



Lux



Aug/Sept. 2019

The newsletter of University Lutheran Church and One Community Lutheran Campus Ministry at Michigan State University

Mark Your Calendars . . .

Food Movers

Thursday, Aug. 22 & Sept. 26
Set-up 3:30 p.m.
Distribution 4:30 p.m.

God's Work, Our Hands

Sunday, Sept. 22 - 1 p.m.
ULC Fellowship Hall

Two Worship Services Resume

Sunday, Sept. 22
8:30 & 10:45 a.m.
Forum only at 9:40 a.m.

Sunday School Begins

Sept. 29 - 9:40 a.m.

Special Congregational Meeting

Sunday, Sept. 29 - Noon
Sanctuary

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Welcome Baby Eva!

We celebrate with Pastor Haley Vay and Bryn who welcomed their daughter, Eva Kay, into the world on May 31st at 12:05 a.m., weighing 7.3 lbs at 19.5 inches. Pastor Haley Vay recently returned from maternity leave, saying:

“We’re ‘smitten in the mitten,’ as the saying goes, since we brought home our baby girl. Over the past couple of months, we’ve been enjoying every moment (even the diapers!) as we get to know our sweet Eva. She’s amazing! It’s hard to believe how fast time flies. I feel like we just brought her home, and at the same time I’m glad to be back, serving in a congregation and on a ministry team that brings me so much joy. We’re grateful for your support, for welcoming Eva with prayer and excitement, and for embracing our family in such life-giving ways.”

“Eva’s name comes from the Hebrew, meaning *Full of Life*, while her middle name, Kay, is in honor of both grandmothers, Kate and Kim—and just happens to rhyme with Vay!”



Photo by Sarah Villanueva

Happy parents with their new little girl.

Join us for Alpha Sunday!

Outdoor Gospel Revival Worship Service

Sept. 15 at 10:45 am

Part of the *Worship Expressions* Series.

Followed by a cookout, pie eating contest, and games for all ages! Meat, beverage and table service will be provided for the meal, please bring a dish to pass. Seating will be provided or you may bring your own lawn chair or blanket.

An integrated family journeying faithfully together, inspired by God's grace,
guided by Christ, and empowered and sustained by the Holy Spirit

Narrative Lectionary Trial Begins Sept. 8

As I write this, it's hard to believe that we're entering the last month of summer and thinking about fall, a new school year and MSU football already. But that's where we are.

As we move into a new academic/program year, we will begin our trial of the Narrative Lectionary (NL) on Sunday, Sept. 8 during worship. The NL includes only one reading for each Sunday, giving worship a central thematic focus. From September through most of Advent we will read Old Testament texts. Beginning with the fourth Sunday of Advent we'll begin reading the Gospel of Mark. Following Easter and through Pentecost Sunday we'll be reading from Acts and Paul's letters.

The Old Testament readings will move us through the story of God's dealings with Israel and culminate in Advent with the prophets who speak of longing and hope. Readings from the gospels will fit the movement from Christmas and Epiphany to the Transfiguration, Ash Wednesday, Holy Week and Easter. Selections

from the book of Acts and Paul's letters will trace the outward movement of the resurrection message, culminating on Pentecost with readings focusing on the Spirit.



When these readings are read in this narrative fashion, they tell the powerful story of God's love for the whole world and all of God's people which culminates in Jesus' life, death and resurrection. And it's a story that begins, not with the birth of Jesus, but all the way back in Genesis with the creation stories. So often we separate the Old and New Testaments, seeing them as different stories, disconnected, and almost portraying a different God, or at least a God who acts very differently from Old to New. But with the NL we see the bigger picture – how deeply God loves God's rebellious, stubborn and broken people, and how that love is consistent all the way from Genesis and the Garden of Eden through Revelation.

Over the course of this year we'll encounter Abraham, Sarah and Isaac,

and God's promise to bless the world through their family. We'll encounter Jacob who wrestles with God and prevails, Moses who delivers God's people in order that they might bless the world, Ruth who reflects God's love and compassion, David, Rehoboam, Elijah, Hosea and the prophets who called God's rebellious people back to God. And finally, we'll hear the story of Jesus who is the culmination of God's promise to Abraham and Sarah, and the story of the spread of the resurrection message through Paul and the church.

It is a marvelous and powerful story! And it's a story that includes us – both in being recipients of God's love and in being empowered to bless the world along with Abraham and Sarah.

I hope our encounter with the stories of the NL will be as powerful for you as it has been for me.

Blessings as we begin a new program year and this new NL adventure,

Pastor Gary



WORSHIP EXPRESSIONS

Bluegrass

Outdoor Worship Service

Saturday, Aug. 17 at 7:00 p.m.

Seating will be provided or you may bring your own lawn chair or blanket.

Ice cream following service.

Upcoming
Worship Expressions
Services

Worship Expressions ~ Global
Sunday, Nov. 10 at 10:45 a.m.

Worship Expressions ~ Jazz
Saturday, Dec. 7 at 4 p.m.
Followed by Advent Dinner

Welcome and Welcome Back!

2019-2020 Student Associates

In case you missed it in the May Lux, we would like to re-introduce our student associates for 2019-2020.



Andrew Earle, Graduate Student Associate Andrew is from Pittsburgh and worked as a Research Assistant in the MSU Economics Department this summer. In his free time, he enjoys camping, biking, playing soccer and traveling.



Megan Kotnik, Senior Student Associate Megan spent the summer in East Lansing working full time as a student supervisor at Brody. She is studying secondary mathematics education with a minor in psychology. This is Megan's second year as an associate.



Eric Podolsky, Junior Student Associate Eric also stayed in East Lansing this summer as an intern at a small company called Quavo. He is a computer science major at MSU. Eric lives in a house owned

by neighboring University United Methodist Church. The house is only a couple minutes walk away from both churches and he hopes to be able to find plenty of ministries to help with, as well as form bonds between the two churches. This is his second year as an associate.



Jack Walch, Senior Student Associate This summer Jack worked at PPG, a Fortune 500 chemical company in Pittsburgh, PA. He is a chemistry major at MSU and enjoys fencing. This is his third year as student associate.

Sparticipation 2019!

New and returning students, check out our One Community table and get to know our Student Associates at Sparticipation! This event is Wednesday, Aug. 28 at Cherry Lane Field.

Friday@Five

We welcome new and returning students to join us for this semester's first weekly campus ministry gathering, "Friday @ Five," Sept. 6 at 5 p.m. on the north lawn at ULC. Food and yard games are provided!

Pastor Haley Vay

Friendship House MSU

Using Conversation to Change a Life

Friendship House (FH) MSU, located just around the corner from ULC, is in need of volunteers willing to meet once a week with an MSU International student or scholar.

Friendship House MSU was founded 27 years ago by several local Lutheran churches, including ULC. Today, the church hosts several weekly classes, both English as a Second Language and Christian education, on its campus in addition to the weekly classes held at FH.

ULC member Jeff Andresen has been on the FH Board of Directors for over a dozen years, currently serving as Treasurer. Pastor Haley



Sharing US culture.

Vay Beaman has been a FH instructor for several semesters. ULC member Sue Kamens currently serves as a Conversation Partner.

FH is open six days a week and all of its teachers are volunteers. Weekly classes are tuition-free for International students.

In addition to classes, FH offers International students the opportunity to meet one-on-one weekly with American volunteers to practice and help improve casual and informal English conversation. We call these volunteers Conversation Partners. Other than a brief orientation and introduction to their assigned

International student, no special background or training is necessary – just a willingness to be a friend and mentor. The partnership time is done according to the mutual schedules of the partners.

FH needs new partners to meet the request of a growing number of MSU Internationals who have asked for a partner to help them conversationally adjust to life at MSU and in the U.S.









Please consider becoming a conversation partner. It is not an overstatement to say that you will change a life – both the International's and your own. Send an email to friendshiphousemsu@gmail.com or give me a call at the FH office (517-657-7778). Thank you!

Rich Bearup

Sunday School Begins Sept. 29!

We're Collecting for School Kits!

Sunday School students will be putting together school kits for Lutheran World Relief in September. Our goal is 50 kits this year and we need your help with donations of the following items:

-  70-sheet notebooks of wide or college ruled paper (200 needed)
-  Pencil sharpeners
-  30-centimeter rulers, or rulers with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
-  Blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
-  Black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink, 250 needed)
-  Boxes of 16 or 24 crayons
-  2 ½ " Erasers
-  WE DO NOT NEED PENCILS THIS YEAR!!!

A collection bin is available in the Narthex. Thank you very much for your donations! Please contact me at cindylou1940@yahoo.com with questions.

Cindy Baswell

Sunday School Open House

All children, youth, and families are welcome and encouraged to join us on Sunday, Sept. 29 at 9:40 a.m. for our 2019-2020 Sunday School Open House! Meet your leaders, get acquainted with your classroom, make new friends, and pick up our schedule for the fall semester. All classrooms are located on the lower level. Online registration is available under the "Family" tab at www.ulcel.org

Pastor Haley Vay

Congratulations High School Grads!

On Sunday, June 9, three of five graduating ULC high school seniors were wrapped with quilts by members of the Prayers & Squares quilt ministry. This annual tradition allows the congregation to wrap the new grads in prayers as they continue on to their new vocations.

Thao Nguyen: Graduated from East Lansing High School and will be joining the College of Engineering at MSU this fall.



High School Grads wrapped in quilts by Prayers & Squares members June 9th.

Noah Schott: Graduated from Bath high school (Top Ten) and is starting in August at MSU to study engineering

Max Helser: Graduated from Dewitt High School where he played varsity tennis and golf. He will be attending MSU in the fall where he will be studying Clinical Psychology working toward an advanced degree in Occupational Therapy.

Britny Pollard



Confirmation Begins Sept. 4

Confirmation will begin again on Wednesday, Sept. 4 with the first Learning Event. Pastors Gary and Haley Vay will be doing the teaching, and Louise Harder will serve as the kids Guide, supporting and guiding them on their confirmation journey toward Affirmation of Baptism. During the course of this year the kids will study Baptism, Holy Communion, The Ten Commandments and Worship.

The year will also include Fellowship and Servant Events, participating in midweek Lent worship, as well as traveling up to Traverse City's Great Wolf Lodge to participate in Living Water Ministries *Charge* event for junior high youth. Hopefully it will be a year of growth in faith, relationships, and service, all while having some fun.

Pastor Gary



Vacation Bible School, held at ULC June 24-27, was a "roaring" success! 26 children participated and had fun learning, "When life is wild, God is good!" Thank you to all of the volunteers and supporters that made VBS a great adventure to be this year!

ULC Vocal Choirs - Mark Your Calendars!

Senior Choir

First rehearsal: Thursday, Sept. 5 - 7:30 to 9 p.m.
Choir Room
Director, Janine N. Smith

ULC Children's Choir

First rehearsal: Sunday, Oct. 6 - 9:40 to 10 a.m.
Youth Music Room
Student Director, Mitchell Eithun



New Hope Singers

(College and young adult vocal ensemble)
Rehearsals:
Saturdays, Sept. 7 & 14 - 10:30 a.m. to Noon
Saturdays, Nov. 2 & 9 - 12:30 to 2 p.m.
Director, Janine N. Smith

2019 Summer Youth Music Camp

Music filled the church during the week of June 17th – the ULC Summer Youth Music Camp was in full swing. This was the seventh year of music camp.

Each day the music campers attended sessions in choir, recorder, choir chimes or hand bells, sign language and recreation. Special musical presentations were offered by Eduardo Feria, trumpet and Gretchen Morse, oboe and English horn.

On Friday, June 21, the campers and staff traveled to Burcham Hills Retirement Center, where they performed for the residents. Upon returning to ULC there was a special

afternoon of food, crafts, and a very special music camper solo recital.

Music Camp Staff:

Janine Novenske Smith – Camp Co-Director and choir
Kristie W. Wiggert – Camp Co-Director and recorder
Louise Paquette and Megan Kotnik – Hand bells and choir chimes
Sherry Corwin – Sign language
Andrew Earle – Recreation

Our 2019 Music Camp Volunteers:

Student assistants: Mitchell Eithun, Eric Podolsky, Sophie Miller, Chey Nevins, Atu Ngasala
Registration: Britny Pollard, Kristi Sneed

Lunch: Ann Booren, Patti Cuellar, Dawn Newton, Ann and Bob Smith, Kristi Sneed, Britny Pollard
Crafts: Marge Mahoney, Patti Cuellar, Dawn Newton
Tie Dying: Kathy Sweat, Britny Pollard, Connie Lenkowski

Many thanks to all who assisted with and supported the 2019 Summer Youth Music Camp! Information about the 2020 Summer Youth Music Camp will be available the first of the year.

*Janine Novenske Smith
Director of Music*



Scenes from the 2019 Summer Youth Music Camp at ULC



Installation of the New Organ has Begun!

On the day before this article was due, Aug.1, I checked in with the organ installers in the sanctuary. The console was being put together and the builders were beginning the process of checking all the connections. In a nod to the history of our previous console, a portion of the music rack was preserved and used on the new organ.

Inside the organ chamber, some of the pipes for the Great had already been installed on the upper level. The toe boards to hold the pipes of the Swell were being installed on the bottom level. There is still a lot to be done, and you will soon see the organ growing out on both sides of the organ case to accommodate the new additions. The organ also has space saved for the two reed sets of pipes that were cut from the original project to meet budget constraints. Although the organ will be spectacular without them, to add these trumpet stops,



The new ULC organ console.

Mark your calendars!

Hymn Festival Celebration of New Organ

Sunday, Oct. 20
4 p.m.

Featuring Dr. Michael Burkhardt,
Artist-Professor of Organ at
Eastern Michigan University

one on the Great and one on the Swell, would certainly add to the brilliance of the organ. Each of these additions is about \$10,000 and we are hoping that additional gifts over time will allow us to add these sets of pipes to complete the organ.

To celebrate the installation of the new organ, I am excited to announce that we will host Dr. Michael Burkhardt for a hymn festival on Oct. 20 at 4 p.m. Thanks to a gracious grant from the ULC Endowment Program, Dr. Burkhardt, Artist-Professor of Organ at EMU, and I have worked to plan a program of hymns, readings, and other music to celebrate both our new organ and the fall festivals of the church year. Much more information will be provided in the next two months about both Dr. Burkhardt and this upcoming festival worship service.

Julie Baglien
Organist

Bell Schedule Fall 2019

Starting Thursday, Aug. 29, handbell choir practices will resume and continue each Thursday through Dec. 5 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. This fall we will play at the Sept. 8 (9:30 a.m.), Oct. 13 (10:45 a.m.), Nov. 10 (10:45 a.m.) and Dec. 8 (10:45 a.m.) worship



services, as well as the Hymn Festival on Oct. 20.

In addition to the Thursday night rehearsals, there will be a rehearsal the Sundays we play starting an hour before the service. We have four octaves of handbells and three octaves of handchimes. New ringers are always welcomed.

If anyone is interested in joining the bell choir, contact me at paquetl47@gmail.com or (517) 449-4323. I would be glad to meet anyone and go over ringing techniques.

Louise Paquette

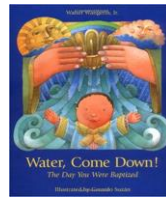
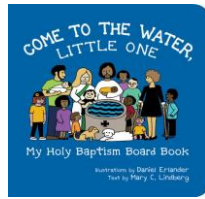
ULC Memorial Library



Special Baptism Gift from Library Team

The ULC Library will begin presenting a book about baptism to children on the day of their baptism. Two books are available. A simple board book will be given to infants, and a more detailed book will be available for older children. The Library Team is excited to recognize this special day with a gift that will hopefully assist parents as they share this day with their child.

The Library Team also decided not



to host a fall used book sale. Both donations and sales have been declining the last few years. The Library Team will decide later if a sale will be held in the spring. Books in good condition and with current information can still be donated to

the library, and they will either be used for the ULC Book Nook, added to the library collection or saved for a future sale. Please put any donated books in the library with a note explaining how you wish the books to be used.

Visit ULC's Library anytime the church building is open. There is always something new to see.

ULC Library Team

Fall Forums Start Sept. 22

We've been busy lining up another wonderful year of forum topics. If you have never attended Sunday Forum, give it a try!

Topics vary from faith issues to social justice in action, from amazingly wonderful organizations (local and national) to the remarkably fascinating talents or professions of fellow ULC members, and then there are some forums featuring just plain interesting and unique people, places, or topics.

The first Forum will be on Sept. 22 when the Bylaws Committee will present proposed changes to the ULC Constitution and Bylaws in preparation for the special congregational meeting the following week. The Sept. 29 Forum will feature *The Art of ULC*.

A few highlights:

- An engaging four-part educational series entitled, "The Great Spiritual Migration"



- An overview of MSU's award-winning sustainability projects, including recycling, solar parking roofs, and more.
- A return visit by Tammy Hannah from Origami Brain Injury Rehabilitation Center
- A new intermittent series entitled, "What We're Reading" featuring speakers providing highlights of books (theological or other) which have had a profound impact on their faith journeys.

This fall, check out the schedule posted on the colorful Forum easel in the narthex and invest a rewarding extra hour either following your attendance at first service or preceding your attendance at second service. Oh! —and if you have ideas for future forums you'd like us to look into, I'm all ears!

*Linda Trevarthen
Forum Co-Team Leader*

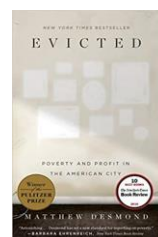


ULC Book Club

Join MSU & East Lansing in a Good Read!

The ULC Book Club will meet on **Thursday, Sept. 26 at 10 a.m.** in the church library. We will discuss the 2019 One Book One Community (OBOC) selection titled, *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City* by Matthew Desmond.

The OBOC is an annual event sponsored by the EL Public Library and MSU to read the same book and come together to explore its themes and issues. It is



required reading for MSU Freshmen. The author will be at Hannah Community Center, East Lansing at 6:30 on Sunday, Aug. 25 and at Breslin Center MSU on Monday morning.

We will also be discussing *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens.

Judy Kindel

ULC Small Groups

Bible Study, Fellowship & Lively Discussion

This fall you're invited to join one or more of our small groups to growth your faith and enjoy fellowship.

Amnos Circle



Amnos Circle continues its tours of Biblical places in Israel and Palestine via DVD, followed by a study of the Biblical message from the places seen. Many archaeological sites are included. Amnos meets at 9:30 a.m. on the third Wednesday of the month during the school year in the Fireside Room. Anyone interested is welcomed, including men, who do attend. Several have visited the sites shown and contribute their own observations. Contact: Marilyn Johnson, majandmgj@gmail.com.

Rhodon Circle



Rhodon Circle meets the third Wednesday of the month from September through June in the Fireside Room at 1 p.m. We use the bible study that is contained in "Gather" magazine, the publication of the Women of the ELCA. This fall, we will look at selections of Old Testament poetry from Job, Psalms, Lamentations and Song of Solomon using a study by Rev. Dr. Anna Madsen called "No Hard Feelings? Poetry and Emotions in the Old Testament." Questions may be directed to Bobbie Davis (bobbie@acd.net or 517-351-6541).

Lychnion Circle



Lychnion, the Greek word for light, is symbolized by the candlestick and represents Christ as the light of the World. (John 8:12) Lychnion Circle meets the third Tuesday of the month at 12:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room. We use the Bible study from the Gather Magazine each month. Contact Carolyn Lohr for more information.

Young Adult Study & Discussion

A small group opportunity for Bible study and discussion will begin sometime this fall. All young adults (college-aged, recent grads or young professionals) are invited. Please let Pastor Haley Vay know if you are interested.

Pub Theology



Join us every first Tuesday at **Spartan Brewpub Co.**, 3056 Okemos Rd., Mason (Just south of I-96). We meet from 7 - 8:30 p.m. Each evening we will discuss four or five questions involving

spiritual topics, philosophy, life, and theology. Check our website homepage at ulcel.org or Facebook page for the questions for the upcoming session. Bring a friend and your questions about God and faith. Contact Pastor Gary for more information

Lectio Divina



Lectio Divina meets Wednesdays at noon in the Fireside Room. God in Scripture (*Lectio Divina*) is a way of listening to the texts of Scripture as if we were in conversation with Christ and He was suggesting the topics of conversation. Bring your lunch and join us! Contact Pastor Gary for more information.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study



This group meets every Tuesday (Labor Day through Memorial Day) from 7:30-8:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room at ULC. The Bible study reviews the biblical texts for the upcoming Sunday. Copies of the texts are sent a couple of days before the study. Each week we will review the designated text from the Narrative Lectionary as well as the texts from the Common Lectionary, which includes readings from the Old Testament, a Psalm, New Testament and the Gospel. The co-leaders of the group are Jim Keifer, Nancy Lindman and Larry Wagenknecht.

Aces & Spaces



We meet monthly to play contract bridge and to share fellowship on the third Friday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Contact Barb or Tom Kissling for more information.

Freewheelers

Freewheelers is a group of retirees who meet for fellowship on the third Saturday at IHOP in East Lansing at 9 a.m. Contact is Jan Mace (517) 285-4632 for more information.

Mushers



This long-standing group of retired men gathers weekly for breakfast at 8 a.m. on Wednesday mornings at the IHOP in East Lansing. New members are always welcomed! Contact Roger Hoopingarner for more information.

New ULC Pictorial Directory Coming this Fall!

I'm thrilled to announce that plans are underway for a long-overdue new pictorial directory and it will be more convenient than ever. We are again working with Lifetouch, whose photographers do a terrific job of capturing everyone at their best. This time we have opted for a smaller size and we're foregoing "activity" pages—so it will be a directory of member photos only.



of their directory photo. Although there is no obligation, additional photos/poses are available for purchase in multiple formats and sizes (framed/unframed, greeting cards, digital, etc) and are great to give as gifts or to use on resumes, LinkedIn, and professional publications. As you know, professional photos are a real treat to have. (Review the purchase options before you go to your photo session so you are aware of the costs and can make an informed decision if you decide to make any purchases. Also, there may be some discounts available.)

Important: This is a FREE service, and we very much want ALL members to participate. (Note: we cannot use your photo from the previous directory.)

Participating members will receive a free directory and a free 8x10 copy

The photo-shoots will be scheduled over seven days this October: Oct. 3,

4, 5 and Oct. 16, 17, 18, 19. Each photo-shoot appointment will only take about 30 minutes of your time. Pets are welcome in your photos! Sign-up is EASY and can be done online at home. But to make it even easier, ULC volunteers will be available every Sunday in September to do the online sign up for you if you'd prefer. At that Sign-Up table, we will also have Lifetouch informational hand-outs and Lifetouch examples of fun posing ideas for you to look through (some of which are priceless).

If you have ANY questions about the directory, please don't hesitate to call, email, or talk to me some Sunday. Lots more information coming soon!

Linda Trevarthen
trevarth@msu.edu
517-281-8022

2019 Endowment Grant Applications Still Being Accepted!

The ULC Endowment Fund has money available for qualified applications for both campus ministry and general grants. These one-time grants are intended to help ULC members create and have access to enriched programs that are not typically funded under the ULC operating budget.



will be accepted now through Oct. 31, with final review and determination by Dec. 1.

Brochures containing the grant applications are available on the bulletin board directly across from the sanctuary. Grant applications are also available for download on the ULC [website](#). Please contact the ULC Endowment Committee at ulcendowment@ulcel.org for further information.

Campus ministry applications for 2019 will be accepted through Sept. 1. **General endowment** requests

Larry Wagenknecht
Chair, ULC Endowment Committee



Football Parking at ULC

Support the ULC Youth, Music, and Campus Ministries and plan to park at ULC on MSU Football Saturdays (and Friday, Aug. 30)

Lot opens **2 1/2 hours** before kick-off

\$25 donation

August Outreach of the Month

Haven House Energy Efficiency Updates

The August Outreach of the Month is Haven House, East Lansing. Specifically, the donations will be used to make the Haven House facility more energy efficient. Contributions can be placed in the offering plate using the special envelopes found in the pew racks, dropped off directly at the ULC office or by using the “Donate” button on the ULC website homepage. Checks should be made out to “ULC” with “Haven House” on the memo line.

Why Haven House? Last fall, ULC, together with Haslett Community Church and the Islamic Center, participated in the Consumers Energy “Houses of Worship Home Energy Audits” program. From that effort, \$500 was given to the three worship centers. It was decided by the Green Teams of each



Haven House is located near the East Lansing Post Office at 121 Whitehills Dr.

congregation to pass on the \$500 earned. This will be used as seed money to promote awareness of energy conservation in the community by contributing to energy conservation upgrades at a local non-profit.

Haven House in East Lansing, which provides emergency housing for one and two-parent families with children, was chosen due to their

expressed need and desire to reduce utility bills and their carbon footprint. Each of the three congregations will raise additional funds which will be used to access match grant money from Michigan InterFaith Power and Light and Consumers Energy. The hope is that about \$14,000 (half of the total cost for added insulation on all three levels of the house) will be raised and directly donated to Haven House to upgrade their energy efficiency.

Thank you for helping to spark further awareness of energy conservation and community cooperation locally. And thank you for helping us “Pay it forward!”

*Mike Anderson, Stewardship Team
Judy Kindel, Earthkeeping Team*

September Outreach of the Month

Synod Honduras Relationship

In September, we will direct the Outreach of the Month collection to our synod mission in Honduras. Contributions can be placed in the offering plate using the special envelopes found in the pew racks, dropped off directly at the ULC office or by using the “Donate” button on the ULC website homepage. Checks should be made out to “ULC” with “Honduras” on the memo line.

Below is the report from the March trip to Honduras. Five people from very different backgrounds gathered together for a week to live with our Honduran brothers and sisters. They were busy sharing information, requested by ICLH, with the Honduran volunteers to better prepare them for work in their communities. Travel with the delegation and witness the good that they do – and the blessings they receive.

Honduras Mission Trip – March 14 -21, 2019

A team comprised of a non-Spanish speaking pastor on a first-time visit...a non-Spanish speaking registered nurse...a bilingual efficiency expert...a bilingual retired

language teacher...and an ex-ELCA Global Missions missionary living in Mexico traveled to Honduras in March. What might motivate *them* to go to Honduras? Curiosity? Adventure? Escape from an icy winter? The desire to meet a Latino branch of the Lutheran family? Or to seek continuity of the Iglesia Cristiana Luterana de Honduras’ (ICLH) */The Lutheran Christian Church of Honduras’ Salud Para la Vida/Health for Life* program?

Salud Para la Vida is a group of enthusiastic volunteers, now mostly young people who work in health education and direct service to the sick, chronically ill and housebound in their communities. They also support



Children being entertained with crafts while their moms prepared lunch.

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the Red VIH/ *HIV Self-Help Network*—the only church in Honduras willing to do so. For the past 15 years, the NWLM Synod has sent a team of health and pastoral professionals— to respond to a theme requested by the ICLH to foster additional technical skills and spiritual formation for the Volunteers' work of ministering in their communities.

This year, the educational workshops were held at a retreat center in La Paz in a mountainous area with breathtaking views. It was rustic, yet very charming. Over the two and a half days we were there, we shared knowledge, companionship, fellowship and of course a lot of fun. During the retreat, the team from Michigan, along with the assistance of a local doctor, was able to complete workshops offering efficiency strategies and information about adolescent pregnancy prevention.

We ventured on to Santa Cruz de Yojoa after finishing the retreat on Sunday afternoon. Upon our arrival, we split into two groups and visited four households. It was encouraging to see that one of the women living in a home we had visited during our fall trip had recovered and was doing well. We had a fun dinner that evening at the hotel with many of the volunteers from Santa Cruz and their children.

On Monday morning, Max met with the moms who prepare lunch for the Children's Lunch Room Program and discussed strategies learned during the retreat to improve efficiency. They were able to come up with some time-saving ideas which were implemented as they began lunch preparation. A simple change was the handwashing procedures, which went very smoothly compared to how it was done in the fall. The rest of the team entertained the children with crafts and games until lunch was served. In the afternoon, we had first aid training, concentrating on diabetes, wound care, blood pressure, choking and basic first aid.

On Tuesday, we headed for La Cañada, a small town near Tegucigalpa, where we presented health kits to the Health Volunteers, and Janet taught a workshop on "Visiting the

Sick". It was nice to see the Health Volunteers using some of the techniques during the home visits later that afternoon. We were impressed to see that the government had built a small health clinic and that the church in La Cañada, "La Luz del Mundo", had finally been completed with the help of the New England Synod.



Showing that there are Christians who share love rather than condemn.

The morning of our final full day was shared with RED VIH, a support group for people with AIDS/HIV in Tegucigalpa. This was a very moving time as we listened to stories of rejection, abuse, and estrangement from the participants, and we expressed our support. As we shared lunch together, there was further opportunity to connect and share. Being able to demonstrate that there are Christians who do not condemn but share love

was meaningful for both the team and the group members. We were able to finish off the afternoon with some touristy sightseeing and shopping in Santa Lucia and Valle de los Angeles—a relaxing ending to our trip.

What we will most remember about this trip is the love shown by the Honduran people we met...the young Health Volunteers, the moms who cook the meals for the children, the pastors and ICLH church workers, the people involved in the Red HIV Self-Support Group, "Una Luz en el Camino" (A Light on the Way), our bus driver...all with a desire to help others. Their smiles, hugs, and friendships will forever be a part of us!

Team Participants: **Linda Stark** (*Coordinator*), **Max Quero** (*Efficiency*), **Jamie Spellicy** (*R.N., medical topics*), **Pastor Bryan Schneider-Thomas** (*Devotionals*), and **Janet Alcántara** (*Deaconess*).

Connie Lenkowski

Earthkeeping News

ULC Energy Savings

Dale Romsos of the Facilities Team reports that the electric costs for the 12 month period, from



June 2018 to June 2019 were down 28 percent. The LED lighting and other energy efficiency measures taken by

ULC during the past two years have been major reasons for the improvement.

Judy Kindel



Join us This Fall!

Thank you to everyone who visited our table at the Country Stitches Craft Sale on Thursday, Aug. 8. We sold a variety of items including pine needle baskets and “Peoples” dolls made by our own Ann Booren. The sales of the dolls were donated to the MSU Safe Place for victims of domestic abuse.

The 2019 Quilts of Valor Annual Conference will be held this year in Grand Rapids. Ann and Bobbie will attend Aug. 18 – 20. Look for a report in the next Lux. We are looking forward to meeting others

who are involved in covering our service persons with quilts.

Are you getting ready for tailgate parties? Do you have someone in your family who is a collegiate sports fan? Sunday, Sept. 8 look in the Narthex for a special sale of items with you in mind. All proceeds help us send much needed bedding items to local charities.

Our next regularly scheduled sewing days are Tuesday, Aug. 13 and Tuesday, Sept. 10. Please write these dates on your calendars and plan to come enjoy the fellowship as we

make our prayer quilts. Remember it is the participation of our entire congregation that makes this ministry a vital part of our mission.

Recognizing someone in need of our prayers and requesting a quilt for them, is the first step in the process. Be that person who reaches out to ask this important question, “May our congregation pray for you? Would you like to be covered with a quilt that has been prayed over just for you?” If that answer is yes, please contact Ann Booren, Bobbie Davis or the ULC office.

Bobbie Davis

Tight Knit

Focus Expanded to Include Baby Items

Tight Knit is a group of ULC members and friends that meet most Mondays from 4 - 7 p.m. in the Fireside Room. We share not only a love for yarn arts and serving needs in our community, but also fellowship and a light meal. Newcomers are welcomed and we love to teach beginners to knit or crochet.

The Tight Knit group continues knitting and crocheting items for charity. The group continues to work on making Knitted Knockers, lap robes and prayer shawls for McLaren Hospice, as well as hats and scarves for various groups such as Homeless Angels and Food Movers. Recently our focus has been on knitting and crocheting items for the Baby Pantry at ELCA Trinity in New Era, Michigan.

One of our Tight Knit attendees, Liz, is a part of ULC’s campus ministry and suggested to us the idea of helping her home church (Trinity) with their baby pantry. New Era Trinity is in economically depressed Oceana County and there are many needs. New Era Trinity has developed an excellent Baby Pantry that is generous and respectful of moms, babies and families. Recently, Liz’s mom,



Liz and Susan with items for the New Era baby pantry.

Susan, visited Tight Knit, discussed the baby pantry and how it operates, brought an excellent meal to share, and filled her vehicle for the return to New Era with items donated by Tight Knit for the baby pantry. It was a wonderful evening for all.

While we will take yarn donations, we also welcome cash donations as certain items we craft, like the knockers, use special yarn. For people who do not want to knit or crochet but would like to participate, we

have other projects to work on, such as stuffing and bagging the knockers. Also, if anyone would like to knit or crochet but is unable to physically meet with the group, we can deliver the yarn to them, or they can use yarn from the Tight Knit stash located in the Fellowship Hall across from the kitchen doors.

We generally have between ten and twenty people attending each Monday. With the start of the MSU semester, we welcomed three new internationals who found us through Friendship House.

Terrie Reinoehl and Vicki Anderson

Kids Hope USA

Mentoring Program Resumes Late September

Last Spring seven ULC volunteers, with the support of prayer partners, began mentoring seven at-risk students at Forest View Elementary in Lansing. This was the successful beginning of a Kids Hope USA program at ULC.



If you would like to participate in this rewarding program as a mentor, prayer partner or scholarship provider (\$15 a month or \$180 a year), contact me at barbkissling@comcast.net.

*Barb Kissling
Director of the ULC Kids Hope*

The program will resume in late September. Mentors will meet with one student for one hour each week. Training for new mentors will occur in September. Our goal is to have 12 mentors for 12 students.

Evangelism Team Happenings

The ULC Evangelism Team is looking for suggestions for ways to better share the Good News of Christ through outreach activities that invite people to Christian faith. Send suggestions for events or other ideas.



The new ULC Book Nook, nearly ready for installation.

ULC "Little Library" has been renamed the "ULC Book Nook" because users will be encouraged to

take books there rather than returning or adding books.

Do you have an artistic talent? We are looking for help creating a bookmark that will encourage people to seek Christ; connect with our congregation and can be given away in the new ULC Book Nook (to be installed in front of the church in September).

The Evangelism team is giving away water bottles before the football game on Sept. 14 from 1-3 p.m. This event is a warm-up for a more elaborate cookout on Oct. 26 when we give away water, burgers, hot dogs, and chips. All are welcome (friendly dogs too) to help greet neighbors and fans as they pass by ULC on their way to the games. If you have suggestions or are interested, contact me at jca@ajboggs.com or 517.648.3225.

Clarke Anderson

42 Lives Saved

Thank you to everyone who donated blood with the American Red Cross at ULC on Thursday, Aug. 1! We collected 14 pints of blood. Since each donation saves up to three lives, that



means that the ULC blood drive had a total impact of as many as 42 lives saved!

Juliana Marks

Local Benevolence Funds Distributed

Social Action recommended the following distribution of Local Benevolence funds which were subsequently approved by Council:

\$600 Michigan Refugee Hope
\$600 Citizens for Prison Reform
\$600 Friendship House
\$600 Samaritas
\$600 Helping Hands Christian Learning Center

\$1000 Forster Woods Adult Daycare Center.

*Bryan Rahe
Social Action Team*

Proposed Amendments to the ULC Constitution & Bylaws

The ULC Constitution and Bylaws Task Force has been meeting over the past few months. We were charged to review the ULC Constitution and Bylaws and to make recommendations of potential changes that would be beneficial to ULC and assist in our congregation fulfilling our mission.

The Task Force members appointed by Council are Brandon Baswell, Erin Frisch, Beth Hoger, Brad Marks, Brenda Stoneburner, Larry Wagenknecht, Jack Walch and Pastor Gary Bunge. Council has scheduled a special Congregational Meeting to discuss the proposed amendments to our organizational documents on Sept. 29. We will provide additional information and be available for questions during Forum on Sept. 22.

The Task Force conducted a complete and detailed review of both organizational documents and is recommending several changes to both the Constitution and Bylaws. Below is a brief summary of the most significant changes:

Summary of Changes to Constitution

- C10.02 – Clarified that a special Congregation Meeting may be called by the lead pastor, Council, or the president of this congregation...not any pastor.
- C10.03 – Added requirement of notice of congregational meetings requires notice by both mail and electronic communication.
- C12.01 – Decreased Council size from 13 members to 11 members by decreasing seven (7) at large members to four (4) at large members plus one student.
- 12.05 (i) – Deleted reference to preference of use of materials from the ELCA.
- 13.01 – Decreased the size of the Members in Ministry Committee from seven (7) to five (5) members (Past President plus four (4) members).
- 13.06 – Decreased the size of the Personnel Committee from five (5) to four (4) members.
- 14.03 – Eliminated the requirement of two coordinators in Lead Management Team for each of the areas (spiritual formation, resources and ministry) and requires one of the members to be responsible for assembling and dissemination of reports.
- 14.07 – Clarify that the Lead Management Team is annually required to evaluate the structure, staffing, and effectiveness of ULC ministry teams and make recommendations to Council.
- 21.XXX – Indemnification - This section was simplified.

Summary of Changes to Bylaws

Article IV – Added a new section of the Bylaws that specifically states that one of the purposes of ULC is to serve as campus ministry for people at MSU and

other institutions of higher learning in the greater Lansing area.

Article XI (3) – Extended the deadline for the annual installation of officers and Council from Jan. 15 to Jan. 31.

Article XI(B)(5)(c) – Removed the responsibility of the Past President of initiating, along with Lead Management, the creation and staffing of ministry teams. The responsibility will remain with the Lead Management team.

Article XIII(A)(3) and new (3) – Deleted the requirement of the Members in Ministry Committee to annually collect and maintain an inventory of member's ministry gifts; and strengthened the requirement of collaboration between Council, teams, and staff in matching members with various ministry teams.

Article XIII(A)(5) – Removed the statement of requiring the Members in Ministry Committee to connect students with opportunities at ULC.

Article XIII(A)(7) – Added a statement that allows one candidate for elected positions in the event that two candidates cannot be secured.

Article XIII(B)(8) – Increased the requirement of congregational approval of unbudgeted expenses from two (2) percent to five (5) percent.

Article XIII(E)(2) – Added language to allow the bishop's designee to attend the first meeting of the Call Committee and removed language that requires the Call Committee to coordinate with a representative of the ELCA Campus Ministry.

Article XV(B)(1)(c) – Requires that ministry teams develop and submit a budget to the Finance Committee, rather than the Lead Management Team.

Article XV (C)(1)(d)(2) – Removed fundraising as one of the functions of the Youth Ministry Team.

Article XV(C)(3)(b)(5) – Requires Campus Ministry Team to coordinate rather than consult with the ELCA Churchwide and Synod campus ministry.

Article XV(C)(3)(c)(5) – Removed requirement of Social Action Team to consult with the ELCA Campus Ministry.

Article XV(C)(3)(d) – Removed Vacation Bible School Team as a standing team.

Article XV(C)(3)(e) – Removed the Welcome Team as a standing team.

There are also a number of minor grammatical changes being recommended. A complete document with all changes will be able for review prior to the special congregational meeting. Please feel free to contact any member of the Task Force about questions or concerns you have on the proposed amendments.

Larry Wagenknecht, Chair

The ULC Council met June 18 and the following are highlights from this meeting:

- Pastor Miriam Bunge will preach one Sunday during Pastor Haley Vay's maternity leave.
- Old keyboard has been removed, electrical work is being done and the console has been sent to a finisher. The new organ should be ready for a wedding in August. Dedication of new organ set for Oct. 20.
- Management teams are asked to submit requests for 2020 budget by Aug. 16. They will be reviewed with the goal to finalize the 2020 budget requests by the September Finance Committee meeting. Looked at promoting electronic giving.
- ULC Constitution and By-laws Committee has completed its work and will have the report ready to review at the August Council meeting. Congregational meeting to discuss set for Sept. 29.
- Discussion on the need for education on what Lead Management is and how it operates.



Council Notes

- The first discussion on racial justice will be held Aug. 18 after the 9:30 service. The book *I am Still Here* by Austin Channing Brown will be discussed. Council is also looking at a plan for discussions on a Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday afternoons, either this fall or winter. Will look at funding options for these events.
- Worship Expression Global Service has moved from Oct. 20 to Nov. 10; one service at 10:45 a.m.

- Annual meeting date set for Sunday, Nov. 24.
- Council approved a motion for Sheila Nicholas to research the repair or replacement of the kitchen equipment and make recommendations for replacement if necessary.

There was no July Council meeting.

Sheila Nicholas

May Attendance

May 5: 133
 May 12: 164
 May 19: 134
 May 26: 94

June Attendance

June 2: 108
 June 9: 120
 June 16: 109
 June 23: 91
 June 30: 116

July Attendance

July 7: 77
 July 14: 77
 July 21: 56
 July 28: 80

**Special
 Congregational
 Meeting**

Sunday, Sept. 29 - Noon

Agenda: First vote on revised ULC constitution and by-laws. Changes will be introduced and questions answered during Sunday Forum on Sept. 22.

Lead Management Team Notes

The Lead Management Team met Aug. 7 and the following are highlights from this meeting.

Lead Pastor's Report (Gary Bunge): Staff annual reviews are nearly completed. I am working on scheduling racial justice discussion sessions, hopefully this fall, but possibly in the early winter. Resource materials to support the Narrative Lectionary have been ordered including a weekly bulletin insert with suggested devotional reading for the week which moves us from Sunday to the next Sunday in the biblical narrative.

Bicycle Ministry (Gary Garbarino): A women's bicycle and a girl's bicycle and three helmets were repaired and are stored in the room in the far corner of the basement. We have a half dozen helmets in different sizes ready to be distributed, so if anybody at Friendship House is riding without one, they are available.

Social Action (Bryan Rahe): The food distribution in July served 50 households and we had 19 volunteers. The distribution was held outdoors. The next food distribution is Aug. 22.

Facility (Dale Romsos): Several pews are being shortened to permit placement of armed chairs in various locations within the sanctuary. Bids are being obtained to reseal the exterior wall in the basement men's bathroom. Water has been leaking from the exterior and damaging the drywall in this area

Earthkeeping (Judy Kindel) Continue to work with Haven House on energy update plans. Plan to help sponsor the film *Paris to Pittsburg* with six other Lutheran congregations in the area on Oct 29.

Amy Wagenknecht

2019 ELCA Churchwide Assembly

Gathering under the theme “We Are Church,” members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) met in Milwaukee Aug. 5-10 for the 2019 ELCA Churchwide Assembly — the highest legislative authority of the ELCA.

During the week, the assembly participants spent time in worship, Bible study and plenary discussions as they deliberated how to go about God's work in this church. Opening the first plenary session, Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton, presiding bishop of the ELCA, welcomed the assembly to Milwaukee.

During the plenary, the assembly received the final report of the ELCA's first major fundraising campaign, *Always Being Made New: The Campaign for the ELCA*, which concluded June 30. Campaign steering committee co-chairs Loren and MaryAnn Anderson announced to the assembly that the campaign surpassed the \$198 million goal and has raised \$250 million in cash, multiyear commitments and planned gift commitments. Since 2014, the campaign contributed towards the approval of 281 new start congregations; allowed 450 young adults to serve in more than ten country programs around the world through the ELCA's Young Adults in Global Mission program; awarded academic training opportunities to 189 women leaders through the ELCA's International Women Leaders program; established the Evangelical Lutheran Church Africa Mission in South Sudan; Provided seminary scholarships to more than 1,300 students; and increased income for ELCA World Hunger by more than 20 percent.

Other key actions considered by the 927 voting members of the assembly include:

- The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton was re-elected presiding bishop of the ELCA on the first ballot. Of the 897 votes cast, Eaton received 725 votes, which is 81.19 percent of the vote. Eaton is the first ELCA presiding bishop to win re-election on the first ballot. She was elected to a first term as presiding bishop at the 2013 ELCA Churchwide Assembly in Pittsburgh.
- Sue Rothmeyer, a deacon who serves as executive for administration with the Office of the Secretary, was elected secretary of the ELCA by the 2019 ELCA Churchwide Assembly. She is a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Chicago, and lives in Oak Park, Ill.

- Adopted the policy statement "A Declaration of Inter-Religious Commitment." The proposed document underscores the ELCA's long-standing commitment to interreligious relations and provides a framework for common application and theological reflection across the varied contexts of this church.
- Voted to commemorate June 17 as a day of repentance in the ELCA for the martyrdom of the Emanuel 9—the nine people who were shot and killed June 17, 2015, during a Bible study at Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Charleston, S.C.
- Adopted a resolution to condemn white supremacy, calling all ELCA congregations to engage in "study of the structures and rhetoric that empower and fuel racism and white supremacy and to take to heart the teaching of Scriptures, so we may all be better equipped to speak boldly about the equal dignity of all persons in the eyes of God."
- Approved the budget proposals for the 2020, 2021 and 2022 fiscal years.
- The Rev. Chris Boerger, secretary of the ELCA, reported the denomination has made "little progress" in moving toward the commitment of authentic diversity. He reported that at the end of 2015, the ELCA was 92 percent white and at the end of 2018, it was 94 percent white.
- Received a declaration of the ELCA to people of African descent. Included in this document is a confession of this church's bondage to the sins of slavery, racism, discrimination, white supremacy and quietism, and a commitment to begin the work of repentance, which this church confesses to be "the chief topic of Christian teaching."
- Voted to approve a memorial that declared the ELCA a sanctuary church. The ELCA is the first North American denomination to declare itself a sanctuary church body. As a sanctuary church the ELCA is committed to serving and supporting migrant children and families in communities across the country.

The above was excerpted from the “News” section at www.elca.org.

Amy Wagenknecht



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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Check Out the 1980s Display!

The display case in the narthex features activities from 1980-1984. Look over items displayed to find pictures of some of the events listed below.



The ULC Archives Team has included 1980's memorabilia in the display case.

1980 – The Mutual Ministry Committee is established to strengthen the ministry of ULC by acting out of mutual concern for the staff and congregation as a channel of communication.

1980 (April) – A recommendation is made to search for a suitable historical organ.

1980 (Oct. 18-20) – 50 years of Campus Ministry is celebrated.

1980 (Dec.) – The lot north of ULC is for sale (1010 S. Harrison) by the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan.

1981 – CVIP begins a weekly meeting for international student wives known as “Every Tuesday”.

1981 (March) – A fund drive begins to purchase 1010 S. Harrison and for the retirement of the bonds. The goal is to raise \$200,000.

1981 – The Church and Society subcommittee is formed.

1982 (Feb. – Sept.) – Reverend William Menter serves as Interim Pastor.

1982 (Sept.) – 1988 (March) – Reverend James Kocher becomes Senior Pastor and Campus Pastor.

1982-1983 – The Musher Group begins. Custodian and member Bill Cooley often enlisted other members to help with tasks around the church. It was decided that before attempting their projects they should be

discussed and planned over breakfast. From this group of Musers came the Freewheelers. Some of the wives wanted to join this breakfast group, but the guys said, “No way!” The couples group was then formed.

1983 (Feb. 6) – A Clown Service is held.

1984 (March) – Organ restoration begins.

1984 (Sept.) – Carol Tomer joins the staff as the interim staff associate. Later she attends seminary and is ordained.

1984 – The need for a van to pick up students on campus becomes apparent. Private cars have been used for two years and a van was rented for a trial period. ULC alumni are notified of the need, and a collection begins to purchase a used van.

1984 (Dec.) – 719 confirmed resident members and 901 baptized members.

Connie Lenkowski

Earthkeeping Team Reminder . . .

ULC Recycles!

Please use items that can be washed or recycled when planning an event including food.



Save the Date!

August Soup Kitchen

A St. Luke Lutheran (Christ Campus) Soup Kitchen crew is needed on Saturday, Aug. 31 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Please consider joining us for this amazing four hours of service to our neighbors!



A sign-up sheet is located in the narthex. Questions? Call/text Darra Haase at 989-506-8723 or email Steve Haase at zkz895@comcast.net.

The next soup kitchen date is Nov. 3rd.

Darra and Steve Haase

August Birthdays

- 16 Loretta Geisen
Sarah Hinton
Grace Sype
- 17 Thomas Wanagat
- 18 Robert Anderson
Carl Ericksen
- 19 Ellen Holste
Thomas Kissling
- 21 Sharonlee Burmeister
Michael Kruger
- 22 Ashley Grant
Elizabeth Ortwine
- 23 Sherry Corwin
- 25 Mailee Greiter
- 26 Christine Vandervoort
- 27 Barbara Anderson
Paul Mutka
Jessica Nault
Lynn Kotnik
- 28 Samantha Ernst
Laura Kruger
Sue Martin
Charles Page
Rebecca Page
Colleen Thoman
- 29 Stephanie Hall
- 30 Jesse Grant
- 31 Jonathan Kostrzewski



August Wedding Anniversaries

- 16 Laura Appel & Gary Garbarino
- 17 Richard & Patricia Morscheck
Erich & Theresa Wangeman
Jeff Williams & Joy Whitten
- 18 Norm & Kirstan Jolin, Jr.
Lynn & Robert Spalding
- 21 Gary Dawson & Julie Baglien
Diane & John Goddeeris
Richard & Jennifer Tracy
Robert & Anne Smith
- 22 Len & Sonya Ribnicky
Gordon & Marilyn Schafer
- 24 Gary & Loretta Geisen
- 27 Dave & Kristie Wiggert

- 30 Jerry & Nancy Lindman
- 31 Bryn & Pastor Haley Vay
Craig & Cathy Lazar

September Birthdays

- 4 Meredith Kiefer
Erich Wangemen
- 6 Paul Kindel
- 7 Brandon Baswell
- 8 Jonathan Wagenknecht
- 10 Dale Harpstead
- 11 Jane Rutter
Matthew Schabel
- 12 Karen Holden
- 13 Thomas Grant
- 14 Louise Harder
Max Helser
Ben Marciniak-Jennings
- 15 Cathy Clugston
- 16 Erin Erspamer
Matthew Uebel
- 17 Stacey Schabel
- 18 Lindsay Sadler
Paul Kotnik
- 19 Cindy Baswell
Sandy Davis
Lisa Swem
- 20 Marilyn Johnson
Amanda Kuchnicki

- 21 Russel Erickson
- 22 Gabrielle Gallagher
Sonya Ribnicky
- 23 Zachary Jarrad
- 24 James Cox
- 25 Kathy Bracken
Bryan Wagenknecht
- 26 Jeffrey Guilfoyle
Mark Johnson
Adelyn Karcher
- 27 Donna Carl
Henry McPhall
- 28 Augusta Archer
- 29 Vera Shaw
- 30 Phyllis Kost
Karin Schelke

September Wedding Anniversaries

- 7 David & Debbie Gift
- 12 Dale & Mary Harpstead
Jay & Myra Kim
- 16 Andrew Hagman & Erin Frisch
Bryan & Brie McPhall
Craig & Wanda Ophaug
- 17 Mark & Marilyn Johnson
- 24 Jesse & Augusta Archer
Travis and Tali Hysten
- 29 Jeffrey & Collen Thoman
- 30 Jordan & Britny Pollard

ULC People

Juliana Marks Awarded Yoder Scholarship

Juliana Marks, a dual major in oboe performance and engineering at the University of Michigan, has been awarded this year's Yoder Scholarship. Given by Lord of Light, the Lutheran campus ministry



church at U of M, it is in memory of Rev. Henry Yoder, long time pastor. Juliana will be one of the student leaders at Lord of Light next year.

The daughter of Brad and Christy Marks, Juliana is a product of ULC's Sunday School and

Confirmation along with her twin sister, Annaliese, an MSU student. The duo played a number of times during University Lutheran's services, Annaliese on trombone and Juliana playing the oboe.

Congratulations, Juliana!

Phyllis Andersland



The deadline for the Oct. Lux is **Friday, Sept. 13.**

E-mail articles to Amy Wagenknecht at amylarryw@comcast.net and Britny Pollard at ulcsec@ulcel.org or place them in the Lux mailbox in the ULC office. Articles may be edited for size or readability, but you will be contacted if significant changes are made. Keep those wonderful articles coming! Thanks!

Amy Wagenknecht
Lux Editor



- 16 2:00p Janet Koenig Memorial-Sanctuary
- 17 9:00a Freewheelers Breakfast-IHOP, EL
- 7:00p Worship Expressions-Bluegrass-ULC N. Lawn
- 18 9:30a Worship
- 3:00p Latvian Worship-Sanctuary
- 19 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 20 12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference
- 21 8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL
- Noon Lectio Divina-Fireside
- 6:30p ULC Council-Conference
- 22 3:30p Food Movers Set-up-Fellowship
- 4:30p Food Distribution-Fellowship
- 24 MSU Student Move-in Begins
- 25 9:30a Worship
- 26 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 27 9:30a Lux Planning-Conference
- 10:15a Communications Team-Conference
- 5:00p Families Against Narcotics Board-Library
- 5:30p Finance Committee-Conference
- 6:30p Families Against Narcotics-Fellowship
- 28 8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL
- Noon Lectio Divina-Fireside
- Sparticipation-Cherry Lane Field
- 29 6:30p Bell Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary
- 7:30p Senior Choir-Choir Room
- 30 4:30p Football Parking
- 7:00p MSU v. Tulsa Football game
- 28 9:30a Worship
- 29 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 30 12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference



- 1 9:30a Worship
- 2 Labor Day Holiday – ULC CLOSED
- 3 12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference
- 7:00p Pub Theology-Spartan Brewpub
- 4 8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL
- Noon Lectio Divina-Fireside
- 4:30p Lead Management Team-Conference
- 7:00p Confirmation-Student Lounge
- 5 6:30p Bell Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary
- 7:30p Senior Choir-Choir Room
- 6 5:00p Friday@Five-Student Lounge
- 7 5:00p Football Parking
- 7:30p MSU v. WMU Football game
- 8 9:30a Worship
- 1:30a Sons of Norway-Fireside
- 9 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 10 9:00a Prayers & Squares-Atrium
- 12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference
- 2:00p Worship Planning-Conference

- 4:00p Personnel Committee-Conference
- 11 8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL
- Noon Lectio Divina-Fireside
- 12 5:30p Finance Committee-Conference
- 6:30p Bell Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary
- 7:30p Senior Choir-Choir Room
- 13 5:00p Friday@Five-Student Lounge
- 14 1:30p Football Parking
- 4:00p MSU v ASU Football Game
- 15 Alpha Sunday
- 10:45a Worship Expressions-Gospel Revival
- Noon Picnic & Games
- 3:00p Latvian Worship-Sanctuary
- 16 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 17 12:30p Lychnion Circle-Fireside
- 12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference
- 6:30p ULC Council-Conference
- 18 8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL
- 9:30a Amnos Circle-Fireside
- Noon Lectio Divina-Fireside
- 1:00p Rhodon Circle-Conference
- 7:00p Confirmation-Student Lounge
- 19 Noon ISM Board-Fireside
- 6:30p Bell Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary
- 7:30p Senior Choir-Choir Room
- 20 5:00p Friday@Five-Student Lounge
- 21 9:00a Freewheelers Breakfast-IHOP, EL
- 22 8:30a Worship-Sanctuary
- 9:40a Sunday Forum-Fireside
- 10:45a Worship-Sanctuary
- 1:00p GWOH Food Packing-Fellowship
- 23 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 24 12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference
- 5:00p Families Against Narcotics Board-Library
- 6:30p Families Against Narcotics-Fellowship
- 25 8:00 Mushers-IHOP, EL
- Noon Lectio Divina-Fireside
- 26 10:00a ULC Book Club-Library
- 3:30p Food Movers Set-up-Fellowship
- 4:30p Food Distribution-Fellowship
- 6:30p Bell Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary
- 7:30p Senior Choir-Choir Room
- 27 5:00p Friday@Five-Student Lounge
- 28 1:00p Football Parking
- 3:30p MSU v. Indiana (Homecoming) Football Game
- 29 8:30a Worship-Sanctuary
- 9:40a Sunday Forum-Fireside
- 9:40a Faith Formation (SS) Begins
- 10:45a Worship-Sanctuary
- Noon Special Congregational Meeting-Sanctuary
- 30 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside

Enhance Fitness classes meet M-W-F at 10:45a in Atrium

Friendship House Classes at ULC:

- Wednesday 11:30a - Watercolor Painting Class-Youth Rm
- Thursday 11:00a – American History-Student Lounge

Education Hour – 9:40 to 10:30 a.m.

- Sunday Forum – Fireside Room (Beginning 9/22)
- Sunday School (Age 2 - HS) – Basement Education Wing (Beginning 9/29)

Reminder - Please contact the ULC office **BEFORE** scheduling your events. This will help you get the space you need and your group's event on the ULC calendar. Thanks!



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**2019 God's Work, Our Hands
 Food Packing
 Kids Coalition Against Hunger
 Sunday, Sept. 22 ~ 1 to 3 pm**

- Gary A. Bunge**
Lead Pastor
- Haley Vay Beaman**
Associate Pastor
- Janine Novenske Smith**
Director of Music
- Britny Pollard**
Administrative Assistant
- Kristine Stuart**
Financial Administrator
- Mary Letvenow**
Event Coordinator
- Kristie Wiggert**
Julie Baglien
Organists
- Louise Paquette**
Director of Handbells

Location: ULC Fellowship Hall

Coordinator: Vicki Anderson

Task: Volunteers will bag over 10,000 meals in 1½ hours. The meals consist of rice; vitamin fortified crushed soy; a dehydrated blend of six vegetables; and vitamin/mineral powder. Each bag of food contains six servings. The bags keep for long periods of time and require only boiling water for preparation. Suggested age is Kindergarten age and up.



One-third of the bags will go to the MSU Student Food Bank. Another third of the bags will go to a warehouse in Detroit for use in response to domestic emergencies such as floods and tornadoes. The remaining third of the bags are distributed internationally to feed starving children.

This year the food packing project is a joint effort with the Islamic Center and University United Methodist Church.

Sign-up: In the Narthex, next to the "God's Work. Our Hands." t-shirt.