



The Installation of Pastor Carrie Ballenger

University Lutheran Church
Cambridge, Massachusetts
September 25, 2022

PRELUDE

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” – [LOBE DEN
HERREN, DEN MÄCHTIGEN KÖNIG DER EHREN]
– Tune from *Erneuerten Gesangbuch* (1665); setting by
Johann Gottfried Walther (1684 – 1748)

THE GATHERING

BELL AND WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who is eager to forgive
and who loves us beyond our days.

Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

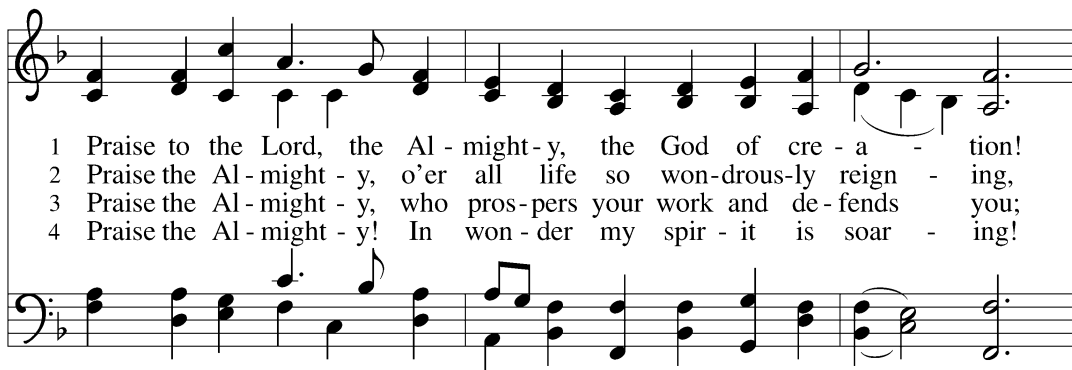
God of mercy and forgiveness,
we confess that sin still has a hold on us.
We have harmed your good creation.
We have failed to do justice,
love kindness,
and walk humbly with you.
Turn us in a new direction.
Show us the path that leads to life.
Be our refuge and strength on the journey,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.

Amen.

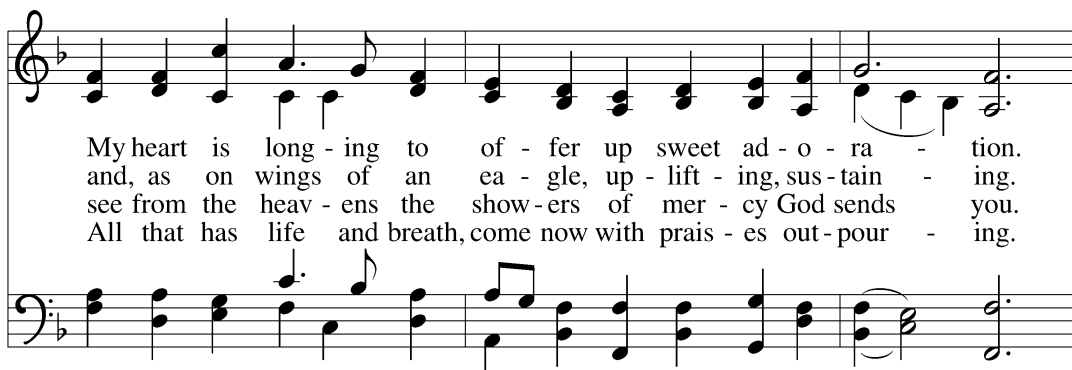
Beloved of God:
your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole.

God points the way to new life in Christ,
 who meets us on the road.
 Journey now in God's abiding love
 through the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.


GATHERING HYMN ELW 859 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the God of cre - a - tion!
 2 Praise the Al - might - y, o'er all life so won-drous-ly reign - ing,
 3 Praise the Al - might - y, who pros-pers your work and de-fends you;
 4 Praise the Al - might - y! In won - der my spir - it is soar - ing!



My heart is long - ing to of - fer up sweet ad - o - ra - tion.
 and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.
 see from the heav - ens the show - ers of mer - cy God sends you.
 All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es out - pour - ing.



Mel - o - dy make; dul - ci - mer, harp, now a - wake.
 Have you not seen? All that is need - ful has been
 Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do;
 Let the a - men sound from God's peo - ple a - gain,



Sound forth your praise, ev - 'ry na - tion.
sent by God's gra - cious or - dain - ing.
in - fi - nite Love here be - friends you.
glad - ly for - ev - er a - dor - ing.

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650-1690; tr. composite
 Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, Part II, Stralsund, 1665
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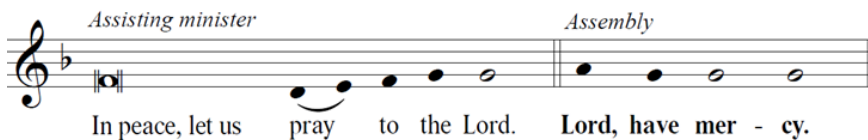
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APOSTOLIC GREETING

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.

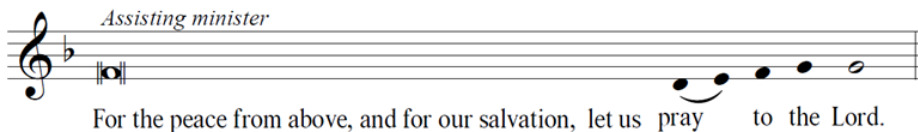
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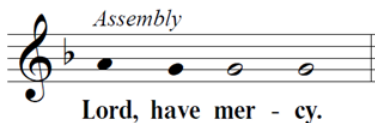
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Assisting minister



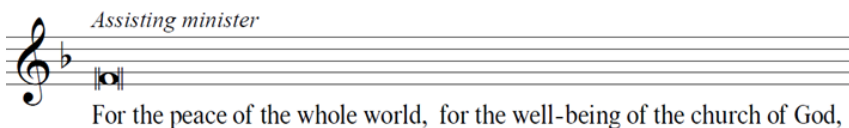
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly



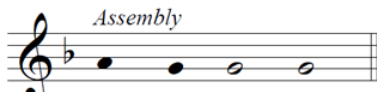
Lord, have mer - cy.

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For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

Assembly




Lord, have mer - cy.

Assisting minister



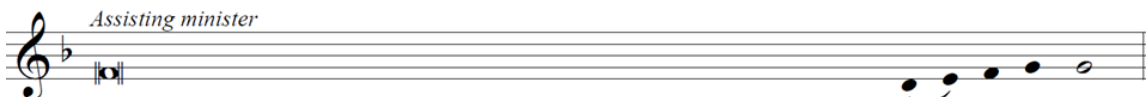
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

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and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

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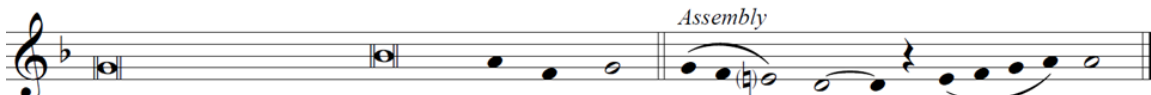
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly



Lord, have mer - cy.


Assembly



Help, save, comfort and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men, A - men.

THIS IS THE FEAST

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to-ry for our God, Al - le - lu - ia.



1. Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose

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blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es,

wis - dom and strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are God's.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God, Al - le - lu - ia.

2. Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er, A - men.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God, Al - le - lu - ia. 3. For the

Final refrain

Lamb who was slain has be - gun to reign. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, through your Beloved Jesus Christ you gave the holy apostles many gifts and commanded them to feed your flock. Inspire all pastors to proclaim your word diligently and your people to receive it willingly, that finally we may receive the crown of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 40:1-8

¹Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God.

²Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to the city that it has served its term, that its penalty is paid, that it has received from the LORD's hand double for all its sins.

³A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. ⁴Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. ⁵Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

⁶A voice says, "Cry out!" And I said, "What shall I cry?"

All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field.

⁷The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the LORD blows upon it; surely the people are grass. ⁸The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand forever.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 84

¹How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts!

²**My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**

³Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my king and my God.

⁴**Happy are they who dwell in your house!
They will always be praising you.**

⁵Happy are the people whose strength is in you,
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

⁶**Those who go through the balsam valley will find it a place of
springs, for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.**

⁷They will climb from height to height,
and the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

⁸**LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer;
give ear, O God of Jacob.**

⁹Behold our defender, O God;

and look upon the face of your anointed.

¹⁰**For one day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.
I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

¹¹For the LORD God is both sun and shield, bestowing grace and glory;
no good thing will the LORD withhold from those who walk with
integrity.

¹²**O LORD of hosts,
happy are they who put their trust in you!**

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 4:1-12

¹Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. ²We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God. ³And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. ⁶For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. ⁷But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. ⁸We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. ¹¹For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. ¹²So death is at work in us, but life in you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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.

GOSPEL

John 21:15-17

The Holy Gospel according to John, the twenty-first chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?” Simon Peter said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my lambs.” ¹⁶A second time Jesus said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” He said to Jesus, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Tend my sheep.” ¹⁷Jesus said to him the third time, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, “Do you love me?” And he said to him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my sheep.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Julie Boleyn

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 502 “The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my

I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
 thine unction grace bestoweth;
 and, oh, what transport of delight
 from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,
 thy goodness faileth never.
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
 within thy house forever.

APOSTLES' CREED

Living together in trust and hope, let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' 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

and born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

Who descended to the dead and on the third day rose again.

Who ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

Who 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.

INSTALLATION OF CARRIE BALLENGER AS PASTOR

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Individuals will be invited to offer prayers aloud or write them in the book found at the entrance to the Sanctuary. For those worshipping via Zoom: Prayers may also be typed in the chat box to be read by the presider.

Let us pray for the life of the world, the intentions of all the faithful, and for any in sorrow or need.

Each prayer petition may be concluded with one of these (or similar) responses:

God, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

or Bless we the Holy One!
Thanks be to God!

Into your care, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, the Beloved. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY

“Be Thou My Vision” [SLANE] – Irish text and tune

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Gracious God,
in your great love you richly provide for our needs.
Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing,
and make us ready to share with all in need;
through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.
Amen.

THE MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...
...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'rand might,
hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blest is the one who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

In the Bible, Jesus often speaks of God as "Abba," Father, reflecting a profound intimacy with the creator of all worlds. Here, we extend that intimacy to name God as our Mother.

Friends, it gladdens the heart of Jesus when we pray,
**God our Mother, God our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and
forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO RECEIVE AND SHARE COMMUNION

Christ invites you to this table.
Come, taste and see.
The Body of Christ given for you. **Amen.**
The Blood of Christ shed for you. **Amen.**

Those worshipping via Zoom: Individuals may commune themselves and households may give the bread and wine/grape juice to one another with the same wording: The Body of Christ given for you. The Blood of Christ shed for you.

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

ELW 493 "Taste and See"

Refrain - All

Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord. Oh,

taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

Leader or All

1 I will bless the Lord at all times. Praise shall
al-ways be on my lips; my soul shall glo-ry in the
Lord; for God has been so good to me. *Refrain*

2 Glo-ri - fy the Lord with me. To - geth-er let us
all praise God's name. I called the Lord, who an - swered
me; from all my trou-bles I was set free. *Refrain*

3 Wor-ship the Lord, all you peo-ple. You'll want for
noth-ing if you ask. Taste and see that the Lord is
good; in God we need put all our trust. *Refrain*

Text: James E. Moore Jr., b. 1951, based on Ps. 34

Music: TASTE AND SEE, James E. Moore Jr.

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ELW 808 “Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song”

1 *Jé - sus, je vou - drais te chan - ter sur ma rou - te;*
 1 Lord Je - sus, you shall be my song as I jour - ney;
 2 Lord Je - sus, I'll praise you as long as I jour - ney.
 3 As long as I live, Je - sus, make me your ser - vant,
 4 I fear in the dark and the doubt of my jour - ney;

Jé - sus, je vou - drais t'an - non - cer à mes voi - sins par - tout,
 I'll tell ev - 'ry - bod - y a - bout you wher - ev - er I go:
 May all of my joy be a faith - ful re - flec - tion of you.
 to car - ry your cross and to share all your bur - dens and tears.
 but cour - age will come with the sound of your steps by my side.

car toi seul es la vie et la paix et l'a - mour:
 you a - lone are our life and our peace and our love.
 May the earth and the sea and the sky join my song.
 For you saved me by giv - ing your bod - y and blood.
 And with all of the fam - 'ly you saved by your love,

Jé - sus, je vou - drais te chan - ter sur ma rou - te.
 Lord Je - sus, you shall be my song as I jour - ney.
 Lord Je - sus, I'll praise you as long as I jour - ney.
 As long as I live, Je - sus, make me your ser - vant.
 we'll sing to your dawn at the end of our jour - ney.

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THE SENDING

BLESSING

May God who established the dance of creation, who marveled at the lilies of the field, who transforms chaos to order, lead us to transform our lives and the Church to listen to the voice of all creatures, that reflect God's glory in creation. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN WOV 778 “O Christ the Same”

See hymn on next page.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Toccata from “Toccata and Fugue in C Major”

Johann Gottfried Walther (1684 – 1748)

SERVING TODAY:

Preacher: Julie Boleyn; Presider: Carrie Ballenger; Representative of the Synod: Elizabeth Nees; Assisting Minister: David Hoglund; Reader: Kenton Goldsby, Gracious Moyo; Usher: Chris Porter; Musicians: Imogene Stulken, organ; Anne Howarth, horn; Carrie Ballenger, Brittany Browning, and Jeanine Reardon, voice; Jonathan Mott, voice; Tech Verger: Brian and Laura Tracey.

Land Acknowledgment: *University Lutheran Church is located on the original and ancestral homelands of the Pawtucket and Massa-adchu-es-et (Massachusetts) peoples, and we give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We also wish to recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have called, and who continue to call, this land their home.*

O Christ the Same

1 O Christ the same, through all our sto - ry's pag - es—
2 O Christ the same, the friend of sin - ners, shar - ing
3 O Christ the same, se - cure with - in whose keep - ing

our loves and hopes, our fail - ures and our fears;
our in - most thoughts, the se - crets none can hide;
our lives and loves, our days and years re - main;

e - ter - nal Lord, the king of all the a - ges,
still as of old up - on your bod - y bear - ing
our work and rest, our wak - ing and our sleep - ing,

un - chang - ing still a - mid the pass - ing years:
the marks of love in tri - umph glo - ri - fied:
our calm and storm, our plea - sure and our pain:

O liv - ing Word, the source of all cre - a - tion,
O Son of Man, who stooped for us from heav - en—
O Lord of love, for all our joys and sor - rows,

who spread the skies and set the stars a - blaze;
O Prince of life, in all your sav - ing power;
for all our hopes when earth shall fade and flee;

O Christ the same, who wrought our whole sal - va - tion,
O Christ the same, to whom our hearts are giv - en:
O Christ the same, be - yond our brief to - mor - rows,

we bring our thanks for all our yes - ter - days.
we bring our thanks for this the pres - ent hour.
we bring our thanks for all that is to be.

Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith, b. 1926
Music: LONDONDERRY AIR, Irish tune

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE are asked for:

Floyd Arntz – UniLu member
Ellen and Bob Bartlett – sister and brother-in-law of Gail Bucher
Margrit Betke and Jonathan Macgowan – UniLu members
Janet Blanchard – friend of Gail Bucher
Louise Cohen – sister-in-law of Susan Worst
Alice Conway – sister of Karin Kutrieb
Erin Cram – UniLu member
John Foley – grandfather of Amanda Wiederoder
Paul Frey – son-in-law of Bill Frutiger
Paul Hanson – UniLu member
Carol Kohler – mother of K.C. Kohler
Duncan McCoy Norton – son of Megan McCoy
Anne Minton – colleague of Imogene Stulken
Mary N – former HSHS guest
Birgitta Ralston – UniLu member
Johanna Ralston Lamb and the Ralston/Lamb family – UniLu members
Harry Rothmann – UniLu member
Jeanette Searson – sister of Imogene Stulken
Judy Steele – sister of Phyllis Steele
Lowell Welke – brother of Wayne Welke
Julie Wolff – UniLu alum

In the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle we remember the peoples of Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, and Peru.

We pray for all who are seeking refuge, who are facing immigration challenges, who have been deported to homes that are not home, and who have been separated from their families.

Cards, emails, and/or a call are welcomed by folks listed on the prayer list. The members' area of the UniLu website lists all members' phone numbers and e-mail and snail mail addresses. Please include these members, relatives, neighbors, and friends in your prayers today and during the week ahead. If you would like to add a name to this list, please e-mail the church office at <office@unilu.org> or submit the name to the Zoom chat at the beginning of the service.

SERVING THE COMMUNITY:

Carrie Ballenger, *Pastor*

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