

# University Lutheran Church

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

October 9, 2016



## **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 our worship service, we will include a **Celebration of Our Community**. Following the last hymn, the congregation will be seated, and people who are celebrating a birthday or anniversary during this month of July, or any other award or milestone in their lives, will be invited to come forward for recognition and a supportive song of blessing.

**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 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.

**DURING THE COURSE OF THIS 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY YEAR**, Music Director, Brian Higham, will be selecting anthems from deep within the choir files. The choir will be presenting a number of pieces from any years past, which will give a sense of the time period that they were written and give a deeper understanding of what church members of previous eras heard with the walls of ULC.

**PLEASE INDICATE YOUR ATTENDANCE** at worship today and your participation in 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.

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

**TEXTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** *Genesis 32:22-31; 2 Timothy 3:14—4:5; Luke 18:1-8.*

*Prelude*

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Service of Confession & Absolution**

*Confession*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who dwells in light; Christ Jesus, who came to save us all, the Holy Spirit who lives within us. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(Time for silent confession)

P: God of overflowing grace,

**All: We come to you with repentant hearts. Forgive us for shallow thankfulness,. Forgive us for passing by the ones in need. Forgive us for setting our hopes on fleeting treasures. Forgive us our neglect and thoughtlessness. Bring us home from the wilderness of sin, and strengthen us to serve you in all that we do and say; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

*Absolution*

P: By the grace of God in Christ Jesus, who gave himself up for us all, our sins are forgiven and we are made free. Rejoice with the angels and with one another! We are home in God's mercy, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**Service of Holy Communion**

*(Please stand as you are able)*

*Opening Hymn*

**“God is Here”**

*Blue Hymnal #719*

(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.

**A** 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.

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

free to be peo - ple of God. **II** 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 -

II 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: Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

*(Please be seated)*

### *First Lesson*

*2 Kings 5:1-5, 7-15c*

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him God had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel."

When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

L: Holy Wisdom! Holy Word!

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### *Psalm Hymn*

#### **“Spirit of Gentleness”**

*Blue Hymnal #684*

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,  
glow through the wilderness calling and free;  
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,  
Stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

**Second Lesson**

**2 Timothy 2:8-15**

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself. Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

**L: Holy Wisdom! Holy Word!**

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand as you are able)*

**Gospel Acclamation**



**Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**



**You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.**

**Gospel**

**Luke 17:11-19**

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

**P: The Gospel of the risen Christ.**

**C: Thanks be to God!**

*(Please be seated)*

**Sermon**

**“Instant God”**

**2 Kings 5:1-5, 7-15c**



*(Please stand as you are able)*  
*Hymn of the Day*

**“There is a Balm in Gilead”**

*Blue Hymnal #737*

*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.**

*Children’s Message*

*(Please be seated)*

*Offering/Musical Offering*

**“O That I Had a Thousand Voices”**

*Jay Althouse*

O, that I had a thousand voices,  
And with a thousand tongues could tell  
Of Him in whom the earth rejoices,  
Who all things wisely does and well.

O that the people of the nations  
To God a thousand hymns could sing,  
And drink the cup of God’s salvation  
In peace to every living thing.

God of the wind and waters,  
And of the stars and sky,  
Creator of the earth and heavens,  
Praise the Lord most high.

O, that I had a thousand voices,  
And with a thousand tongues could tell  
Of Him in whom the earth rejoices,  
Who all things wisely does and well.

*(Please stand as you are able)*

### *Offertory Hymn*

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: Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for your is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. 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 he 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 the 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 who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

***Communion Distribution***

**“Healer of Our Every Ill”  
“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”  
“Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil”**

***Blue Hymnal #738  
Blue Hymnal #731  
Blue Hymnal #713***

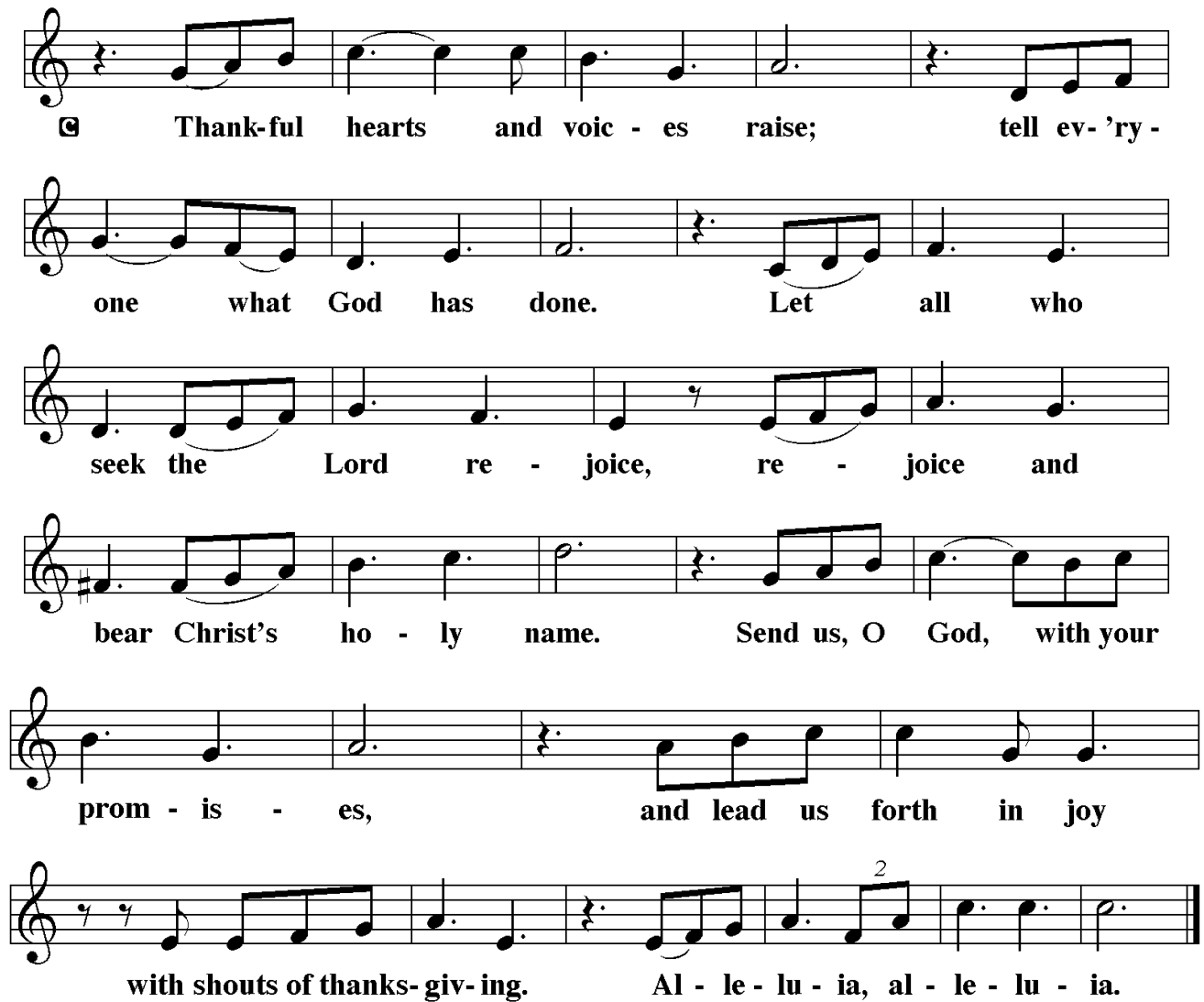
*(Please stand as you are able)*

***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



The musical score is written in treble clef with a common time signature (C). It consists of six staves of music. The lyrics are: Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev- 'ry - one what God has done. Let all who seek the Lord re - joice, re - joice 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: We come again to you, O God, giving you thanks that in this feast of mercy and have embraced us and healed us, making us one in the body of Christ. Go with us on our way. Equip us for every good work, that we may continue to give you thanks by embracing others with mercy and healing; through Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## Benediction

*(Please be seated)*

***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, and live a life of mercy and healing.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

***Postlude***

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

Preacher	Pastor Tim Wolbrecht
Assisting Minister	Maggie Pehrson
Minister of Music	Brian Higham
Organist	William Fletcher Bryant
Acolytes	Alan Oakley Wyatt Eveland
Lectors	Scott Davies Lynn Farrier
Communion Assistants	Daniel Crouner Stacy Crouner Liz Herlevi Sue Tong
Children's Message	Janice Gockel
Greeters	Tom & Nancy Swenson Leah Swenson
Ushers	Linda Maschhoff Jan Orlando Jan Sorenson
Fellowship	Yolanda Houze Sue Tong
Altar Guild	Margoan Hunter Hattie Branch
Counters	Mark & Mary Hillman
Courtesy Driver	Jan Orlando

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:30 AM	Service of Holy Communion
10:30 AM	Fellowship time in the lounge
11:00 AM	Sunday School upstairs
11:00 AM	Adult Forum in the chapel – “To Meet Human Need: Working Together”

**AT THE ADULT FORUM** today we will continue the series on Lutherans in America. The title of today’s video is “To Meet Human Need: Working Together.” This video tells the inspiring story of social programs begun by Lutherans – and the sometimes difficult struggles to work together on social activities.

**THE SPECIAL OFFERING FOR OCTOBER** is SHARE/WHEEL. ULC has hosted a WHEEL women’s shelter since 2009. Our fellowship hall is home to up to 15 women a night. Many of these women also are clients of Elizabeth Gregory Home. We have had some of these women become members of the church and some have gone on into permanent housing. If you would like to contribute to SHARE/WHEEL, you may do so by using a special offering envelope in the pew, making your check out to ULC, earmarking it for WHEEL, and putting your gift in the offering plate, or bringing it to the church office. Thank you for your generous offering.

**ATTENTION COMMITTEE CHAIRS!** Articles for the Stewardship booklet are due TODAY. You also need to have your budget requests for the next year in to John Massman or Jeff Berner by TODAY as well.

**ULC HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH** are invited to join LYONS tonight for High School Blanket Forts and Cartoons! They will meet at Ballard First Lutheran (2005 NW 65<sup>th</sup>) from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. to build an awesome blanket fort, watch cartoons, and make connections to the Bible. Friends are welcome!

**THE LYONS HIGH SCHOOL LOCK –IN** will be Friday, October 14 at 4:00 p.m. until Saturday, October 15 at 9:00 a.m. at Queen Anne Lutheran (2400 8<sup>th</sup> Ave W). Wear your best witch or wizard outfit and join in for a night of quidditch, butter beer, and Dick’s deluxe burgers. Cost is \$10. Please sign up on line at [www.roaringlyons.org](http://www.roaringlyons.org), or on the sign-up sheet on the Youth Board in the 16<sup>th</sup> Street entrance of the church.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE ULC GREIF GROUP** will be on Thursday, October 20, at 10:00 a.m. in the chapel. This group is led by Katie Gienapp and they meet to support one another in dealing with loss, including the loss of loved ones, as well as other challenging losses that affect us all at different times and in different ways. All are welcome!

**THIS YEAR OUR MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE** is hoping to revive the annual Winter Retreat at Grunewald Guild. We have been in communication with Grunewald about the possibility of a weekend in January or February. To move forward with the plans, it would be

good to get a sense of how many people might be interested. Total cost of the weekend would likely be approximately \$130 per adult, \$10 - \$120 for teens, and \$30 for kids under 12. If you believe that you or your family may be interested participating, please sign up on the Worship Registration Form.

**ON NOVEMBER 6, WE WILL BE HONORING** our 50+ year members with a luncheon after service. This is another celebration in honor of our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. More information will come later in October. Please mark your calendars!

**LOIS MOE'S ASSORTMENT OF FALL NOTE CARDS** will be available after the service in the lounge. All sales benefit Elizabeth Gregory Home and are tax deductible.

**“WEAVING OUR STRENGTHS”** is an annual event hosted by the Church Council of Greater Seattle. This year it is on Saturday, October 22 at Seattle First Baptist church (111 Harvard Ave). There are several workshops offered and each attendee can go to two. Some of the workshops are “Coming Alongside as Neighborhood”, “Reading the Bible through the Lens of Justice”, and “Racial Justice as a Way of Life for Congregations”. There are many others. If you are interested in attending please let the church office know. There is a discount for groups up to 10 people. You can also learn more by calling 206-525-1213 ex. 105 or visiting [thechurchcouncil.ejoinme.org/WOS](http://thechurchcouncil.ejoinme.org/WOS). If you are interested in attend, please sign up on the Worship Registration form and we will see about getting a group discount.

**ATTENDANCE** was 75 last Sunday.

**NEXT SUNDAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS ARE:** **Altar Guild** –Bev Stevenson & Linda Maschhoff; **Acolytes** – Jaydn Sandstrom & Natalie Crowner; **Asst. Minister** – Maggie Pehrson; **Communion Assts.** – Janice & Larry Gockel, Mary Jane Golden & Nona Taylor; **Ushers** – Aslaug Haraldsdottir, Mary Jane Golden, Alan Oakley & Kris Rogness; **Fellowship Hour:** Brian & Linda Maschhoff; **Counters** – Ray & Ruth Munger; **Courtesy Driver** – Scott Davies.

## 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)*

## Our Congregation

As a metropolitan congregation, University Lutheran Church is committed to be a vital ministry in the University District of Seattle as well as throughout the world. We offer a variety of liturgies for worship throughout the church year and challenge our members to sing new songs and 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, and invite all to worship with us and participate in Holy Communion. We belong to the **University District Ecumenical Parish**, and celebrate the diversity of expressions of faith in our community.

We also are a **Greening Congregation**, and 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.

We welcome you into the life and ministry of this congregation, and pray that as you worship with us and become familiar with us, you will discover a place to belong and a way to participate in this corporate ministry of Jesus Christ. ✦

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