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Back row: Trevor, Sam, Haley, Teo, Grant, Marcia, Pastor Richard
Front row: Cameron, Hayden, Katie, Thomas, Katy



Carlton, Kourtney, Rachel

Wow. What a strange semester. Definitely not normal for the world of academia! But it was full of blessings for ULC.

1. We were able to gather for worship in-person.

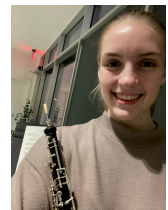
That's a benefit of being a small congregation!

This was a big blessing, as it was the only time for students to be with others consistently. With masks and some distancing, we could be together for God's Word and Sacrament. And enjoy dinner together too!

2. We gained five new students! Four freshmen and a graduate student. Their faithful attendance is a wonderful addition for

worship and Bible study.

3. All of our students are real "troopers." They've been able to navigate and endure this difficult time very well. We know that their faith has been a big factor.



Cassie



Mini-Golf outing

All of this is possible in very great part due to your direct support in prayer and finances and meals. No joke! You are part of a vital mission on this campus for the emotional, mental and spiritual care for these students.

The ULC facility is a place where they can safely enjoy a place for studying, practicing music, or just getting out of their room. It truly is a sanctuary for them.



One blessing from having to do all of our international classes on line is that former students who have moved back to their home country or to another state have been able to continue studying with us.

The class on the left is a Bible class which meets at 7 AM on Thursdays. (That is 9 PM in China, and 10 PM in S. Korea!)

The eagerness of these students to study the Bible is

truly inspiring and we thank God for the opportunity to continue to proclaim Jesus to those who don't yet know Him as well as to build up in the faith those who are already Christians.

This semester we've welcomed students from China, Japan, S. Korea, Brazil, Belarus, Iran, Taiwan, Venezuela, Peru, Mexico, Panama, Turkey, Chile, and Singapore.

We are blessed to have a faithful group of American volunteers who are willing to learn the technology and help facilitate the 12 classes offered each week.

So we move forward in faith and not fear. Prayer, not panic. Service, not selfishness.

Thanks so much for *your* partnership in prayer and finances which help make all this possible for Jesus' sake. May God bless you at this Christmastime and in 2021!

Your servants for the Gospel at UT,

Pastor Richard & Marcia Mittwede

