

**Union Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
**November 15, 2020**

*“Our Mission is to follow Jesus and serve as He would.”*



**Welcome**

**Prelude** - Give Thanks...Henry Smith, arr. Susan Geschk  
Glory Ringers

**Call to Worship**

Grace and peace to you from God our Father,  
Look at the birds of the air;  
they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns  
and yet God provides for the basic sustenance of life.

**May our hearts be open to trust you Lord.**

Look at the birds of the air;  
they neither study nor plan nor plot their course  
and yet God writes the instinct for migration into their hearts.

**May our eyes be open to see you Lord.**

Look at the birds of the air;  
they neither talk nor vote nor debate their responsibility  
yet God weaves them into communities which nurture and defend.

**May our hands be open to serve you Lord.**

**Let's worship God together!**

## Greeting & Prayer of the Day

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

*Let us Pray:*

As you cleansed Isaiah with a coal of fire to prepare him for proclaiming your world to the world, prepare us, so that we may know your bidding and carry out our calling with eagerness and urgency. Show the world greatness that cannot be contained any more than smore or fire can be caught, I the name of the one who sacrificed everything to carry out your commands, Jesus Christ our sanctifier. Amen.

## Hymn - Will You Come and Follow Me (ELW No. 798, vss. 1,2 & 3)

### Will You Come and Follow Me *The Summons*

1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call  
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call  
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call  
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call  
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call

your name? Will you go where you don't  
 your name? Will you care for cruel and  
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners  
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -  
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low

know and nev - er be the same?  
 kind and nev - er be the same?  
 free and nev - er be the same?  
 side and nev - er be the same?  
 you and nev - er be the same.

Will you let my love be shown, will you let my  
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -  
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as  
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the  
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and

name be known, will you let my life be  
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer  
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I  
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and  
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and

grown in you and you in me?"  
 pray'r in you and you in me?"  
 mean in you and you in me?"  
 sound in you and you in me?"  
 grow in you and you in me.

## **Confession & Forgiveness**

We confess our sin, and the sins of our society, in the misuse of God's creation.

God our Father, we are sorry for the times when we have used your gifts carelessly, and acted ungratefully.

Father in your mercy: **forgive us and help us.**

We enjoy the fruits of the harvest, but sometimes forget that you have given them to us.

Father, in your mercy: **forgive us and help us.**

We belong to a people who are full and satisfied, but ignore the cry of the hungry.

Father, in your mercy: **forgive us and help us.**

We are thoughtless, and do not care enough for the world you have made.

Father, in your mercy: **forgive us and help us.**

We store up goods for ourselves alone, as if there were no God and no heaven.

Father, in your mercy: **forgive us and help us.**

God did not send Christ into the world to condemn the world, but to be its Savior. Hear then Christ's word of grace to us:

Your sins are forgiven. **Thanks be to God!**

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**Gospel – Luke 5:8-10**

**Blessings of the Animals**

**Narrative Reading -Isaiah 6:1-8**

**Sermon – The Rev. Gordon A. Camp**

## **Special Music – “Blessings” - Sierra Hohenshilt, Vocal soloist**

*We pray for blessings, we pray for peace, comfort for family, protection while we sleep.  
We pray for healing, for prosperity; we pray for Your mighty hand to ease our suffering.  
And all the while, You hear each spoken need, yet love us way too much to give us lesser things.  
'Cause what if Your blessings come through raindrops? What if Your healing comes through tears?  
What if a thousand sleepless nights is what it takes to know You're near?  
And what if trials of this life are Your mercies in disguise?  
We pray for wisdom, Your voice to hear. And we cry in anger when we cannot feel You near.  
We doubt Your goodness, we doubt Your love, as if ev'ry promise from Your Word is not enough.  
And all the while, You hear each desperate plea. and long that we'd have faith to believe.  
When friends betray us, when darkness seems to win,  
We know the pain reminds this heart that this is not our home.  
What if my greatest disappointments or the aching of this life  
Is the revealing of a greater thirst this world can't satisfy?  
And what trials of this life, the rain, the storms, the hardest nights, are Your mercies in disguise?*

## **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**

God of life, we praise you for your abiding presence from generation to generation, blessing your people, strengthening us to lives of service, empowering us to witness. Hear the prayers we offer on behalf of your creation.

*A brief silence.*

Lord, send your church out into the world to proclaim your glory and practice your self-sacrificial love.

**Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Lord, send us out into your creation with hearts of care and a deep desire to protect what you have so wonderfully made.

**Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Lord, send us leaders who will protect the widow, the orphan, and the resident alien.

**Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Lord, send your spirit of hope into the lives of those who are despairing and help them to know your presence.

**Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Lord, send your healing spirit upon all who are suffering or in any pain, bring them your wholeness and peace.

**Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Lord, blot out our sin and send us forth into the world to bear witness to your activity in our lives and in the world around us.

**Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Lord, we give you thanks for the saints you have sent to us and we pray that you will use us our witness to others too.

**Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Grant that as we serve you now on earth, so we may one day rejoice with all the saints in your kingdom of light and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### **Lord's Prayer**

Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

## **Praise Song** – Awesome God...words and music Rich Mullins

Our God is an awesome God, He reigns from heaven above  
With wisdom, pow'r and love - Our God is an awesome God  
Our God is an awesome God, He reigns from heaven above  
With wisdom, pow'r and love - Our God is an awesome God!  
Our God is an awesome God!  
Our God is an awesome God!

## **Announcements**

### **Benediction**

Go from this place with joy,  
giving thanks to God,  
proclaiming His goodness,  
celebrating His love,  
and worshipping Him with your lives.  
For He is the Lord our God,  
faithful to a thousand generations.  
And may the blessing of God Almighty,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
be with you and among you  
in the days ahead.

### **Dismissal**

Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
Go in peace, serving Christ

**Postlude** - Ancient of Days/ Immortal, Invisible...arr. Bethany K. Smith and Mary McDonald

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## Week of November 15, 2020

**Children's Sunday School** – Ages 3 through Grade 6. A Sunday School link is sent out via email every Sunday via the Sunday Xpress. Please click the link and participate at any time.

**Youth Group (Christ's Café)** – Grades 7 -12. Every Sunday 9:30 – 10:15

Outdoors (weather permitting).

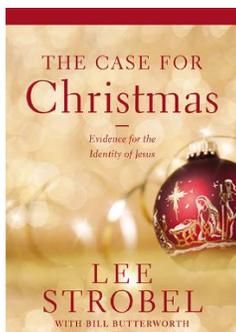
**“Happy Hour” (Adult Class)** – Happy Hour is a gathering of adults. *(Come one week a month or come every week-it doesn't matter)*. Every Sunday 10:15 via Zoom. “Come” join us to view a video and to join the discussion. Not able to attend Happy Hour? All of the curriculum and videos can be found on our website.

November 1, 8, 15 – “Miracles, Messiah & the Roman Empire”



Dave Stotts – host and editor of Drive Thru History – speeds through the ancient world of the Bible, giving you a fast-paced encounter with the people, places, and events that have shaped our world and the Christian faith. Stotts’ Drive Thru History series includes on-location explorations, plus loads of animations and narration that’s definitely “outside the classroom.” From the confession of Peter, to the transfiguration of Jesus to the important events in Jerusalem during the life of Christ, you will experience a visually exciting journey to the land of the Bible, revealing the history and culture behind the

November 22, 29 and December 13, 20 “The Case for Christmas - Evidence for the Identity of Jesus”



“Even when he was an atheist, Lee Strobel enjoyed the Christmas season – the gift-giving, holiday parties, and being with friends and family. But after his wife became a Christian, Lee started to investigate the real meaning behind all those nativity scenes he had seen outside of church. In this four-part study, Lee reveals what he discovered as he sought to separate the holiday from the holy day, the facts from the fantasy, and the truth from the tradition. The Case for Christmas will invite you to look beyond the familiar traditions of the season, challenge you to examine the evidence for yourself, and consider why

**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”.

**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!

**Drive Thru Communion** – November 22nd and December 6th, 20th Pastor Camp will offer Holy Communion. Come anytime between 11:00 AM to noon. Enter the parking lot and proceed to the covered entrance way. There Pastor will offer prayers, communion and a blessing. Communion will be served using individual sealed cups which include both the wafer and grape juice.

**Drive-in church** – will be held every Sunday. You will be able to stay in your car and tune your radio to our very own Union Lutheran FM radio “station”, 94.3 FM, or you can simply open your window and listen live! Note if you have a larger vehicle, please be considerate of others and park your vehicle in the back or sides of the lot. If you prefer sitting outdoors, no problem, seating will be available in the parking lot. Please continue to bring your chairs and to wear your masks.

**Singer’s Masks** - You may have noticed some of our talented vocalists wearing black masks when performing. They are specially designed "singer's masks" with semi-rigid frames that keep the three layers of cloth away from the area of the face involved in singing. The construction makes it easier to take deep breaths, articulate consonants and project resonance while effectively containing the super spray of aerosols produced when singing. Combined with social distancing, we are now able to safely rehearse and record indoors. ULC has purchased enough of these special masks to also outfit the Chorale. If you have been considering joining either of these singing groups, we'd love to include you! Please speak to Susan Frickert (484-788-9476) or call the church office.

**Christmas Eve Services** – will be held at 3 pm, 8 pm & 11 pm. All services will be held outdoors in the parking lot by way of car parking and the 94.3 FM radio station.

**Adopt-A-Family Gift Giving** - The Adopt-A-Family gift tree will be virtual this year. The link to sign up for gift giving is:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084EA4AB22A46-adoptafamily> .

All gifts will need to be returned to ULC by December 6th. There are instructions on each gift if it should be wrapped or unwrapped and the gift spending limit.

If you do not have access to a computer, the church office has a paper copy of the gift wish list. Any questions, please call the church office or Sally Grim (610-248-8952).

**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.

**Hunger Corner by Social Ministry** - 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.

**You are welcome to join our Union Lutheran Family** - All are welcome no matter if you are coming from a Lutheran background or another faith tradition. *We are so excited for the opportunity to have you join our ministries.* Becoming a part of our family is simple. Just contact Pastor Camp or the Church Office at [610-767-6884](tel:610-767-6884) or [office@ulclv.org](mailto:office@ulclv.org). Let us welcome you during one of our upcoming worship services.

**Prayer Card Ministry** - Patti Hoffman mails cards to all members of our church family who are on the prayer list. If you are adding a non-member to the prayer list, please provide their mailing address as well. We would love to mail them a card!

**Clothing Donations** - Place your gently used clothing, shoes, belts, hats, bedding, linens, towels, and drapes in a bag and place them in the COLLECTION BINS located in lower parking lot. Proceeds from the used clothing collection will continue to benefit our youth ministries!

**Journeyman** – meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month at 7 am. Ron Pugh sends a Zoom link the week prior. For access to the link and to participate Zoom, please call the church office 610-767-6884, email the church office at [office@ulclv.org](mailto:office@ulclv.org) or email Ron at [ronpugh@rcn.com](mailto:ronpugh@rcn.com).

**Keeping in our prayers:**

Kenny Muth, Scott Cummings, Judy Schild, Karen Mack, Alex Rebeck, Chuck Allison, Nancy Antram, Dottie Bealer, Richard Carlstrand, Bailey Cummings, Barry Fink, Bob Frey, Abby Graham, Jake Hammond, Linda Houser, Melissa Ludwig, Jeffrey Trapp.

Family of Marian Wieda – Marian passed away this week.

Marlyn Wall, Father of Dianne Gillikin.

Luis Marmolejos- friend of Steve and Tammy Diamond who was recently diagnosed with bone cancer.

Sandy Hoffman – undergoing cancer treatments

Barbara Fung, who was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer

Tina Doll - undergoing cancer treatments

Charles Kopcho, treatment for mantle cell lymphoma.

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 pray for the church of Shepherd of the Hills, Whitehall – The Rev. James W. Schlegel.

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

**Report of November 8, 2020**

<b>Today's</b>	<b>Weekly Offering:</b> <b>\$4,108</b>	<b>9am Outdoor Worship Attendance:</b> 128
	<b>Vision 2020: \$585</b>	<b>Virtual Sunday Worship Attendance:</b> 91
		<b>Virtual Wednesday Devotional Attendance:</b> 23
		<b>Total Weekly Attendance:</b> 242

## Worship Participants

<b>Online Worship Readings</b>	<i>Bailey Miller</i>
<b>Music</b>	<i>Sierra Hohenshilt-Vocal Solo</i> <i>Glory Ringers - Prelude</i>

## Join us this week...

Sun. 11/15	Outdoor Worship	9:00 am
	Virtual Worship	Online Link 9:00 am
	Children's Sunday School	Online Link 9:00 am
	Happy Hour	Zoom 10:15 am
	Drive Thru Blessing of the Animals	11 am - Noon
	Catechetical Class Zoom	1 - 1:40 pm
Mon. 11/16	Church Council Zoom	7:00 pm
Weds. 11/18	Glory Ringers Rehearsal	6:30 pm
	Catechetical Class Zoom	7 - 7:40 pm
	Union Chorale Rehearsal	7:45 pm
Sat. 11/21	Praise Band Rehearsal	8:30 am
Sun. 11/22	Outdoor Worship	9:00 am
	Virtual Worship	Online Link 9:00 am
	Children's Sunday School	Online Link 9:00 am
	Youth Group	9:30 am
	Pizza Kit Distribution	9:30 am
	Happy Hour	Zoom 10:15 am
	Drive Thru Communion	11 am - Noon

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**Miller-Keystone Blood Center #1258 - ULC**

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	Jane Borbe
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<b>Asst. Office Administrator</b>	Katie Stauter

<b>Congregation Council Members</b>			
<b>Officers</b>		<b>Committee Liaisons</b>	
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