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**Sunday Traditional Worship**

10:30 am\*

\*In-Person or Live Stream on website

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**Wednesday Contemporary Worship**

6:30 pm (In-Person Only)



University Lutheran Church is a Reconciling Works Church. We are a welcoming environment for all of God's people regardless of race, situation, familial status, sexuality, gender, size, shape, gender identity, and place in this world.



Giving Growing Gathering



# University Lutheran Church and Lutheran Campus Ministry Newsletter



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## A NOTE FROM INTERIM PASTOR ARHIANA SHEK DILL



*“When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup> All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability (Acts 2:1-3 NRSV).”*

A lot had changed since Jesus’ resurrection. At the beginning of the book of Acts Jesus is ascended into heaven. After Judas’ death, the eleven disciples pray and select a new disciple, Mattias. The Holy Spirit whom Jesus had promised makes quite the introduction surprising all who had gathered for the Feast of Pentecost. “All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit.” If we keep reading in Acts chapter 2, those in attendance were confused hearing them speak in their own languages about “God’s deeds of power (v 11).”

In February Scott Boyden, chair of our Transition Team, led a Bible Study on the book of Acts. Those who joined the lively conversation experienced what was life and ministry life for the “baby” Christian church. At Pentecost the power of the Holy Spirit propels the new church to speak of God’s work of salvation through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. The early Christian community guided by the Spirit experienced, change, new beginnings and God’s transforming presence with them through it all. It was not simple, at times they met resistance. Yet, God created new possibilities.

These are changing times at University Lutheran and Campus Ministry. We’re intentionally connecting with the Biblical witness and with each other while reflecting on God’s work in these stories. I invite you to ponder how is the Spirit showing up in your life? How is the Spirit showing up in our church? These are great times to slow down and smell the roses so to speak and pay attention to the Spirit’s power creating, stirring, renewing and transforming new things. ~Pastor Arhiana





## WHAT'S HAPPENING

|               |          |   |
|---------------|----------|---|
| Sun, Mar 3    |          | ASU SPRING BREAK BEGINS                             |
|               | 9:15 am  | Forum (Campus Center Library/Zoom)                  |
|               | 9:15 am  | Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)                         |
|               | 10:30 am | Traditional Worship (Sanctuary/Live Stream)         |
|               | 11:30 am | Free Coffee & Refreshments (Campus Center)          |
| Tues, Mar 5   | 8:00 pm  | AA (Campus Center)                                  |
| Wed, Mar 6    | 6:30 pm  | Lenten Worship (Sanctuary/Live Stream)              |
| Thurs, Mar 7  | 12:00 pm | Page Turner's Book Club (Campus Center Library)     |
|               | 8:00 pm  | AA (Campus Center)                                  |
| Sun, Mar 10   | 9:15 am  | Forum (Campus Center Library/Zoom)                  |
|               | 9:15 am  | Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)                         |
|               | 10:30 am | Traditional Worship (Sanctuary/Live Stream)         |
|               | 11:30 am | Free Coffee & Refreshments (Campus Center)          |
| Mon, Mar 11   |          | ASU CLASSES RESUME                                  |
| Tues, Mar 12  | 6:30 pm  | ASU Navigators (Sanctuary)                          |
|               | 6:30 pm  | ULC Council Meeting (Campus Center Library/Zoom)    |
|               | 8:00 pm  | AA (Campus Center)                                  |
| Wed, Mar 13   | 5:00 pm  | LCM Bible Study (Campus Center/Zoom)                |
|               | 5:30 pm  | Free Student Meal (Campus Center/Grab N Go)         |
|               | 6:30 pm  | Lenten Worship (Sanctuary/Live Stream)              |
| Thurs, Mar 14 | 8:00 pm  | AA (Campus Center)                                  |
| Sun, Mar 17   |          | ST. PATRICK'S DAY                                   |
|               | 9:15 am  | Forum (Campus Center Library/Zoom)                  |
|               | 9:15 am  | Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)                         |
|               | 10:30 am | Traditional Worship (Sanctuary/Live Stream)         |
|               | 11:30 am | Free Student Meal (Campus Center Library/Grab N Go) |
|               | 11:30 am | Free Coffee & Refreshments                          |
| Tues, Mar 19  |          | ELECTION—ULC/LCM IS POLLING SITE (Campus Center)    |
|               |          | FIRST DAY OF SPRING                                 |
|               | 6:30 pm  | ASU Navigators (Sanctuary)                          |
|               | 8:00 pm  | AA (Campus Center Patio)                            |



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| Wed, Mar 20   | 5:00 pm  | LCM Bible Study (Campus Center/Zoom)                |
|               | 5:30 pm  | Free Student Meal (Campus Center/Grab N Go)         |
|               | 6:30 pm  | Lenten Worship (Sanctuary/Live Stream)              |
| Thurs, Mar 21 | 12:00 pm | Fiesta Conference (Campus Center)                   |
|               | 8:00 pm  | AA (Campus Center)                                  |
| Sat, Mar 23   | 9:00 am  | Finance & Stewardship Committee Meeting (Zoom)      |
| Sun, Mar 24   | 9:15 am  | Forum (Campus Center Library/Zoom)                  |
|               | 9:15 am  | Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)                         |
|               | 10:30 am | Traditional Worship (Sanctuary/Live Stream)         |
|               | 11:30 am | Free Student Meal (Campus Center Library/Grab N Go) |
|               | 11:30 am | Free Coffee & Refreshments                          |
| Tues, Mar 26  | 6:30 pm  | ASU Navigators                                      |
|               | 8:00 pm  | AA (Campus Center)                                  |
| Wed, Mar 27   | 5:00 pm  | LCM Bible Study (Campus Center/Zoom)                |
|               | 5:30 pm  | Dinner Church (Campus Center)                       |
| Thurs, Mar 28 | 6:30 pm  | Maundy Thursday (Sanctuary/Live Stream)             |
|               | 8:00 pm  | AA (Campus Center)                                  |
| Fri, Mar 29   | 7:00 pm  | Good Friday (Sanctuary/Live Stream)                 |
| Sun, Mar 31   |          | HAPPY EASTER! HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED!      |
|               | 6:00 am  | Sunrise Easter Service (Outdoors)                   |
|               | 10:30 am | Easter Service (Sanctuary/Live Stream)              |



## COUNCIL MEETING FOR MARCH



The ULC Council will meet on Tuesday, March 12th, at 6:30 pm in the Campus Center library or via Zoom.

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The ULC Women's Bible Study will be Thursday, March 21st, at 6:00 pm via Zoom. If you need the Zoom link, please contact the office:

info@ulctempe.org or 480-967-3543.



## UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN CHURCH LIBRARY

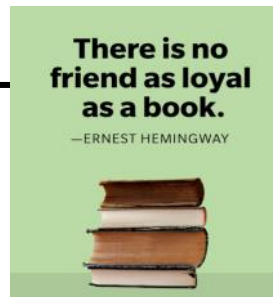
We have some books by Daniel Erlander. Daniel Erlander has written and illustrated several books that have resonated with Lutherans for decades. Their visual appeal, theological content, and inviting tone welcome each reader into moments of delight, discovery, and the underlying assurance of God's deep and everlasting love for us. Check them out!

"Come and See" — A collection of cartoons, graphics, and illustration

"Baptized. We Live" — Lutheranism as a way of life

"Manna and Mercy" — A brief history of God's unfolding promise to mend the entire universe.

If you check out a book, email the office [info@ulctempe.org](mailto:info@ulctempe.org) and let them know you have it.



## SUNDAY FORUMS

We are planning to have forums every Sunday (excluding Easter Sunday) in March. This is subject to change, please refer to our website and weekly e-newsletter for information. If you are interested in presenting a forum, please contact the office: [infor@ulctempe.org](mailto:infor@ulctempe.org) or 480-967-3543. Thank you!



## ULC YOUNG ADULTS

Some of our University Lutheran Church (ULC) Young Adults went up north for some skiing, friendship, and fun!



Our ski team: Bryan Gamelin\*, Autumn Byars, Sean Maseng, Jacob Hilliker, and Paul Westermann

\*ULC Young Adult Coordinator



Interested in joining our Young Adult Group? Please contact the office:

[info@ulctempe.org](mailto:info@ulctempe.org) or 480-967-3543 or [ulcyoungadult@gmail.com](mailto:ulcyoungadult@gmail.com)

Look for Young Adult Events on our website: [www.ulctempe.org](http://www.ulctempe.org)

## PAGE TURNER'S BOOK CLUB

The Page Turner's Book Club will meet in the campus center library at 12 noon on March 7 to discuss Jodi Picoult's "The Storyteller." Our reading list includes both fiction and nonfiction. We get together on the first Thursday of each month during the ASU academic year and would love to have you visit. Bring your lunch if you like and join us.

We finish this academic year with the following selections:

March 7, 2024: "The Storyteller: A Novel" by Jodi Picoult: Sage Singer is a young baker trying to escape loneliness and bad memories following her mother's death. In her grief support group, Sage meets Josef Weber, an elderly man with a dark secret. They perceive each other's hidden scars and become close friends. But everything changes when Josef confesses a shameful secret and asks Sage for an extraordinary favor. How far will we go to protect our families and keep the past from dictating the future? Where do we draw the line between punishment and justice, forgiveness and mercy? "The Storyteller" uses Josef and Sage's family stories and the power of storytelling to delve into themes of guilt, forgiveness, and the complexities of human nature. ~Kim Savage

April 4, 2024: "I Am Malala: How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World" by Malala Yousafzai with Patricia McCormick: Malala was born in a beautiful valley in Pakistan to a family whose father was a school leader and who supported education for girls as well as boys. She gave her first speech when she was 11 and with family encouragement continued to be an education activist in spite of the brutal invasion by Taliban rulers. In 2012 while riding home on the school bus, she was shot point-blank. Though not expected to live, Malala recovered and returned to public activity in support of public education, especially for girls. In 2014, at 17, she was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, the youngest ever recipient. ~Ruth Wootten

May 2, 2024: "Illegally Yours: A Memoir" by Rafael Agustin (2022): Amazon characterizes this work of nonfiction as "a funny and poignant memoir about how as a teenager, TV writer Rafael Agustin (Jane the Virgin) accidentally discovered he was undocumented. That revelation turned everything he thought he knew about himself and his family upside down." ~Jean Park

### INTERIM PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS

If you would like to meet with Pastor Arhiana, she will have office hours on Tuesdays from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm or by appointment. If you would like an appointment with Pastor Arhiana, please contact the office (480-967-3543 or [info@ulctempe.org](mailto:info@ulctempe.org))

Please note: the office is open Tuesdays-Fridays from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm for all other purposes. Thank you!





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|-----------------------|----------|
| Jean Park             | March 7  |
| Ron Koplitz           | March 8  |
| Carl Mangold          | March 8  |
| Diego Valenzuela      | March 8  |
| Lynn Becker           | March 17 |
| Alexander Webber      | March 23 |
| Alex Kirvan           | March 27 |
| Rona Peterson-Johnson | March 27 |
| Madlyn Bohr           | March 28 |

*Happy Birthday!*

Please let us know if we missed a birthday or an anniversary so we can update our system!

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### LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME?

We have had a family who have been worshiping and participating in our life together here at University Lutheran for a year! Recently they expressed an interest in becoming members. Have YOU thought about joining God's mission through University Lutheran and Campus Ministry?

For questions about church membership, please contact Interim Pastor Arhiana or the church office at [info@ulctempe.org](mailto:info@ulctempe.org) or 480-967-3543. You can also complete the new member form and return it to the office. Thank you!



### Newsletter Note

To meet mailing deadlines, our newsletter is printed the middle of the prior month and some things may have changed since. Please refer to our website ([www.ulctempe.org](http://www.ulctempe.org)) and/or our weekly e-newsletter for the most current events and news. If you would like to receive our weekly e-newsletter, please contact the office: [info@ulctempe.org](mailto:info@ulctempe.org) or 480-967-3543. Thank you!

### 2023 GIVING STATEMENTS

The 2023 giving statements were sent out in January. If you did not receive yours, please contact the office ([info@ulctempe.org](mailto:info@ulctempe.org) or 480-967-3543). Thank you for your very generous financial support of University Lutheran Church and Campus Ministry. It is greatly appreciated.





## MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICES AND HOLY WEEK

Easter is almost here—already. This month's mid-week Lenten services are:

- March 6
- March 13
- March 20

Mid-week Lenten services are at 6:30 pm in our Sanctuary or via our live stream on our website: [www.ulctempe.org](http://www.ulctempe.org)

Holy Week Services are:

- Maundy Thursday, March 28th, 6:30 pm
- Good Friday, March 29th, 7:00 pm (please note different time from other services)

Holy Week Services are also in our Sanctuary or via our live stream on our website: [www.ulctempe.org](http://www.ulctempe.org)



## EASTER

Easter is March 31st! We will have 6:00 am sunrise service. Please note: this service is outside. It could be chilly so dress appropriately. This service is *not* live-streamed.



We will also have worship at 10:30 am in our sanctuary. This service will be live streamed on our website: [www.ulctempe.org](http://www.ulctempe.org)

The true meaning of  
Easter is to celebrate the glory  
and Jesus's true heart.  
**Happy Easter**  
to you and your family.





God's Work ~ Our Hands

Giving  Growing  Gathering

As part of our "70 Years Strong and Giving All Year Long", the Finance and Stewardship Committee, along with the ULC Young Adults and LCM students, made blankets for Project Linus (projectlinus.org). Supplies were provided by the Finance and Stewardship Committee. Thank you to Savannah Bradley, LCM/ASU student and Finance and Stewardship Committee member, for coordinating the event.

Erin Smythe was a blanket expert!



Pastor Arhiana, Katherine Stevens, and Dylan Weeks get a lesson in no-sew blankets!

LCM Associate, Dylan Weeks, became an expert as well!



Savannah Bradley and Erin Smythe show us how it's done!

If you are interested in joining the Finance and Stewardship Committee, please contact the office. If you have a suggestion for the committee—please let us know. Thank you to our current committee members: Savannah Bradley, MaryBeth LaMont (chairperson), Katherine Stevens, and Beth Wootten.

Thank you for your generosity!

*"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." ~Jeremiah 29:11*



## LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY NEWS

LCM meets every Wednesday at 5:00 for Bible Study, 5:30 for free student meal (both in our Campus Center. Grab N Go option available for dinner), and 6:30 for Lenten worship in our sanctuary.

Come for any or all of it!

Our Wednesday worship for March is our mid-week Lenten service using Holy Lament worship service. Worship is in our sanctuary and also live-streamed on our website: [www.ulctempe.org](http://www.ulctempe.org).

We always are needing people to sign up for meals—if you're interested, please contact the office: [info@ulctempe.org](mailto:info@ulctempe.org) or 480-967-3543. Gift cards to Safeway and/or Fry's are also appreciated. Thank you!

Some of ULC's Young Adults and LCM students are planning to attend the ELCA Young Adult Gathering in New Orleans from July 16-20. The theme for the Gathering is "Created to Be" entered on Psalm 139:14 (I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.)

There is a \$150/person non-refundable registration fee and registration is \$425 (after 2/15 it is \$475). Hotel, meals, and travel costs are not included in this registration fee.

Due to the expense, the ULC Young Adults will be planning fundraisers to help cover some of the costs. If you would like to make a donation for the young adults who will be attending, you may do so on our website. Please scroll to: LCM Individual Gifts and in the "Note" section—put Young Adult Gathering. Any donation is greatly appreciated.

For more information see the Gathering website: [elca.church/gathering](http://elca.church/gathering)





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