Union Evangelical Lutheran Church May 16, 2021



"Our Mission is to follow Jesus and serve as He would."

Welcome

Prelude – Little Prelude and Fugue in G Minor...J.S. Bach ©1940 renewed G. Schirmer, Inc.

Call to Worship

Living God, who came to this world and entered human pain, come and be in every painful place in our lives, be in every painful place in our world.

Living God,

who in the secret darkness rose from the grave, come and be in the secret, dark places in our lives, be in every secret, dark place in our world.

Living God,

who sent the women to proclaim the resurrection to the frightened apostles, come and empower us in every frightened place in our lives, empower all your children in every frightened place in our world.

Living God, Risen Son, Easter God, come and make us your living Church, Your risen Church,

Your Easter Church, in every place in our world. Alleluia, Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Prayer of the Day -

Faithful Delivered, You have chosen us to receive salvation by faith, not by the works of our hands. Deliver us, then, from the law, and free us from the bondage of sin so that with our hands we might serve you in purity of joy and response to your goodness, for the sake of Jesus Christ, who is all goodness. Amen.

Hymn - One Bread, One Body (ELW No. 496, vss. 1,2,3) Text & Music: John Foley, SJ, b. 1939, ©1978 OCP Publications



Confession & Forgiveness

Gracious Father, you sent your Son to die and rise to new life in order that death might be brought to an end and that we might live a new life in Him.

Yet we confess that we too often have chosen to remain captive to doubt and fear and ways that lead to death. By our thoughts, words, and actions, we have scorned your love, diminished the lives of others, and defaced your image in us.

Father, forgive us for Jesus' sake, and enable us by His resurrection power to live no longer for ourselves but for Him who died and rose again for us. Amen.

"For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." Amen and Amen! (Romans 8:38)

Do not dwell on your separation from God any longer for he has risen to heal you, he has risen to forgive you; he has risen to change us all and bind us together now. Christ has risen to forgive us. In Jesus name you are forgiven. **Amen**

Reading - Luke 1:68-79

Children's Message

Narrative Reading - Galatians 3:1-9, 23-29

Sermon - Rev. Gordon A. Camp

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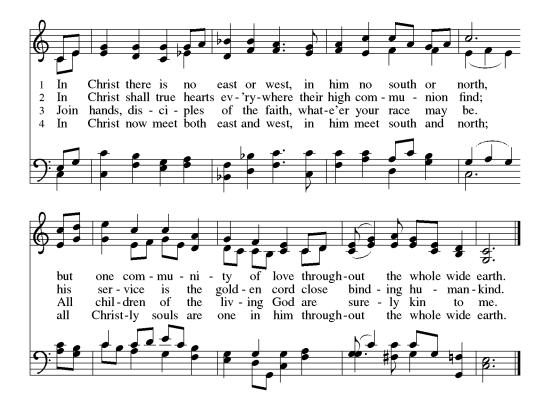
Prayers

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.

Hymn - In Christ There is No East Or West (ELW No.650, vss. 1,2,3,4) Public Domain

In Christ There Is No East or West



Text: John Oxenham, 1852–1941, alt. Music: MCKEE, African American spiritual; adapt. Harry T. Burleigh, 1866–1949

Benediction

Since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has any power over him.

The life he lives, he lives to God. Alleluia!

Because of our sins, he was handed over to die; and he was raised to life in order to put us right with God.

The life he lives, he lives to God. Alleluia!

May the God of peace,

who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant—make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. **Amen**

Postlude – In Christ There is No East Or West...arr. Gilbert M. Martin ©1993 The Sacred Music Press

Dismissal

Go in peace, as witnesses of the risen Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

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We thank Cindy Camp for leading the singing of our two hymns today.

May 16, 2021

Parking Lot Worship – Please turn station to <u>97.3 FM</u> to hear the worship service from your car.

Drive Thru Communion – (May 23rd 10:30 - 11:00 AM) Pastor Camp will offer Holy Communion. Come anytime during those times. Enter the parking lot and proceed to the Communion station. 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. This month will also be the pick up for the Summer Worship Kits.

Lil Pantry – Thank you for all your support for ULC's Little Pantry. We are very grateful for the donations. We are asking that you place your donations inside the church during church hours, so that our dedicated team can check expiration dates and ensure that our supplies are being used in a timely manner.

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 or office@ulclv.org. Let us welcome you during one of our upcoming worship services.

Summer Worship Kits - During the pandemic, many of our church family members and many members of our surrounding community are joining our virtual worship services every week. We are offering Summer Worship Kits for these folks. Each kit will include a devotional and communion kits. If you would like a Summer Worship Kit for you or your family, please email the office at office@ulclv.org or call 610-767-6884. Please indicate the number of people in your family. Packets will be ready for pick up at the church Sunday, May 23rd and during office hours the following week. (If you are unable to pick up your kit, please let us know and we will deliver.)

Book Club's - next book The Four Winds by Kristin Hannah. Discussion of this book will be on Monday, June 21 @ 7 pm via Zoom. Email Barb Mahoney at bjsm2@ptd.net or call the church office to receive the Zoom invitation.

Texas, 1921. A time of abundance. The Great War is over, the bounty of the land is plentiful, and America is on the brink of a new and optimistic era. But for Elsa Wolcott, the future seems bleak until the night she meets Rafe Martinelli. With her reputation in ruin, there is only one respectable choice: marriage to a man she barely knows.

Texas, 1934. Millions are out of work and a drought has broken the Great Plains. Farmers are fighting to keep their land and their livelihoods as the crops are failing, the water is drying up, and dust threatens to bury them all. One of the darkest periods of the Great Depression, the Dust Bowl era, has arrived with a vengeance.

In this uncertain and dangerous time, Elsa must make an agonizing choice: fight for the land she loves or go west, to California, in search of a better life. The Four Winds is an indelible portrait of America and the American Dream, as seen through the eyes of one indomitable woman whose courage and sacrifice will come to define a generation.

Knoebels - Join the ULC Youth Group for a Day at Knoebel's Grove Saturday, July 17, 2021 from 12-9pm. FREE Parking! FREE Admission! FREE Pavillion! (We are in Pavillion Q.) Ride Tickets: 20% discount - \$20.00 book for \$18.00. Sales to begin soon through the church office at 610-767-6884 or Email office@ulclv.org. Tickets are good forever. Tickets are limited and will not be available at the park. Will have individual snacks and beverages available at the pavilion as well as masks, hand sanitizer and First aid kit. Pack your lunch or eat in the park. Great variety of foods at great prices. You may leave your coolers, etc. at the pavilion. Join us at the pavilion Q at 5:00 – 5:15 pm for Evening Vespers. www.knoebels.com - 800-487-4386 - 391 Knoebels Blvd, Route 487, Elysburg, PA 17824. **Covid restrictions apply. Must wear face mask. Practice social distancing** You may purchase tickets to use at another time if you can't join us in July.

Daybreak Donations - They are looking for "Bingo Prizes!" We would like to request \$5 and under items from the dollar store that would work well as Bingo Prizes. Examples may include Easy to put on Jewelry for ladies, but they do have Men playing as well. Daybreak donations accepted until May 30th. Bring along to parking lot worship or deliver to the church office. Daybreak is a service organization that serves people in the Allentown area that may have drug or alcohol issues or that they may be mentally impaired. Daybreak feeds and tends to other needs for these at-risk people.

Vacation Bible School- Check out the 2 ways to enjoy VBS-your choice!

- 1. "At Home VBS" watch our VBS videos emailed directly to your home or
- 2. Join us Sundays, June 20, 27, July 11, 18, 25 9:45 10:30 AM for family VBS: skits, craft, games outside & watch our VBS videos at home. Call the office at 610-767-6884 or register on our website ulclv.org.

Soldier Campaign & Township Resource Information

Everyone's participation in our "Soldier Campaign" makes a tremendous difference in the lives of our Deployed Military! THANK YOU. As we all work together as a community, our troops know that we stand behind them as they serve on our behalf protecting our freedom.

NEED "GOODIE" IDEAS!

- Small boxes of dry cereal
- Crackers/cookies/energy bars
- Potato Chips in a can
- ➡ Tuna Fish/Chicken in pouches
- All kinds of nuts/granola bars
- Drink mix singles
- Travel sizes/toiletries
- Gum/hard candy wrapped
- Chapstick/Dental floss
- ➡ Foot/Boot Powder (small sizes)
- Sunscreen (wipes only)
- Mosquito repellent with Deet (wipes only)

SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTE TO OUR SOLDIER PROGRAM, IT IS TRULY APPRECIATED

Please bring in your donated "goodies" to the Township Office and we will fill the boxes, take to the Post Office, and the boxes will be mailed overseas to keep our soldier's spirits high and let them know that they are never forgotten!

A recent thank you note received at the Township

A 1st LT serving in Korea. "I wanted to thank you on behalf of my platoon for the care package you sent to us! I am eternally grateful for the energy & resources that were exhausted in order to make this happen for my platoon. I am responsible for 38 of America's finest soldiers, wish you could have seen the look of pure joy, digging through all the snacks & treats, many of them have not received a single package since arriving in Korea, and it was a special moment to finally see them being recognized for their efforts & sacrifices. Please share our appreciation with everyone who contributed and know that support from people like you allows us to do what we do & persevere!"

Remember, if you have a friend or family in the military deployed overseas and would like us to send a "goodie box", please let us know.

Thank You!!

Soldier campaign donations to the church office by May 30th.



Aly Bucks, Judy Gifford, RuthAnn Rittle, Ed Rittle, Taylor and Bryan Brudnak and unborn baby boy, Dan Adams, Phil Artin, Barbara Spohn, Terry Hoffman, Ronald Bealer, Gary Wassum, Genevieve Tegtmeyer, Stacie Folk, Barbara Fung, Charles Kopcho, Karen Mack, Alex Rebuck, Chuck Allison, Dottie Bealer, Bailey Cummings, Barry Fink, Bob Frey, Abby Graham, Jake Hammond, Linda Houser, Melissa Ludwig, Lisa Navitsky, Paul and Cindy Twardzik

Please contact Pastor Camp to share prayer concerns.

- Marie Feinour Mother of Lori Beck-scheduled for hip surgery
- ♥ We pray for the congregation of St. John, Bath The Rev. Terrence M. Walsh
- 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.

Report of May 9, 2021				
Weekly Offering	\$3,186			
Future Building Maintenance Offering	\$280			
9 am Outdoor Worship Attendance	104			
Virtual Sunday Worship Attendance	55			
Drive Thru Communion Attendance	0			
Total Weekly Attendance	159			

Today's Worship Participants			
Online Worship Reading	Jen Bauer		
Greeters for Parking Lot Worship	Ron and Cindy Pugh Grace Bauer		
Special Music Group	Glory Ringers		

Full calendar of events can be found on our website:

https://ulclv.org/calendar-2/

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