

**Union Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
**August 30, 2020**  
**13th Sunday after Pentecost-Test**



**PRELUDE** – Earth and All Stars...arr. Anne Krentz Organ

*(Classrooms and labs! Loud boiling test tubes! Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Athlete and band! Loud cheering people! Sing to the Lord a new song!  
God has done marvelous things. I too sing praises with a new song!)*

**WELCOME**

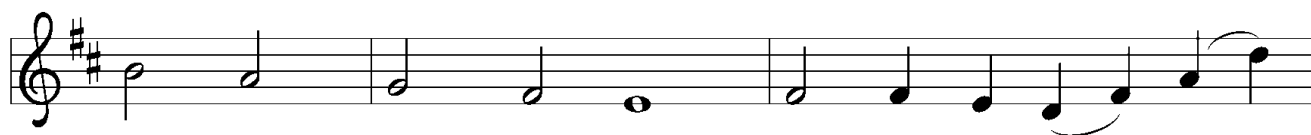
**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Where do we go for help when we are in need?  
We go to the God who loves us as a parent loves their children.  
Who do we lean on when the world is unjust?  
We lean on the God who loves us as a parent loves their children.  
To whom do we pray when we are astounded by the beauty of creation?  
We pray to the God who loved us as a parent loves their children.  
Knowing that God loves us as a parent loves their children,  
Come, let us worship the Lord!

## Jesus Shall Reign



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -  
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es  
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his  
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners  
5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from  
throng to crown his head; his name like sweet per -  
love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es  
leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -  
hon - ors to our king; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.  
ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.  
songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.

Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

To the pain of others, the world's detriment and our own hurt, we often spurn God's love and guidance and go our own way. Let us take a moment to reflect on our sin as we prepare to hear again the great good news of God's forgiveness.

*Silence*

Loving God,

We confess that we take you for granted. You give us all good things, but we choose to rely on ourselves and we bow to other gods that do not love us and cannot help us. Forgive us our sins.

Loving God,

We confess that we mistreat our sisters and brothers. You put us in community and call us to care for one another, but in our selfishness, we make adversaries and servants of your children. Forgive us our sins.

Loving God,

We confess that we thoughtlessly abuse your good creation. You place us in the world to be faithful stewards, but we use and discard, giving little thought to the welfare of your world and future generations. Forgive us our sins.

Just as a good mother never turns her back on her children, and a good father never casts his sons or daughters aside, our God does not abandon us in our sins. So, I declare to you now, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit that your sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Loving God, everyday you give us our daily bread and more. Everything that we need for life and wholeness. We return these gifts to you, along with our very selves, that your kingdom may come for all of your children and your good creation.

**Amen**

**Psalm 100**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** – Jackie & Jordan Bucks

**KID VID**

**GOSPEL & SERMON** – The Rev. Gordon A. Camp

**SPECIAL MUSIC** – The Prayer...Sager and Foster  
Lynn Banzhoff and Sherwood Geiger, vocal duet

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy catholic Church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life everlasting. Amen**

## **PRAYERS**

Confident of your care and helped by the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

God of faithfulness, you bid your people to follow Jesus. Set the mind of your church on divine things. Grant us trust in you, that we lose our lives for the sake of Christ and thereby discover joy in life through him.

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of wonder, the earth is yours and all that is in it. Heal your creation and give us eyes to see the world as you do. As the seasons change, pattern the rhythm of our lives in harmony with all creation.

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of all nations, you call us to live peaceably with all. Give us ears to hear one another, even those we name as enemies. Fill all leaders with mercy and understanding that they advocate and genuinely care for those who are poor and most vulnerable in their communities.

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of salvation, you promise to deliver us. Give those who suffer a strong sense of your presence and love. Accompany those who are uncertain, raise the spirits of those who are despairing, and heal the sick (especially).

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of community, you call us to rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, and persevere in prayer. Make our congregation a workshop of your love. When we quarrel, bring reconciliation. Help us overcome evil with good.

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of all grace, you give us everlasting life. In love we recall your holy ones who now live in your undying light (especially). In our remembering, give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer these prayers to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

As well as the words for prayer that Jesus taught us.



**Book of Common Prayer** (BCP) - is one of the prayer books used in the Anglican Communion. Published in 1549 during the reign of Edward VI, as part of the English Reformation following the break with Rome.

**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.**

**CEV** 1985 using speech patterns from used in books, magazines, newspapers, and television

**'Father, help us  
to honor your name.  
Come and set up  
your kingdom.  
Give us each day  
the food we need.  
Forgive our sins,  
as we forgive everyone  
who has done wrong to us.  
And keep us  
from being tempted.'**"

**Praise Song – Come, All You People (ELW No. 819, vss. 1,2,3)**

**Come, All You People**  
*Uyaimose*



*U - ya - i - mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri;*  
1 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Most High;  
2 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Sav - ior;  
3 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Spir - it;



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*u - ya - i - mo - se Zvi - no.*  
come now and wor - ship the Lord.  
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come now and wor - ship the Lord.

Text: Alexander Gondo; tr. I-to Loh, b. 1936, alt.

Music: UYAIMOSE, Alexander Gondo

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## **A BLESSING FOR RETURNING TO LEARNING**

Gracious God, we lift up to you today, these students.

They stand here ready to receive your blessings and they commit themselves to study and learning in the school year ahead. We ask your blessing on each of them.

We pray for the students and teachers going back to schools this school year. We pray for their health and safety as classrooms and schools have been modified to allow for proper social distancing and hygiene. We pray for the janitorial staff and cafeteria workers, administrators as well as the office staff who are essential employees at schools; we pray that you would keep them safe and protected from the virus.

Father God, we pray for the students who will be doing school virtually from home; we pray that they have the resources they need to do schoolwork at home. And we pray for their parents that they would be able to balance work and watch over their children as they try to be disciplined in live classroom time and the recorded lessons as well as any additional homework. We pray for the teachers who have to switch to online learning formats that they would be able to have the resources and technology training they need. Please give the teachers, students, and parents the patience they need for this new type of schooling that they could all work together to accomplish what needs to be done.

Finally, we ask your blessing on these backpacks, Chromebooks, laptops and cell phones symbols of returning to learning. They will hold the school work of each student and will be carried from home to school and back again. They will sit on kitchen tables, dining room coffee tables and bedroom desks and be the classroom holding knowledge in view. All this we ask in the name of Jesus, who as a child in the temple showed his longing to learn about you, and as an adult taught by story and example your great love for us. **Amen.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BENEDICTION**

Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let us return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on us, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. Amen.

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace, serve the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** – Jesus Shall Reign...arr. Anne Krentz Organ

## Look at the exciting news from ULC!

**Listen to Worship Services on your Phone-**Hearing Pastor Camp's weekly scripture reading and sermon is only a phone call away...just call 610-885-8237. This phone call is free and will allow those who do not have access to a computer to hear Pastor's weekly message.

**Check it out...Call 610-885-8237!**

**Sunday Worship Services** will continue to be emailed to you every Sunday morning. Check out **previous worship services or Wednesday** devotions by going to our website: [www.ulclv.org](http://www.ulclv.org). Click on the blue button "Click here for Virtual Worship".

### Worship Schedule

Sunday	August 30	9 AM	outdoors
Sunday	September 6	9 AM	outdoors
Sunday	September 13	9 AM	outdoors
Sunday	September 20	9 AM	outdoors
Sunday	September 27	9 AM	outdoors
Sunday	October 4	9 AM	outdoors
Sunday	October 11	9 AM	outdoors
Sunday	October 18	9 AM	outdoors
Sunday	October 25	9 AM	outdoors

**In the event of rain, worship will be cancelled.**

*Please be prepared to wear a mask and bring a chair or blanket.*

**Youth Group Fall Mum Sale** – We are now taking order for 9" Mums. They are available in a variety of colors: Burgundy, yellow, white, purple, bronze (orange). Cost is \$7.50 each or 3 for \$21. Money and orders must be returned to the church no later than Friday, September 11th. Please mail or drop your order in the offering baskets. Check payable to Union Lutheran Church. Mums can be picked up after church on Sunday, October 3rd (9:30 – 10:30 AM) or during the following week.

**Lil Pantry** – We are so blessed to be able to help our community by providing food in our Lil Pantry. It is being used heavily. How can you help? Either drop off your food donations directly to the Lil Pantry or mail a check to Union Lutheran Church. We will purchase food and restock.

**Clothing bins** are reopen and currently accepting donations of clothing, shoes and soft household linens.

**Northern Lehigh Food Bank and the Parkland Cares Pantry** help to serve the food needs of our extended local communities. Since our building is currently closed, it is difficult to drop off food donations. Dianne Gillikin has volunteered her front porch as a drop off spot. Dianne and Carl live only a minute or two from the church at 5168 Stahley Dr. Schnecksville. Place your bags on their porch and Dianne will ensure that your donations get to the food banks.

Urgent needs are: peanut butter, jelly, cereal, pasta, pasta sauce, soup, crackers, rice, beans, syrup, pancake mix, and toilet paper, but all donations are appreciated and useful!



### **Keeping in our prayers:**

Alex Rebuck, Chuck Allison, Nancy Antram, Dottie Bealer, Richard Carlstrand, Bailey Cummings, Lynn Fermato, Barry Fink, Bob Frey, Abby Graham, Jake Hammond, Linda Houser, Melissa Ludwig, Royal Olson, Jeffrey Trapp.

Donna Milano, recovering from knee surgery

Sandy Hoffman – undergoing cancer treatments

Tom Crowe, surgery to check for cardiac blockages

Barbara Fung, who was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer

Tina Doll, beginning cancer treatments.

Sue Mosser's niece, Amber and her premature daughter Autumn.

Kim Kuhlman's brother, Troy, who was diagnosed with COVID-19.

Charles Kopcho, treatment for mantle cell lymphoma.

Barbara Spohn, moved to The Sacred Heart Rehabilitation Center

Lisa Williams, home recovering from a broken leg and undergoing additional surgery

Ed Razzis is home following a second hospitalization. He will be receiving cancer treatment.

We pray for our homebound members, members of our congregation and community who struggle with employment, people affected by the natural disasters and our service people.

We join all of the Northern Lehigh Valley Mission District in praying for the congregation of New Life, New Tripoli – The Rev. Lauren M. Applegate

Please contact Pastor Camp [pastor@ulclv.org](mailto:pastor@ulclv.org) or the church office [office@ulclv.org](mailto:office@ulclv.org) to share prayer concerns.

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Schnecksville, Pa 18078**

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