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13th Sunday after Pentecost

August 18, 2024

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

Union Lutheran Church (ULC) welcomes you as you join us in worship this morning. Please fill out the communion/visitor card so that we can be made aware of your presence. If you have questions or are interested in the ministries and life of ULC, please see the pastor, contact the Church Office, or scan the QR code.

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

P=Pastor, C=Congregation, L=Lay Reader

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Welcome & Announcements

Presentation of 2024-2025 Sunday School Volunteers

P Just as our Lord Jesus devoted much of his ministry to teaching his followers, we, too, are called to make disciples through Word and Sacrament, teaching all that our Lord has commanded. The following brothers and sisters in the faith have been asked to serve in a special capacity for the good of the entire faith community through the ministry of Christian Education. I ask them to come forward as their names are read The Drew Wise Adult Sunday School Class (Elbert Kluttz, Deena Lanning, Frank Merrell, and Dwight Miller), Rabbit Hole Adult Sunday School Class (Vick Hunter, Pete Nguyen, Cathy Painter, and Pastor Heidi Punt), Preschool-1st Grade (Lisa Morgan and Nikki Nguyen, Substitute), 2nd-5th Grade Joy (Judy Boyd and Susan Knight), 6th-8th Grade (Genevieve Baker and Elaine Bowles) The leaders come forward as their names are read. (Sonya Mulkey and Jan Huffman), 9th-12th Grade (Lucinda Fraley and Janie Lesler) and Co-Directors (Sonya Mulkey and Jan Huffman).

P The Lord God has gifted his church with faithful disciples and servants of the Word. We thank you for your willingness to serve among us in the ministry of education, that the mighty acts of God may be proclaimed in this place and to the ends of the

earth. St. Peter writes, “As each has received a gift, employ it for one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who utters the oracles of God; whoever renders service as one who renders it by the strength that God supplies, in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.” (1 Peter 4:10-11)

Statement of Intent

The minister addresses the gathered leaders.

P Will you accept this position of leadership and responsibility within Union Lutheran Church, in submission to the Word of God?

R **I will, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

P Will you provide instruction with diligence and patience, in accordance with the Scriptures and the teaching of the Lutheran church?

R **I will, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

P Will you strive to be an example of the Christian faith and life by your daily witness, and by your faithful participation in worship through Word and Sacrament?

R **I will, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

P Will you support your students, pray for them, and guide them in their learning and development?

R **I will, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

The minister addresses the congregation.

P Will you, as the people of God, pray for these leaders, assist them in the ministry of Christian Education as you are able, and support them in their serving to the glory of God?

C **We will, and we ask God to help and guide us**

Commissioning of Leaders

The minister addresses the gathered leaders

P May the Lord who has given you the will to do these things graciously give you the strength and spirit to carry them out. You are hereby installed as teachers and education leaders in this congregation.

Let us pray: Gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, you have called these people to serve in the ministry of education, to assist parents in living out the baptismal promises they have made to their children, helping them to teach your Word and be a model of the Christian faith. Bless them and their work by pouring out your Holy Spirit upon them. Give them wisdom, patience, and the heart of a servant, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Prelude: *God of Grace and God of Glory* (Manz)

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

* Invocation (*Matthew 28:19*) LBW p. 56

P In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

* Brief Order of Confession & Forgiveness (*1 John 1:8-9*) LBW p. 56

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Most merciful God,

C **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

* Absolution (*John 20:22-23*) LBW p. 56

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

* Hymn

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God of Grace and God of Glory

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are as follows:

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On your peo - ple
2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us Scorn the Christ, as -
3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride to
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e - vils

pour your pow'r; Crown your an - cient Church's . . . sto - ry;
sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
your con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
we de - plore; Let the gift of your sal - va - tion

Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
Be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

For the fac - ing of this hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.
For the liv - ing of these days, For the liv - ing of these days.
Lest we miss your king - dom's goal, Lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
Serv - ing you whom we a - dore, Serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

* Apostolic Greeting (Romans 1:7)

LBW p. 57

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

* Kyrie (*Mark 10:47*)

LBW p. 57-58

A In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen**

Hymn of Praise (Luke 2:14; John 1:29; Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9) is omitted this week.

* Salutation (*2 Timothy 4:22*)

LBW p. 62

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

* Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray. Almighty, eternal God, increase in us your gifts of faith, hope and love; and in order that love may abide in us, help us to celebrate what your love has done for us. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Old Testament Lesson: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

L The first lesson is from the 24th chapter of Joshua.

¹Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel. And they presented themselves before God. ^{2a}And Joshua said to all the people,

¹⁴“Now therefore fear the LORD and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness. Put away the gods that your fathers served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. ¹⁵And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.” ¹⁶Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods, ¹⁷for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our fathers up from the land of Egypt, out

of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight and preserved us in all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed. ¹⁸And the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.”

L Here ends the reading

Psalm 34:12-22 *Read Responsively*

L ¹²What man is there who desires life and loves many days, that he may see good?

C ¹³**Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit.**

L ¹⁴Turn away from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

C ¹⁵**The eyes of the Lord are toward the righteous and his ears toward their cry.**

L ¹⁶The face of the Lord is against those who do evil, to cut off the memory of them from the earth.

C ¹⁷**When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears and delivers them out of all their troubles.**

L ¹⁸The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.

C ¹⁹**Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all.**

L ²⁰He keeps all his bones; not one of them is broken.

C ²¹**Affliction will slay the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.**

L ²²The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

New Testament Lesson: Ephesians 5:6-21

L The second lesson is from the 5th chapter of Ephesians.

⁶Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. ⁷Therefore do not become partners with them; ⁸for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), ¹⁰and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. ¹³But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, ¹⁴for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.” ¹⁵Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, ²⁰giving thanks always and for everything

to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

L Here ends the reading

Children's Message

Children are invited to come forward for the Children's Message.

Following the Children's Message, the children are asked to sit with their families.

* Gospel Acclamation (John 6:68)

LBW p. 63

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 6th chapter.
C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

* Holy Gospel: John 6:51-69

⁵¹ {Jesus said to the Jews grumbling about him,} “I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.” ⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” ⁵³So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. ⁵⁵For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. ⁵⁷As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.” ⁵⁹Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum. ⁶⁰When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?” ⁶¹But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, “Do you take offense at this? ⁶²Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴But there are some of you who do not believe.” (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) ⁶⁵And he said, “This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father.” ⁶⁶After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. ⁶⁷So Jesus said to the twelve, “Do you want to go away as well?” ⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, ⁶⁹and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon Series Part 4: Wise and Grateful

Ephesians Sermon Series: A Crash Course on Basic Christianity

Pastor Heidi Punt

* Hymn of the Day

PRAISE, ADORATION

Praise to You, O God of Mercy

Thanks Be to You

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1 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy! Thanks be to you for -
 2 From of old you loved and sought us! Thanks be to you for -
 3 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy! Thanks be to you for -

E B/D# A/C# B A F#m E

ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:
 ev - er! Truth and jus - tice you have taught us:
 ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:

E/B B7 E/G# A F#m7 G#7

3rd time to Coda ⊕ 1 2

thanks be to you for - ev - er!
 thanks be to you for - ev - er!
 thanks be to you for -

A F#m7 B7 E B7 E

Strong is your faith - ful-ness, strong is your love, re -

A B/A E/G# C#m F#m G#7 C#m E7

mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.

A B/A E/G# C#m D F#m Bsus4 B7

to stanza 3

ev - er! Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

B7 C#m A F#m7 B7 E

CODA

* Creed (Romans 10:9-10)

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**C I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.*
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic** Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

* *Or, He descended to the dead.*

** *Or, the holy Christian Church,*

* Prayers of the Church (1 Timothy 2:1-4)

LBW p. 65

**A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according
to their needs.**

After each portion of the prayers:

A Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

**P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.**

C Amen

* Sharing of the Peace (John 20:19)

LBW p. 66

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Offering (Malachi 3:10)

The Offering is received as the Lord's Table is prepared. All loose offering will go towards the Building & Repair Fund. During the month of August, the Benevolence Teaching Moment is on the NAL Seminary & Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary Lutheran Program. Please prayerfully consider giving to the

Benevolence Fund.

Organ Offertory: *God of Grace and God of Glory* (Dinda)

MEAL

God invites us to His table.

* Offertory (*Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19*) LBW p. 66

C Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;
unite them with the prayers we offer now.
Grace our table with your presence, and give us
a foretaste of the feast to come.

* Offertory Prayer LBW p. 67

A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us--our selves, our
time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake
of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

* The Great Thanksgiving (*2 Timothy 4:22*) LBW p. 68-71

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right and salutary . . . (*Here the minister continues with the preface appropriate
to the day or season, concluding:*) we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

* Sanctus (*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9; Revelation 4:8-11*) LBW p. 69

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

* Words of Institution (32)

LBW p. 69

(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

P In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

* The Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4)

LBW p. 71

C **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen**

Those who are assisting with Holy Communion are asked to come forward at this time.

Agnus Dei (John 1:29)

LBW p. 72

C **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

Distribution of Communion (Mark 14:23)

All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with and under the form of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation.

All who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

Holy Communion or Blessing will be celebrated at one communion station.

Please fill out the communion card in the pew and hand to the Usher as you follow their directions to the communion station.

Gluten Free wafers and grape juice are also available upon request.

* Blessing (1 Thessalonians 5:23)

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P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

* Post-Communion Canticle (Luke 2:29-32)

LBW p. 72-73

C Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done.

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name.

He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy

with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

* Post-Communion Prayer

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P Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

* Benediction (Numbers 6:24-26)

LBW p. 74

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

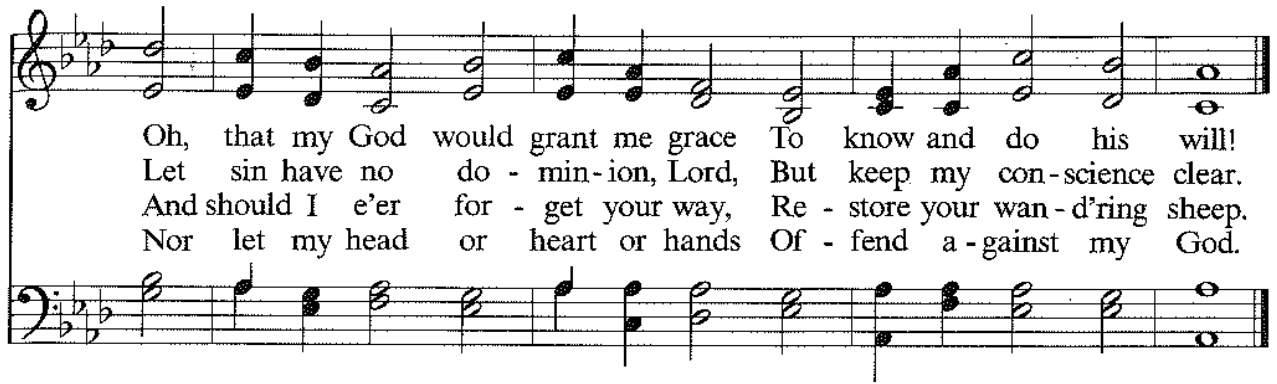
C Amen

* Hymn

480 Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways

1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To keep his stat - utes still!
2 Or - der my foot - steps by your Word And make my heart sin - cere;
3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, A strict - er watch to keep;
4 Make me to walk in your com-mands, 'Tis a de - light - ful road;

Hymn is continued on page 13.



* Blessing & Dismissal (Matthew 28:19)

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: *God of Grace and God of Glory* (Callahan)

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God and in honor of our mom, Ruby Leazer, on her 86th birthday on August 17, given by Sharon Leazer.

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Those Serving in August

Acolytes: Caylea Cline and Addison Queen

Altar Guild: Robin Huffman, Deena Lanning and Karen Morgan

Communion Assistants:

Kevin Huffman, Robin Huffman, Deena Lanning and Karen Morgan

Lay Readers: Deena Lanning and Karen Morgan

Ushers: Phil Cauble, Don Davis, Tara Davis and Ron Vellines

Offering Counters: Jennifer Curlee, Ali Davis and Doris Shepherd

Union News

Sunday, August 18

9:30 a.m. Step-Up Sunday for Children & Youth

Today the Sunday School Program Stepped Up for the new 2024-2025 year.

- The children and youth gathered in the Chapel, met their teachers, learned the theme for the year, had tasty treats and fun, and the volunteers will be blessed during the worship service.
- Co-Directors (Sonya Mulkey and Jan Huffman)
- The Drew Wise Adult Sunday School Class (Elbert Kluttz, Deena Lanning, Frank Merrell, and Dwight Miller) will meet in the Conference Room and continue to dig into the Word using the NIV Bible Student Standard Lesson Quarterly.
- The Rabbit Hole Adult Sunday School Class (Vick Hunter, Pete Nguyen, Cathy Painter, and Pastor Heidi Punt) will meet in Pastor Heidi's office to become equipped to teach the faith. Learn how to explain foundational aspects of Christianity to others. Curriculum: Sola Electronic Education Database (SEED)
- Preschool-1st Grade (Lisa Morgan and Nikki Nguyen, Substitute) will meet in the Nursery (East Wing near the Organ) to discover what happened in the Bible narrative. Curriculum: Sola Electronic Education Database (SEED)
- 2nd-5th Grade Joy (Judy Boyd and Susan Knight) will meet in the Joy Sunday School Classroom. The class will explore the context of the Bible narrative. Identify sin and forgiveness to see how the narrative points to Jesus. Curriculum: Sola Electronic Education Database (SEED)
- 6th-8th Grade (Genevieve Baker and Elaine Bowles) will meet on the other side of the Chapel. Learn how to defend your faith. Become prepared to state what you believe about the Bible and why so you can share your faith. Curriculum: Sola Electronic Education Database (SEED)
- 9th-12th Grade (Lucinda Fraley and Janie Lesler) will meet on the East Wing upstairs. Learn how to defend your faith. Become prepared to state what you believe about the Bible and why so you can share your faith. Curriculum: Sola Electronic Education Database (SEED)

Drew Wise Adult Sunday School Class

The Rules of Life ~ Psalm 37:27-40; Titus 1:1-3; 2:11-15

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18; Psalm 34:12-22; Ephesians 5:6-21; John 6:51-69

Sermon Series Part 4: Wise & Grateful

Ephesians Sermon Series: A Crash Course on Basic Christianity

10:30 a.m. Blessing 2024-2025 Sunday School Volunteers

1:00 p.m. Ribelin Family Reunion (small fellowship hall)

Bring your favorite food, old family photos, and stories to share.

Sunday, August 18 *continued*

1:30 p.m. Executive Committee

2:00 p.m. Church Council

4:00 p.m. Union Youth

Deadline for September newsletter articles.

This Week’s Schedule:

Tuesday, August 20

6:30 p.m. 90 Days

No Wednesday Choirs rehearsal this week.

Sunday, August 25

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

The Creation of Adam & Eve

Genesis 2:4-24; Mark 10:6-8

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. (Genesis 2:15)

Drew Wise Adult Sunday School Class

The Washing of Regeneration ~ Ephesians 2:1-10; Titus 3:3-11

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

Isaiah 29:11-19; Psalm 14; Ephesians 5:22-33; Mark 7:1-13

Sermon Series Part 5: Christ-Centered Relationships

Ephesians Sermon Series: A Crash Course on Basic Christianity

4:00 p.m. Luther League at Dan Nicholas Park (ULC hosting)

Shelter 8 at Lakeside Parking

Altar Flowers are open for reservations

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In August, Union will be providing Chapel Time at Autumn Care at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 28.

All are invited to come join in on the fellowship, fun, and sharing God’s Word!

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Finance Umbrella (Finance, Franz Merrell Community Crisis Fund) will meet **Thursday, August 29, at 6:30 p.m.** to begin preparations for the **2025 Ministry Support Plan** and other financial business brought forward.

Don’t forget: If your committee or organization would like to be budgeted in the 2025 Ministry Support Plan please contact Amanda Cauble prior to the August 29 meeting.

September Service Project:

In September the congregation is invited to collect school supplies for Faith Charter Academy and North Rowan High School.

More information coming soon!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

Nursing Home Residents at Autumn Care –Pat Kluttz (Room 623), Brenda Mahaley (Room 815), Ruth Monroe (Room 818), Jean Ray (Room 201) & Jay Rusher

Homebound/Shut-ins Members – Sarah Bame, Rachel Earnhardt, Teresa Kesler, James Kluttz, Rev. TC & Mary Plexico, Macky Swicegood, Billy Waller & Michael Walton

Sick/Surgery/Recovery – Brenda Cauble, Lynn Coughenour, Kiki Deaton, Linda Hartley, Glenn Honeycutt, Jr., Steve Hutchens, Jean Kluttz, Pat Kluttz, John Knight, Glenn Lowder, Kay Morgan, Pastor David Nuottila, Patsy Sigmon, Wayne and Pam Vellines, Rindy Watkins, & Rev. Bob Young (son of the congregation)

Continual Prayer – Janaya Anderson (Youth Friend), Addison Pardella-Barton (He is in Brennen's Children's Hospital-Winston Salem and the six year old grandson of Tony and Robin Pardella friends of Debbie Cauble McPherson), Shonna Lanning Black (Jack and Deena Lanning's daughter), Bill Broadway, Sharon Peeler Bullock (Sylvia Peeler's daughter), Michael Curlee (Scott Curlee's brother), Billy Hutchens (Steve Hutchens' brother), Darrell Johnson (Friend of The Punts), Betty Sue Lowder, Dr. Sean Malone (Pam Vellines' doctor), Chandra McCoy (In Africa on Mission Trip - Friend of Steve & Malynda Peeler), Merkins Family (Friends of The Punts), Jonathan Merrell (Frank Merrell's cousin), Fay Miller (friend of Pat Kluttz); Della Morgan (Pam Vellines' mother), William & Doris Page, George Roof (Frank Merrell's friend), Ben Smith (Cathy Painter's brother-in-law), Glen Wall (Frank & Dawn Merrell's friend), Janet Whitt (Sharon Moore's cousin), Union Fire Department #76, Global Missions (Congo, Slovakia, and Haiti) & those affected by natural or political disasters

Attendance

August 11	26	Sunday School
August 11	200	Worship & Holy Communion

Part 2: Apostles’ Creed

The Second Article (Concerning Redemption) Part 2

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.



What does this mean? *He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, and has freed me from sin, death, and the power of the devil, not with silver and gold, but with his holy and precious blood and his innocent suffering and death.*

(Martin Luther’s Small Catechism ~ Sola Publishing 2010 Edition Pocket Version page 14)

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OUR MISSION: Christ Centered ~ Mission Driven~ Traditionally-Grounded ~ Congregationally Focused (Matthew 28:18-20)

OUR 2024 VISION: “Love God and Love our Neighbor” (Mark 12:30-33)

OUR 2024 ACTION PLAN: “By feeding, clothing, visiting, helping...” (Matthew 25:35-40)





Community FAIR Rain or Shine!

Join us for a delightful celebration of the bountiful autumn season at our **Community Fair! Rain or Shine!**

A large collection of plants will be available for purchase with other vendors, food, and drinks to choose from!

We are excited to have a Colonial History demo too!

Admission is free, and there's something for everyone to enjoy. So, gather your friends and family!



Saturday,
September 21



Event is from
10:00 a.m.-2:00
p.m.



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