

University Lutheran Church

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

October 30, 2016



Reformation Day

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 on this Reformation Sunday when we celebrate the testimony and witness of Martin Luther who nailed 95 theses to the door of the Wittenberg Chapel in protest against the sale of indulgences within the Roman Catholic Church. Today, we pray that we will continue to participate in this spirit of the reformation as we constantly look for ways to renew and improve our proclamation of the good news of God's reign and remain faithful to the call of Jesus Christ to follow in his way.

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 100TH 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 many 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 within 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.

FLOWER TODAY are provided by the Altar Guild in honor of Reformation Sunday.

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

TEXTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: *Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18; Ephesians 1:11-23; Luke 6:20-31.*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Service of Holy Communion

Baptismal Affirmation

P: Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism whereby we are joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, clothed with God's grace, mercy, and forgiveness, marked with the cross of Christ forever, and renewed by the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the universe, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river, your beloved Child was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons and call us to be servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life. Above all, we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your grace, love, and forgiveness. Amen.

Opening Hymn
(Please stand)

"A Mighty Fortress"
(Face the cross as it is carried forward)

Green Hymnal #228

Call to Worship

P: We gather to worship the God who creates us, loves us, and provides for us.

C: God's Word forever shall abide!

P: We gather to remember the One who lived, died, and arose again for our salvation.

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P: We gather to rejoice in the Spirit who calls and gathers us together in community.

C: God's Word forever shall abide!

P: We gather to give praise for the Living Word that informs us of God's love and peace.

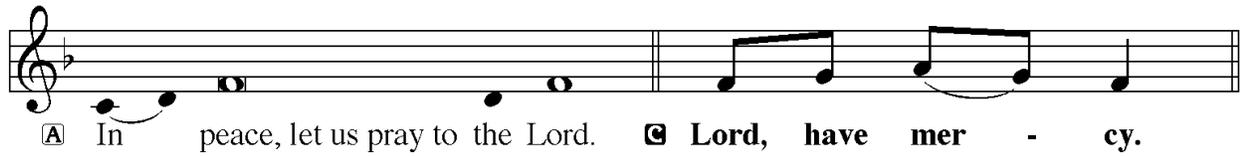
C: God's Word forever shall abide!

Greeting

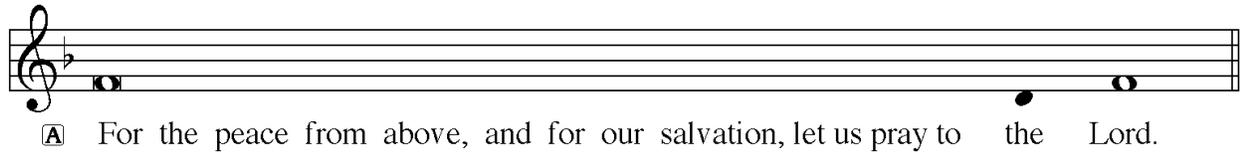
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

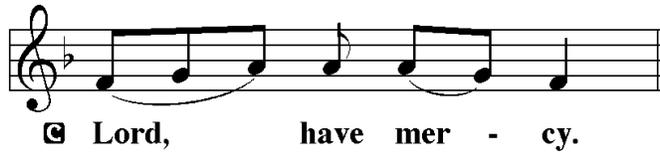
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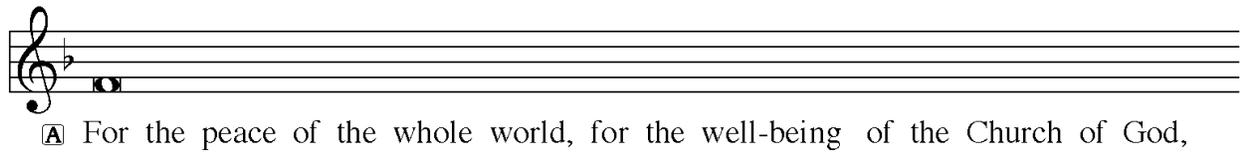
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



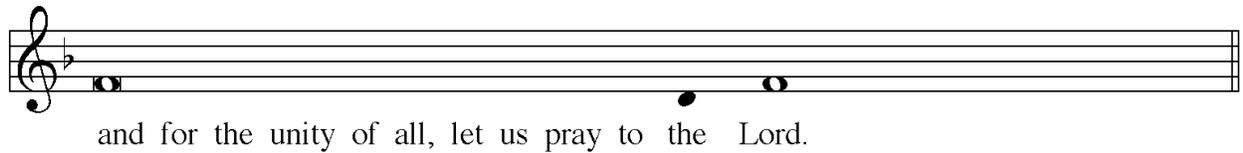
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



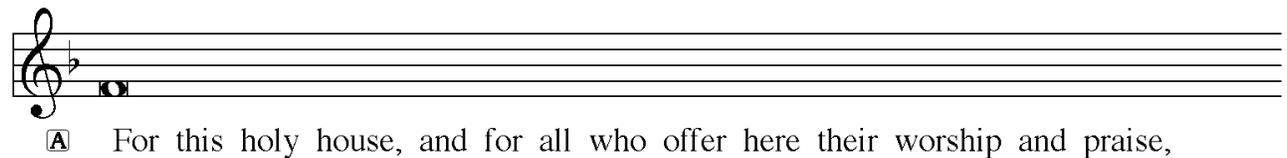
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



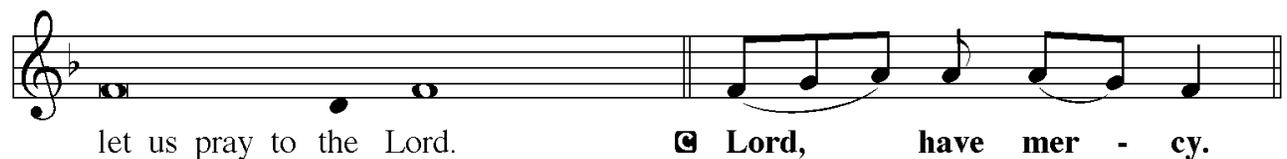
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



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



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra-cious Lord. **C** A - men

Hymn of Praise

☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,

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.

☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. ☐ Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, 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, al - le - lu - ia. ☐ Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and

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

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. ¶ For the Lamb who was
 slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.
 This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Prayer of the Day

A: Let us pray together:

C: God of abundant grace, we celebrate the continuing reformation that takes place within the Church as we daily renew our baptismal vows and determine how best to love our neighbors as we have been loved by you. Fill us with your Spirit so that we would have the faith and courage to be open to your living Word and be living examples of your reign of love, justice, peace, and freedom in all the Earth. Help all of us to know your presence in the core of our being and be unashamed about bearing witness to your glory as revealed in Jesus, our Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

(Please be seated)

First Lesson

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says God, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach

one another, or say to each other, "Know God," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

L: Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson

Romans 3:19-28

Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for rough the law comes the knowledge of sin. But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

L: Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.

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(Please stand)

Gospel Acclamation

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.



Gospel

John 8:31-36

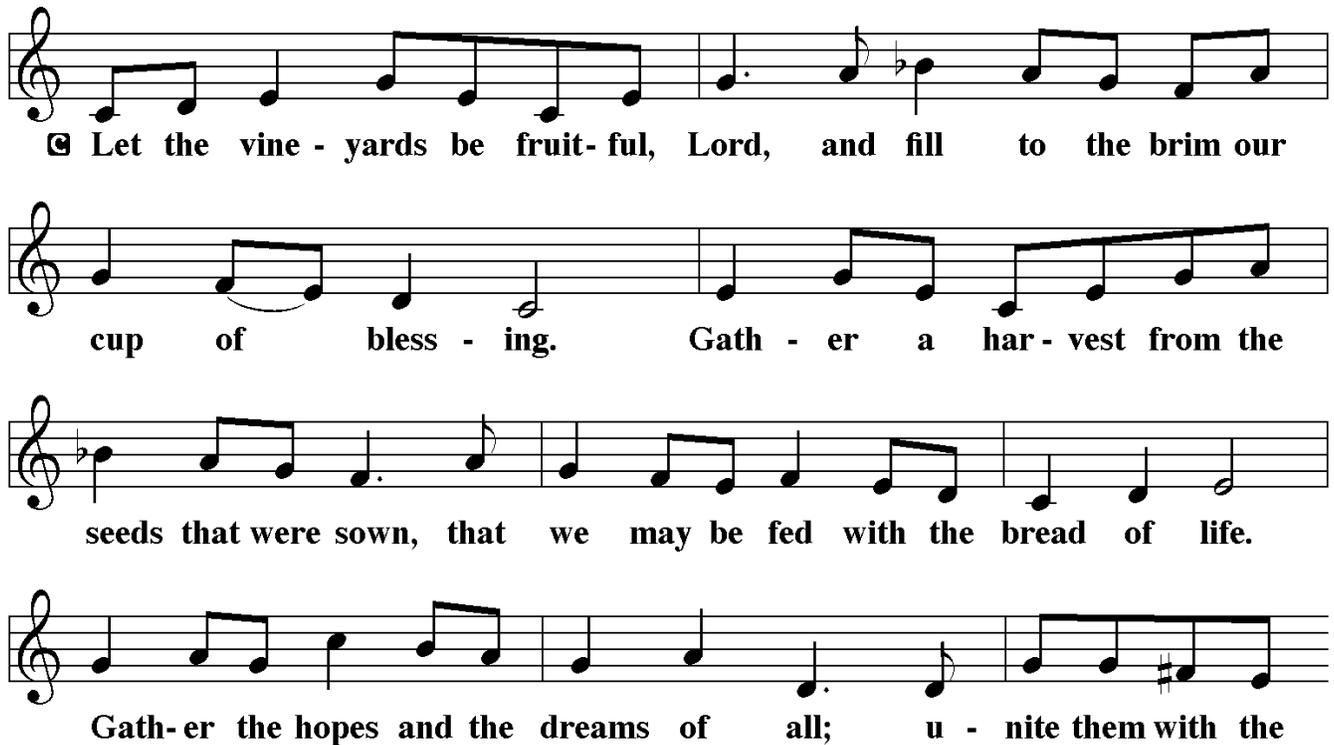
Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, "You will be made free'?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

Yet worship God in humbleness
And praise the Lord.

The banquet of love
Awaits thee above;
Behold the marriage festal of the Lamb is come!
Rejoice, my soul, rejoice,
To heaven lift up thy voice
Alleluia, Alleluia!

List to the harps of heaven!
Hark to the song victorious,
The neverending anthem sounding through the sky.
To mortals is not given
To chant its strains all glorious;
Yet sing, my soul, the praise of God who reigns on high,
Who brought with Blood the ransomed of God.
To God be everlasting power and victory.
And let the great Amen resound through heaven again.
Alleluia, Alleluia.

(Please stand)
Offertory Hymn



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and 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 with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the

Offertory Prayer

A: Let us pray together:

C: God of generous sustenance, we give you thanks for the way that you provide us with all that we need to be sustained in this life. We offer to you these gifts of our labor for the ministries to which you have called us, for the communities which we have chosen to serve, and for the wholeness of your entire creation. Bless this bread and fruit of the vine that we may taste the freedom of your love and walk in the newness of life that we have received in Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

P: May God 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 our gracious God.

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

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav- en and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



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.

Eucharistic Prayer

P: Holy God, endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Through Abraham and Sarah you promised to bless all nations. You rescued Israel, your chosen people. Through the prophets, you renewed your promise. At the end of this age, you sent Jesus, your beloved Child, who in words and deeds proclaimed your reign on Earth and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, 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.

In the same manner, 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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim Jesus' death until he comes again.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious God, with this bread and cup, we remember the life that Jesus offered for us. Believing in his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Jesus and his resurrection, that we who receive this bread and fruit of the vine may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit

Join our prayers with those of your saints of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great High Priest, Jesus Christ, through whom all glory and honor are yours, now and forever.

C: Amen.

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

**“O Word of God Incarnate”
“The Church’s One Foundation”
“Built on a Rock”**

***Green Hymnal #231
Green Hymnal #369
Green Hymnal #365***

(Please stand)

Communion Blessing

P: May the body and blood of Jesus, our Christ, grace us with the love that knows no end and free us from the power of sin in our lives to make way for all that is good, just, and right in the sight of God.

C: Amen.

Post Communion Hymn



G Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-calls his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple 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: God of steadfast love, thank you for this gracious gift of life and freedom that we have received this day. As we go forth from this place, inspire us to proclaim the message of your love to all people, be persistent in our faithfulness, challenge those who waver from your truth, and encourage those who have decided to follow in the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Benediction

Closing Hymn

“Lift High the Cross”

Green Hymnal #377

Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Follow in the way of Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Preacher	Pastor Tim Wolbrecht
Assisting Minister	Maynard Atik
Minister of Music	Brian Higham
Organist	Wm. Fletcher Bryant
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Lectors	John Wott Yolanda Houze
Children's Message	Jeff Berner
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Greeters	Craig Perkins Jan Orlando
Ushers	Ric Reuter Sharon Reuter Michael Rouse Ruth Ann Rouse
Fellowship	Janice & Larry Gockel
Altar Guild	Nona Taylor
Counters	Ruth Ann Rouse Jeff Berner
Courtesy Driver	Gary Marshall

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

AT THE ADULT FORUM today we will look at how to make sense of the legislative process and what issues we want to be watching in the upcoming legislative session. Ray Munger will facilitate. All are welcome.

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

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STEWARDSHIP BOOKLETS are available for you to pick up in the lounge. Please be sure to get your copy so the church does not incur a large postage cost in mailing them. Bring your Pledge Form (complete with your Time & Talent sign ups) on Pledge Sunday, November 13. You can also leave it in the church office or mail it.

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, we will be honoring our Saints. As is our tradition, we will remember those members who have died in the past year, by lighting remembrance candles and reading aloud their names. As part of our 100th Anniversary celebration, we will also honor those members who have been a part of this community of faith for 50 or more years, with recognition and a blessing during the service and with a lunch following the service. It will be a wonderful opportunity to offer our thanks to them for their lifetime of service and fellowship with us. Please indicate on the Worship Registration Form if you plan to attend the lunch following the service.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY! The children will be making displays to honor family, friends, and beloved pets who have died. Everyone is invited to bring their own pictures and mementos of deceased loved ones to add to the display in the lounge on Sunday, November 6.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH – Join your LYONS friends for an afternoon of Whirly Ball, pizza, and prizes on Sunday, November 6, from noon to 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$30. Bring your best go-cart and lacrosse skills and show them your crazy trick shots too. Prizes will be given out based on all sorts of different categories. You can sign up on the Youth Board in the 16th Street entrance of our the LYONS Facebook page or website (www.roaringlyons.org)

ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, Faith Action Network will host their annual fundraising dinner at the Renton Pavilion Event Center. Come help celebrate the victories of the past year while gathering together with faith leaders and advocates from across the state to continue to move forward our dream for the common good. Special guest Rabbi Ruth Zlotnick of Temple Beth Am in Seattle will be the keynote speaker for the evening, and they will present our annual awards to advocacy leaders. ULC has reserved a table for 10 for the event. Cost is \$75 per person. If you are interested in attending please sign up on the Worship Registration form.

Please make your check payable to ULC and earmark it for FAN Dinner.

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.

ATTENDANCE was 80 last Sunday.

NEXT SUNDAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS ARE: **Altar Guild** – Daniel & Stacy Crowner; **Acolytes** – Natalie Crowner; **Asst. Minister** – Andy Kopser; **Communion Assts.** – Brad Anderson, Theresa Lehan-Anderson, Emily Anderson & Sharon Reuter; **Lectors:** Lisa Johnson & Sue Gregory; **Ushers** – Linda Maschhoff, Jan Orlando, Jan Sorensen; **Fellowship Hour:** Anniversary Committee; **Counters** – Twig Mills & John Massman; **Courtesy Driver** – Tom Swenson.

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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