



Lux

June/July 2018

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

Mark Your Calendars . . .

P & S Sewing Days

Tuesdays, June 12 & July 10
9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Summer Youth Music Camp

June 18 - 22
9 - 2:30 p.m.

Vacation Bible School

June 18 - 22
9 - 11:30 a.m.

Food Movers

Thursday, June 28 & July 26
Fellowship Hall
Set-up 3:30/Distribute 4:30 p.m.

Soup Kitchen Service

Saturday, June 30

Dinner for Eight

Sunday, July 15 - 5:30 p.m.

**Next Lux (Aug/Sept) will
be mailed Aug. 15**

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A Magical Sunday

Like many of you, Jeff and I attend worship on a weekly basis, and while all Sunday worship services feed my soul for the coming week, some worship services are just truly special. Sunday, May 13th was one of those services. Not only was it the Sunday we installed Pastor Haley Vay Beaman as our Associate Pastor, it was also the first of our four “Worship Expressions” services. The gospel style service was such a wonderful way to welcome Pastor Haley Vay to our church family, and also showcased the incredible gifts of ULC’s music ministry.



What was your favorite part? Was it Janine Smith singing “*Jesus Loves Me (with The Love of God)*” gospel style accompanied by lovely liturgical dancer Morgyn Weaver? Was it the Senior Choir singing “*Overflowing*” woven with Kelly Mahoney Schafka’s beautiful

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Worship Expressions Bluegrass

Sunday, Aug. 5th ~ 5 p.m.
Outdoor Worship Service at ULC

Looking ahead...Two additional Worship Expressions will take place outside of our regular Sunday morning services. Themes for these services include Folk Rock (Fall) and Jazz (Winter).

Worship Expressions is an opportunity, funded by the ULC Endowment Fund, to nurture creative expressions of music and worship in our congregation and community, while incorporating a variety of musical styles into our liturgy.

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

Summer Ponderings

The musical *Fiddler on the Roof* – a show I know well as I was the Fiddler for a community theatre production of *Fiddler* back in high school – has a wonderful little song near the end that begins, “A little bit of this. A little bit of that.” So..... a little bit of this, a little bit of that.....

As summer comes and the pace slows down a bit, I like to set aside time for reading, continuing education, and planning. It’s one way that I find renewal and continue to grow as a pastor. This summer, in early August, I’ll be attending part three of a Senior/Lead Pastor training event that the ELCA holds. This part will cover the topics of “Money and Ministry,” and “Visioning and Planning,” two very important areas in the life of a congregation. And I’ll be reading the book *Ask, Thank, Tell: Improving Stewardship Ministry in Your Congregation* as preparation for the event.

I’ll also spend time with Pastor Haley Vay and other leaders planning and shaping our faith formation ministries: Confirmation, Sunday School, Adult Forum and others. This year with both Pastors being new, it has been simply going with what has been done in the past. Now we’ll have the opportunity to shape these ministries appropriately for our context and setting.

In the past I’ve led a Pub Theology group that met twice a month in a local pub/brewery, to informally talk about theology, faith, and God. Each week I prepared four or five questions to guide our discussion. I’d love to get that started here. Is anyone interested? Any suggestions for a brewery where we could meet? Lansing Brewery?

Harpers Brew Pub? Spartan Brew Pub? Somewhere else? Let me know if you’re interested. This fall would be a great time to start.



Thank you for your willingness to grow and try new things in worship. In the time since Janine Novenske Smith has become our Director of Music and Pastor Haley Vay and I arrived, we’ve done a number of new things and built on the strong music/worship tradition of ULC. With the musicians and resources that we have here at ULC, I’m excited about the possibilities of how our worship life might grow as we move forward. One thing I’ve learned over the years is that worship is never a static thing and that within our structure of Gathering, Word, Meal, and Sending, there is lots of opportunity for creativity and the inspiration of the Spirit!

Thank you to the volunteers who keep our grounds and gardens looking so wonderful. In fact, as I’m writing this, I can see people outside my window working in the gardens! You are a gift to this congregation. The fact that our grounds look so good is an important statement to the community about the importance of our faith, makes the building look inviting to guests, and helps to make us an asset to the community. What you do as tenders of the garden is important ministry.

As we enter into the summer, I hope that you will make time to relax, enjoy the warm weather and activities of summer, worship regularly, and be empowered for life and ministry.

Pastor Gary

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solo? Was it Bishop Craig Satterlee’s “rockstar” [sermon](#) (to quote Pastor Haley Vay)? Was it the debut of the New Hope Singers singing “*All Night, All Day (A Gospel Setting)*” at the end of the service? For me, it was all of it – a truly magical service! Many thanks to the hard work of our director of music, musicians and pastors and all who participated in such a special way to welcome our



President Lisa Swem reads the letter of call to Pastor Haley Vay as Associate Pastor.

new Associate Pastor. It was a service I won’t soon forget.

And for those of you who missed it, mark your calendars for the next “Worship Expressions” service at ULC which will be an outdoor service in the bluegrass style on Sunday, Aug. 5th at 5 p.m. If it is anything like the gospel service, we are in for a treat!

Melissa Andresen

Pastor Haley Vay Preaches Across Michigan!

This summer I have scheduled preaching opportunities to connect with congregations and share the good news about One Community: Lutheran/Episcopal Campus Ministry at MSU. In addition to scheduled preaching dates at ULC, I will travel around the North/West Lower Michigan Synod and Episcopal Diocese of Michigan. My goal is to connect with congregations and advocate for campus ministry partners, while engaging with incoming freshman and current/returning students in their home

congregations.

Where in the world will I be? We welcome you to worship while you're on the road! Will you be traveling nearby any of these congregations this summer?

- July 1: St. Luke's ELCA, Grand Rapids (home of One Community Student Associate, Jenny Ward)
- July 8: St. Andrew's Episcopal, Grand Rapids
- Aug. 5: Immanuel ELCA, Mount Pleasant (home congregation of in-coming One Community

Student Associate, Eric Podolsky)

- Sept.-Dec.: All Saints, East Lansing; St. Michael's Episcopal, West Lansing; and St. Paul's Episcopal, Lansing

STAY TUNED: The audio/visual presentation that she will create and share at these preaching engagements will be made available on ULC's website under the One Community tab.

Pastor Haley Vay

Congratulations College Grads!



Joseph Anderson graduated on May 5 from Northern Michigan University with a B.S. in Computer Science. Joseph is seeking employment in the video game industry.

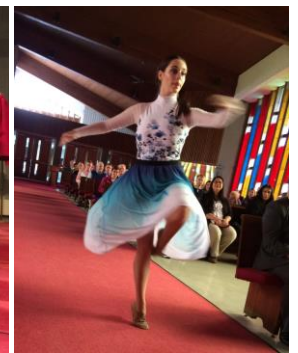


Amy Anderson graduated from Grand Valley State with a degree in Therapeutic Recreation. She will have a four month internship this fall. She's not sure where that will be yet. This summer she will be back in Colorado at Asendigo, a camp for people of all ages with autism. She worked there last summer as well.



**Gospel
Worship &
Installation of
Pastor Haley
Vay Beaman**

May 13, 2018



Children, Youth & Families

"All are Welcome" Means you...and your Children!

Children are important to us here at ULC and we're dedicated to providing a strong foundation for their lifelong faith formation. Toward the front of the sanctuary we invite you and your children to worship, learn, and grow together! Consider the "Three E's" that help us welcome a child's participation in worship:

#1 Educate: It is our joy and hope that children will feel welcome to worship in ways that uniquely appeal to their cognitive development. Each week a variety of books from our library, related to the theme of the day, as well as "Celebrate!" inserts that help children follow along with the liturgy, are provided.



"Let the little children come to me..."
Matthew 19:14, NIV

#2 Engage: Being up front is a great way for children to see, hear, learn, and participate in worship! Each week there will be a variety of different ways to capture the imagination of our children through the sharing of scripture, music, dancing, coloring pages, puzzles, and more.

#3 Equip: By providing a dedicated place for children in worship, they are better able to concretely understand their value as a child of God, and to know, "There's a place for me here."

Exercising the "Three E's" with children in our congregation continues to help us grow as an inter-generational faith community. Together we are on the road of lifelong faith formation for the sake of Christ's church. We hope that you and your children will feel welcome to enjoy the space in worship; to actively participate, focus, grow in faith and learn about God's love in their own unique and wiggly way!

Pastor Haley Vay

Vacation Bible School

Monday — Friday, June 18 -22, children ages 3 through 2nd Grade are welcome to join us each morning from 9 to 11:30 a.m. for Vacation Bible School as we soar to new heights with...

Heroes in the Bible!

Sing **super songs!** Make **heroic friends!** Learn about different **Heroes in the Bible** each day through storytelling, themed snacks, crafts, games & more!

Day 1: God cares for us!

Moses, Miriam & Pharaoh

Day 2: God gives us strength!

Bravery/wisdom of Deborah, Ruth & Naomi

Day 3: God gives us courage!

David & Goliath

Day 4: God heals!

General Healing, Bartimaeus & Lazarus

Day 5: God gives us hope!

Jesus, Beatitudes, Salt & Light

(Dress in our favorite superhero costumes!)

With our powers combined, let's learn how "God's love strengthens us to serve!"

Summer Youth Music Camp



**Monday – Friday
June 18-22
9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

Choir~Recorder~Handbells
Choir Chimes~Sign Language

Summer Youth Music Camp

Students entering 3rd through 5th Grade

Cost: \$50 per student (\$40 for each additional student from the same family)

Advanced Summer Youth Music Camp

Students entering 6th Grade and Older

Camp Directors: Janine Novenske Smith & Kristie Wiggert

Application Forms are available in the church office or at: www.ulcel.org

→ Enrollment Deadline: June 14 ←

Congratulations Confirmands!

Congratulations to each of our newest Confirmands: Maya Bubolz, Grace Sype, Aaron Williams, and Alex Williams! All of these 8th graders have attended three years of Affirmation of Baptism (AOB) to learn more about their faith. They have studied the Bible, Martin Luther and Lutheranism, the structure of the church service, the 10 Commandments, and their own faith beliefs.

In addition, they have served the church in many ways including prayer, reading the lessons, hosting coffee hour, and leading the Youth Sunday service. They



Confirmation Sunday!
Back: Louise Harder, Pastor Gary,
Pastor Haley Vay. Front: Grace,
Maya, Aaron, and Alex.

have also served the community through various volunteer and service projects. They have attended retreats and other activities to grow in their faith together. They have reflected on their own faith journey and, on May 20, renewed their faith through their Confirmation.

I am proud to share that these youth are ready and excited to continue their faith journey as confirmed members of University Lutheran Church.

Louise Harder



Looking Back on a Wonderful Year

And just like that, another year of Affirmation of Baptism (AOB) is in the books. The youth have grown and accomplished so much and I could not be more honored to have worked with them this year. From our weekly Sunday morning lessons to service activities to social gatherings to youth retreats, we have connected and gained new friendships. As the year wrapped up, I have had a chance to reflect on how everything went.

First, thank you to the youth for trusting in me. I remember being warned that the youth are very shy and quiet, so I would have to plan accordingly. I promptly decided to ignore the warnings and encouraged full participation by everyone. At times, the youth were hesitant (and



Creating Advent wreaths

likely half asleep), but I never went to a class without everyone sharing at least one thing. By the end of the year, the youth had opened up and connected with me and others in ways I never could have imagined. In fact, now I work on reeling them in more than asking for more participation. This is purely due to their trust and willingness to be open; I could not have done this myself.

Second, I could not have planned and coordinated the activities we did without the help and support of each of the parents. They woke their child



Helping with worship

up each Sunday morning and made sure they were at church on time. They helped drive, provide food, and do any task

I asked of them. They followed up when I forgot about something. Thank you to the amazing parents for letting me work with your children and helping me each step of the way!

Lastly, thank you to the pastors and congregation for the prayers, support, and guidance. The excitement and backing from the congregation was



Making Easter breakfast

instrumental in my work. You helped fuel my energy each week and allowed me to continue the work I was doing. You entrusted me with the task of teaching the youth. I am honored and thankful for the opportunity to lead. I have grown my faith in new ways I would not otherwise have been able to do. And for all of that and so much more, thank you.

Louise Harder

ULC Memorial Library



It's been said, that if you want to learn about something, look for a children's

book to begin your search for understanding. So, if you would like to learn more about "life, death, faith and God" read *Oscar and the Lady in Pink*. The story is told by a 10-year-old boy who knows he is going to die and writes about his days in letters to God. With the help of Granny Rose, "the lady in pink," "he plays a game

Wisdom in Children's Literature

where he pretends that each of the following twelve days is a decade of his imagined future." In those 12 days he gains a lifetime of wisdom and helps all those near him accept the situation and focus on loving each other.

This book was highly recommended by Vy Dao. It is described as a "small fable with a big heart" and is "sensitive, funny, heartbreaking and ultimately, uplifting." Look for *Oscar and the Lady in Pink* in the

ULC Library. (INT Sch) If you would like to read this book let one of the Library Team members know, and we can notify you when the book is available.

Visit the library anytime. There is always something new to see.

The Library Team
Sharon Bandlow, Laura Brown, Judy Kindel and Connie Lenkowski

Archives Team

Play Ball!

Summer and baseball belong together. During the late 1960's and 1970's ULC had a "slow-pitch" team. From the June 28, 1976 Lux: "U-LUS Schedule Revised in East Lansing Slow-Pitch League...Remember, the U-LUS are the defending champs, so SUPPORT OUR TEAM!! All games are at Alton Park in East Lansing" Not a lot of information was found in past Lux, but there were some good pictures. If you have an

interesting story about the U-LUS team please share it with a member of the Archive Team. Names of the two individual players will be in the next issue of Lux.

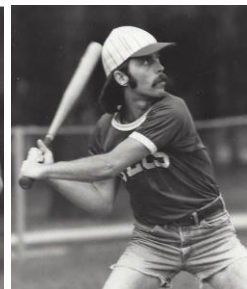
The Archive Team
Tom Kissling, Carol Mackin, Mike and Connie Lenkowski



The U-LUS Slow Pitch Softball Team



Above: 1968 League Champs. Above right: ULC softball team in 1973. Below: Two of the U-LUS star players...can you name them? Check back in August for their identity.



Check Out the ULC Butterfly Garden

Spring has arrived!! Many thanks to Betsy Prince and her crew who keep our grounds looking beautiful at ULC. Tucked over along the north fence is the butterfly garden, which was established to provide both host and nectaring plants to attract and successfully propagate monarch butterflies. Adult monarchs feed on the nectar of many flowers, but they breed only where milkweeds are found. Without milkweed the monarch larva would not be able to develop into a butterfly.



Asters, Joe-Pye Weed, Monarda and Goldenrod.

Other objectives of this garden are to attract many species of insects and birds and to provide education regarding declining populations of the monarch butterfly. Planting a native garden in your yard, no matter the size, provides a little patch of Michigan habitat that will support birds, butterflies, pollinators and insects

Presently the garden has common, swamp and butterfly weed available for the monarchs. Norm Jolin, Sr. is looking to add the purple and the spider milkweed to make the garden even more attractive to monarchs. Nectaring plants have also been planted for the butterflies, hummingbirds and other pollinators to feed on. They include: Butterfly Bushes, Cone Flowers,

For more information go to <https://www.michiganaudubon.org/bfc/bfplants> and www.wildoneslansing.org. Also a few brochures on planting native gardens are available at the Earthkeeping bulletin board facing the sanctuary. Consider helping in the ULC gardens, help is always welcomed!

Judy Kindel

Grounds Team

ULC Summer Gardens

The garden season is in full swing again. We started with our May 4th spring workday. Rubberized mulch was spread on the playground. Many bags of regular brown mulch was distributed on the flower gardens. Thank you to the many people who helped with this workday.



Those who have helped in prior years have volunteered again but we can always use more help during the summer months. Marilyn Schafer and Judy Kindel continue to help me on Wednesday mornings doing special projects.

Betsy Prince

Summer Dinner for Eight



Our next Dinner for Eight (D48) will be Sunday, July 15th at 5:30 p.m. The sign-up sheet will soon be in the narthex. After sign-up closes (Monday, July 9th) you will be assigned a host/hostess for the evening. They will contact you and arrange your "dish to pass."

meal. It is a wonderful way to get to know other members and friends of the ULC community. Everyone (single or couple) is welcomed and encouraged to join.

This fun evening does not happen without hosts. A host provides the main dish, beverage and table setting. Please let me know if you are willing to host a group at your home!

What is Dinner for Eight? It is an evening of food and fellowship with eight adult members/friends of ULC. These meals will take place four times a year in the home of a member. Everyone contributes a dish to pass to the

Questions? Want to RSVP? Call me at 394-7486 or better yet, email me at boorena@msu.edu

Ann Booren



Join us for Sewing This Summer!

Summer sewing days are here! Now is your opportunity to join us Tuesday, June 12 and Tuesday, July 10 from 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. in the Atrium. We look forward to seeing lots of folks who are unable to come during the regular school year. We do have the great children’s play area in the Fellowship Hall for those youngsters whose moms want to participate, but are in need of “entertainment” for the kiddies.

Thirteen quilts will be given to the Royal Family Kids Summer Camp

for foster children and their families. This is the fourth year we have provided quilts to be used during the week-long camp in northern Oakland County, and then taken home by the children as a remembrance of their camping experience.

Congratulations to the graduating high school seniors who will be receiving special quilts on Sunday, June 10: Beeper Baswell, Amanda Brown, Sam Fitzgerald, Annaliese Marks, Juliana Marks, Hannah Milnes, Hannah Oslund, and Inga

VanWieren. Look for photos of this wonderful ULC tradition in the next edition of Lux.

Plan to visit our table at the annual Country Stitches Craft Show on Thursday, Aug. 9. Activities begin at 10 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. Proceeds from the sale of items allow us to purchase materials to make prayer quilts, high school grad quilts and Quilts of Valor.

Bobbie Davis

July is Personal Needs Collection Month!

So many families depend on area churches like ours to provide Personal Needs Items that are not covered by government subsidies. The following items are the ones most urgently needed.

Full-size versions of:

- ✓ Dish Soap, Laundry Soap, Bleach
- ✓ Shampoo, Bar Soap, Deodorant
- ✓ Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Facial Tissues
- ✓ Sanitary Pads, Tampons
- ✓ Toothpaste, Toothbrushes (Both adult and youth sizes)
- ✓ Shaving Cream, Razors
- ✓ Lotion

Ideas . . .

1. Are you affiliated or friends with a **business which might donate** a small supply of any of the above items? (e.g., grocery/drugstore, dentist, hospital, janitorial supply)
2. Might your child earn **extra credit for school** by soliciting donations of the above? (Even though our formal collection months are February and July, such a project could take place any month and we would LOVE to do a feature article in Lux about it afterward!)
3. Holiday-themed paper towels and facial tissues are often sold for **75% off** after the fact—a GREAT time to purchase these items for donation!

4. Whenever you shop, check the “**Final Clearance**” shelves for rock-bottom prices on any Personal Needs items. You may donate them year-round!
5. Please note that many of these items are available at the Dollar Store.
6. I know we all support an exceptional number of charities, services, and programs, but this is one that requires little more than a few dollars (*or nothing, if you find a **Buy One, Get One Free** sale!*)
7. Donating **JUST ONE** item is appreciated more than words can say.



**Personal
Products
Collection**

Place your items in the blue plastic tub located between the Cry Room and elevator. *Note: Although we deliver personal needs products to the Macedonian Drop-off only twice a year, our collection bin is available for your donations year round.*

Personal Needs products are not covered by “Food Stamp” or government subsidies. But try to imagine getting along without these everyday necessities. Christian Services allows families right here in our own backyard to apply for emergency supply sets of these products when their budgets are stretched to the limit. (Detailed Info flyers in side pocket of collection bin.)

Thank you so much!

Linda and Bill Trevarthen

The Giving Tree

Start Your Christmas Shopping Early!

Are you wondering why an article about the Giving Tree is appearing now in the Lux? It's spring, not Christmas! I just wanted you to know that the Giving Tree donations in 2017 were a huge success. Each person sponsored by Samaritas who moves into an independent living setting gets a kitchen box, a bathroom box, and a bedroom box. Last year, your donations provided 4-5 sets of completed boxes. It was a tremendous response.

We'll use the same format this year. Starting in November, the Giving Tree will appear in the narthex. To participate, take a tag from the tree, sign it out and return the gifts by specified date. This year, I thought I would give you an early start in case you might want to shop the sales this spring, summer and fall for the items requested.

The items are grouped to approximate a \$25 cost. Some of the items like silverware and dishes, which cost more, will be divided into sets of two bowls, two plates, two



spoons, two forks, etc. and these sets will accommodate more than one kitchen box.

Here is the list:

- ✓Medium frying pan
- ✓Medium cooking pot
- ✓Silverware
- ✓Paring knife & cutting board
- ✓2 Bowls, 2 cups, 2 plates
- ✓Mixing bowl & can opener
- ✓Baking dish & oven mitt
- ✓Sheet sets-any size
- ✓New pillow & alarm clock
- ✓Adult blanket or quilt
- ✓Shower curtain & shower curtain rings
- ✓2 bath towels, 2 wash cloths, 1 hand towel

Look for the Giving Tree to appear in the narthex around the middle of November.

Sherry Corwin, Social Action Team

Rebuilding Together

A Meaningful Day for All

On the last Saturday in April, a dozen ULC members participated in the annual Rebuilding Together day. Our assignment was the home of Mary and George Graham, an elderly couple who are able to live in their home but need help with the maintenance. The weather started out dicey, cold and threatening rain, but later transformed into a nice day.

We accomplished over a dozen outside and inside projects ranging from plumbing to fence repair. At the end of the day we presented them with a Prayers and Squares quilt. George and Mary were very grateful for everything and Mary even sang us a gospel "thank you" hymn.

Here are some other comments from work day participants:

Maowei Liang: "It was a great privilege God gave to us to be participating in the program to help



2018 Rebuilding Together Team

people who in need. It also was very meaningful for me to work with my excellent friends.

Greg evoked deep memories of my grandfather. I used to work with him to clean the yard or fix some house stuff when I was a teenager and he was with me. How honored and blessed I was at the end of the day to witness the ceremony and to see the homeowners' gratitude. My body was exhausted, but my soul was growing. I think nobody can make it,

only the believers who are following Jesus Christ."

Emily Heidrich: "Over the course of the day, the crew worked both together and independently on a variety of projects around the property. Some of these projects included tree trimming, gutter repair and cleaning, raking the yard, bundling sticks for disposal, and building a new landscape timber system. Indoor tasks included carpet and wall repair and installation of a grab bar to provide a more stable transition into the house."

"For me, personally, it was a delight to get to know people from the church in a different capacity. Working alongside them and seeing our progress on all the projects made me proud of what we could do together. Many hands make light work, indeed."

Jim Lorenz

June Outreach of the Month

St. Paul Food Pantry

The June 2018 Outreach of the Month is the St. Paul Food Pantry, a ministry of our neighbors at St. Paul Lutheran Church on Lake Lansing Road. This food pantry offers food and personal needs items to about 100 of their E. Lansing neighbors each month. The food pantry is financially supported by the congregation and by a grant from the Greater Lansing Food Bank (GLFB).



delivered to St. Paul. Third, money collected during June, will be sent to St. Paul and will be used to buy food in bulk from the GLFB.

Last year at our Synod Assembly, Bishop Satterlee suggested that neighboring congregations should work together to further the mission of Christ in our world. What we are doing here together with our friends at St. Paul is just that. Please be generous. Outreach envelopes are available in the pew racks. Checks should be made out to ULC with “St. Paul Food Pantry” on the memo line.

Michael Anderson

July Outreach of the Month

Medical Supplies for Christ

For the last 20 years, Medical Supplies for Christ, Inc. has practiced evangelism through healthcare, in the US and around the world. From the beginning ULC has helped us gather many medical supplies, thank you!



My husband and I are now retired nurses and able to go on more frequent (4-6 per year) mission trips and are able to stay for longer periods of time. We just returned from one month in Guatemala. In the last five months, we have completed four trips and we have three more trips

planned -- to Honduras, Ecuador, and Brazil.

We now focus on collecting only the supplies we take on our trips-- reading glasses, medicine and Bibles. Money donated to Medical Supplies for Christ, Inc. buys those supplies and is not used for our travel.

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The Greater Church

Synod Assembly 2018

The North/West Lower Michigan Synod Assembly began on Sunday evening, May 20, with a joyous worship service at ULC based on the assembly theme, “Signs of the Spirit” from Joel 2:28. The sanctuary was over-flowing with pastors, voting members, and visitors from congregations in the synod. The preaching minister was the Rev. Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop of ELCA.



ULC representatives at the Synod Assembly, from left: Pastor Haley Vay, Miriam and Pastor Gary Bunge, Tom and Barb Kissling

- Elections for the Synod Council and positions for the 2019 Churchwide Assembly (Aug. 5-10 in Milwaukee)
- 2019 Compensation Guidelines
- Treasurer’s Report and presentation of the 2019-20 Budget for the Synod
- Resolutions on the 50th anniversary of the ordination of women, gun violence and assault weapons and environmental stewardship

Participants met all day Monday and Tuesday morning, May 21 and 22, at the Lansing Center downtown. Assembly business included:

- Reports from Presiding Bishop Eaton, Bishop Craig Satterlee, and others

A highlight of the conference was Presiding Bishop Eaton. Her sermon, report, and conversations were informative and witty. She discussed issues that ELCA faces on the national level as well as our synod and its contributions to ELCA.

Barbara Kissling, ULC Voting Member to the Assembly

The ULC Council met on Tuesday, May 15 and the following are highlights from the meeting:

- Synod Assembly opening worship will be at ULC on Sunday, May 20 at 7 p.m. with a reception to follow.
- Due to death of Brian Fowler the organ renovation will not begin until June and will take six to eight months to complete.



- Position description for Pastor Haley Vay was approved.
- Council accepted an anonymous gift of \$25,000 in stock to support the ministry of Pastor Haley Vay.

- Council reviewed an initial recommendation from the Finance and Facilities Committees to repair the roof and replace the HVAC units. Council requested additional information prior to discussing funding of the project.

*Sheila Nicholas
Council Secretary*

Lead Management Team Notes

The Lead Management Team held their monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 2 and the following are some highlights from their report:

Campus Ministry - Sue Kamens: The year-end cookout at Pastor Haley Vay's apartment complex was well attended by students, ULC members, and Pastor Bill Chu and his family from University Methodist. The 1929 Model-A Ford brought by Sandy Davis for students to "test drive" was a hit. Some were in awe of the difficulty of driving a stick shift.

On Apr. 25, three students as well as six members of ULC were privileged to attend the day-long lecture given by William Willimon from Duke University. Such an event provides ongoing opportunity for faith discussion among members and students. A "Water & Word" fall retreat is planned for Sept. 7-9 in Traverse City to welcome students back.

Social Action - Bryan Rahe: The food distribution in April served 58 households. This is a significant increase. We believe it was due to placing flyers at two low cost housing complexes.

Faith Lutheran has three young men living in their former parsonage that was converted to a home for refugee youth. Michigan Refugee Hope disbursed some funds to Faith to help them with their costs. Faith is planning to put a new roof on the refugee youth home in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity. They are seeking grants and donations to cover the cost of about \$6,000.

Change for Change donations were a little over \$1,000 this year. That is significantly down from past years but we are grateful for the participation of the congregation. The money will be donated to Families Against Narcotics.

Tight Knit - Vicki Anderson and Terrie Reinoehl: The Tight Knit group continues creating items for charity. The group is currently working on making soap holders, Knitted Knockers, and lap robes for McLaren Hospice, as well as hats and scarves for various groups such as Homeless Angels and Food Movers. We have made about 80 lap robes so far. We have added two new members to our group. We have started making up several "new member kits" which would include yarn, knitting needles or a crochet hook, and a stitch marker. We generally have between ten and twenty people attending each Monday. It is a fun group with fellowship, a light supper, learning, and giving back. We welcome newcomers always.

Facility - Dale Romsos: We are obtaining estimates of the cost to replace the lower level flat roof.

Earthkeeping—Judy Kindel: At our next meeting we will discuss making improvements to our recycling efforts and how to encourage the reduction of plastic use in the congregation. We will also discuss whether ULC should join with two other houses of worship in participating in a Houses of Worship Rewards program through MIPL and Consumers Energy.

Communications Task Force – Amy Wagenknecht: The CTF is happy with the Easter newspaper ads and the postcard campaign and recommend a similar publicity campaign at Christmas.

It was decided to use \$500 from our Endowment grant to purchase a one-year listing in the State News. Our listing would be included in this summer magazine, as well as on-line and then in their Thursday religious directories from August through May 2019.

Amy Wagenknecht

Celebrations . . .

June Birthdays

- 1 Chris Bracken
- 2 Sarah Ortwine
- 3 Rowan Smith
- 4 Myra Kim
- 5 Britny Pollard
- 6 Susan Kuchnicki
Santiago Saucedo
- 7 Gail Booren
- 8 Courtney Bridges
Bethany Saindon
- 9 Laura Brown
- 15 Amy Anderson
Linda Zimmerman
- 16 Harry Kost
Tim Rainey
Marvin Schultz
Melissa Scriptor
- 17 Jessica Lawrence
Arthur Lohr
- 18 Daniel Sadler
Myla Joy McPhall
- 19 Barbara Helser
Beth Rahe
Joy Whitten
- 20 Julie Baglien
Brenda Sternquist
- 21 Jay Kim
- 22 Terri Christian
Ava Jolin
- 23 Karen Braselton
Dale Hinkley
Kelli Vanous
- 24 Oliver Nathe
Kevin Stowe



- 26 Henry Schmitz
- 27 Alison Sarver
Tim Schmidt
- 29 Jeffrey Bracken
Connor Dalton
Nick Lawrence
Kristine Stuart
- 30 Donald Jarrad
John Kruger

June Anniversaries

- 3 Kristy & Joe Stuart
Mike & Kathy Sweat
- 7 Jaime & Tim Danley
- 10 Jim & Angie Dye
- 13 Tom & Barb Kissling
- 14 Robert & Barb Anderson
- 16 Will & Marge Mahoney
- 19 James & Barbara Cox
Norm & Carol Jolin Sr.
Steve & Linda Zimmerman
- 20 Bill & Sheila Nicholas
- 21 Fred & Kay Fritz
- 22 Dale & Marilyn Wagenknecht
- 23 Le Roy & Gloria Olson
- 25 Jesse & Lynne Clyma

- Matt & Lori Kostrzewski
- Don & Susan Kuchnicki
- 27 Matt & Melodie Hagbom

July Birthdays

- 1 Norman Jolin Jr.
William Pleskac
Nicole Tague
- 2 Adam Fisher
Rev. Fred Fritz
Taylor Milnes
- 4 Arlene Zerkle
- 5 Martha Kost
- 7 Phyllis Andersland
- 10 Sharon Bandlow
Kayla Clyma
Carol Jolin
Luke Reese
- 11 Jason Osoff
- 12 Emma Karcher
Howard Pierce
Noah Schott
- 13 John Heller
William Schikorra
- 16 Kelly Schafka
- 17 Emmett Braselton
Sherrilyn Mileski
- 18 James Dye
Jenna Lenkowski
Olin Mace
- 19 Melody Kiefer
Edward Vanous
- 21 Emily Kaltenberg
- 22 Annette Stanley
- 23 Elizabeth Schabel
Jacob Schabel

- 24 Matthew Hagbom
Matt Mutka
Gary Carl
- 25 Paul Burmeister
Wilbur Mahoney
- 26 Johannah House
James Kiefer
Hannah Milnes
Megan Stuart
Sharon Vanous
- 27 Ann Booren
Deborah Velasquez
- 28 Doug Erickson
Vy Dao
Marilyn Schafer
- 29 Joseph Kravetz
Brian Shire
- 30 Leigh Asmus
Rachel Williams
- 31 Lori Kostrzewski

July Anniversaries

- 2 Russ & Gerry Erickson
- 3 Phil & Sandy Brooks
- 9 Julie & Dexter Baker
- 10 Bob & Sarah Gallagher
- 12 Eric Bubolz & Karen Sanders
- 18 Kelly & Steven Schafka
- 20 Larry & Amy Wagenknecht
- 21 John & Cynthia Sarver
- 22 Sherry & TomCorwin
Larry & Shirley Cross
- 24 Beth Hoger & Lisa Swem
- 28 Paul & Judy Kindel
David & Coreen Williams

July Outreach continued from page 10.

We are always invited by the nationals to work in the churches. They help us organize and THEY present the gospel message to each person who comes to the clinic. People are allowed to refuse to go to the "soul clinic" and they will still be served. We love to help meet people's physical AND spiritual needs!

I was raised and confirmed at ULC. What a wonderful body of believers! This is where I learned about Jesus. We live in Ohio now and go to Pilgrim Lutheran Brethren Church. Our church

gives us a room for our charity and they support us from their budget and from Thrivent members. We are separate from the church but have asked them to give us spiritual advice and guidance.

We are so grateful that you have been faithful supporters over the years. We could not do what we love to do without our supporters, thank you!

Marcia Johnson Skelton, RN

From the Editors...



The deadline for the Aug/Sept. *Lux* is **Wednesday, Aug. 1.**

E-mail articles to Amy Wagenknecht at amylarryw@comcast.net 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!

The Lux Team: Phyllis Andersland, Michael Anderson, Loran Bieber, Mark Johnson, Connie Lenkowski, Britny Pollard, and Amy Wagenknecht

The Lux Mailing Group: Ann Booren, Kathy Bracken, Johannah House, Anita Krumins, Miriam Minshall, Marian Macbeth.



- 3 9:30a Worship
- 10:45p Calendar Planning-Conference
- 4 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 5:00p Security Team-Conference
- 5 10:00a Communication Task Force-Conference
- 12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference
- 5:30p Evangelism Team-Conference
- 6 8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL
- 12:00p Lectio Divina-Fireside
- 4:30p Lead Management Team-Conference
- 10 9:30a Worship
- 1:30p Sons of Norway-Fireside
- 3:00p Latvian Worship
- 11 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 12 9:30a Prayers & Squares Sewing-Atrium
- 12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference
- 7:00p Members in Ministry-Conference
- 13 8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL
- 12:00p Lectio Divina-Fireside
- 14 5:30p Finance Committee-Conference
- 6:00p Synod Honduras Meeting-Conference
- 15 7:00p Aces & Spaces Bridge-Fireside
- 16 9:00a Freewheelers Breakfast-IHOP, EL
- 17 9:30a Worship
- 18 9:00a VBS/Summer Youth Music Camp
- 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 19 9:00a VBS/Summer Youth Music Camp
- 12:30p Lychnion Circle-Fireside
- 7:00p ULC Council
- 20 8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL
- 9:00a VBS/Summer Youth Music Camp
- 12:00p Lectio Divina-Fireside
- 21 9:00a VBS/Summer Youth Music Camp
- 12:00p Int'l Student Ministry Board-Fireside
- 22 9:00a VBS/Summer Youth Music Camp
- 24 9:30a Worship
- 25 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 26 12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference
- 5:00p Families Against Narcotics Board-Library
- 7:00p FAN Community Meeting-Fellowship
- 27 8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL
- 12:00p Lectio Divina-Fireside
- 28 3:30p Food Movers Set-up-Fellowship
- 4:30p Food Distribution-Fellowship



- 1 9:30a Worship
- 2 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 5:00p Security Team-Conference
- 3 12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference

4 BUILDING CLOSED- 4th of July Holiday

- 8 9:30a Worship
- 1:30p Sons of Norway-Fireside
- 3:00p Latvian Worship
- 9 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 10 9:30a Prayers & Squares Sewing-Atrium
- 12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference
- 5:30p Evangelism Team-Conference
- 11 8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL
- 12:00p Lectio Divina-Fireside
- 12 5:30p Finance Committee-Conference
- 15 9:30a Worship
- 5:30p Dinner for Eight-Members' Homes
- 16 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 17 10:00a Communication Task Force-Conference
- 7:00p ULC Council
- 18 8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL
- 12:00p Lectio Divina-Fireside
- 20 7:00p Aces & Spaces Bridge-Fireside
- 21 9:00a Freewheelers Breakfast-IHOP, EL
- 22 9:30a Worship
- 23 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 24 12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference
- 5:00p Families Against Narcotics Board-Library
- 7:00p FAN Community Meeting-Fellowship
- 25 8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL
- 12:00p Lectio Divina-Fireside
- 26 3:30p Food Movers Set-up-Fellowship
- 4:30p Food Distribution-Fellowship
- 29 9:30a Worship
- 30 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 31 12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference



- 1 8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL
- 12:00p Lectio Divina-Fireside
- 4:30p Lead Management Team-Conference
- 5 9:30a Worship
- 5:00p Bluegrass Outdoor Worship
- 6 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 5:00p Security Team-Conference
- 7 12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference
- 5:30p Evangelism Team-Conference
- 8 8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL
- 12:00p Lectio Divina-Fireside
- 9 5:30p Finance Committee-Conference
- 12 9:30a Worship
- 1:30p Sons of Norway-Fireside
- 13 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside
- 14 9:00a Prayers & Squares Sewing-Atrium

Friendship House Classes at ULC:

Tuesdays	3:00p – Pilates Class-Atrium
Wednesday	11:00a - Watercolor Painting Class-Youth Rm 11:00a – American Nations-Student Lounge
Friday	4:00p – Zumba Class-Atrium

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

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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Saturday, June 30

Join us as we Serve!

ULC serves at the St. Luke/Christ Campus Community Kitchen each month that there are five Saturdays. Our next opportunity to host is Saturday, June 30 at 122 South Pennsylvania, Lansing. We will be working from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Please join us for this rewarding service opportunity! If you have questions contact Darra Haase at 989-506-8723 (text or call), Steve Haase at Zkz895@comcast.net or Jen Tracey at jlyneetracey@gmail.com. Look for a sign-up sheet in the narthex during the month of June.



July 2018 marks the 30th year St. Luke/Christ Campus has been serving free meals to the hungry people of Lansing in a caring dignified environment.

Darra Haase