# United In Christ Lutheran Church



Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
July 2, 2023

Vicar Katy Moran

# Welcome to our church!

We hope the service is meaningful, and uplifting, and that you will experience God's presence here.

May God bless you during worship today.





#### LARGE PRINT BULLETINS

Please see a greeter.

#### **ELEVATOR**

Please see a greeter.

#### **REST ROOMS**

Downstairs across from the church office.

#### **DIAPER CHANGING TABLE**

In fellowship hall family restroom.

Visit us at www.unitedinchristlutheran.net

#### UNITED IN CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Justin G. Lingenfelter: Pastor

Vicar Katy Moran: Pastoral Intern

Terri Cromwell: Parish Administrator and OAKS Senior Center Coordinator

Office: 570-568-2254

Email: office@unitedinchristlutheran.net

Marilyn Gresh: Music Director

#### **United In Christ's Mission Statement:**

Led by the Spirit, we follow Christ's call to honor God and neighbor through worship, learning, service, prayer, stewardship and invitation.

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **PRELUDE**

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

#### Amen.

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of our neighbors.

Merciful God,

We confess that we have sinned.

We have hurt our community.

We have squandered your blessings.

We have hoarded your bounty.

In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Righteous God,

We confess that we have sinned.

We have failed to be honest.

We have lacked courage to speak.

We have spoken falsely.

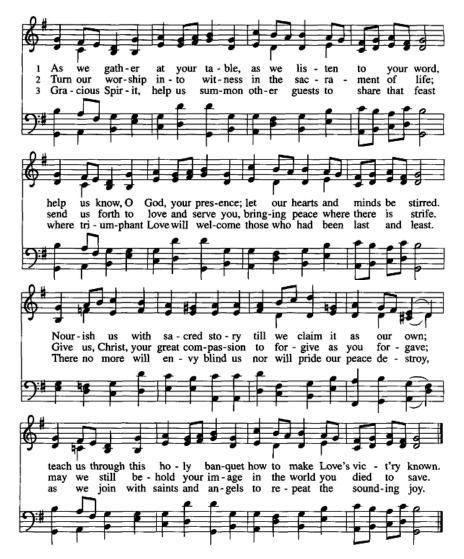
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Silence is kept for reflection.

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of +Jesus Christ.

Amen.

#### As We Gather at Your Table



#### **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

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

And also with you.

#### **HYMN OF PRAISE**



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#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

#### FIRST READING

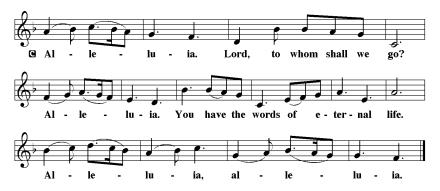
PSALM 89: 1-4, 15-18

<sup>1</sup>I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations. <sup>2</sup>I declare that your steadfast love is established forever; your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. <sup>3</sup>You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to my servant David: <sup>4</sup>'I will establish your descendants forever, and build your throne for all generations." Selah <sup>15</sup>Happy are the people who know the festal shout, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your countenance; <sup>16</sup>they exult in your name all day long, and extol your righteousness. <sup>17</sup>For you are the glory of their strength; by your favor our horn is exalted. <sup>18</sup>For our shield belongs to the Lord, our king to the Holy One of Israel.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



#### GOSPEL READING

#### **MATTHEW 10:40-42**

This is the Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

<sup>40</sup>"Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. <sup>41</sup>Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; <sup>42</sup> and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

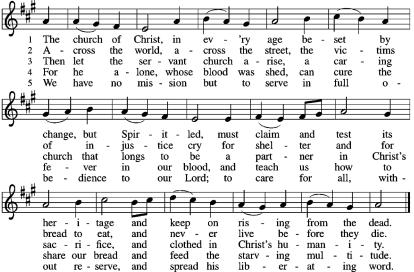
#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### **SERMON**

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**ELW 729** 

# The Church of Christ, in Every Age



#### **APOSTLE'S CREED**

Let us confess our faith using the Apostle's Creed:

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.\*

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come 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.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.

Prayers continue with each petition ending:

God, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

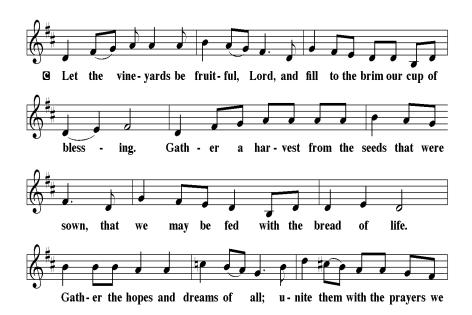
The minister and congregation greet one another in the name of the Lord. Please share the peace at whatever level of physical contact with which you are comfortable.

#### **OFFERING**



You are invited to place your offering in one of the plates as they are passed or to make use of our online offering plate through tithe.ly by scanning the QR code to the right. You may also place your offering at www.unitedinchristlutheran.net/giving by clicking on the green "Give Now" button.

#### **OFFERTORY HYMN**





#### OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us through the gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

#### THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us saying:

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.



#### BENEDICTION

The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

#### Amen.

The God of hope fill you with all the joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The God all grace + bless you now and forever.

Amen.

#### SENDING HYMN

**ELW 676** 



#### **DISMISSAL**

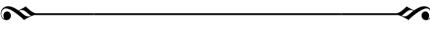
Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

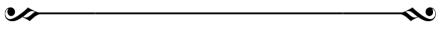
#### **POSTLUDE**



Today's altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Mary Lou Keifer in memory of her husband, Mac Keifer.



After worship please join us in the fellowship hall for coffee and refreshments.



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#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Family and friends of Scott Schiel, Larry Fawcett, Christi Sherbert-Stevenson, Robert Becker, Bob Keifer, Scott Clewell, Marie Tanner, Martha Ketchem, Annette Baker, Rusty, Shirley Russell, Russ Wynn, Viv Marsh, Peg Swinehart.

#### Are you or a loved one in need of prayer?

Submit your prayer request by emailing it to, office@unitedinchristlutheran.net or call 570-568-2254.

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Bob and Carol Troxell 7/08/89

# Happy Birthday

Pastor Justin 7/2
Marilyn Gresh 7/3
Chris Lee 7/4
George Weiser 7/4
Wendy Wirth 7/4
Kristie Koch 7/5
Landon Warren-Lee 7/5
Ken Noll 7/7
Sharon Weiser 7/7



 ${\it If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please call the church of fice with these dates.}$ 

# What's Happening at UIC

Sun, July 2 Worship, 10:00am

Social Hour, 11:15am

Social Ministry Meeting, 11:30am

Mon, July 3 Office Closed

Tue, July 4 HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA!!

Office Closed

Wed, July 5 Theology on Tap, 6pm

Fri, July 7 Office Closed

Senior Express Food Box Delivery

Sat, July 8 Baby Steps Diaper Pantry, 10am-11:30am

Sun, July 9 Worship, 10:00am

# Social Ministry Meeting

We will meet today at 11:30 am in the Sunday School Room, which is across from the offices.

Everyone is invited to join us!



# **REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS JULY 5<sup>th</sup>!!**

CML Summer Camp is open to all kids in the community from K-5. You can register by clicking <a href="HERE">HERE</a> or visiting www.myvbs.org/miltonlutheranchurches.

## SENIOR EXPRESS FOOD BOXES

Food boxes will be delivered on **Friday, July 7**Volunteers, please make plans to deliver your boxes the week of July 10<sup>th</sup>.



# Lewisburg Lunch **Program for Kids**

Friday, July 21



Volunteers needed to package bagged lunches for kids and hand them out. Signup Sheet in Fellowshp hall.



## **UPCOMING DIAPER PANTRY**

July 8, 2023 at 10-11:30am 1 bag (40 diapers) per child. Newborn to size 6



# Tuesday, July 11

10:00 am - Doors Open

10:30 am - Free Bingo with prizes

11:30 pm - Red Throated Hummingbird
Presentation by Dick Hess

12:00 pm - Free Lunch

OAKS IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.
ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US.

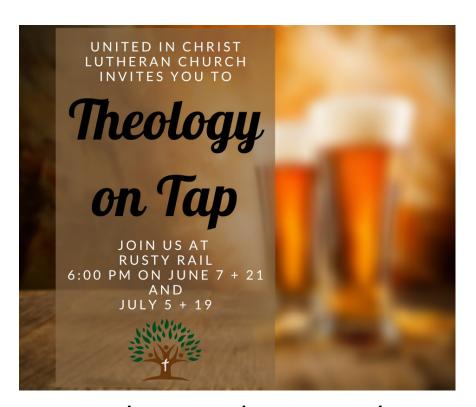




Park in the parking lot, then following the stone driveway around the front of the church to the bottom lot where we'll have a camp fire going. We'll also have homemade ice cream! If you are able, please bring a topping to share. We will also have ingredients to make s'mores. See you there!

# SATURDAY JULY 15<sup>th</sup>

Don't forget to bring a chair!



# Do you have some burning questions about the Bible, faith, or God?

Join us for Theology on Tap! This summer we will be meeting at Rusty Rail on Wednesdays June 7th, June 21st, July 5th, and July 19th. Bring your questions to put in the stein, grab your drink of choice, and be ready to dive into them together as a group—we might not settle on an answer, but we can at least try! We will meet at 6:00 pm to grab food, drinks, and socialize a bit before starting discussion once we are settled. Email Pastor Justin or Vicar Katy if you plan to attend or have any questions about the



To signup, please see the sheet in the fellowship hall, or you can email the church at office@unitedinchristlutheran.net or call the office at 570-568-2254. Please place your money in an offering envelope and mark it as "Crosscutters".

## **DEADLINE IS SUNDAY, JULY 16**

# CAMP MOUNT LUTHER SUMMER CAMP



It's not too late to signup for camp. Camp Mt Luther's brochure is on the bulletin board. See Pastor Justin or Vicar Katy's if you have any questions.



Join the Facebook page for Buffalo Valley Conference of the Upper Susquehanna Synod ELCA to keep informed about upcoming events within our 16 Lutheran churches.

www.facebook.com/bvcuss/



# **ALTAR FLOWERS**

The Church is in need of sponsorships for 2023 Altar Flowers.

Cost is \$35. Flower Chart is in the Fellowship Hall.

Flowers can be donated in memory of or in honor of family or friends. Please write on the chart what you would like printed in the bulletin. You may take your flowers home after worship.

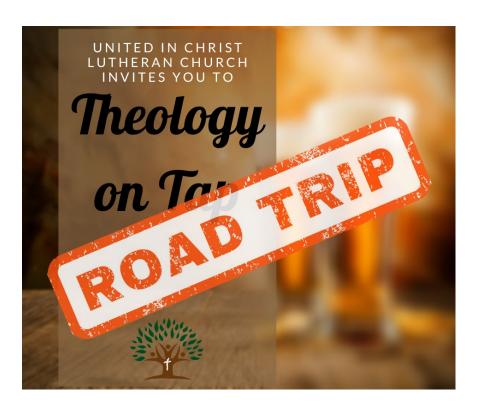


# IMPORTANT LINK!



For easy access, bookmark this page on your computer or add the page to your tablet or smartphone's home screen.

**Church Calendar:** Stay up-to-date on everything that's happening at UIC and Sunday's Worship Volunteers are each week under each "worship" listed www.unitedinchristlutheran.net/calendar



Mark your calendars for our upcoming Theology on Tap field trip to check out another local venue together!

# FRIDAY, JULY 21: NEW TRAIL BREWING

240 Arch St building 18, Williamsport, PA 17701

# WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

	July 2	July 9	July 16
Social Hour	E-K	L-R	S-Z
Bread/Wine		S. Weiser	C. Zimmerman
Altar Guild		T. Cromwell	K. Guffey
Digital Host	T. Cromwell	K. Guffey	M. Shearer
Front Door Greeter	K. Guffey	M. Ketchem	R. Kling
	M.L. Keifer	R. Whitesel	L. Rabuck
Side Door Greeter	G. Weiser	K. Noll	T. Cromwell
Lector	T. McPherrin	M. Haussmann	D. Gottlieb
Ushers	J. Mertz	B. Troxell	A. Stark
	L. Rabuck	C. Troxell	B. Swartz
	M. Rabuck	K. Arndt	T. Swartz
	M. Shearer	D. Baker	C. Zimmerman
Communion Asst.		E. Haussmann	M.L. Keifer
		S. Bingaman	R. Kling
Guest Relations	S. McPherrin	M. Mertz	K. Noll
Offering Counter	C. Shreck	H. Allegar	M. Shearer
	P. Hauck	K. Guffey	C. Zimmerman

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please try to trade with someone on the schedule and then notify the office of the change. If you are unable to trade with someone, please call Terri Cromwell at the church, 570-568-2254, and she will find a replacement for you.



# **Lutheran Church**

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## **WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION**

Sundays at 10am

## THE REV. JUSTIN G. LINGENFELTER

Phone: 610-973-4052

Email: pastor.justin17@gmail.com

## **CHURCH OFFICE**

Open Mon. - Thur. 8:00am - 2:00pm Email: office@unitedinchristlutheran.net

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