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**All Saints Sunday**

November 3, 2024

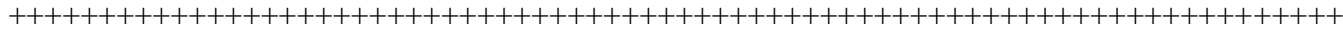
10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

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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*Lutheran Book of Worship Setting 1*

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude: *Jerusalem, My Happy Home* (Hobby)

**GATHERING**

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

*Please turn to face the cross.*

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

P In the name of the Father, and of the  $\text{✝}$  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*)

**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

\* Processional Hymn: *For All the Saints* (stanzas 1-4)

LBW# 174

*As the Acolytes, Crucifer, Pastor, and Choir process in, please turn to follow the cross.*

**1** For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
All who by faith before the world confessed,  
Your name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**2** You were their rock, their fortress, and their might,  
You, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;  
You, in the darkness drear, their one true light.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**3** Oh, may your soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,  
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old  
And win with them the victor's crown of gold.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**4** Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine,  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
Yet all are one within your great design.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897, alt.  
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\* 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

LBW p. 60-61

(Luke 2:14; John 1:29; Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9)

**C This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

\* 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. Lord God, you have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses. Grant that we are encouraged by the example of your servants and may persevere in the cause that is set before us, to be living signs of the Gospel and at last, with all the saints, to share in your eternal joy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**C Amen**

## WORD

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

### New Testament Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17

The first lesson is from the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter of Revelation.

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, <sup>10</sup>and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” <sup>11</sup>And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>saying, “Amen!

Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.” <sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” <sup>14</sup>I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup>Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. <sup>16</sup>They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. <sup>17</sup>For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

L Here ends the reading.

Psalm 149 *The Psalm is sung in unison.*

**<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord | a new song;\*  
sing his praise in the congregation | of the faithful.**

**<sup>2</sup>Let Israel rejoice | in his Maker;\*  
let the children of Zion be joyful | in their King.**

**<sup>3</sup>Let them praise his name | in the dance;\*  
let them sing praise to him with tim- | brel and harp.**

**<sup>4</sup>For the Lord takes pleasure | in his people\*  
and adorns the | poor with victory.**

**<sup>5</sup>Let the faithful re- | joice in triumph;\*  
let them be joyful | on their beds.**

**<sup>6</sup>Let the praises of God be | in their throat\*  
and a two edged sword | in their hand;**

**<sup>7</sup>To wreak vengeance | on the nations\*  
and punishment | on the peoples;**

**<sup>8</sup>To bind their | kings in chains\*  
and their nobles with | links of iron;**

**<sup>9</sup>To inflict on them the judg- | ment decreed;\*  
this is glory for all his faithful people. | Hallelujah!**

New Testament Lesson: 1 John 3:1-3

The second lesson is from the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter of 1 John.

<sup>1</sup>See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

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.*

LBW p. 63

\* Gospel Acclamation (*John 6:68*)

**C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 6th chapter.

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

\* Holy Gospel: Matthew 6:25-33

<sup>25</sup>“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes?  
<sup>26</sup>Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? <sup>27</sup>Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life? <sup>28</sup>And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. <sup>29</sup>Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. <sup>30</sup>If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? <sup>31</sup>So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’<sup>32</sup>For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. <sup>33</sup>But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon: *Following Jesus: Now and Forever!*

*Make It Simple Stewardship Program*

Pastor Heidi Punt

\* Hymn of the Day: *Sing with All the Saints in Glory*

WOV# 691

**1 Sing with all the saints in glory,  
sing the resurrection song!  
Death and sorrow, earth's dark story,  
to the former days belong.  
All around the clouds are breaking;  
soon the storms of time shall cease;  
in God's likeness we awaken,  
knowing everlasting peace.**

**2 Oh, what glory, far exceeding  
all that eye has yet perceived!  
Holiest hearts for ages pleading  
never that full joy conceived.  
God has promised, Christ prepares it;  
there on high our welcome waits.  
Ev'ry humble spirit shares it.**

**Christ has passed the eternal gates.**

**3 Life eternal! Heav'n rejoices:  
Jesus lives who once was dead.  
Shout with joy, O deathless voices!  
Child of God, lift up your head!  
Life eternal! Oh, what wonders  
crowd on faith: what joy unknown,  
when amid earth's closing thunders,  
saints shall stand before the throne!**

Text: William J. Irons, 1812-1883. alt.  
Tune: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770-1827, adapt.

Remembering our Saints

*Individual names are read followed by a single bell toll. As the music begins to play members are invited to come forward to the Baptismal Font and light a candle in memory of your loved ones on this All Saints Sunday.*

With grateful hearts we remember loved ones who have gone before us to the church triumphant since last **All Saints Sunday**.

***Members of Union***

*Family members are invited to come forward and light a candle at the baptismal font.*

Jean Evonne Batten

Thomas "Tommy" David Kerns

Arnold Dietz Cauble

Glenn Floyd Eagle

Jerry Wade Leazer

Frances Lou Meacham Norris

Effie Kluttz Vellines

William "Bill" Lindsay Broadway

***Extended Family Members***

*Family members are invited to come forward and light a candle near the baptismal font.*

Earleen Holshouser Goodman (Tommy Goodman's mother)

Hong Thi Dang Nguyen (Pete Nguyen's mother)

Richard Kidd (John and Nancy Kesler's son-in-law)

Mary Frances Oddie Wells (Aunt of Ruby Leazer)

John Thomas Tetter (Uncle of Sharon Moore)

*The congregation is invited to come forward and light a candle in memory of a loved one.*

\* 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)

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**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 Social Ministry Fund.*

*The monthly benevolence will go towards Lutheran Military Veterans & Families Ministries, Inc.*

Anthem: *How Bright These Glorious Spirits Shine* (Slater)

Chancel Choir

## 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.*

*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 Corinthians 11:26; 1 Thessalonians 5:23)

**P May the precious body and blood of our Lord and Savior bless you.**

**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

LBW p. 74

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**

\* Recessional Hymn: *For All the Saints* (stanzas 5-8)

LBW# 174

*The Acolytes will lead the way out with light from the Christ candle. The light represents Jesus as the Light of the World. As the light exits the building so do we as we spread the light of Jesus into the world.*

*During the recessional hymn please turn to follow the cross as it exits.*

**5 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,  
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,  
And hearts are brave again and arms are strong.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**6 The golden evening brightens in the west;  
Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;  
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**7 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:  
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;  
The King of glory passes on his way.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897, alt.  
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\* 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: *For all the Saints* (Hobby)

*The ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God.*

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**Those Serving in November**

**Sr. Acolytes:** Sam Nguyen and Noah Trexler

**Jr. Acolyte:** Jesse Morgan, Jr.

**Crucifer:** Adam Thompson

**Altar Guild:** Jan Huffman and Nikki Nguyen

**Communion Assistants:** Brad Huffman, Jan Huffman, and Nikki Nguyen

**Lay Readers:** Mary Elizabeth Earnhardt and Doris Shepherd

**Ushers:** Phil Cauble, Ali Davis, Don Davis and Elbert Kluttz

**Offering Counters:** Jennifer Curlee, Ali Davis, Doris Shepherd, and Ron Vellines

**Attendance**

October 27	46	Sunday School
October 27	119	Worship & Holy Communion

All Saints Sunday list comes from our bulletins and newsletters over the past year, 11/19/23 – 11/3/24. If we have inadvertently omitted a name of your loved one, please accept our apology for the error. We know each person is very important to you.

***Greeting Team ~ We need YOU!!***

*The Mission Outreach Team is forming a Greeting Team to welcome visitors and we need YOUR help. What is needed? To be available in the Narthex by 10:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings, greet our visitors, hand out Welcome bags, etc.*

*Interested? Please contact Cheryl Kluttz for more information 704-754-7752.*

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## Union News

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*Our Love and Sympathy is extended to the Family of Bill Broadway on his death, October 30, 2024.*

The congregation is invited to join the Union Women in collecting gift cards and cash in honor of Nadia Punt, Pastor Heidi's daughter, upcoming wedding.

Cathy Kluttz Painter and Deena Lanning are collecting the monies (gift cards and cash).

Deadline: Today

### **All Saints Sunday, November 3**

**9:15 a.m.** Kids Choir (5th grade and under) in Choir Room

**9:30 a.m.** *Make It Simple* Small Groups

Following Jesus ~ Matthew 6:25-33

**10:30 a.m.** Worship & Holy Communion

Revelation 7:9-17; Psalm 149; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 6:25-33

Sermon Theme: Following Jesus: Now and Forever!

*Make It Simple* Stewardship Program

**10:30 a.m.** Remembrance of Members and Extended Family Members

**12 noon** Union Youth will leave following church to participate in the Luther Games at Holy Trinity, Gastonia, NC.

**New:** Little Lutherans will not meet this month.

### **This Week's Schedule:**

Tuesday, Nov. 5

**6:30 p.m.** *Make It Simple* Small Group

Facing the Truth ~ Mark 4:37-41; Hebrews 12:1-2

Wednesday, Nov. 6

**10:30 a.m.** *Make It Simple* Small Group

Facing the Truth ~ Mark 4:37-41; Hebrews 12:1-2

**6:30 p.m.** Catechism Confirmation

**6:30 p.m.** Belles & Beaus

**7:30 p.m.** Chancel Choir

*Pastor Heidi Punt will be out of the office from Wednesday, November 6—Tuesday, November 12.*

Thursday, Nov. 7

**2:00 p.m.** *Make It Simple* Small Group

Facing the Truth ~ Mark 4:37-41; Hebrews 12:1-2

**This Week's Schedule:** *continued*

Union Lutheran Church you are invited to the marriage of Pastors Heidi & Dieter's daughter, Nadia. The wedding ceremony of Alexander McCoy and Nadia Punt will be held at **1:30 p.m.** on **Saturday, November 9, 2024**, at Holy Trinity, Troutman. A cake reception will follow the service.

*The congregation is invited to a drop-in celebration of Sarah Bame's 95th birthday on Saturday, November 9, from 2:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. at her home (3775 Goodman Lake Road, Salisbury 28146)*

*No gifts please. Cards are welcome.*

**Sunday, November 10**

**9:15 a.m.** Kids Choir (5th grade and under) in Choir Room

**9:30 a.m.** *Make It Simple* Small Groups  
Facing the Truth! (Mark 4:37-41; Hebrews 12:1-2)

**10:30 a.m.** Worship & Holy Communion  
1 Kings 17:8-16; Psalm 51:10-12; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 4:37-41  
Sermon Theme: Facing the Truth  
*Make It Simple* Stewardship Program

**10:30 a.m.** Recognition of Veterans  
A list will be provided in the bulletin of ULC Veterans.

**4:30 p.m.** Union & Salem Youth

*Debbie Rinehart has reserved the Altar Flowers on Sunday, November 10.*

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**The Great Rake**

**When:** Saturday, November 16

**Time:** 8:30 a.m.

**Who Can Come:** Everyone is welcome

**What to Bring:** Rakes, Work Gloves, Warm Clothes, Leaf Blower, and any other yard equipment

On Saturday, November 16, we're going to be a blessing to a few in our church body and community who could really use the extra hand. Families are welcome to join us too! This is a great opportunity to be the "hands and feet of Christ" in a practical way.

We will meet at the church parking lot at 8:30 a.m., and load the vehicles, and try to be on the road to head over to the first house by 9:00 a.m.

If you need help with your yard, please contact Thad Mulkey or the church office.

## Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday, November 17, 2024

Official notification is hereby presented that the Annual Congregational Meeting of Union Lutheran Church will be held as follows:

Date: Sunday, November 17, 2024

Time: Following the 10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion Service

Location: Dutch Meeting Hall (large fellowship hall)  
Union Lutheran Church  
4770 Bringle Ferry Road  
Salisbury, NC 28146

Eligible to vote: Active Confirmed Members  
(ULC Constitution)

**08.02** Voting members are confirmed members who have communed and made a contribution of record during the current or preceding calendar year.

**10.05.** Voting by proxy or by absentee ballot shall not be permitted.

Purpose:

- **Adopt** 2025 Proposed Ministry Support Plan (included in November *Messenger* pages 7-9)
- Elect **three** Church Council members for a three-year term from the floor
- Elect **delegate** and **alternate** from the floor to attend the Piedmont-East Mission District and Carolinas Mission Region Convocation (May 2025)
- Elect **delegate** and **alternate** from the floor to attend the NALC Convocation (August 3-8, 2025) in Pittsburgh, PA
- Elect **two** Church Council members and **four** lay members from the floor to form the 2025 Nominations Committee (six people total)
- An opportunity will be given for any further business to be presented.

Join us for our Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 17, 2024 following the worship service in the large fellowship hall. A light lunch will be provided by members of the Church Council.

This is a very exciting time in the life of Union Lutheran Church and our community. We humbly ask that each of you be in prayer as we continue to build relationships with God and one another.

Blessings to you as we go forward in God's grace and mercy!

Dusty Morgan, Sr.

Congregational Council President

Everyone is invited on Sunday, November 24, to watch the movie **Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Spy, Assassin** at **AMC Concord Mills**, at **4:40 p.m.**

Cost is **\$8** per person (*First to bring their \$8 to the church office will receive a seat. 20 seats have been reserved.*)

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**Part 3: Lord’s Prayer**



The Sixth Petition: *And lead us not into temptation.*

What does this mean? *God indeed tempts no one to sin, but we pray in this petition that God would guard and protect us from this, that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or lead us into false belief, despair, and other great and shameful sins, but pray that when we are tempted in these ways, we may finally prevail and gain the victory.*

(Martin Luther’s Small Catechism ~ Sola Publishing 2010 Edition Pocket Version page 21)

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*Please note as of November 24, Christ the King Sunday, we will refresh our prayer list and kindly ask that you please resubmit your prayer requests by filling out the prayer request card in the Narthex. If you have a praise report, we are always happy to hear about them too and invite you to share them with the church office to include in our monthly bulletin.*

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER...**

**Nursing Homes** – Brenda Mahaley (Autumn Care Room 815), Ruth Monroe (Autumn Care Room 818), Jean Ray (Autumn Care Room 201) & Jay Rusher (Autumn Care), Pat Kluttz (Brookdale Room 56)

**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** – Floyd Carter, Brenda Cauble, Lynn Coughenour, Kiki Deaton, Linda Hartley, Glenn Honeycutt, Jr., Steve Hutchens, Jean 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** – Addison Pardella-Barton (Debbie McPherson’s friend), Shonna Lanning Black (Jack and Deena Lanning’s daughter), Sharon Peeler Bullock (Sylvia Peeler’s daughter), Jill Brooks (Judy Boyd’s cousin), Billy Hutchens (Steve Hutchens’ brother), Evelyn Hutchens (Steve Hutchens’ mother), 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), Mary Catherine McCoy (Robin Huffman’s daughter-in-law), Merkins Family (Friends of The Punts), Jonathan Merrell (Frank Merrell’s cousin), Fay Miller (Pat Kluttz’s friend); 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), Pat Wiles (Genevieve Baker’s friend), Union Fire Department #76, Global Missions (Congo, Slovakia, and Haiti), especially for our NC neighbors affected by natural disasters & those affected by political disasters

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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)

