



UNITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

1500 Western Ave.

Albany, New York 12203



Dear Friends of Unity Lutheran,

God is good! Sometimes we need to remind ourselves of this simple fact. The world, Satan and his minions, they are working hard to make us doubt this. Wars, divorce, death, another school shooting. Not to add to the spotlight which already exists on these things, but rather to see these things in the light of the Savior. We are called as His followers to call a thing what it is. Evil is evil. But... God is good! He is good and He loves you! If you have to say it every hour to remind yourself then do so. God is good!

As I focus on that which is good, I cannot help but see so much around us as a congregation. We wrapped up our summer program which saw children cared for with kindness and compassion. We held worship outdoors on a beautiful August morning and shared a meal together. Our vegetable and natural plant garden are producing vegetables and feeding pollinators. Wild Ones will install a serviceberry "border" facing Western Ave. Our summer worship attendance has been strong. As of July, we are legally and officially Unity Lutheran Church of Albany! Praise God for His goodness and provision. This is the Resolution our District voted on in convention which is printed on the next page:

Mark your calendars for October 26th for a special installation service with Bishop Taylor at 4:00pm. We will share dinner together after.

God. Is. Good.

Your brother in Christ
Pastor Jim Dorner

God
IS good.

Resolution 1-05

To Welcome Unity Lutheran Church in Albany as a Congregation of the Atlantic District

Whereas, Christ Lutheran Church in Albany was founded in 1931 and closed on May 12, 2019; and

Whereas, St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Albany was founded in 1854 and merged with St. Paul's in 2025 to become Unity Lutheran Church; and

Whereas, St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Albany was founded in 1838 and merged with St. Matthew's in 2025 to become Unity Lutheran Church; and

Whereas, Unity Lutheran Church in Albany was founded in 2025 and meets in the building of the former Christ Lutheran Church in Albany; and

Whereas, statistics and trends suggest that more congregations will need to consider similar arrangements in the near future; and

Whereas, the Lord Jesus prays for the unity of his disciples just as He and the Father are united (John 17);
Therefore Let It Be

Resolved, that The LCMS Atlantic District in convention warmly welcomes Unity Lutheran Church, Albany by presenting them with a gift of welcome on behalf of the LCMS Atlantic District; And Be It Finally

Resolved, that the LCMS Atlantic District in convention gives thanks to Almighty God for Unity Lutheran Church, Albany by rising to sing LSB 901 Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty, stanzas 1 and 2.



Presented to Unity Lutheran Church
at the District Convention



POTLUCK LUNCH

September 21st – Potluck and Congregational Meeting!!

As we lead up to our special dedication and installation service October 26th, we have two items

which require a congregational vote. Pastor Jim Dorner must be issued a new call, and accept, from Unity Lutheran Church. In addition, our new bylaws must be amended. Please make every effort to join us if you are a voting member.



Special Dedication and Installation Service, Dinner Following

October 26th 4:00PM



Please make every effort to join us in worship this afternoon as Bishop Taylor will be leading us as we dedicate Unity Lutheran Church and officially install Pastor Dorner to his office. Invite friends, as this will be an historic evening. We will then share a meal together. Keep your ears open for details to come!

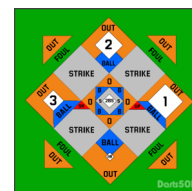
OUR AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM HAS BEGUN. PLEASE TELL FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS THAT MIGHT BE LOOKING FOR AFTER SCHOOL CARE



The Unity Women's Group will meet on September 20th at 10 am. A new season is ahead of us at Unity and there is much we can do! Plans are in the works for a HOLY FAIR in November. This was always a highlight for St. Matthew and we hope to continue that tradition here at Unity.

DART LEAGUE

The Inter Church Dart League will begin its season on September 23rd. If you are interested, please see Alex or Alan Alexander.





Grieving a loss?

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When: Mondays, 6:30-8:30
Beginning September 8

Where: Unity Lutheran Church
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Albany, NY

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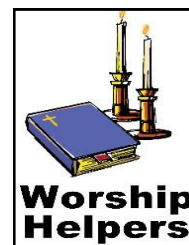
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10. EDDIE REISS
30. IRIS CHEVALIER



ELDER:
Daniel Long

	SERVICE STEWARD	LAY READER	FLOWERS	ALTAR	COFFEE HOUR
9/7	Craig Jones	Leonard Ahders	Bill and Debbie Boomhower in honor of their 51st wedding anniversary.	Alida Boshea	Dart Team
9/14	Lori Seim		Barbara Kunkel in loving memory of her parents and her sister.	Sylvia Grimes	Mayra Vega
9/21	Sue Meyer	Nathan Alexander	The Kahler/Peter Family in memory of our parents		POT LUCK
9/28	Debbie Boomhower	Lorraine Urbano		Sylvia Grimes	

