

LUTHERAN LETTER



Union Evangelical Lutheran Church

May 2022

So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17

Spring has sprung! All you have to do is look around to know this; everywhere things are in bloom. Flowers are in bloom, trees are in bloom, grass is growing, and the dandelions have put up their little heads. Of course, you could also just look in the pharmacy and see the empty shelf where the Claritin was and you too would know that spring is here. In addition to all of the green, there is all of the yellow, all of that pollen that covers every car and surface in sight. It is allergy season and with all that new life comes a great deal of discomfort. New life, however, can also be a messy and painful thing.

Sometimes we want to change something in our life, create something new, and we look forward to what we think that new life will be for us. We think of the changes that will make our life happy, but we often underestimate what it will take to make those changes. Any change for the better in life usually requires some work and some growing pains in the process. On one hand this might not make sense because why shouldn't something good for us just be easy? The thing we forget is that for new life or new things to come forth there are several things required: growth, transformation, and often a death of the old self. Death and transformation are not so much fun, but are often required to move forward. Even something simple like losing weight and eating healthier requires that we let those old habits and cravings die, and that we transform how we view ourselves and how we relate to food. Not always so simple and pain free.

Having just experienced the event of Easter, all of this death and new life talk should be familiar to us. We see the new life of the resurrection come out of the death of the crucifixion. This type of transformation is not only seen in the story of Christ but also in our story and in our life. There are many crosses and challenges that we face in our life.

That life-giving power of Christ is present with us for each and every one of those crosses. Faith in this transformative power can help us through such difficulties. It should also not be surprising that when we try to change things in our life for the better, we encounter difficulty. It is not a sign that we are doing something wrong, but rather a fact that every real life change requires work. As you celebrate or sneeze through spring, I hope that you, like the new flowers, are growing to better places. There will be pain, there will be hardship, but we grow and transform together with Christ into the beautiful Kingdom of God.

Pastor Camp

David E. Geiger

March 23, 1953—April 1, 2022

Church Council President

Church Council VP

Union Board of Governors

Staff Support Committee

Property Committee

Vision20/20 Committee

Finance Committee

Reopening Team

Craft Show Team

Basket Party Committee

Union Chorale

Mortgage Burning Planning

**and all the other ways that
you showed your love of
ULC.**



*“Well done,
good &
faithful
servant”*

Matthew 25:23

HAPPY HOUR

Join us in Room 206-207

May 1 & May 8

The Names of God

Presented Doug Kuhlman

May 15

The Passion Play of

Oberammergau, Germany.

Learn about the origins of the play which is held every 10 years and performed entirely by the residents of this small Alpine town. Learn about the tradition dating back to 1634.

May 22

Bring an idea for next year!

May 29

No class but See you in the Fall

Book Club Discussion

Date Change!

June 5th to JUNE 12TH

Council Report-Due to the Easter holiday, the Council Meeting was moved and the minutes were not able to be included. Minutes will be available on the bulletin boards at church.

**Book
Fest
2022**



SUNDAY,

SEPT. 11

10 AM - NOON

WE KNOW YOU ARE ALL EXCITED, BUT PLEASE HOLD ONTO THOSE BOOKS UNTIL THE COLLECTION IN EARLY SEPTEMBER.

More info to come!

A **BIG** thank you from the Social Ministry Committee



**154 rolls
of TP!!!!**

**Palm Sunday
Clothing Collection!!!**



GREAT JOB, ULC!

Free Little Pantry Needs:

Peanut Butter, Dried Pasta & plastic tomato sauce

Food Bank needs:

Jelly and ketchup (in plastic containers), single serve bags of snacks and crackers

Parkland Cares Pantry Needs:

Oatmeal packets, Chicken noodle soup (10.75 oz cans), Spaghettio's/Ravioli cans, Mac & Cheese

We cannot accept expired foods



THANK YOU SO MUCH

Union Evangelical Lutheran Church



Parkland CARES Food Pantry

Thank you to Union Lutheran Church for donating these adorable Easter treat bags for our families! We handed them out during our April distribution and everyone loved them!

Family Vacation Bible School 2022



Sundays, June 26,
July 10, 17, 24, 31
10:00 - 11:00 AM
(parent & kids)

Join us in the Nave for skits, games, music and VBS fun!

All children ages 3 through 5th grade are welcome. Parents, please stay and join in on the fun!

Register your child(ren) by June 12th:

by clicking on this link
<https://forms.gle/qyF7rqH45raZ7ZPL6>

or
by picking up a registration form in the church office!

During the Maundy Thursday service

*14 Youth received
their First Communion.*

Cole Argot

Jack Bealer

Alexa Gottlieb

Gavin Groff

Corinne Heintzeman

Kailey Heintzeman

Milena Peters

Tala Peters

Abel Perin

Eli Perin

Eli Shannon

Reagan Shimer

Sutton Shimer

Caleb Urban

ELCA World Hunger



For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me. – Matthew 25:35

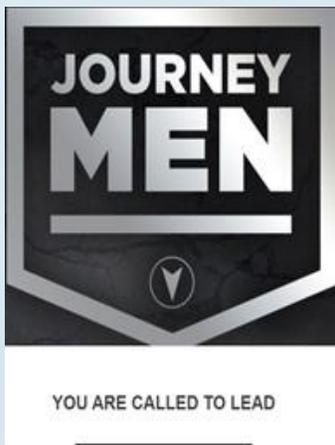
God richly provides for daily bread — the earth can produce enough food for everyone. Yet, many of our sisters and brothers still go hungry.

By providing immediate relief to those who are hungry, **ELCA World Hunger** meets basic needs and recognizes the universal human right to food. But ending hunger is about more than food. By connecting people with the resources they need to produce food and gain access to clean water, education, health care and sources of income, long-term, sustainable change can be accomplished.

ELCA World Hunger starts with relationships marked by conversation and listening. We believe people know their own communities best. It is our congregations and our global companion churches that first identify the local needs and related solutions to help make a difference. Then, we partner with communities to help make those solutions a reality.

Working through ELCA congregations, global companion churches, The Lutheran World Federation and other partners like Bread for the World, Church World Service, Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service and Lutheran World Relief, the ELCA reaches more places more effectively than we could ever do alone. In addition to funding relief and development projects that assist our sisters and brothers in need, **ELCA World Hunger** engages members of the ELCA in education and advocacy to help change the systems that perpetuate poverty.

Through this comprehensive approach, **ELCA World Hunger** works to address hunger from all angles — both domestically and globally. Your generous giving makes all this possible. Please use the special **ELCA World Hunger** envelopes found in the pew racks or contact the church office at 610-767-6884.



Next
Meeting
May 14 at
8 am at
ULC

Fun, food, fellowship,
faith

Come join us as the IronPigs
take on the Buffalo Bison
June 17th.

Game start 7:05pm
(doors open at 5:45pm)
Cost is \$12 per ticket.

Last day to reserve tickets is
May 15th.



Youth Sunday

Come Join us as the
Youth Group lead
Worship

Sunday, May 1st
9 am

Indoor/Parking Lot/
Virtual



May 22nd and 29th
Youth Group is
watching a movie.
Voting on the movie
selection will be in
the coming weeks.



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



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Miller-Keystone Blood Center #1258 - ULC

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Pastor	The Rev. Gordon A. Camp - pastor@ulclv.org Cell 610-554-8061
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Director of Music	Susan Frickert
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Sexton	Terry P. Hoffman
Parish Nurses	Dorothy Bealer Jane Borbe

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

Congregation Council Members 2022			
Officers		Committee Liaisons	
President	Patti Hoffman	Worship and Music	Lynne Banzhoff
Vice President	Gail Lafferty	Worship and Music	Sherwood Geiger
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		Finance Committee	Jason Marakovits
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Member	Sherwood Geiger	Christian Education	Gail Lafferty
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Alternate 2	Debra Grundstrom		

Proceeds benefit Future Building Maintenance

DESIGNER PURSE

VERA
BRADLEY



MICHAEL
KORS

Sunday, May 22, 2022

Union Lutheran Church, 5500 Rt. 873 Schnecksville, Pa

Doors open at Noon

Bingo starts promptly at 1 pm

\$20/20 games + SPECIALS

To reserve your spot:
(first come first served)

KATE
SPADE

COACH



ministries@ulclv.org



610.767.6884



www.ulclv.org

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL

First 100 reservations are entered into a drawing for a



Kitchen is open

Bake Sale

50/50 Raffle

Click to reserve your spot <https://neartail.com/us/>