

Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for freeing your sons and daughters from the power of sin and for raising them up to a new life through this holy sacrament. Pour your Holy Spirit upon *us*: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence. **Amen**

Hymn - Crashing Waters at Creation (ELW No. 455, vss. 1,2,3,4) Text: ©1991 GIA Publications, Inc.

HOLY BAPTISM

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Crashing Waters at Creation



1 Crash-ing wa - ters at cre - a - tion, or - dered by the Spir - it's breath,
2 Part - ing wa - ter stood and trem - bled as the cap - tives passed on through,
3 Cleans-ing wa - ter once at Jor - dan closed a - round the one fore - told,
4 Liv - ing wa - ter, nev - er end - ing, quench the thirst and flood the soul.



first to wit - ness day's be - gin - ning from the bright - ness of night's death.
wash - ing off the chains of bond - age — chan - nel to a life made new.
o - pened to re - veal the glo - ry ev - er new and ev - er old.
Well - spring, source of life e - ter - nal, drench our dry - ness, make us whole.



Confession

We are incredibly stubborn, O Lord. We have entered the season in which Your Light has been given to the world, your blessings have been poured out on the world, and yet all we can think about is our own problems, our own needs, our own desires.

Help us to desire you, Lord. Help us to yearn for your presence. Pour your baptismal waters over us again, cleansing us from our self-pity and arrogance. Nourish and heal us so that we may joyfully serve you.

Wash away our jealousy, greed, and all negative thoughts and behaviors that stand in the way of our truly being the people you have called us to be.

Again let us receive the blessings offered in creation, in the birth and baptism of Jesus, and in the ministry of the saints of light. We ask this in Jesus' Name. **Amen.**

The love of God is always offered to us, freely, joyfully, for all eternity. Rejoice, dear friends, this is the Good News of our Lord. **Amen.**

Psalm - 51: 6-17

Children's Message

Gospel Luke - 3:1-22

Sermon

Special Music - Day By Day...arr. Mark Hayes- Audrey Marsteller

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Day by day and with each passing moment, strength I find to meet my trials here; trusting in my Father's wise bestowment, I've no cause for worry or for fear. He whose heart is kind beyond all measure gives unto each day what He deems best. Lovingly, it's part of pain and pleasure, mingling toil with peace and rest. Ev'ry day the Lord Himself is near me with a special mercy for each hour; all my cares He fain would bear, and cheer me, He whose name is Counselor and Power. The protection of His child and treasure is a charge that on Himself He laid; "As your days, your strength shall be in measure," this the pledge to me He made. Help me then in ev'ry tribulation so to trust Your promises, O Lord, that I lose not faith's sweet consolation offered me within Your holy Word. Help me, I Lord, when toil and trouble meeting, e'er to take, as from a father's hand, one by one, the days, the moments fleeting, till I reach the promised land.

Apostles Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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

Dear heavenly Father, we give you thanks and praise that in your mercy you brought us to baptism, and there gave us Jesus' holiness in exchange for our sin and impurity. Thank you for our parents who brought us up in the faith and to baptism, thank you for those other people whom you used to bring us the gospel, and thank you for our pastors and teachers in the faith.

We pray for the baptised people of God, that we may hang on to your promises in true faith, especially when we experience the wilderness of sin and evil within, and temptations and trials from outside. Strengthen us with your Holy Spirit so that Jesus' victory may be our victory.

We pray for all people, that the good news of Christ will be proclaimed and heard by all people, and that many will believe and be baptised. To this end, send and support pastors, missionaries, teachers, and lay people able to give truthful and loving witness to Christ.

Have mercy on those in need, those who are struggling because of domestic violence and break-down, those who are suffering from harmful behaviour and hurting relationships. Heal, restore, and renew dear Lord.

We pray for the sick, those who are disabled, those in hospital, those facing death. Show them the light of the gospel, provide helpers and carers and medical resources, and heal both body and soul. Be with those among us who are sick or recovering from surgery, and in particular whom we name in our hearts...

Heavenly Father, you have shown us your love and salvation in the baptism of your Son. Accept these prayers of your children in the name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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.

248 Spirit Song



1. O let the Son of God en - fold you with his
2. O come and sing this song with glad - ness as your



Spir - it and his love, let Him fill your life and
hearts are filled with joy, lift your hands in sweet sur -



sat - is - fy your soul. O let him
ren - der to his name. O give him



have the things that hold you and his Spir - it, like a
all your tears and sad - ness, give him all your years of



dove, will des - cend up - on your life and make you
pain and you'll en - ter in - to life in Je - sus'



whole.
name. Je - sus, O Je - sus, come and



fill your lambs. Je - sus O Je - sus,



come and fill your lambs.

Announcements

Benediction

May the Spirit bless you with hope poured out like water and flowing as the river.

May Jesus love shine on you and journey with you.

God says to you, “you are my beloved, Be blessed this day and always.” **Amen**

Postlude - Wade in the Water...arr. Mark Hayes

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

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Week of January 10, 2020

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".

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 –January 17th 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.

2021 "Souper" Bowl Challenge - Exciting news – in spite of the pandemic our Souper Bowl challenge lives on....while the NFL playoffs to determine the 2 teams who will face off in the Super Bowl are ongoing during January, Union Lutheran will be having our own Souper Bowl Challenge. Here is how it is going to work: Starting January 10th – bring your soup can donations to worship and let us know if you are a fan of the AFC or NFC. Each week we will count the donated cans and provide an updated score for our "Souper Bowl Challenge". Join us at worship on Feb. 7th (Super Bowl Sunday) to hear the announcement of Union Lutheran winner!!!

Book Club Zoom - TODAY! Hello, all Readers out there! I'm sure, like me, many of you have still been reading during these crazy months. Sadly, we had to abruptly stop book club back in March and I have really missed talking about books! I am hoping many of you feel the same way. I am proposing starting the Book Club again via Zoom in January 2021. We would begin where we left off by discussing the book Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng that was scheduled for March. To continue we will need to choose a new book to read as well as a date and time to discuss it. This will be the tricky part - When do we want to meet? For our first meeting I would like to schedule the Zoom for Sunday, January 10 @ 11:00 am. If you are interested in being a part of the group please e-mail me at bjsm2@ptd.net or call the church office. Happy Reading! Barb Mahoney

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. 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 2nd 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 or email Ron at ronpugh@rcn.com.

Journeyman Retreat – Save the Date – Feb. 13, 2021. Join us for a Men's Retreat via Zoom. Plan on being with us for the day. Let's recharge in God's Word while focusing on the positive aspects of our world! Want to join? Contact Ron Pugh, Journeyman Secretary 610-442-9710 or email Ron at ronpugh@rcn.com.

2021 “Souper” Bowl Challenge

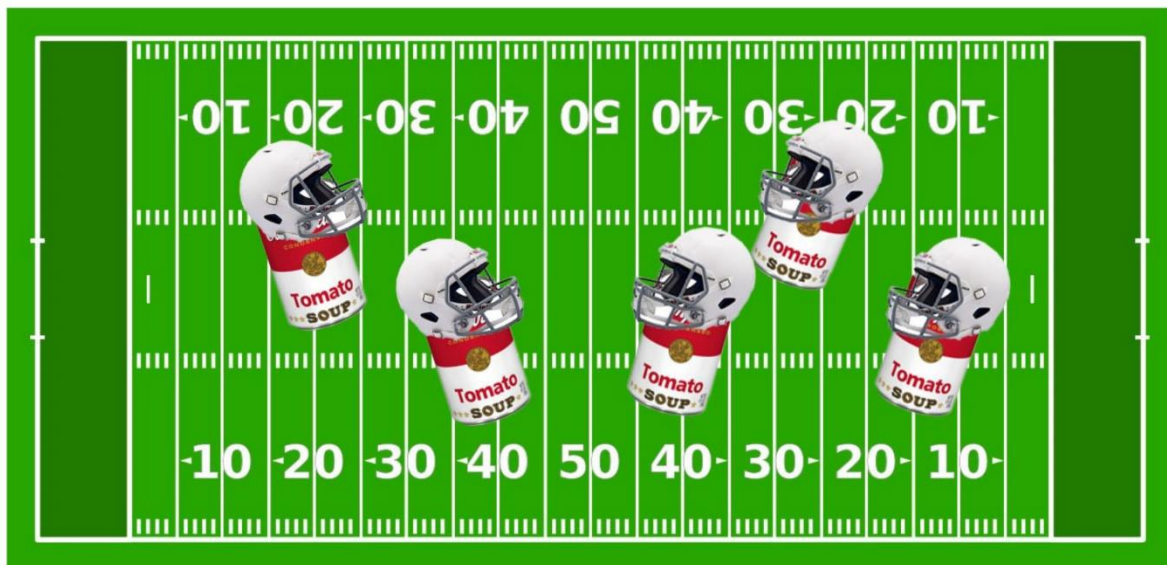


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Keeping in our prayers:

Edith Leurs, Scott Ball, Stacie Folk, Luis Marmolejos, Barbara Fung, Tina Doll, Charles Kopcho, Charles Stopp, 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.

Kristen Olson – Sister-in -Law to Pastor and Cindy – undergoing intestinal surgery

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 We pray for the church Trinity, Hecktown – The Rev. Jennifer Hall, transitional.

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



Report of January 3, 2020

Weekly Offering: \$3,515	9am Outdoor Worship Attendance: 37
Vision 2020: \$200	Virtual Sunday Worship Attendance: 62
	Virtual Devotional Attendance: 32
	Total Weekly Attendance: 131

Today's Worship Participants

Online Worship Readings	<i>Kandy Lang</i>
Music	<i>Audrey Marsteller</i>

Join us this week...

Sun. 1/10	Outdoor Worship	9:00 am
	Virtual Worship	Online Link 9:00 am
	Children's Sunday School	Online Link 9:00 am
	Happy Hour	Zoom 10:30 am
Weds. 1/13	Praise Band Rehearsal	8:30 am
	Glory Ringers Rehearsal	6:30 pm
	Union Chorale Rehearsal	7:45 pm
Sun. 1/17	Outdoor Worship	9:00 am
	Virtual Worship	Online Link 9:00 am
	Children's Sunday School	Online Link 9:00 am
	Happy Hour	Zoom Link 10:30 am
	Drive Thru Communion	11:00 – Noon

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