

# Lux

October 2018



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

## Mark Your Calendars . . .

### Pub Theology

Oct. 9 & 23 - 7 p.m.  
Spartan Brewpub Co.  
Mason

### Library Used Book Sale

Oct. 14 - 21  
Narthex

### Food Movers

Thursday, Oct. 25  
Set-up 3:30 p.m.  
Distribution 4:30 p.m.

### Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday, Nov. 4 - Noon

### Dinner for Eight

Sunday, Nov. 4 - 5:30 p.m.

## Alpha Sunday

Warm temperatures!  
Wonderful folk rock  
worship! Great  
fellowship!  
Beginning of the  
new faith formation  
year! On Sunday,  
Sept. 16, ULC  
kicked off another  
year of worship and  
learning with  
spectacular Alpha  
Sunday events.



Music director Janine Novenske Smith leads the New Hope Singers during the outdoor Folk Rock worship service.

The day began at 9:40 a.m. with the introduction of the new Sunday School program. Students and leaders had the opportunity to meet and get acquainted downstairs in the education wing. The third special worship in the Worship Expressions series, Folk Rock Worship,

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## New Faith Formation Opportunity!

Join us every second and fourth Tuesday at

**Spartan Brewpub Co.**

3056 Okemos Rd., Mason

(Just south of I-96)

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](http://ulcel.org) for the questions for the upcoming session.

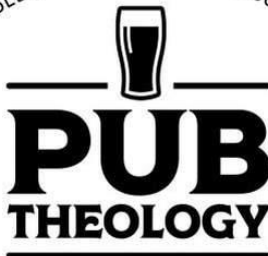
Come, bring a friend and your questions about God and faith.

*Pastor Gary*

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BEER, CONVERSATION, AND GOD



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

## What Does Jesus Say . . . ?

As I've grown as a person of faith throughout my life and ministry, I've come to understand generosity and giving as central to the life of faith. At times I've talked about generosity and giving as a mark of discipleship. At other times I've talked about it as a faith practice.

But either way, giving and generosity is central to being a follower of Jesus, because giving and generosity is what Jesus was all about: *For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.* 2 Corinthians 8:9

This year, we'll focus on generosity and giving in worship during the month of October around the theme: **"What does Jesus say...?"** And each Sunday we'll explore what Jesus says about some aspect of generosity and giving. Here's what we've planned:

- Oct. 7 ...About Stewardship? John 13:1-17, 34-35
- Oct. 14 ...About Worrying About Having Enough? Luke 12:13-34
- Oct. 21 ...About Riches and Possessions? Mark 10:17-31
- Oct. 28 ...About Money? Matthew 6:19-21, 24-34



You see, at its heart and core, giving and generosity aren't about giving back to God what God has given to us as if it were our own. The reality is that all that I have is not mine to use as I want. God has created it and owns

it. It all belongs to God. And the appropriate question that we need to ask is, what would God want me to do with all of these resources that God has entrusted to my care?

I hope that you'll be present in worship as we explore these themes together. If you have to miss a Sunday, I hope that you'll read the

Scripture reading yourself and listen to the sermon as it is posted on the website. But even more, I hope that you will set aside some time to think and pray about how God might be calling you to use the resources that God has entrusted to your care. And then on Sunday, Oct. 28, we'll bring our Giving Commitment Cards forward during the offering as an act of worship and faith.

As I've been here at ULC for almost a year now, I've seen what a marvelous ministry we have as a congregation and all the lives that we touch in so many different ways. And it is because of your faithful giving and generosity that this ministry happens. Without your generosity, we would have no ministry.

Thank you for your faithful giving, and may God continue to help us grow in this central practice of faith.

*Blessings,  
Pastor Gary*

## Giving – Why and How

*Honor the Lord with your substance and with the first fruits of all your produce. Proverbs 3:9*

We are clearly called to return the first and best of all that we have to the Lord. October will include numerous reflections on what God is calling us to do in this regard.

One aspect of giving is the simple mechanics of "how" to do this. Obviously, the choice is very personal, and up to each individual or family. For our family, electronic transfer of funds, directly from our MSU Federal Credit Union account to the ULC account, has been both convenient *and* purposefully symbolic. Regardless of whether we are traveling or in town, our offering is transferred to the church in the week immediately following payday – our symbolic "first fruits."



Again, the "how" to give is a personal decision, but there are several means for easy electronic transfer of funds. If you are MSUFCU member, you can set up a direct transfer to the ULC account. Additionally, most banks now enable automatic (and typically free) direct-pay from your account to ULC. Either can, of course, be set up on whatever schedule (such as weekly or monthly) is appropriate for you.

If either of these options sound like they are a good fit for you, please contact the ULC financial administrator Kristy Stuart at [stuartact@aol.com](mailto:stuartact@aol.com) She can give you the information you need.

*Brad Marks  
Stewardship Team*

## Fantastic Fall!

### October Activities

Fall is shaping up quite fantastically for campus ministry at ULC. Here's some fun in faith and fellowship activities we have planned this October:

- ▶ Oct. 5: MSU Homecoming parade
- ▶ Oct. 12: Cookout and Campfire - Beaman home
- ▶ Oct. 19: A visit to Uncle John's Cider Mill
- ▶ Oct. 26: "Harvest" Bible study with pumpkin carving

### Wine Before Breakfast

A joint ministry with Campus Edge at MSU, I will bring communion to students, faculty, and staff on Wednesdays (Oct. 3-Nov. 14) at 7:30 a.m. on the Wells Hall patio at Starbucks. Breakfast, coffee and communion are served along with a joyous time of worship in prayer and song to start your day. All are welcome!

### Inviting All N/WLM Synod Students

In September, I joined with ELCA campus ministers across our North/West Lower Michigan synod to communicate with all 117 congregations and 220 pastors

in our synod's geographic area. Our goal was to cast a net wide, so that every young person who goes to college might be connected with a congregation while in school.



Congregation leaders were encouraged to visit the LuMin website ([lumin-networkreferral.org](http://lumin-networkreferral.org), a database for ELCA campus ministry connections) and submit contact information for their graduating seniors. These names are then disseminated to local campus congregations who reach out and connect students to their ministries. It's brilliant!

This referral network has allowed us easier access to students who are coming to study at MSU and LCC from ELCA congregations around the entire country. It has opened doors also for us to refer our graduating seniors to campus ministries at their respective schools. If you or someone you know is interested in getting connected with a campus ministry in college, please let us know! We'd love to connect you.

*Pastor Haley Vay*

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## God's Work. Our Hands.

### Joining Our Neighbors to Feed the Hungry

On Sunday, Sept. 9, over 100 volunteers (40 ULC, 24 Campus Ministry, 40 Islamic Center) packaged 10,000 dehydrated meals in less than two hours! We scooped and poured soy meal, rice, vegetables and vitamins into plastic bags; sealed the bags; counted and boxed them. The contents of each bag, when mixed with boiling water, can feed six children or three adults.

One-third of these packages (over 3,000 meals) stayed in our community. Again this year we delivered them to the MSU Student Food Bank. Nicole Edmonds,



Volunteers at the Food Packing event hosted by the Islamic Center

Director of the food bank said that she is "thrilled" to get the donation and appreciates us thinking of them again this year. The remaining two-thirds of the food goes to those in need around the state, nation and world, including food packages that will likely be used for Hurricane Florence relief.

Following the service project, the Islamic Center hosted a delicious lunch catered by Sultans. This is the fourth year of a joint ULC/Islamic Center food packing event. We alternate locations, so our 5<sup>th</sup> annual event will be hosted at ULC

in 2019. It was wonderful to see how friendships have evolved since we have started working together. There was lots of conversation and laughter (and cheering starting in Pastor Haley Vay's corner of the room). Thank you to everyone who made this day a great success!

*Vicki Anderson*



## Sunday School Begins

Our Sunday School classes for Early Learners (age 2-4) through high school are in full swing! Our Kindergarten-5th graders are enjoying music class every other week with Mrs. Janine and our children and youth of all ages helped pack schools kits for Lutheran World Relief.

Our junior and senior high youth are having an awesome time using creativity and imagination to retell the story of faith beginning with Creation. If you or someone you know is interested in seeing what our Sunday faith formation programs are all about, join us! Sundays between services at 9:40 a.m.

We're grateful for all of our Sunday School leaders who are helping us learn and grow. They teach us that we're special because God loves us! We think they're special, too!

*Pastor Haley Vay*



### School Kits for LWR

School supplies donated by the congregation were packed into beautiful handmade backpacks by Sunday School youth to create 70 school kits for Lutheran World Relief.

## Where Do the School Kits Go?

The Church Worlds Service (CWS) Kit and Blanket Programs are two of the many ways CWS shares in a hope-filled tomorrow. Our support truly makes a difference in the lives of children and families the world over. Here are some of the places CWS has provided kits & blankets:

**Georgia** - 4,800 School Kits

**Haiti** - 30 Blankets

**Lebanon** - 1,500 Blankets; 19,980 School Kits; 5,040 Hygiene Kits



**United States** - 19,201 Blankets; 1,776 Cleanup Buckets; 420 School Kits; 965 Hygiene Kits; 315 Baby Care Kits

A total of 75,157 kits and blankets were distributed globally during Jan. through June 2018. To learn more visit [www.cwskits.org](http://www.cwskits.org) or [www.cwsblankets.org](http://www.cwsblankets.org).

*Amy Wagenknecht*



# Making Sense of the Cross, Meet our Student Associates & Annual Meeting Review

If you have never attended the Sunday Adult Forum, this is the year to start, as we kick off with a fascinating theological series! Forum is open to all and requires no advance preparation or homework! Join us each Sunday from 9:40 – 10:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room.

## Beginning Sept. 30 Pastor Gary will present a six-part study series, entitled “Making Sense of the Cross.”

This DVD-based series presented by David Lose through AugsburgFortress.com will allow ample time for questions and discussion. (No problem if you cannot attend all six! Each part can easily stand alone.)

“Making Sense of the Cross:” *The cross is clearly at the center of our faith, yet Christians and other people of faith have had questions about it ever since the crucifixion and resurrection. For example, what does God look like through the lens of the cross? What, exactly, did God do through the person of Jesus and how*

*does this shape our lives today? What have Christians, including the gospel writers, said about the cross through the centuries? How does Luther’s Theology of the Cross relate to our sense of God as all powerful and all-knowing?*

**Oct. 7** - Pastor Gary: Study series: *Making Sense of the Cross, Part 2* — Portraits and Perspectives

**Oct. 14** - Pastor Haley Vay: Meet the One Community Student Associates and hear about the coming year’s plans!

**Oct. 21** - Pastor Gary: Study series: *Making Sense of the Cross, Part 3* — Ransom and Victory [Parts 4-6 will be presented in November].

**Oct. 28** - ULC Council: Preview of Annual Meeting.

Linda Trevarthen



## ULC Memorial Library

# Library Annual Used Book Sale: Oct. 14-21

The ULC book sale is almost here, but it is not too late to donate books. Just drop off donations downstairs in the library, clearly marked for the sale. Remember, all proceeds from the sale are used to purchase new items for the library.

Needed items: Fiction titles (both hardcover and paperback); Non-

fiction titles (written within the last 10 years); and Children’s titles (both fiction and non-fiction)

### New Library Materials: Children

- It Will Be Okay: Trusting God through Fear and Change* by Lysa TerKeurst (E Ter)
- World is Awake: A Celebration*

*of Everyday Blessings* by Linsey Davis (E Dav)

*Oak Inside the Acorn* by Max Lucado (INT E Luc)

Thank you for supporting ULC’s Library. See you at the sale!

ULC Library Team

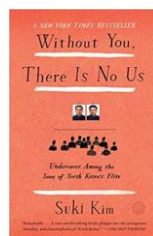


## ULC Book Club

# Without You There is No Us

The ULC book Club will meet on Thursday, Oct. 25 at 10 a.m. Our selection this month is ***Without You There is No Us: Undercover Among the Sons of the North Korean Elite*** by Suki Kim.

The author explains, “Every day, three times a day, the students march in two straight lines, singing praises to Kim Jong-il and North Korea. It is 2011, and all universities in North Korea have been shut down for an entire year, the students sent to construction fields—except for the 270 students at the all-male Pyongyang University of Science and Technology



(PUST) where Suki has gone undercover as a missionary and a teacher. Over the next 6 months, she will eat three meals a day with her young charges and struggle to teach them English, all under the watchful eye of the regime.”

This book offers a moving and incalculably rare glimpse of life in the world’s most unknowable country, and at the privileged young men she calls “soldiers and slaves.” All are welcome to join us.

Judy Kindel

## Mark Your Calendars . . .



## Can You Help Usher?

I am writing to alert everyone to a small worship crisis...we need ushers! I invite everyone to consider volunteering to be an usher for at least one of our worship services, either 8:30 or 10:45 a.m.

A system that might work well is for people to commit to usher one Sunday a month. Further, I would suggest that a person could pick the first Sunday of the month and usher every first Sunday all year long. This seems to work well for our offering counters. Additionally, if you were not able to be present on a particular Sunday, you would seek out your own replacement.

If you would like to try ushering for a Sunday, it's very easy to sign up. Go to the ULC website [ulcel.org](http://ulcel.org) and click on the "[ushers](#)" link under Worship Volunteers near the bottom of the home page.

I have read somewhere that the Chinese word for *crisis* also means *opportunity*. I hope some of you will take the opportunity to become an usher on Sunday mornings.

*Michael Anderson, Office Volunteer*

## Earthkeeping News

### Help Yourself, Help ULC!

Don't miss your chance to reduce your home energy bills by participating in a free Home Energy Assessment. For the next few months Consumers Energy is offering customers a free home visit along with installing high-efficiency products, a customized report and even monetary rewards for ULC, based on participation.

Look for brochures and information on the Earthkeeping table/display and sign up for an appointment. It can be done online at [HomeAnalysis-ConsumersEnergy.com](http://HomeAnalysis-ConsumersEnergy.com) or call 888-316-8014. The promo code is **HASLETTEASTLANSING** which



is necessary for ULC to earn monetary rewards.

If you are a LBWL customer, call 1-800-573-3503 or a DTE customer, call 1-866-796-0512, or go online to participate in their program.

*Judy Kindel*

## ULC Archives

### Do You Have Records We Need?

Thank you to the Endowment Team for sending documents to the archives from when the team first began meeting. We have gone through the papers carefully and added new information to what already existed in the archive collection.



etc. and want to clean out your files, the Archive Team would be happy to review any papers and add your information to the archives. Together we can maintain a clear record of events at ULC.

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



## 2018 Local Benevolence Grants

The Social Action Team(SAT) will meet in early November to recommend to the ULC Council the disbursement of Local Benevolence funds. Council ultimately decides whether to approve the SAT recommendations. Local Lansing area non-profit organizations are

considered for the grants. This year \$4,000 is available for this purpose. The maximum amount of a grant is \$1,000, so we anticipate aiding four to eight organizations.

If you would like to nominate an organization for consideration please contact me at church or at

[b.rahe@comcast.net](mailto:b.rahe@comcast.net) in order to obtain an application form. Application forms are also available on the ULC website this year. The deadline for the Social Action Team to receive applications is Nov. 4. Thanks!

*Bryan Rahe, Social Action Team*

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## Shorter Route for 2018 Crop Walk

The Greater Lansing Crop Hunger Walk will take place this year on Sunday, Oct. 14th with registration beginning at 1p.m. and the walk at 2 p.m. The course begins at a new location - Grace United Methodist Church (the second water stop of past years) and has been reduced to five kilometers this year.

[www.crophungerwalk.org/lansingmi](http://www.crophungerwalk.org/lansingmi) or to Church World Service, 28606 Phillips St., P.O. Box 968, Elkhart, IN 46515. Unfortunately, there will not be a ULC team this year due to lack of leadership, but you can still support the hungry in the Lansing area by participating as an individual.

Grace United Methodist Church is located at 1900 Boston Blvd., Lansing. Contributions may be made online at

*Bryan Rahe*

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### Prayers & Squares Chapter 163

## Celebrating 15 Years!

October is going to be a busy month for Prayers & Squares. We'll start off with our regularly scheduled sewing day on Tuesday morning, the 9<sup>th</sup>. The tables in the Atrium will be buzzing with activity. Volunteers will be making quilts to cover those in need of prayer. We begin at 9 a.m. and are usually finished by 12:30 p.m. Please join us, no experience required!

Have you signed up to attend the Teddy Bear quilt workshop on Saturday, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to approximately 3 p.m? Check out the sample flannel quilt in the narthex. This fun project requires some basic sewing skills. If you are planning to attend, here is the list of supplies:

- 3 yards of three different flannel fabrics ( the front, the back and the middle)

- Sewing machine ( We have several, but it would be helpful if you could bring your own)
- A walking (or even feed) foot for your machine (OPTIONAL)
- Thread
- Sharp scissors
- Five dollars for pizza and pattern

This fall marks our 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We have invited other mid-Michigan Prayers & Squares chapters, local area churches and groups that make prayer quilts and/ or prayer shawls to a celebration service on Friday, Oct. 19. Pastor Bunge will lead a worship service at 11 a.m. in the sanctuary to be followed by lunch downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. We have asked attendees to bring items and stories they would like to share with the group. Please see me

([bobbie@acd.net](mailto:bobbie@acd.net)) or Ann Booren ([boorena@msu.edu](mailto:boorena@msu.edu)) to see how you can help.

This month we donated three quilts to the Teal Project. This group is supporting victims of sexual assault with the gift of a quilt. Several Quilts of Valor are being prepared for our Veterans' Day service, Nov. 11. Please let us know if you have a veteran in your family who has not yet received a QOV from the ULC congregation.

High school 2019 graduates' quilts are in production. Check with Britny in the office to make sure we have your high school senior on our list.

Covering those in need of prayer is our mission.

*Bobbie Davis*

The ULC Council met on Tuesday, Sept. 18. Below are highlights from the meeting.

- The Annual Congregation Meeting is set for Sunday, Nov. 4 after the 10:45 service.
- The Members in Ministry Committee is putting together a slate to fill elected positions.
- Council recommends that the ULC Constitution and By-Laws Committee review the nomination process.
- New members will be received on Sunday, Oct. 7.



- Pastor Haley Vay will lead a young adult group (20s-40s) using the Activate Faith curriculum.
- Campus Ministry relationships with Wesley and Islamic groups are growing.
- No completion date has been established for the organ renovation.

- Vennie Gore and Nancy Lindman are appointed to the Mutual Ministry Committee.
- Council reviewed a draft of the 2019 budget.

*Sheila Nicholas  
Council Secretary*

August Worship Attendance	
Aug. 5 - 9:30 a.m. Service:	82
- 5:30 p.m. Bluegrass:	116
Aug. 12 - 9:30 a.m. Service:	98
Aug. 19 - 9:30 a.m. Service:	108
Aug. 26 - 9:30 a.m. Service:	104

## Lead Management Team Notes

The Lead Management Team met on Wednesday, Sept 5. The following are highlights from the meeting that are not covered in other areas of this month's Lux.

**Lead Pastor's Report - Pastor Gary Bunge:** We are planning to receive new members on Sunday, Oct. 7 during worship. We have a potential group of 17 to 19 people. I attended the ELCA Senior Pastor Training event in Chicago. Topics were: Money and Ministry, and Visioning and Planning. While these are areas of ministry I've done a lot with over the years, it was helpful to think through these areas of ministry in the context of ULC. I'm trying to carve out some reading time to read some book recommendations from the event.

**Bicycle Ministry-Gary Garbarino:** I am back and working! I have three bikes ready to go in the church basement and will keep plugging away. I put a tag with my phone number on the ones that are ready in case the rider wants it adjusted. I have also suggested that the bike ministry budget be used to provide helmets to those taking bicycles. [Note: LMT suggests members donate gently used or new helmets to be distributed with each bike.]

**Habitat for Humanity-Don Armstrong:** I have spoken with HFH Lansing every week or so, asking what projects we could work on and they have not returned calls or emails.

**Social Action-Bryan Rahe:** The food distribution in August served 55 households. The distribution was held outside. Another fundraiser for Michigan Refugee Hope

was held at First Lutheran in Muskegon. About 100 people attended and about \$3,000 was raised. The July Personal Needs Collection yielded: 159 full size items, \$20 in cash, and a medium sized Ziploc containing hotel toiletries. Since restarting the ink cartridge collection, we have gotten \$37 in cash for used cartridges.

**Welcome Team-Barbara Riegle, Linda Trevarthen, Emily Heidrich:** We are in the process of creating several promotional items to purchase with our grant money, including ULC post-it notepads and ULC magnets. We also recently purchased several more rolls of ULC-embossed ribbon (for visitor and new member gifts) and a supply of local maple syrup for visitor gifts. The last month has seen a slight surge in the giving of visitor gifts!

**Facility-Dale Romsos:** The contract with Myers Plumbing and Heating to install nine rooftop units was signed on Aug. 28.

**Library/Archives-Connie Lenkowski:** A booklet listing all of the artwork located in ULC has been added to the ULC website. It can be found under the "About Us" tab.

**Office Helpers-Britny Pollard:** Reception desk volunteers are needed to fill the following slots: Wednesday afternoons and both morning and afternoons on Friday. The Lux Mailing group needs a leader to coordinate the mailing day.

*Amy Wagenknecht*



## The Greater Church

# Synod Honduras Visit

The synod delegation just returned from Honduras mid-September, and we do not have a report written – look for the report next month. But we did want to share with you a beautiful picture that was a gift to our synod from the Lutheran Church in Honduras. The picture will be displayed in various churches throughout the synod, and ULC has it first.



When you look at the picture please think about our friends in Honduras and pray for them as they continue the health program that we support. We are blessed to be accompanied by such beautiful people.

You can visit our blog at [hondurashealthforlife.wordpress.com](http://hondurashealthforlife.wordpress.com) for a day-by-day account of our activities.

*Connie Lenkowski*

## ULC People

# Freewheelers Visit Jackson Churches

On Wednesday, Sept. 12, 15 ULC adventurers took a road trip to Jackson to visit two historical churches. Our first stop was Trinity Lutheran, established in 1881, a church known for its artwork and a beautiful organ.

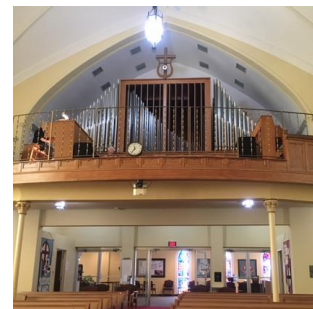


Window at Trinity Lutheran in Jackson.

Our second visit was St. Paul's Episcopal, established in 1839. This church also houses a beautiful organ and significant art work, which

includes a Tiffany stained glass window. We had the pleasure of attending their mid-week service conducted by Pastor Sarah Hurlbert (ULC's former campus pastor.)

A most special treat was two mini-recitals by our own Julie Baglien, who also plays at both Jackson churches. The organs are superior and she played a variety



Julie Baglien giving a mini-recital.

of pieces, to show what they can produce.

We were treated to a delicious lunch at St. Paul's before returning home. Thanks

to Mike Anderson for suggesting the visit and to Ann Booren for organizing the outing.

*Jan Mace*

## Fall Dinner for Eight

# Sunday, Nov. 4 - 5:30 p.m.

**What is Dinner for Eight?** It is an evening of food and fellowship with eight adult members/friends of ULC. These meals are hosted in the home of a member. Everyone contributes "a dish to pass" to the 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 in. Sign up in the narthex. Questions? Are you interested in hosting? Contact at me 394-7486 or [boorena@msu.edu](mailto:boorena@msu.edu)

*Ann Booren*

## Birthdays

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|---|---|
| 1 LaVon Miller<br>Rick Milligan<br>Linda Savage   | 11 Michael Hill                                 |
| 2 Dustin Hagfors<br>Mary Ludtke<br>Jennifer Tracy | 13 Shirley Gentges                              |
| 3 Chris Anderson                                  | 14 Nathaniel Dalton<br>James Sype               |
| 5 Laura Goddeeris<br>Carolyn Haase                | 15 Kristie Wiggert                              |
| 6 Cynthia Carver<br>Courtney Heller<br>Gary Bunge | 16 Deidre Kiefer                                |
| 7 Carolyn Lohr                                    | 17 Jon Althouse<br>June Asselin<br>Bo Boettcher |
| 9 Connie Lenkowski                                | 21 Evan Dawson-Baglien                          |



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| 22 Anita Krumins  |
| 23 Mark Largent<br>Melissa Schmitz  |
| 25 Susan Fisher<br>Steven Haase   |
| 26 Laura Appel  |
| 27 William Grant<br>Kathryn Lyon<br>Susan Tague                                 |
| 29 Beeper Baswell<br>Jesse Clyma<br>Todd Helser<br>Piper Hylan<br>Matthew Tague |

## Anniversaries

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|---------------------------------|
| 1 Brandon & Cindy<br>Baswell    |
| 7 Darrin & Elizabeth<br>Karcher |
| 9 Natalie & Nicolas<br>Mitchell |
| 11 Cathryn & Matt Smith         |
| 29 Michael & Heather Hill       |
| 30 Linda Savage & Todd<br>Leigh |
| 31 Jim & Nicole Greiter         |

**Alpha Sunday** continued from page 1.

was held outside under warm, sunny skies. ULC music director Janine Smith and a variety of singers and musicians led the congregation in song, including "Gather Us In," "Step by Step," "As the Deer," "Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone," "Shout to the Lord," and others.

Following worship, members moved under the big white tent for a delicious cook-out potluck meal and fellowship. There were also games for the children and a pie eating contest. It was a perfect beginning to the new academic year. Thank you to all who made this day a success!

*Amy Wagenknecht*



Beautiful weather for outside worship & picnic!



Folk Rock instrumentalists Daniel Rettburg Peter, Justin Valla, John Dale Smith, Jonathan Smith & Kristie Wiggert.



Pie eating contest!

**Reminder** - Applications for Endowment Grants from the General Endowment Fund are being accepted through Oct. 31! If you have an idea for a new program or opportunity at ULC, please download an application from the forms section of the [ULC website](#) and send it to [ulcendowment@ulcel.org](mailto:ulcendowment@ulcel.org).

Melissa Andresen



The deadline for the Nov. Lux is **Friday, Oct. 19.**

E-mail articles to Amy Wagenknecht at [amylarryw@comcast.net](mailto:amylarryw@comcast.net) and Britny Livingston at [ulcsec@ulcel.org](mailto: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!

## OCTOBER



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| <p>1 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside<br/>5:00p Security Team-Conference</p> <p>2 7:30a Tuesday Morning Bible Study-Fireside<br/>9:30a Lux Meeting-Conference<br/>10:15a Communications Team<br/>12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference<br/>1:30p Worship Planning-Conference</p> <p>3 7:30a Wine Before Breakfast-Wells Hall Starbucks<br/>8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL<br/>12:00p Lectio Divina-Fireside<br/>4:30p Lead Management Team-Conference</p> <p>4 6:30p Bell Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary<br/>7:30p Senior Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room</p> <p>5 5:00p FRIDAYS@FIVE-Student Lounge</p> <p>6 9:30a Football Parking<br/>12:00p MSU Homecoming-MSU v. Northwestern</p> <p>7 8:30a Worship-Sanctuary<br/>9:40a Education Hour/Children's Choir<br/>10:45a Worship-New Member Sunday<br/>3:00p Latvian Worship</p> <p>8 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside</p> <p>9 7:30a Tuesday Morning Bible Study-Fireside<br/>9:30a Prayers &amp; Squares Sewing-Atrium<br/>12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference<br/>7:00p Pub Theology-Spartan Brewpub</p> <p>10 7:30a Wine Before Breakfast-Wells Hall Starbucks<br/>8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL<br/>12:00p Lectio Divina-Fireside<br/>7:00p Confirmation-Youth Room</p> <p>11 6:30p Bell Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary<br/>7:30p Senior Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room</p> <p>12 5:00p FRIDAYS@FIVE-Student Lounge</p> <p>13 9:00a Prayers &amp; Squares Sewing-Atrium</p> <p>14 Used Book Sale (through Oct. 21)<br/>8:30a Worship-Sanctuary<br/>9:40a Education Hour<br/>10:45a Worship-Sanctuary<br/>1:30p Sons of Norway-Fireside<br/>2:00p Habitat Young Professionals-Conference<br/>1:00p CROP Walk-Grace UMC, Lansing</p> <p>15 1:00p MSU Quilt/Sew-Fireside<br/>4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside</p> <p>16 7:30a Tuesday Morning Bible Study-Fireside<br/>12:30p Lychnion Circle-Fireside<br/>12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference<br/>7:00p ULC Council</p> <p>17 7:30a Wine Before Breakfast-Wells Hall Starbucks</p> | <p>8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL<br/>9:30a Amnos Circle-Fireside<br/>12:00p Lectio Divina-Fireside<br/>1:00p Rhodon Circle-Fireside</p> <p>18 7:30p Senior Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room</p> <p>19 11:00a P &amp; S Service and Lunch<br/>5:00p FRIDAYS@FIVE-Student Lounge<br/>7:00p Aces &amp; Spaces Bridge-Fireside</p> <p>20 9:00a Freewheelers Breakfast-IHOP, E. Lansing<br/>TBA Football Parking (2.5 hours before kick-off)<br/>TBA MSU v UM Football</p> <p>21 8:30a Worship-Sanctuary<br/>9:40a Education Hour/Children's Choir<br/>10:45a Worship-Sanctuary<br/>12:00p Meal &amp; Islam 101-Fellowship Hall</p> <p>22 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside</p> <p>23 7:30a Tuesday Morning Bible Study-Fireside<br/>12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference<br/>1:00p Earthkeeping Team-Fireside<br/>5:00p Families Against Narcotics Board-Library<br/>7:00p FAN Community Meeting-Fellowship<br/>7:00p Pub Theology- Spartan Brewpub</p> <p>24 7:30a Wine Before Breakfast-Wells Hall Starbucks<br/>8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL<br/>12:00p Lectio Divina-Fireside<br/>7:00p Confirmation-Youth Room</p> <p>25 10:00a ULC Book Club-Library<br/>3:30p Food Movers Set-up-Fellowship/Outside<br/>4:30p Food Distribution-Fellowship/Outside<br/>7:30p Senior Choir Rehearsal-Choir Room</p> <p>26 5:00p FRIDAYS@FIVE-Student Lounge</p> <p>27 TBA Football Parking (2.5 hours before kick-off)<br/>TBA MSU v. Purdue Football</p> <p>28 8:30a Worship - Sanctuary<br/>9:40a Education Hour<br/>10:45a Worship- Sanctuary<br/>12:00p Calendar Meeting-Conference<br/>12:00p Campus Ministry Team-Student Lounge</p> <p>29 4:30p Tight Knit-Fireside</p> <p>30 7:30a Tuesday Morning Bible Study-Fireside<br/>12:30p Staff Meeting-Conference</p> <p>31 7:30a Wine Before Breakfast-Wells Hall Starbucks<br/>8:00a Mushers-IHOP, EL<br/>12:00p Lectio Divina-Fireside</p> |
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## Annual Reports Due!

Attention Team Leaders and Officers: Annual Reports are due to Britny at [ulcsec@ulcel.org](mailto:ulcsec@ulcel.org) by Friday, Oct.12. Thank you!!

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

### Friendship House Classes at ULC:

Tuesdays	11:00a – American Nations-Student Lounge 3:00p – Pilates Class-Atrium
Wednesdays	11:00a - Watercolor Painting Class-Youth Rm 1:30p - Pronunciation-Fireside Rm 3:00p – History of Music-Student Lounge

### Education Hour – 9:40 to 10:30a:

Sunday Forum – Fireside Room  
Sunday School (Age 2 thru HS) – Basement Education Wing

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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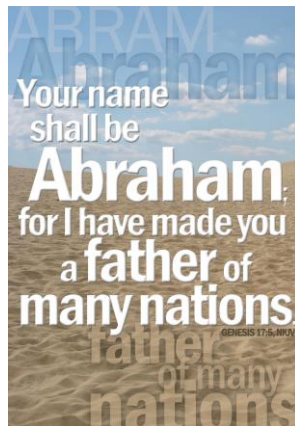
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## Islam 101



On Sunday, Oct. 21, Imam Sohail Chaudry will be with us for Islam 101. Following worship, a meal will be provided in the Fellowship Hall (freewill offering).

Following the meal, Imam Sohail will talk about the basics of Islam and have time for questions. This will be a marvelous opportunity to get to know our neighbors better and grow in our understanding of one of the Abrahamic faiths and our shared heritage.

*Pastor Gary*