

University Lutheran Church of Hope's COVID Response

In the midst of this evolving pandemic, our congregational life also continues to evolve. While for more than a year we met only online, now we are in a season of hybrid worship, meeting both in person (sometimes in the Sanctuary, sometimes outdoors) and always offering a Zoom and YouTube option. During this time our early service in the Chapel is not happening.

- Masks are optional outdoors
- Masks are required indoors
- Honor one another's space.
- Stay home if you aren't feeling well.
- The most up to date COVID policy can be found at www.ulch.org/ulch-response-to-covid-19

Sunday Mornings at Hope

9:30am Faith Formation for Children and Sunday Forum

Hybrid Sunday School is offered on the patio and on Zoom for children around 3 years old and up. The Sunday Forum meets in the Courtyard (or Fellowship Hall). And the WiFi is on and there's always a comfortable spot to savor quiet time.

10:30am Worship

Worship is at the heart of our life together. Our worship experience draws on the Lutheran tradition, rich in an eclectic mix of music, and led by the choir and a variety of preachers connecting faith and life. Holy Communion is part of our service. (From Memorial Day Weekend thru Labor Day Weekend, our service shifts to 10am.)

Wednesday Evening Services

Often we gather on a Wednesday evening (in-person or on Zoom) for a short contemplative service of prayer, song, and silence. Watch the schedule.

A comfortable place to study and relax.

If you're looking for a quiet space to relax, pray, or need to get away from campus to study, you've come to the right place. With Wi-Fi and plenty of space to spread out and work (including outdoors in the Courtyard or on the patio), ULCH is a great study hall away from campus. Ask at the office for details.

University Lutheran Church of Hope is a Reconciling in Christ congregation and a sanctuary congregation with a commitment to racial equity.

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Neighborhood & Campus Team

We're making our walls "porous"-engaging our neighborhood and campus.

Elise Carlson | elisec@ulch.org

Racial Justice Meet-Ups

Deepening our awareness and involvement with issues of racial justice.

Karen Westwood | westwoodkaren@yahoo.com

Sanctuary and Immigration

ULCH declares our partnership with immigrants and others to resist unjust immigration policies and to offer our building as a holy sanctuary.

Sheila Hougen | shougen03@gmail.com

Every Meal

Providing "backpack food" over the weekends for hungry kids and families at Marcy Open School. everymeal.org for more info about the program.

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Mental Health Connect

Need help navigating mental health support for yourself or someone you love? Mental Health Connect navigator@mhconnect.org 612-312-3377.

Sarah Wille | willeer@comcast.net

Choir

In typical times the Hope Choir rehearses Wednesday at 7pm and before 10:30 am service on Sundays, Sept-May. During COVID, the choir is gathering less and singing only about half the Sundays. COVID precautions are honored. All are welcome to join. A new Minister of Worship and Music will begin in November 2021.

Scott Rohr (interim) | scott.rohr@gmail.com

Instrumental and Vocal Music

Provide instrumental or vocal music during worship or other occasions.

Pastor Jen Nagel | jenn@ulch.org

Worship Leadership and Hospitality

Be an assisting minister, scripture reader, communion preparer, or communion server for worship services. Assist with tech during worship. Serve as a greeter or usher for worship and special events.

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Drop-In Choir, Handbells, Drumming

Simply come - rehearse morning-of and sing for worship. Low commitment. Handbells and Drumming are both great opportunities to learn or hone skills. They will be considered again once the new Minister of Worship and Music begins.

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Fellowship Meals

In typical times we have monthly community meals. Undergraduate and graduate students are our guests and eat free. During COVID these are on hold. Watch the calendar and join in.

Becky Halvorson | halvorson.becky@gmail.com

Bread Oven Ministry

Bake bread and make pizza in our outdoor brick oven.

John Bablitch | mplsafb@gmail.com

Green Team & Clean Energy Team

Living green as a congregation, at home, and in the community. We're in the process of installing solar panels! The roof panels are on, and this fall we will add a canopy of panels in the parking lot. This will capture all the energy needed to power our facility. Get involved.

Kathy Knudson | kaknudson@comcast.net

Garden Team

Dig in the dirt and make the area around the church beautiful.

Kathy Knudson | kaknudson@comcast.net

Lutheran Campus Ministry (LCM)

"pause", Wednesday evening worship, 8pm, Grace University Lutheran (Stadium Village). A variety of small group ministries. Learn more at umnlutheran.org

Pastor Kate Reuer Welton | pastorkate@umnlutheran.org

Bible & Brews

Exactly what it sounds like...bring your Bible, your favorite brewed beverage, and a penchant for laid back and engaging conversation about faith, scripture, and current events. 4th Mondays of the month, 6pm.

Dan Bielenberg | danbielenberg@gmail.com

Sunday Forums

Our tag line is "Complex World. Thoughtful Church." The Sunday Forums reflect this. Each Sunday, Sept-May - 9:30am-10:20am.

Nan Knutsen | jnk@comcast.net

Children's Faith Formation, Confirmation, Youth Group

Faith Formation for children (beginning around 3 years old) each Sunday at 9:15am. Bimonthly family gatherings outside - kick ball, a short hike, picnic, pumpkin carving or more. All welcome to participate or help.

Morgan Strudthoff | morgans@ulch.org

Hope Connections

Small group opportunity for discussion and faith growth. Sign up in the fall.

John Beane | pilgrim.beane@gmail.com

Book Club

Discuss a book each month, participate as able.

Sonja Peterson | speterson@dunwald.com

Women's Circles

Two groups of women meet for Bible study and friendship.

Pauline Hendrickson | pauline.hendrickson42@gmail.com

Men's Group

Time together and real conversation. In-person or on Zoom. 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 6pm.

Eric Ringham | eric.ringham@gmail.com

Young Adults

Young adults gathering for meals, game nights, Bible study, other events.

Brady Wilmer | brady.m.wilmer@gmail.com

Friendly Visitors

Hope friends offer friendship and caring visits to homebound members.

Rosalie Eldevik | reldevik@msn.com

Compassion Care

Lay ministers trained to care in times of grief and life crisis.

Pastor Barbara Johnson | barbaraj@ulch.org

Hope Diamonds

Senior members of the congregation gather monthly for food, fellowship, and special programming. Volunteers help setup, serve, and clean up.

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Quilters

Quilt with others or learn how, most Mondays at 9:30am at church.

Marty Lewis-Huntsiger | mlewishunstiger@hotmail.com

Crafting Group

Meets second Fridays of each month, 7pm, at church or on Zoom. Bring a craft project to work on, or just enjoy the community.

Ann Agrimson | ann.agrimson@yahoo.com

Basketball Pick Up Game

On hold during COVID. Typically Thursdays, 7:45-9pm, St. Lawrence Gym.

Scott Hvizdos | shvizdos@msn.com

Recreation & Retreats

We offer regular and various opportunities to bike, hike, camp, or paddle with others. Much of this has continued through COVID. Also when safe, annual Women's Retreat and a Winter Retreat in February.

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