

**Union Evangelical Lutheran Church
September 6, 2020**

14th Sunday after Pentecost



PRELUDE - Great Is Thy Faithfulness... arr. Larry Shackley

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!

HYMN – Lord of All Hopefulness (ELW No. 765, vss. 1, 2 & 3)

Lord of All Hopefulness



1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace:
whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm:



be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,
be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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Music: SLANE, Irish traditional
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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,
Every day 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 your children and your good creation.

Amen

PSALM 136

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE – Jackie & Jordan Bucks

KID VID

GOSPEL & SERMON – The Rev. Gordon A. Camp

SPECIAL MUSIC – Songs of Praise...arr. Susan Geschke
Glory Ringers

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

Drawn together in the compassion of God, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

Unite your church, O God. Grant us the gifts of repentance and reconciliation. Bless the cooperative work of churches in this community (especially). Strengthen ecumenical partnerships; guide the work of the Lutheran World Federation and the World Council of Churches. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Protect your creation, O God. Teach us ways that do not harm what you have entrusted to our care. Renew and enliven places suffering from drought, flood, storms, or pollution (especially). Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Turn nations and leaders from ways that lead to death. Shape new paths toward peace and cooperation, teaching us to recognize one another as neighbors. Guide legislators, civil servants, judges, and police toward laws that protect the well-being of all. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Tend to all in need of your compassion. Hear the cries of those awaiting justice and those yearning for forgiveness. Give community to the lonely and neighbors to the outcast. Shelter all who are vulnerable in body, mind, or spirit (especially). Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Sustain us in our work, O God, and give work to those who need it. Shape societies to ensure fair treatment for all who labor. Help us to love our neighbors in and through our work. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in faith. As you equipped them, equip us with your protection and power, until with them we see your salvation. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

All these things and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your mercy; through 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.

9-6 1599 Geneva Bible It was the primary Bible of 16th-century English Protestantism and was used by William Shakespeare, Oliver Cromwell, John Knox, and John Bunyan, author of *The Pilgrim's Progress*. It was one of the Bibles taken to America on the *Mayflower* (Pilgrim Hall Museum has collected several Bibles of *Mayflower*).

And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come: Let thy will be done, even in earth, as it is in heaven:

Our daily bread give us for the day:

And forgive us our sins: for even we forgive every man that is indebted to us: And lead us not into temptation: but deliver us from evil.

Praise Song -

I Will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord Forever (All God's People Sing! No. 133)

I Will Sing of the Mercies

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G/A A7 D A/G D/F A/E D
I will sing of the mer - cies of the Lord for - ev - er, I will

1 A D 2-3 A D Fine
sing. I will sing. sing of the mer - cies of the Lord.

G D
With my mouth will I make known Thy

A D G
faith - ful - ness, Thy faith - ful - ness. With my mouth will I make

D D° A/E E7 D.C. al Fine A
known Thy faith - ful - ness to all gen - er - a - tions.

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 – Joy in Hope...Barbara Boertje

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. Click on the blue button "Click here for Virtual Worship".

Worship Schedule

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.

Rally Day – September 13th - Rally Day is going to happen! – However it will be a little different this year. Instead of meeting together in person, Mr. Josh will be sending out a link this week for everyone to "Zooooooooom" with us into the 2020 Sunday School Season!

Tom Crowe Card Shower — Tom Crowe is recovering from hip surgery and needs some good thoughts from his church family. Let's shower him with cards!
Thomas Crowe 5122 Shawnee Blvd. Schnecksville, Pa 18078

Lisa Williams Card Shower — Lisa is recovering from follow up surgery due to complications from her broken leg. Let's shower her with cards!
Lisa Williams 3964 Crestwood Dr. Schnecksville, Pa 18078

Blanket Sunday — Every year, Church World Service distributes thousands of blankets to the homeless and victims of severe storms in the United States and throughout the world as part of their Blanket Program. You can be a part of this ministry by sponsoring a blanket(s) at a cost of \$5.00 each. If you would like to dedicate your donation in memory of or in honor of someone, please indicate on the back of the envelope. Deadline for donations is September 20th . A list of donors will appear in the September 27th bulletin.

Trunk or Treat - Save October 31, from 2-3p.m. for Trunk or Treat. It will be a much different event but we are looking forward to giving the children something to look forward to. One thing we do know is we will need lots of treats to put in goodie bags. Details will follow. Any questions please call Cathy Smith 215-872-4013.

Youth Group Fall Mum Sale — **DEADLINE TO ORDER SEPT. 10TH** -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:

Karen Mack, 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.

Dwight Ressler, Stefanie Wassum's father

Donna Milano, recovering from knee surgery

Sandy Hoffman – undergoing cancer treatments

Tom Crowe – recovering from hip surgery

Barbara Fung, who was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer

Tina Doll - undergoing cancer treatments

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

Charles Kopcho, treatment for mantle cell lymphoma.

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

Ed Razzis - undergoing cancer treatments

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 Holy Trinity, Northampton – pastoral vacancy.

Please contact Pastor Camp pastor@ulclv.org or the church office office@ulclv.org to share prayer concerns.

Thank you for maintaining the work of our church!

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