

Robins everywhere—Daffodil sightings—and the crocus' survived another winter! Easter is around the corner. As we finish our Lenten journey, we look toward Holy Week. For us, it is the holiest week of the year.

It starts with Palm Sunday with us waving palm branches and remembering how Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey. How many of you remember waving palm branches on Palm Sunday growing up? I do, and I'm sure the children of this congregation will remember that long after they have grown up.

After Palm Sunday, we gather for worship again on Maundy Thursday. "Maundy" comes from a Latin word, which means Mandate or Command. Jesus says, "I give you a new commandment that you love one another." It's Love Thursday! Jesus also washed the disciples' feet that night—the job of a servant. It's Serve Thursday! And he gave us Holy Communion. The Last Supper becomes the Lord's Supper.

Good Friday is as important as Easter. You cannot have resurrection without death. Good Friday at Faith is a quiet, even mystical event where, in the dim light, we hear scripture, sing songs, and light candles. We remember Jesus' death on the cross—a death that brought LIFE! Good Friday is only good because it is followed by Easter.

Easter is the day we shout "Life!" in the face of "Death!" In this crazy world, death appears to have won. There is suffering and pain everywhere we look. Our hearts break for victims of illness, accident, disasters, and war. We suffer with friends whose marriages have broken, whose children are hurting, who have lost jobs, or who live with the burden of anxiety and depression.

Through his death and resurrection, Jesus has entered their world of suffering. Jesus has entered our world, and he brings life in the face of death—light in the midst of darkness. Somedays this is hard to believe. On other days, this is all we can believe. This Holy Week, enter into this sacred space and hold on to the promise of God: Jesus is here! Thanks be to God!

Pastor Camp

Junior Choir had their Valentine's Day Party

on Feb. 14th at rehearsal.

Along with the Valentines they brought for each other, they all brought a "Love Gift" of food to donate to our Little Pantry.



ULC is seeking an individual to serve as Sexton.

This person will maintain the church facility and grounds so that they are clean and maintained for worship, meetings, classes and special functions. This position is accountable to the Pastor, Church Council, and the congregation.

-This position is part-time, 25 hours per week.

Although, adjustments to hours worked may be made for the demands of the church year and event calendar. Scheduling flexibility for special events/clean up (ie. funeral).

-This position must possess the ability to organize duties and set priorities.

-Working knowledge and ability to operate various types of cleaning equipment is needed.

-Physically able to perform cleaning and light maintenance duties.

-Willingness to serve and work with our Property Committee.

-Must be able to work independently with minimal supervision.

-Hired individual can expect an hourly rate up to \$15 per hour, contingent upon experience and probationary period.

-Appropriate background checks and clearances expected.



Interested applicants should submit a cover letter and resume to ULC office.

J O I N U S

EASTER EGG HUNT

Sat. March 23

@ 1pm

Ages 0-12

Goodie bags & prizes



Union Lutheran Church 5500 Rt. 873 Schnecksville

RSVP: 610-767-6884 or office@ulclv.org

The Easter Bunny will be present for photos!

[Click here to RSVP with name and age of Child \(ren\)](#)

“Souper Bowl of Caring” 2024 Recap

340 CANS OF SOUP COLLECTED

\$584.50 WAS THE LOUD OFFERING TOTAL

Great work ULC...

Way to pull together and support the fight against hunger!

Worship Style Update

1st Sunday of the Month

Traditional Worship

(Settings from The Lutheran Book of Worship)

2nd Sunday of the Month

Praise Worship

3rd & 4th Sundays of the Month

Blended Worship

**GOOD SHEPHERD REHABILITATION
INVITES YOU TO**

Coffee With A Therapist

Physical Therapy & Chronic Pain

Visit us for a **free** talk on how physical therapy can treat your specific pain and allow you to enjoy your favorite activities.

Complimentary coffee will be served.

March 11, 2024 · 12 - 1 p.m.

Union Evangelical Lutheran Church

5500 PA-873 | Schnecksville

RSVP: 610.769.7299

[RSVP with church office](#)

**Good Shepherd
Rehabilitation**



goodshepherdrehab.org

Easter Flower

Sponsorships & Dedications

Prior to March 8th!

\$10 per flower

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Flowers can be picked  
up after worship

**Easter Sunday**

[Click here to  
sponsor online](#)







**Sign UP**

# Wild Turkey Grill

3625 Shankweiler Rd, Allentown, 610-395-6938

Friday, March 15 at 6 p.m.

*"Cultivating Meaningful Conversations"*

## March Donation Items



Women  
of the  
Word

Please consider joining us as we continue our study -- *"Who Is Jesus? What a Difference a Lens Makes,"* by Judy Yates Siker.

In March we will look through the lens of the book of Hebrews. Believers are to hold fast to their faith in times of adversity, and remain firm in their commitment to Jesus, who has run this race before us and now reigns in glory with God.

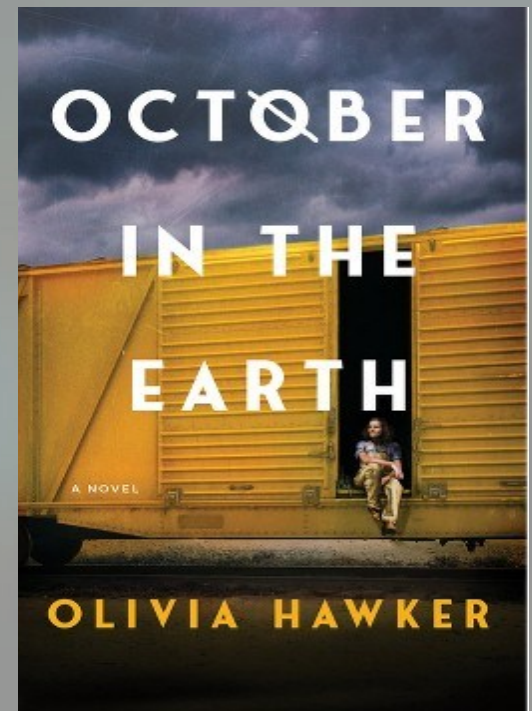
Attending all sessions is **not** necessary for understanding and participation. Workbooks will be provided. Questions? Please call or text Linda Rebuck at 610-613-6196 or [Linda.Rebuck@gmail.com](mailto:Linda.Rebuck@gmail.com)

Looking forward to seeing you on Saturday, March 2!

**Click here to donate**  
**and we will shop for**  
**you.**

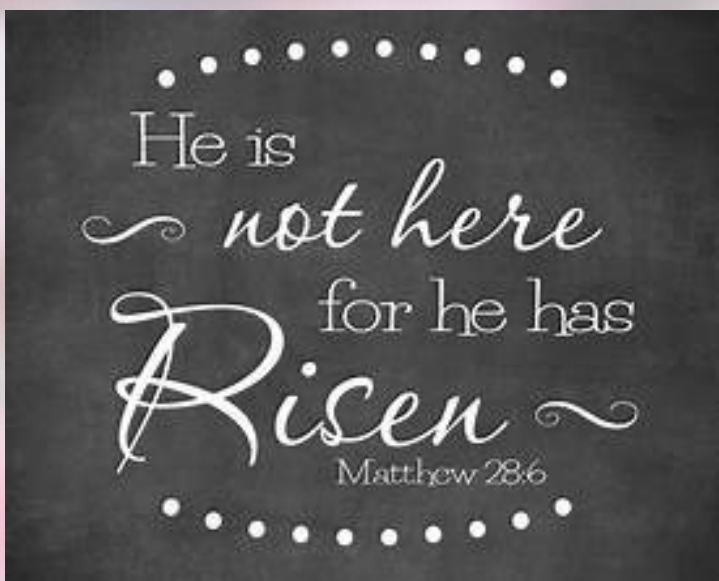


Our next selection is [October in the Earth](#) by Olivia Hawker. In Depression-era Kentucky, a defiant wife embarks on an impulsive and liberating journey. Del Wensley, wife of the most celebrated preacher in Harlan County, tries to mind her place. Until her husband's infidelity pushes an already strained marriage to a breaking point. Clinging to her last hope for self-respect, Del turns her back on the rigid life she's known. A coal train is rolling through the valley. With her eyes wide open to the unfamiliar, and to the freedom she craves, Del takes to the rails. Rumbling across America, Del is soon drawn into a transient community among outcasts—and finds a special friend in Louisa Trout. A nomadic single mother, Louisa teaches Del the ways of the boxcars and promises to help her reach a migrant enclave where Del can learn the skills she'll need to survive. But as they move forward together under desperate circumstances, even the closest of bonds threatens to break. With the Depression taking its toll, Del must gather her strength and faith. As she carries on toward one unknown after another, her life becomes a fulfilling, sometimes dangerous, and exhilarating adventure. But no matter the risks, it's a life that she alone controls.



Join us Sunday, March 17 to discuss Del and Louisa, feel the pain and abject poverty that came with the Great Depression whilst also witnessing a beautiful friendship developing between two women from completely different sides of the track.





**Joyful Moments**  
once Alone but now Together



## PIE SALE

- 9" Cherry Pie \$20
- 9" Blueberry Pie \$20
- 9" Apple Pie \$20
- 8" Chocolate Mouse Pie \$16
- 9" Cheesecake \$22

Order here!



or in the office



**ORDER BY  
MARCH 8TH**

**PICK UP  
MARCH 17TH  
10-2 PM**

# Lenten Worship

**Wednesday, Mar. 6**

5:45 p.m. Soup Supper

7:00 p.m. Worship

**Wednesday, Mar. 13**

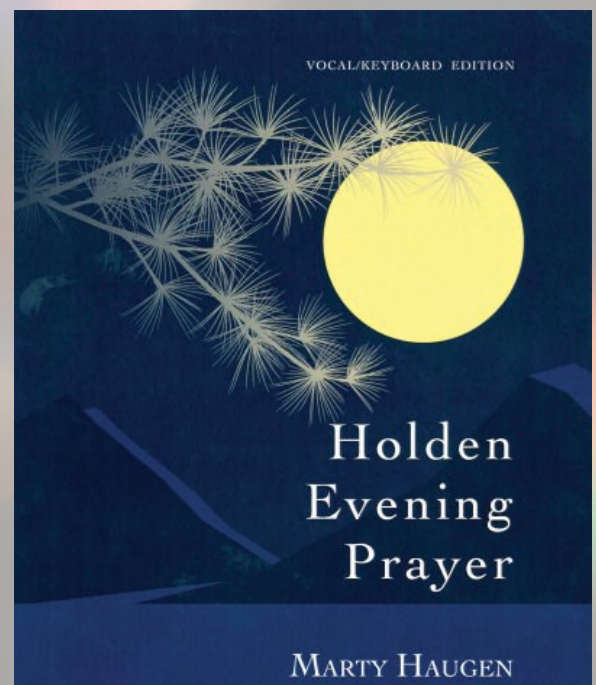
5:45 p.m. Soup Supper

7:00 p.m. Worship

**Wednesday, Mar. 20**

5:45 p.m. Soup Supper

7:00 p.m. Worship





Palm Sunday  
March 24, 2024  
9 a.m. & Virtual Worship

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Maundy Thursday
First Communion



March 28, 2024
11 a.m., 7 p.m. & Virtual Worship

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Good Friday



March 29, 2024  
7 p.m. & Virtual Worship

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Easter Sunday
March 31, 2024
9 a.m. & Virtual



Our next Elementary Youth Group (EYG) will be held on

Sunday, April 14th from 3pm-4pm. We will be bowling at Jordan Lanes (731 Jordan Pkwy, Whitehall, PA 18052). Its \$9 a person to bowl for the hour (and \$3.79 shoe rental). Families and siblings are welcome to join!

RSVP to the office if you plan to attend.



**YOUTH
GROUP**



meets every week from 10:15-11:00am. Join us for laughter, discussion, and faith-based fun!

Come as you are!

Bring a friend!

Sunday
School is in

**SUNDAY
SCHOOL**

full swing! Join us on Sunday mornings from 10:15-11:00am starting in the Family Life Center. **Please note:**

There will be no Sunday School on March 10th. In addition, we are still looking for extra teachers/substitutes.

The lessons will be provided for you. Please contact Josh at suprman@ptd.net, call/text him at 610-844-8606, or message the church office if interested.

UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH



YARDSALE & FOODTRUCKS

YOUTH GROUP
FUNDRAISER



05.04.24

8 - 2 PM

WANT TO SELL?
\$15 NON-MEMBER / \$10 MEMBER
TABLE PROVIDED

OUTDOOR - RAIN OR SHINE
610.767.6884

How can members
of ULC support this
event?

1. Attend the event.
2. Shop at the yard sale and eat at the food trucks.
3. Buy a table to sell your things.
(only \$10)
4. Donate items the youth can sell at the sale.
5. Tell everyone you know! Flyers in the office to share.

ELCA WORLD HUNGER—Burundi

ELCA World Hunger partners with the Lutheran World Federation (LWF) in rural, isolated eastern Burundi, near the Tanzanian border. The region was hard hit by the violence of civil war between Hutus and Tutsis in the 1990s and again by political unrest in 2015. Because of this history, migrants and displaced people headed for the border region in hope of entering Tanzania.

Now, as refugees return home to Burundi, they experience poverty due to the lack of employment opportunities and limited access to land ownership. LWF accompanies neighbors facing these challenges in the region and has collaborated with community members to implement a holistic set of programs that empower adults and youth to create opportunities for themselves and their families.

Meet Bernard, who leads a local palm oil production cooperative in Burundi. Initially Bernard and his co-producers were using strenuous and inefficient methods to extract oil from the palm fruits, which limited their profits. However, after hearing about LWF's work in the region, Bernard led an effort to request funding for new machinery that would increase the cooperative's production enough to provide members with a sufficient, more stable income.

Thanks in part to gifts to ELCA World Hunger, LWF was able to meet Bernard's request. The new machinery had a significant impact on the community: neighbors and people from nearby villages brought their fruits to Bernard's cooperative to have the oil extracted for a fee, which created an additional income stream for the cooperative.

As president of the cooperative, Bernard was responsible for organizing meetings and managing the group's finances. He was able to hire four workers to help harvest his crops, and the oil-extraction project had a significant impact on his life. With the increased profits from it, Bernard built a nice house near the market for his family and was able to pay for their medical expenses. The project's success is a testament to LWF's commitment to supporting communities in need, in collaboration with partners such as **ELCA World Hunger**. Bernard's leadership and hard work were crucial in making the project's success a reality.

Your generous giving to **ELCA World Hunger** supports programs, including agricultural training, that help people facing hunger, homelessness and other challenges to get jobs, increase their earning potential and break their vicious cycle of poverty. Please continue to use the pew envelopes or send/bring your gifts to our ULC office, marking them clearly **ELCA World Hunger**.

Union Lutheran Youth Group & Cat. Class

February 25

Youth Group 10 a.m.

March 3

Shopping for Easter baskets for Jerusalem House

March 10

assemble baskets for Jerusalem House

March 17

Youth Group 10 a.m.

March 23

Cat. Class & Youth Group Retreat at
ULC. 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

March 24

No Youth Group

March 31

No Youth Group

April 6

8:30 a.m. Youth Sunday Rehearsal

April 13

8:30 a.m. Youth Sunday Rehearsal

April 14

9:00 a.m. Youth Sunday



*A very warm welcome
to Sue Mosser. She will be the congregational
Treasurer. Sue can be reached in the office
at 610-767-6884 treasurer@ulclv.org.*

*When you see her at worship or in the office,
please congratulate her on her new role at ULC!*



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will be
meeting on
Tuesday, March 12
at 1:00 p.m.



Hearts for Music



**PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE SPRING
SEASON OF HEARTS FOR MUSIC!**

UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH
5500 ROUTE 873,
SCHNECKSVILLE, 18078

**LIVE STREAM CONCERT
WITH OHIO HFM
MAY 7TH @ 7PM**

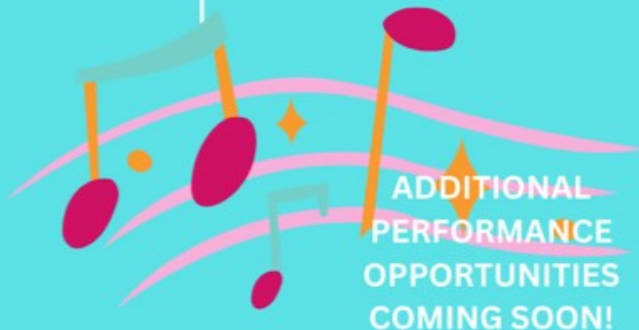
**Dress rehearsal, Mon, May 6th
4:30-6:30pm**

REHEARSAL DATES:

**FRIDAYS FROM 4:30-5:45 PM
JAN. 26TH -MAY 3RD**

**NO REHEARSAL:
2/16, 2/23, 3/29 & 4/26**

**SNOW DAYS WILL BE MADE UP ON
SUNDAYS WHENEVER POSSIBLE**



**ADDITIONAL
PERFORMANCE
OPPORTUNITIES
COMING SOON!**

**PLEASE VISIT ULCLV.ORG
AND CLICK ON HEARTS
FOR MUSIC TO REGISTER!**

**EMAIL OR CALL US
610-767-6884
HFMPA@HEARTSFORMUSIC.ORG**

**TIKTOK, INSTGRAM,
FACEBOOK:
[@HEARTS_MUSIC](https://www.instagram.com/HEARTS_MUSIC)**

This year's Lenten Outreach Project

"BOOKS BENEATH THE CROSS"

ULC has adopted 6 Kindergarten Classrooms
at Luis Ramos Elementary School.



Please sponsor a book for \$5 and
help send books to the homes of
these 135 students!!!



Two ways to support:



1. Visit display in gathering space

2. Sponsor here [online](#)



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Barbara Mahoney	Christian Life Committee/Union Board Member
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A copy of the monthly Council Meeting Minutes can be found on the bulletin board in the upstairs hallway or in the church office.

