

University Lutheran Church

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

June 17, 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 UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN CHURCH during this Pentecost season. We are using the ELW Setting 2 liturgy through June to familiarize ourselves with our “new” hymnal.

TODAY WE WELCOME REV. RICK PRIBBERNOW to the pulpit. Rev. Pribbernow is the Director of Open Door Ministries (ODM). As June is Pride Month, we are excited to have Rick here to speak to us about the work of ODM and being a Reconciling in Christ Congregation. He will be speaking at the Adult Forum today as well as preaching.

TODAY WILL BE RECOGNIZING OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER. We thank **Stacy Crowner, John Grebe, Sue Gregory, Kathy Lachata-Oakley, Brian Maschhoff, Linda Maschhoff, Katie Saltanovitz** for their leadership this past year and for all their hard work

AS PART OF OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL Teacher recognition today we would like to highlight **Gia Alfieri’s** 35 years attending to the youngest members of ULC. She has also been a mentor for many of our young adults, providing job skills training and helping them gain work experience. Thank you Gia!

WE WELCOME EVERYONE AT 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.

CHILDREN ARE INVITED to be present and actively engaged in worship in our “**Wiggle Space**” in the back of the sanctuary. It is designed for children 6 years old and under to be an aid in their learning process. Parents need to be present.

Prelude

Adagio
Symphony III

Louis Vierne

Welcome & Announcements

SERVICE OF CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Confession

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

C: Amen.

P: Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

(Time for silent confession)

P: Eternal God our creator,

All: In you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution

P: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God forgives you all your sins.

C: Amen.

Service of Holy Communion

(Please stand as you are able)

Processional Hymn

“What Is This Place”

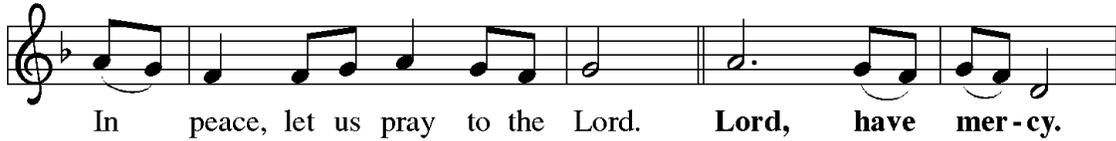
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Greeting

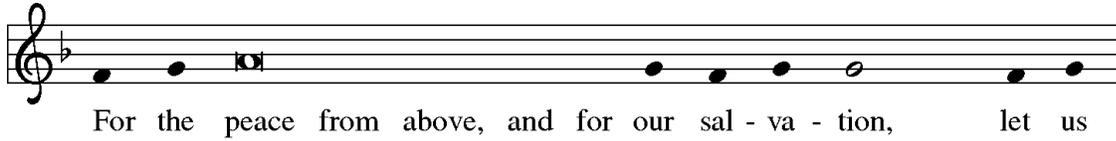
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

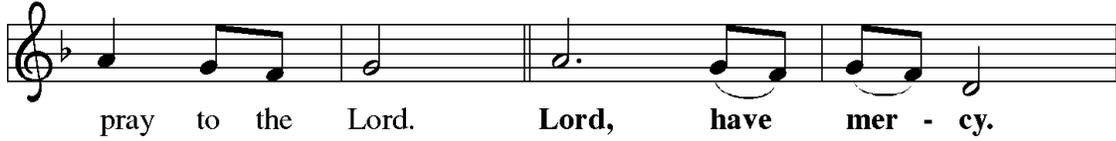
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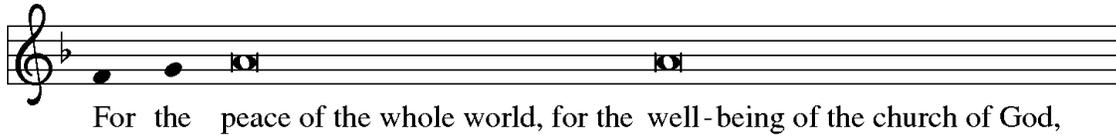
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer-cy.



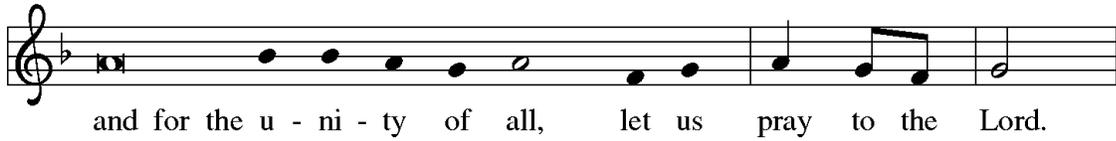
For the peace from above, and for our sal - va - tion, let us



pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



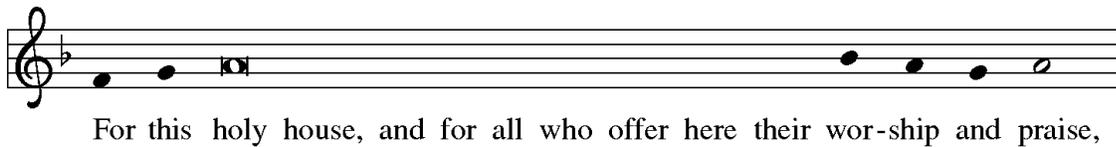
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



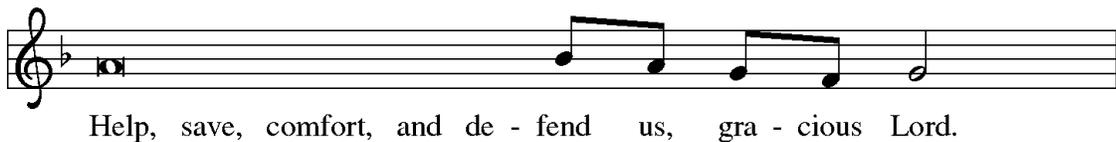
Lord, have mer - cy.



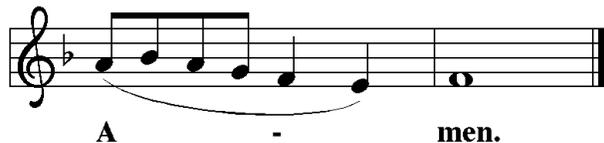
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

Hymn of Praise



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

A: Let us pray together:

C: **O God, you are the tree of life, offering shelter to all the world. Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth, that we may bear your truth and love to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

(Please be seated)

First Lesson

Ezekiel 17:22-24

Tree imagery is used in a messianic prophecy to tell how the Lord will choose someone from Judah's royal family (the cedar tree) to reign over all creation. This tree will be planted on Mount Zion, the location of the holy temple.

Thus says the Lord GOD:

I myself will take a sprig
from the lofty top of a cedar;
I will set it out.

I will break off a tender one
from the topmost of its young twigs;

I myself will plant it
on a high and lofty mountain.

On the mountain height of Israel
I will plant it,
in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit,
and become a noble cedar.
Under it every kind of bird will live;
in the shade of its branches will nest
winged creatures of every kind.
All the trees of the field shall know
that I am the LORD.
I bring low the high tree,
I make high the low tree;
I dry up the green tree
and make the dry tree flourish.
I the LORD have spoken;
I will accomplish it.

L: Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalmody

“Praise and Thanks and Adoration”

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Second Lesson

2 Corinthians 5:6-17

Paul encourages believers to live by faith and not by sight. We do not consider Jesus from a human perspective but through the eyes of faith, believing he died for all and was raised. All who are in Christ are now in God’s new creation.

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from God—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with God. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please God. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

L: Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand)

Gospel Acclamation

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

L: Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

Gospel

Mark 4:26-34

Jesus frequently uses parables to teach ordinary people as they are able to hear and understand. Images of sowing and growing show the vitality of God's kingdom.

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

P: The Gospel of the risen Christ.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please be seated)

Sermon

Rev. Rick Pribbernow

(Please stand)

Hymn of the Day

“We Raise Our Hands to You, O Lord”

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Affirmation of Faith

We believe in the God of love, who is the loving Creator of heaven and earth, and the source of all love among humankind.
We believe in Jesus Christ, the beloved child of God who was filled with God’s Spirit, Who by the power of this Spirit loved others as God is love;
Who demonstrated his love for all by laying down his life for the salvation of the world;
Who was raised by God to dispel all fear of death;
Who breathed his Spirit on his disciples and gave them the power to love; and Who will come again to reveal to all people the eternal love of God.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the inspiration and motivation for all people to love, Who enables us to know the love of God and abide in God’s love;
Who empowers us to love one another with God’s love;
Who forgives our sins as we forgive one another; and Who brings God’s love to completion by casting out all fear among us.
We have known and believe this love of God so that we may be the light of God’s love.
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

Rev. Rick Pribbernow

Recognition of Sunday School & Nursery Teachers

Special Recognition for Gia Alfieri

Offering/Musical Offering

“This Is My Father’s World”

Andy Kopser, baritone

Trad. English melody

Arr. By Richard Walters

This is my Father’s World, and to my listening ears
All nature sings, and ‘round me rings the music of the spheres.

This is my Father’s world; I rest me in the thought

Of rocks and tree, of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world. The birds their carols raise;
The morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise.

This is my Father's world; He shines in all that's fair.
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass; He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world. Oh, let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.

This is my Father's world. Why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King, let the heavens sing; God reigns, let the Earth be glad.

(Please stand)

Offertory Hymn

“Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring”

#691

Offertory Prayer

A: Let us pray together:

C: Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord 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. Again, after supper, 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.

Lord's Prayer

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

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| "As Rain from the Clouds" | #508 |
| "For the Fruit of All Creation" | #679 |
| "How Great Thou Art" | #856 |

(Please stand)

Communion Blessing

P: May the body and blood of Jesus, our Christ, liberate us from all that prevents us from being faithful and obedient to God's will and fill us with the desire to bear witness to God's love for one another.

C: Amen.

Post Communion Hymn

S135b

Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have prepared in the sight of ev-'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

Post Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray together:

C: Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore. Amen.

Installation of Church Council, 2018-2019

President – **Andy Kopsler**; Vice President – **Mary Denny**; Past President – **Sharon Reuter**; Secretary – **Darleen Atik**; Treasurer – **Craig Perkins**; Members-at-large – **Sue Beckmeyer, Tom Swenson & Sue Tong**.

Benediction

Closing Hymn

“On What Has Now Been Sown”

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Dismissal

A: Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Improvisation on “Darwall”

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

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| Preacher | Rev. Rick Pribbernow |
| Presider | Pastor Maynard Atik |
| Assisting Minister | Janice Gockel |
| Minister of Music | Brian Higham |
| Organist | Logan Hamilton |
| Acolytes | Jaydn Sandstrom Cara Crowner |
| Lectors | Jeff Berner Liz Herlevi |
| Children's Message | Rev. Rick Pribbernow |
| Communion Assistants | Twig Mills Alison Stamey Sue Tong Nona Taylor |
| Greeters | Janice & Larry Gockel |
| Ushers | Mark Hillman Mary Hillman Kris Rogness |
| Fellowship | Michael & Ruth Ann Rouse |
| Altar Guild | Sue & Frank Gregory |
| Counters | Twig Mills |
| Courtesy Driver | Vic Ensz |

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

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| 9:30 AM | Service of Holy Communion |
| 10:30 AM | Fellowship Time in the lounge |
| 11:00 AM | Adult Forum in the chapel |
| 11:00 AM | Sunday School upstairs |
| 11:00 AM | Quilters in Room 208 |

THE SPECIAL OFFERING FOR JUNE IS OPEN DOOR MINISTRIES (ODM). Celebrating their 26th year, Open Door Ministries has provided counseling, referral, and support to more than 21,000 people dealing with their faith in combination with HIV/AIDS and gay, lesbian, bi-sexual, and transgender issues. If you would like to contribute to ODM, you may do so by using a special offering envelope in the pew, making your check out to ULC, earmarking it for ODM, and putting your gift in the offering plate, or bringing it to the church office. Thank you for your generous offering.

AT THE FINAL ADULT PROGRAM FOR THIS PROGRAM YEAR, Rev. Rick Pribbernow will be speaking with us about the work of Open Door Ministries.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN GIVING A CHILDRENS MESSAGE during the summer, please contact Kathy Lachata-Oakley at klachataoakley@hotmail.com or 206-517-7973.

WANT TO BE MOVE INVOLVED with the Co-Location Project? Over the coming months several subgroups will be forming with membership from both churches to help define the vision. So much work to be done! Watch for more information in the July/August Spirit, or talk to Twig Mills or Sharon Reuter for more information.

LUTHERAN COMMUNITY SERVICES NW is cosponsoring a refugee art show at La Marzocco Cafe (472 1st Avenue N.) from 6:00-8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 20. Stop by to share the viewpoint of our Puget Sound refugee neighbors—inspiration, appetizers and drinks, too. For more information, visit: lcsnw.org/event/artvocacy-a-world-refugee-day-celebration/.

THE SEATTLE PRIDE PARADE IS SUNDAY, JUNE 24. ULC members and friends are invited to march with other ELCA churches. The parade starts at 11:00 a.m. More information will be available on where to meet in the parade line up when we get closer to the date. If you are interested in joining in this affirming and fun parade, **please sign up on the Worship Registration form** so we can give the organizers a rough count.

ON MONDAY, JUNE 25 ALL GRADUATES are invited to an End of School Year Picnic and bonfire at Golden Gardens, sponsored by the Youth & Young Adult Committee. We will be there from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Food and beverages will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact Dustin Wunderlich at 219-508-6021 or dustinwunderlich79@gmail.com.

THE SEATTLE SEACHORDSMEN BARBERSHOP CHORUS is having a concert on **Saturday, June 30**, titled “**Follow Your Dream!**” They will be performing at the Shorewood High School Performing Arts Center (17300 Fremont Ave N, Shoreline) at 2:00 p.m. and at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20 general Admission, \$15 Students & Seniors, and free for kids 6 and under. Frank Gregory & Andy Kopser are members of the SeaChordsmen. Tickets can be purchased from Frank Gregory.

JOIN US ON SUNDAY, JULY 22, for our annual Church Picnic at Woodland Park! We have reserved Shelter #5. Festivities begin at 11:30 a.m., and you are welcome to stay until you have had your fill of fun and fellowship. The church will provide hotdogs, please bring your favorite picnic or potluck item to share! Keep your eyes open for further details and an opportunity to sign up for a carpool.

SEATTLE NIGHT OUT IS TUESDAY, AUGUST 7. If you are interested in helping to set up a gathering on the ULC front lawn, **please sign up on the Worship Registration form** or contact the church office. We are hoping to have a potluck and invite our neighbors, including new neighbors at Arbora Court and women of EGH and the ULu Shelter. (Mari is waiting to see if we have people interested before registering with the city for the event.)

OUR COMMUNITY CAMPING TRIP will be August 16 (Thursday night) – August 20 (Monday morning). We have reserved space for 20 at Odlin County Park Lopez Island. We may be able to add more spots if space is available. **If you are interested, please sign up on the Worship Registration form.** The cost of the trip will be approximately \$15- \$20 per person per night, food included. Scholarships are always available and the final cost will be determined based on carpooling, kayak rentals, and other variables. If you have any questions, please contact Dustin Wunderlich.

PASTOR TIM WILL BE OUT OF THE OFFICE June 16 through June 20 at the Interim Ministers Conference in St. Louis, MO. He will be on vacation June 21 through July 5.

ATTENDANCE was 116 last Sunday.

ULC MEETINGS NEXT WEEK, JUNE 18 – 24:

Monday, June 18 – 8:00 a.m., Monday Morning Maintenance

Tuesday, June 19 – 3:00 p.m., Property Committee, library
5:00 p.m., Call Committee, chapel

Wednesday, June 20 – 5:00 p.m., Call Committee, chapel

Thursday, June 21 – 5:00 p.m., Call Committee, Chapel

Friday, June 22 – 3:30 p.m., quilters, Room 208

Saturday, June 23 – 6:45 a.m., Serve breakfast at ROOTS, U Temple

NEXT SUNDAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS ARE: **Altar Guild** – Nona Taylor & Bev Stevenson; **Acolytes** – Alan Oakley & Ryka Balukrishna; **Asst. Minister** – Andy Kopser; **Communion Assts.** – Kris Rogness, Brad Anderson, Theresa Lehan-Anderson & Kim Ozuk; **Lectors** – Janice & Larry Gockel; **Ushers** – Rick & Sharon Reuter, Michael & Ruth Ann Rouse; **Greeters** – Frank Gregory & Aslaug Haraldsdottir; **Fellowship Hour:** Twig Mills & Alison Stamey; **Counters** – Larry Gockel & Katie Saltanovitz; **Courtesy Driver** – Gary Marshall.

TEXTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: *Job 38:1-11; Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41.*

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 – 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

Office Hours:

Monday thru Friday

9:00 AM to 5:00 PM



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