

Community Life 2014 Mission Report

The goal of "Community Life" is to connect parishioners to one another through activities that both deepen relations among the University Lutheran congregation and extend our invitation beyond our membership into our community. Community Life seeks to provide the congregation time together beyond worship, to extend our fellowship into more social activities.

Activities of 2013-2014

- **Movie night** on the third Friday of each month this summer drew in both UniLu members and neighbors. We have had five movies this year, hosted by Juan Bravo and Maija Cruz. The highest attendance was 33 for Frozen. The lowest was just Juan and Maija, but the popcorn was still delicious. Based on the success this summer, Juan plans to continue hosting movie night year-round.
- Jeremy Booher has hosted three **game nights** with attendance of 6-8 members each time.
- Volunteer engagement with **Heart & Home shelter** – 41 different members of the UniLu congregation served the shelter during six weeks this past winter. In addition, 10 neighbors and scattered members of other churches spent time on our property working with or providing for the shelter.

Plans for the coming year

- A group of UniLu folks is trying out a **Monday night jazz jam**.
- We're open to new ideas! If there is an activity you do or one you would like to do with church members, reach out and propose it! We can imagine small groups engaging in exercise, hiking, biking, beer and pretzel tasting, discussions of important issues (such as racism, or climate change), dinners together... and more.
- Question for the community: Is it important to you to have dinner available for some of these community life events? The council has proposed additional funds for hospitality in 2014-2015 to support this possibility.
- Finally, if anyone is interested in expanding Community Life at UniLu, please contact us to be part of the committee, which currently consists of just two people.

We look forward to meeting you more deeply in community at UniLu in the coming year

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