry in the University District.
- We do not know where this will lead us, but we trust with all our being that God is already there and is drawing us to join in the parade. We do so with excitement and joy because . .

**We Choose Love! ✦**

*(Wording taken from ULC 2017 Ministry Site Profile)*



**WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN CHURCH** during this season of Pentecost when we pray for the Holy Spirit to inspire and motivate us in our mission to strive for justice and peace in all the Earth. As a reminder that we have brothers and sisters in other cultures on this Earth, we change our liturgy from time to time to reflect the music of those cultures.

**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.

**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 Allene Steinberg, Kimberly Ozuk, Jeanne Rehwinkel, Norma Beerweiler, John Wott, our homebound, and for those in need of healing in body or spirit.

**TEXTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** *Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29; Psalm 19:7-14; James 5:13-20; Mark 9:38-50.*

*Prelude*

“Somos Del Señor”

*Tune of #639*

*Welcome & Announcements*

## SERVICE OF CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

*Confession*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again. Let us confess our sin, calling for God’s transforming power.

(Time for silent confession)

P: Source of all life,

**All: We confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.**

*Absolution*

P: God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, God’s love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God’s people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.

**C: Amen.**

## SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

*(Please stand as you are able)*

*Opening Hymn*

“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”

*#843*

(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.**

# Hymn of Praise



*San-to, san - to, san - to, san - to, san-to, san - to, es nues - tro Dios,*  
Ho - ly, ho - ly is our God,



*Se - ñor de to - da la tie - rra. San - to, san - to, es nues - tro Dios.*  
God, the Lord of earth and heav - en. Ho - ly, ho - ly is our God.



*San-to, san - to, san - to, san - to, san-to, san - to, es nues - tro Dios,*  
Ho - ly, ho - ly is our God,



*Se - ñor de to - da la his - to - ria. San - to, san - to, es nues - tro Dios.*  
God, the Lord of all of his - t'ry. Ho - ly, ho - ly is our God.



*Que a - com - pa - ña a nues - tro pue - blo, que vi - ve en nues - tras lu - chas,*  
Who ac - com - pa - nies our peo - ple, who lives with - in our strug - gles,



*del u - ni - ver - so en - te - ro el ú - ni - co Se - ñor.*  
of all the earth and heav - en the one and on - ly Lord.



*Ben - di - tos los que en su nom - bre el e - van - ge - lio a - nun - cian,*  
Blest are they who in the Lord's name an - nounce the ho - ly gos - pel,



*la bue - na y gran no - ti - cia de la li - be - ra - ción.*  
pro - claim - ing the good news that our lib - er - a - tion comes.

***Prayer of the Day***

A: Let us pray together:

**C: O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

***(Please be seated)***

***First Lesson***

***Jeremiah 11:18-20***

*Today's reading tells of the suffering of the prophet Jeremiah, who announced God's word to Judah but was met with intense opposition and persecution. Jeremiah continues to trust in God in the midst of his suffering.*

It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew;  
then you showed me their evil deeds.  
But I was like a gentle lamb  
led to the slaughter.  
And I did not know it was against me  
that they devised schemes, saying,  
Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,  
let us cut him off from the land of the living,  
so that his name will no longer be remembered!"  
But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously,  
who try the heart and the mind,  
let me see your retribution upon them,  
for to you I have committed my cause.

L: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi co - ra - zón te a - do - ra.  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you.

Mi co - ra - zón te sa - be de - cir: San - to e - res Se - ñor.  
My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, God.

**Second Lesson**

**James 3:13-4, 7-8**

*The wisdom God gives unites our hearts and minds. Instead of living to satisfy our own wants and desires, we manifest this wisdom in peace, gentleness, mercy, and impartiality toward others.*

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

L: Holy Wisdom! Holy Word!

C: Thanks be to God.

*(Please stand as you are able)*

*Gospel Acclamation*

**“Halle, Halle”**

**#172**

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -  
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -  
Hal - le - lu - jah.  
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah." The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody.

## ***Gospel***

***Mark 9:30-37***

*Jesus' teaching and action in this text are directed to the church whenever it is seduced by the world's definition of greatness: prestige, power, influence, and money. The antidote to such a concern for greatness is servanthood.*

Jesus and the disciples went on and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Humanity is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

P: The Gospel of the risen Christ.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

*(Please be seated)*

*Sermon*

**"Waging Wisdom"**

*James 3:13 – 7:3, 7-8*

*(Please stand as you are able)*

*Hymn of the Day*

**"We Plow the Fields and Scatter"**

**#680**

***Affirmation of Faith***

**We believe in a bold God, Creator of splendor, spinning stars into night skies, warming the planet with life-giving sunshine, filling the earth with all creatures great and small.**

**We believe in a big God, Creator of 150 billion galaxies, who is big enough to receive our praise and loving enough to answer our prayers.**

**We believe in the risen Christ, who meets us in the brokenness of life, accompanies us on all our wanderings and forever seeks to welcome us home with open arms.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, guide and companion, who fills the church with windy hope and fiery compassion.**

**We believe in the church, where we can taste some of the heavenly banquet and live as a renewed people for the world. Amen.**

***Prayers of the People***

A: Hear us, O God,

C: **Your mercy is great.**

*Exchange of Peace*

P: The peace of God be with you always.

C: And also with you.

*(Please be seated)*

*Children's Message*

*Katie Saltanovitz*

*Offering/Musical Offering*

**“The Narrow Way”**

*K. Lee Scott*

Be near me, Lord, wherever I go;  
Teach me what you would have me do;  
Direct whatever I think or say;  
And lead me in the narrow way.

Prevent me, lest I harbor pride,  
Lest I in my own strength confide;  
Show me my weakness, let me see  
I have my power, my all in thee.

Assist and teach me how to pray;  
Incline my nature to obey;  
What you abhor, oh, let me flee,  
And only love what pleases thee.

Be near me, Lord, wherever I go;  
Teach me what you would have me do;  
Direct whatever I think or say;  
And lead me in the narrow way.

(Please stand as you are able)

Offertory Hymn

“God Extends the Invitation”

#486



Nues-tro Pa - dre nos in - vi - ta a la me - sa de la  
God ex - tends an in - vi - ta - tion to the ta - ble of cre -



vi - da, don - de hay vi - no, luz y pan; y no -  
a - tion, where there's wine and light and bread. Here we



so - tros nos reu - ni - mos, y lo nues - tro com - par - ti - mos, pues a -  
gath - er in thanks - giv - ing and we of - fer all our liv - ing. Here the



sí es la co - mu - nión; pues a - sí es la co - mu - nión.  
feast of life is spread; here the feast of life is spread.

Offertory Prayer

A: Let us pray together:

**C: God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

P: May God 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*

**“Bread of Life from Heaven”**

**#474**

**“The People Walk”**

**#706**

**“When We are Living”**

**#639**

*(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.**



En - via - do soy de Dios, mi ma - no lis - ta es - tá  
The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,  
pa - ra cons - truir con él un mun - do fra - ter - nal.  
to make of all the earth a bet - ter place to live.  
Los án - ge - les no son en - via - dos a cam - biar  
The an - gels are not sent in - to our world of pain  
un mun - do de do - lor por un mun - do me - jor;  
to do what we were meant to do in Je - sus' name;  
me ha to - ca - do a mí ha - cer - lo rea - li - dad.  
that falls to you and me and all who are made free.  
A - yú - da - me, Se - ñor, a ha - cer tu vo - lun - tad.  
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will to - day.

*Post Communion Prayer*

A: Let us pray together:

**C: Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer. Amen.**

*Benediction*

*Dismissal*

A: Go in peace. Be faithful in all good deeds.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*Postlude*

**Improvisation on “Nettleton”**

*Tune of #843*

*“Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy”; “Santo, Santo, Santo, Santo”*

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Ushers	Aslaug Haraldsdottir Lisa Johnson Sheryl Lundahl
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Altar Guild	Nona Taylor Margoan Hunter
Counters	Twig Mills Larry Gockel
Courtesy Driver	Tom Swenson

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:30 AM	Service of Holy Communion
10:30 AM	Fellowship in the lounge
11:00 AM	Open Q&A about the Co-Location in the chapel
11:00 AM	Sunday School upstairs
11:00 AM	Quilters in room 208

**CO-LOCATION UPDATE:** September will be an important time for Co-location information. Please make note of these dates:

**TODAY, 11:00 a.m.** - Open Q&A, in the Chapel

(The presentation on the LLC & Governance has been postponed to October.) Everyone is strongly encouraged to attend these events in order to have complete information for the vote in October.

**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 at ULC for homeless women. 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.

**SUNDAY MORNING COUNTER NEEDED!** Every Sunday after service we have two volunteers to count the offering and get it deposited in the bank. We are short one counter to have five teams. If you would be interested in counting every fifth week, please contact Mari in the church office or sign up on the Worship Registration form. Thank you!

**NUSERY HELP NEEDED!** There are days that our Nursery Coordinator, Gia, is the only person in the nursery. We have been blessed with more children lately and we need to be sure we have adequate help. We are putting together a list of people who would be willing to help Gia if she has more kids than she can safely supervise. If you would be willing to be on a stand-by list to help, please contact the church office or sign up on the Worship Registration form.

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO LEARN ABOUT** our new mobile giving, **Tithe.ly**, please see Jeff Berner or Craig Perkins after the service. They can show you how it is used and how to download the app on your phone. We have added a **“Donate & Give Pledge”** button on the website, as well.

**ULC MEETINGS NEXT WEEK, September 24-28:**

Monday, September 24 – 9:00 a.m., Monday Morning Maintenance, whole church  
12:00 p.m., Property Committee (brown bag lunch), library  
4:30 p.m., Executive Council meet with EGH, library  
7:00 p.m., Joint Building. Committee, chapel  
Wednesday, September 26 – MARI OUT OF THE OFFICE ALL DAY  
Thursday, September 27 – 7:30 p.m., Choir Rehearsal, Room B7  
Friday, September 28 – 3:30 p.m., Quilters, Room 208

**ATTENDANCE** was 82 last Sunday.

**NEXT SUNDAY’S WORSHIP LEADERS ARE:** **Altar Guild** – Linda Maschhoff; **Acolytes** – Cara Crowner & Jiali Maschhoff; **Asst. Minister** – Sue Tong; **Communion Assts.** – Nona Taylor, Liz Herlevi, Clint & Maggie Pehrson; **Children’s Message** – Stacy Crowner; **Lectors** – Dustin Wunderlich & Linda Mohl; **Ushers** – Linda Maschhoff, Craig Perkins, Jan Orlando, Merle Overland; **Greeters** – Janice Gockel & Carol Bridges; **Fellowship Hour:** Michael & Ruth Ann Rouse; **Counters** – Larry Gockel & Katie Saltanovitz; **Courtesy Driver** – Scott Davies.

## Sunday Schedule

*Worship with Holy Communion:*

9:30 AM

*Fellowship:* 10:30 AM

*Education Hour:* 11:00 AM

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

### **Outreach at ULC**

*Elizabeth Gregory Home – Mon - Fri*

*Sanctuary Art Center – 5 times weekly*

*Teen Feed – 3 times weekly*

*ULu Women's Shelter - Nightly*

### **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*

*United Churches Emergency Fund*

*University District Foodbank*

*Young Adult Shelter (ROOTS)*

## 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 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 service in the lounge for coffee, goodies and fellowship!

206-525-7074

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Monday thru Friday

9:00 AM to 5:00 PM



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