



Union Lutheran Church

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2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 11, 2023

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

We welcome children to be a part of worship. A nursery is also provided for those attending to the needs of infants and small children.

*(Please stand when indicated by *)*

Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW) green hymnal
With One Voice (WOV) blue hymnal

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Welcome & Announcements

Presentation of Gerald Bame Scholarship & Blessing of Graduates

Prelude: *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* (Tucker) Belles and Beaus

GATHERING

- * Brief Order for Confession & Forgiveness LBW p. 56
- * HYMN: *Jesus Calls Us; O'er the Tumult* LBW# 494
- * Greeting (*Kyrie is omitted during Pentecost*) LBW p. 57
- * Hymn of Praise ("*Glory to God...*") LBW p. 58-59
- * Salutation LBW p. 62
- * Prayer of the Day

WORD

Children's Message

Old Testament Lesson: Hosea 5:15-6:6

¹I will return again to my place, until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face, and in their distress earnestly seek me.

¹"Come, let us return to the LORD; for he has torn us, that he may heal us; he has struck us down, and he will bind us up. ²After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. ³Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD; his going out is sure as the dawn; he will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth." ⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes early away. ⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. ⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

R Hear ends the reading.

Psalm 119:65-72 (*read responsively*)

L ⁶⁵O LORD, you have dealt graciously with your servant,
according to your word.

C ⁶⁶**Teach me discernment and knowledge,
for I have believed in your commandments.**

L ⁶⁷Before I was afflicted I went astray,
but now I keep your word.

C ⁶⁸**You are good and you bring forth good;
instruct me in your statutes.**

L ⁶⁹The proud have smeared me with lies,
but I will keep your commandments with my whole heart.

C ⁷⁰**Their heart is gross and fat,
but my delight is in your law.**

L ⁷¹It is good for me that I have been afflicted,
that I might learn your statutes.

C ⁷²**The law of your mouth is dearer to me
than thousands in gold and silver.**

New Testament Lesson: Romans 4:13-25

¹³For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith.

¹⁴For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void.

¹⁵For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

¹⁶That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring — not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all,

¹⁷as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations” — in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

¹⁸In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.”

¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb.

²⁰No unbelief made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God,

²¹fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.

²²That is why his faith was “counted to him as righteousness.”

²³But the words “it was counted to him” were not written for his sake alone,

²⁴but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord,

²⁵who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

R Here ends the reading.

* Gospel Acclamation

LBW p. 63

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 9th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

* Holy Gospel: Matthew 9:9-13

⁹As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him. ¹⁰And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard it, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon:

Pastor David Wendel

* HYMN: *There Is a Balm in Gilead*

WOV# 737

* Apostles' Creed

LBW p. 65

* Prayer of the Church & Sharing of the Peace

LBW p. 65-66

Offering *The Offering is received as the Lord's Table is prepared. All loose offering will go towards the Gerald Bame Scholarship Fund. During the month of June, the Benevolence Teaching Moment is on the Water Missions International. Please prayerfully consider giving to the Benevolence Fund.*

Anthem: *Come to the Table* (Martin)

Chancel Choir

MEAL

* Offertory ("*Let the Vineyards...*")

LBW p. 66-67

* Great Thanksgiving & Sanctus

LBW p. 68-69

* Words of Institution

LBW p. 69

* Lord's Prayer

LBW p. 71

Lamb of God & Distribution of Communion

LBW p. 72

At Union Lutheran Church the Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday. All baptized Christians who believe in the real presence of Christ in the Lord's Supper are invited to commune. All who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. Gluten Free wafers and grape juice are also available upon request. Please fill out the communion card in the pew and hand to the Usher while following their directions to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.

* Post-Communion Canticle ("*Thank the Lord...*")

LBW p. 72

SENDING

* Benediction

LBW p. 74

* HYMN: *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

LBW# 315

* Sending

P You have been nurtured in Word and Sacrament now go therefore and make disciples of all nations

C **Baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and of the Holy Spirit.**

P Union Lutheran Church you are sent!

C **Amen, amen, amen**

Postlude: *Love Divine, all Loves Excelling* (Honoré)

The **Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of our son, Franz, by Frank and Dawn Merrell.

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*A **Congregational Meeting** has been called by Council for **June 18, 2023** for the purpose of voting on whether to sell approximately 67.00 acres of land to Carolina Quarries, Inc. pursuant to the terms of the proposed Option to Purchase Agreement presented. If the congregation votes to sell the property then a vote will be taken on a recommendation by Council as to the proposed signatories of the Option to Purchase Agreement and all other documents necessary to sell the property when closing occurs.*

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The Liturgy in Scripture

Confession & Absolution (John 20:19-23; 1 John 1:8-9), Invocation (Matthew 28:19), Kyrie (Mark 10:47), Hymn of Praise (Luke 2:14; John 1:29; Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9), Salutation and Collect of the Day (2 Timothy 4:22), Alleluia and Verse (John 6:68; Joel 2:13), Apostles' Creed (Romans 10:9-10), Prayer of the Church (1 Timothy 2:1-4), Peace (John 20:19), Offering (Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19), Offertory (Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19), The Great Thanksgiving (2 Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136), Sanctus (Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9), The Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13), Words of Institution (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26), Agnus Dei (John 1:29), Distribution (Mark 14:23), Post-Communion Canticle (Luke 2:29-32), Benediction (Numbers 6:24-26), and The Sending (Matthew 28:19)

Lutheran Book of Worship Setting 1 (p. 56-76)

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Those Serving in June

Guest Pastor: Rev. David Wendel

We welcome Pastor Wendel, his wife, Susan, and grandchildren, Seth and Ayla, on joining us today.

Acolytes: Micah & Sam Nguyen

Altar Guild: Jan Huffman & Nikki Nguyen

Communion Assistants: Jan & Brad Huffman & Nikki Nguyen

Lay Readers: Vicki Hunter & Sharon Leazer

Ushers: Phil Cauble, Don & Tara Davis & Addison Queen,

Offering Counters:

Mary Elizabeth Earnhardt, Sonya Mulkey & Vivian Sprinkle

If you are unable to serve on a Sunday scheduled, please find a replacement and contact the church office by the Wednesday before with the name.

In the weekly bulletin & news, names are listed of those serving because it's a gentle reminder and helps connect names and faces!

Union News

Sunday, June 11

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

Children: The Praying King ~ 2 Kings 18:1-13, 28-35; 19:14-20, 32-37
Adult Sunday School Class: God's Kingdom of Peace ~ Isaiah 65:17-25

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

Hosea 5:15-6:6; Psalm 119:65-72; Romans 4:13-25; Matthew 9:9-13

10:30 a.m. Recognition of Gerald Bame Scholarship Recipient

4:00 p.m. Little Lutherans (5th grade and younger)

Appreciation & Focus Dinner deadline to RSVP.

This Weeks' Activities:

Tuesday, June 13

2:00 p.m. Mary & Martha Circle

6:30 p.m. Christian Ed, Sunday School & Volunteers
Appreciation & Focus Dinner

Wednesday, June 14

4:30 p.m. Bible Study with Haiti Pastors online

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

No Belles & Beaus this week.

Thursday, June 15

6:00 p.m. Worship & Music Committee

Friday, June 16

Pick up drink orders

Saturday, June 17

9:00 a.m. workday for Property, etc.

5:30 p.m. Cook Out for Property, etc.

Sunday, June 18

Father's Day

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

Children: The Restoring King ~ 2 Kings 22

Adult Sunday School Class: God's Servant-King ~ Ezekiel 37:21-28

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

Exodus 19:2-8; Psalm 100; Romans 5:6-15; Matthew 9:35-10:8 [9-20]

10:30 a.m. Called Congregational Meeting (see bulletin)

Hymn Liturgy begins

Recognition of Fathers

Deadline for July Messenger articles

Altar Flowers are open for reservations.

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Intergenerational Domestic Mission Trip

June 19-23, 2023 in Hazard, Kentucky

Monday, June 19, Union, Salem, & Organ Lutheran Church will depart from Salem's parking lot at **7:00 a.m.** to build authentic relationships with locals in Hazard, Kentucky from June 19-June 23.

The group will bond with their teammates while also meeting practical needs. Help neighbors with home repair projects and work alongside community leaders who are challenging children and youth to dream of a brighter future.

LAY MINISTRY RETREAT

Union Lutheran Church

“How do we learn to care for others in the community – whether the community of faith or the extended community? Some people seem to have natural gifts, but most of us can learn to show caring and improve our caring skills...”

Join us for a **LAY MINISTRY RETREAT** on **Friday, July 14**. We will meet from **10:30 am –12:30 p.m.** at Union.

Coming to the retreat does not mean you commit to doing it, it simply means that you are seeking God’s guidance and or offering support to your Lay Ministers.

Please RSVP the church office by **Sunday, July 9**, if you intend to enjoy a morning of discernment and healthy fellowship.

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We are seeking individuals to facilitate **Summer Sunday School** giving regular Sunday School Teachers a well-deserved break.

Theme: Tree of Life for children, youth, & adults

Summer Sunday School begins on Sunday, July 16, at 9:30 a.m. for 10 weeks.

Interested? Please contact Pastor Heidi or the church office.

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Day Camp

Sunday, July 16-Friday, July 21, 2023 at Union Lutheran Church

We need YOUR help to make this event a success. Needed are volunteers both Adult and Middle & High School Youth. Areas to volunteer: registration (Union is coordinating), opening, music (Dawn Merrell coordinating), crafts, snack (Cheryl Kluttz & Judy Boyd coordinating), games, closing, and pick up. Interested, talk with Pastor Heidi or contact the church office!

Orientation begins on **Sunday, July 16**, at **4:00 p.m.** with campers and parents meeting the volunteers and pastors, enjoy a meal together, and learn about the upcoming week.

Day Camp begins at **8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.** Monday, July 17-Thursday, July 20. On **Thursday, July 20**, Day Camp begins at **8:30 a.m.** however, at **11:30 a.m. Water Games** begins! Campers are requested to please bring a set of dry clothes and a towel. Due to insurance purposes, we cannot assist children in changing clothes. **Friday, July 21**, at **12 noon** a closing program will be held for family and friends as well as enjoying lunch and an ice cream social.

This year campers and volunteers will have t-shirts. Please mark shirt size on the registration form.

Campers will participate in interactive singing, crafts, engaging Bible study, games, and more fun!

Cost is \$50 per camp with a maximum registration of \$100 per family. **Scholarships are available.**

Registration forms are available in the Narthex and Volunteer sign up form is available on the front pew in the Sanctuary.

Pastor Heidi Punt will be on a Mission Trip to Puerto Rico from Saturday, June 24-Friday, June 30.

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Calling all gardeners! Please help raise funds for Union’s youth ministry by dropping off excess produce at the front lawn table(s) beginning on **Sunday, June 25-Sunday, July 16**. Produce is to be dropped off by 8:30 a.m.

Produce Market is open to the congregation and community **from 8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.** and **following worship**. A donation basket will be available.

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Sunday, June 25

8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m. Produce Market

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

Children: A Fiery Marvel ~ Daniel 3

Adult Sunday School Class: Renewal in God’s Love ~ Zephaniah 3:14-20

10:30 a.m. Worship

Jeremiah 20:7-13; Psalm 91:1-10 [11-16];

Romans 6:12-23; Matthew 10:5a, 21-33

12 noon-1:00 p.m. Produce Market

Linda Kesler (Tim) has reserved the Altar Flowers for Sunday, June 25.

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90 Days Reading through the Bible will begin on Tuesday, July 11, at 6:30 p.m. and Wednesday, July 12, at 10:30 a.m. (food provided)

Deadline to sign up is **Sunday, July 2**.

Brochures are in the Narthex to fill out.

Cost is **\$25** (scholarships available) plus the purchase of Egermeier’s Bible Story Book. *15 new books have been ordered and are available for use.*

Those participating will read 312 stories that cover the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. You will sit spellbound as you read these stories and will return again and again to Egermeier’s Bible as a trusted friend.

Beauty and simplicity of style invites your heart and mind to become an active part of life-never to be forgotten.

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Worship Assistants Ministers (WAM)

Sunday, July 9, following worship

Persons who are mature in faith, comfortable in front of people, read out loud with clarity, are clothed with dignity and a calm presence, are cordially invited to attend the Worship Assistants Ministers (WAM) gathering in the Old Pine Center on Sunday, July 9. Please bring a bag lunch.

These persons will be able to help with church services as assigned leadership portions appropriate for Lay Persons is marked “A” in our liturgical outline.

Do you sense God calling you to assist in ministry roles?

For more information or questions, please contact Pastor Heidi.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

Nursing Home Residents – Brenda Mahaley, Pat Miller, Ruth Monroe, and Jean Ray (Autumn Care)

Homebound Members – Arnold Cauble, Rachel Earnhardt, Tommy Kerns, Jean Kluttz, Frances Norris, Billy Waller & Michael Walton

Sick/Surgery/Recovery – Larry Barringer, Nancy Kesler, Joan Kerns, John Knight, Sharon Moore, William & Doris Page, Doug Peeler, Sylvia Peeler, Dalton Thompson & Wayne Vellines

Continual Prayer – Evonne Batten, Nancy Ballew (Kat Clifton's mother), Pastor George Bradshaw (Junior Morgan's Pastor Friend), Bill Broadway, Glenn Eagle, Garrin Kluttz (Jean & James Kluttz grandson), Pat Kluttz, Glenn & Betty Sue Lowder, Della Morgan (Pam Vellines' mother), Danny "Chocolate" Myers (Frank Merrell's friend), Tim Shue (Larry & Karen Barringer's Friend), Effie Vellines, Union Fire Department #76, NALC Leadership, Pastor Kalonji and Pastor Nuottila (Congo), Haiti (gangs), & those affected by natural or political disasters

Confirmation Students: Caylea Cline & Mallory Eagle

Stewardship Update

<i>Current Offering received (5/28)</i>	<i>\$2,037.00</i>
<i>Sunday School (6/4)</i>	<i>32</i>
<i>Worship & Holy Communion (6/4)</i>	<i>87</i>
<i>Current Offering received (6/4)</i>	<i>\$3,013.00</i>
<i>2023 Weekly offering needed to meet our Ministry Support plan</i>	<i>\$6,482.37</i>

How Can You Serve?

The **Sunday School Classes** invite the congregation to serve the Battered Women's Shelter during the months of May & June.

Please donate the following items: pantry items such as: canned goods, flour, sugar, etc., and kerig coffee as well as regular & decaf coffee (for coffee pots).

Please place donated items on the pew outside of the church office.

Everyone is invited to participate!

PART NINE: Ten Commandments

The Ninth Commandment: *You shall not covet your neighbor's house.*

What does this mean? *We should fear and love God so that we do not plot to take our neighbors' possessions, inheritance, or home, or obtain them through deceptive means, but assist and serve our neighbors in keeping what is theirs.*



(Martin Luther's Small Catechism 2010 Edition Sola Publishing-Pocket Version, page 10)