

UPDATE

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Diaper Drive! The Logos Class and Outreach are collecting diapers for young mothers who go to *Berry Sweet Babies* at University Methodist Church by Paschal High School. Please bring a package or two during **August** and place in the bin near the Reception Area. These expensive items are especially appreciated when money is tight.

Combined Sunday School Classes in Fellowship Hall on **August 31**. Adults are invited to help assemble the kits from school supplies collected the last two weeks for Church World Service to benefit underprivileged children throughout the world. Visit universitychristian.org for donation details!

Taking Reservations Now for Church and the Arts' May 8-17, 2015, trip to France—*A French Feast for the Senses*. For information or reservations contact marsha@uccftw.com.

The Marriage Well and The 1's (UCC Singles) meet on **Friday, September 5**. *The Marriage Well* is in Room 207. New format and topic for the year will be introduced. *The 1's* is in Room 203. Both groups begin at 6 p.m. and then go out in self-selecting groups to become better acquainted. Childcare provided until 9 p.m. Contact susan@uccftw.com for availability.

Bring a Friend Sunday is **September 7**! Invite your friends, neighbors and family members to join us for worship, Sunday school and coffee fellowship. Look for the special invitation cards at the Reception Desk, The Arches Information Desk and during Fall Kickoff and grab a few to hand out!

The Newcomers Class, offered for those who are new to UCC, is **September 7 and 14** at 10 a.m. in Room 201. All are welcome to attend! Questions are encouraged!

Community is a new Sunday school class for couples and singles in their 20s and 30s. Enjoy a variety of programming, service to church and community and fellowship to create a "community" with one another and the church. Meets at 10 a.m. in Room 315. For more information contact Rev. Jessica Vacketta at jessica@uccftw.com.

Support Group for Caregivers of those suffering from Alzheimer's disease or other forms of dementia meets the **second and fourth Thursdays** of the month, 4:30-6 p.m. in Room 201. Led by Dr. Charles Sanders and Leslie Dell, trained facilitators.

Online Worship Bulletin available on the UCC website under Resources for those who wish to view it from home.



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Children's Closet Bag It Night is Wednesday, September 10

At 6 p.m. the Fellowship Hall will be filled with folks working together to bag up 2,300 uniforms for children in the FWISD.

In addition, that week, **September 8–14**, is Back to School Week at the Children's Closet as we work to provide an additional 4,000 uniforms. The Closet will be open Monday–Friday, 10 a.m.–3 p.m. and Sunday, 1–4 p.m. Groups and individuals are invited to sign up and come share the joy.

In preparation we are collecting school/office supplies for thirty hard-working counselors who often spend their own money for such items. Sunday School members bring items to the classroom, others leave them by the Reception Desk.

Men's Movie Night, September 20, at 6:30 p.m. in Room. 207. Join us for the film, *Nebraska*. Academy Award nominee Bruce Dern portrays an aging father who takes a life-changing roadtrip with his son. \$5 gets you a chicken dinner, the movie and great discussion. Sign up in The Arches.

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Rev. Larry Thomas, Sr. Minister; **Rev. Russ Boyd**, Assoc. Minister for Youth; **Rev. Ellen Lewis**, Assoc. Minister of Administration; **Dr. Daniel Terry**, Assoc. Minister for Men's Ministry; **Rev. Cyndy W. Twedell**, Assoc. Minister of Outreach, Women's Ministries and Membership; **Rev. Jessica Vacketta**, Assoc. Minister for Adults and College; **Alison Nicoll**, Assist. Minister for Middle School; **Michael Yandell**, Assist. Minister for High School; **Kyla K. Rosenberger**, Dir. of Music and Sr. Organist; and **Kera Watts**, Dir. of Children's Ministries.



UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

a Disciples of Christ congregation

August 24, 2014

*Living the Good News of Jesus Christ
with open minds and loving hearts*

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Chorale and Intermezzo (from Suite on AURELIA)

Robert A. Hobby

Ringing of the Tower Bells and Procession of the Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 272

The Church’s One Foundation

AURELIA

*LITANY OF PRAISE

Gracious God, though You are known by many names and revealed in many ways,
we know You most fully in Jesus Christ, our Messiah, your Son.
We thank You for forming us into the church, the body of Christ in the world.
Help us to live as He taught us, loving You and loving neighbor.

*GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
Let us pray...

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER (using debts and debtors) & CHORAL RESPONSE

THE RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(9 A.M.)
(11 A.M.)

Let the Heavens Rejoice!**
His Eye is on the Sparrow

Janet Pummill
arr. Jim Hodges

*THE DOXOLOGY 46

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

COMMUNION HYMN 428

An Upper Room with Evening Lamps Ashine
(stanza 1)

EVENTIDE

THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE PRAYERS OF THE ELDERS

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP
(All followers of Christ are invited to share in the bread and cup which represent the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, as they nourish us in our life together in His name.)

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

*(11 A.M.) HYMN 102

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee
(stanzas 1, 2 and 3)

ST. AGNES

(Parents, during 11 a.m. worship, please bring your first-third graders to join a Worship and Wonder leader in the Gallery. Children will return to the Sanctuary during the Hymn of Discipleship.)

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 16:13-20
(Scripture found on page 18 of the New Testament in the pew Bibles).
*The congregation is invited to stand at these times of the service. Feel free to remain seated if need be.

(11 A.M.) ANTHEM

Let the Heavens Rejoice!**
Janet Pummill

**O sing! O sing to the Lord! Sing praises to Him and bless his name all the earth.
Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad.
O sing to the Lord, give thanks to the Lord, O give thanks for this glorious day!
Come let us bow down in worship. Let us knee before the Lord our maker.
For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture.
Even the sparrow has found a home; and the swallow a nest for herself.
Let not your heart be troubled, His tender word I hear,
and resting on His goodness, I lose my doubts and fears;
tho’ by the path He leadeth, but one step I may see:
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.
I sing because I’m happy, I sing I’m free,
for His eye is on the sparrow and I know he watches me.
Sing to the Lord. Sing praises to Him the mountains burst into song.
The trees of the field will clap their hands, the heavens will rejoice!
O sing to the Lord, give thanks to the Lord, give thanks for this glorious day!
I sing because I’m free! I’m free! Amen!

-Text adapted from Psalms 95, 96, 105 and Isaiah 55

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SERMON Does Jesus Care if You Go to Church?

*HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP 273

Built on the Rock
(stanzas 1 and 3)

KIRKEN DEN ER ET

(All those who are inspired to confess their faith in Christ or make a discipleship covenant with our congregation are invited to join the pastors at the front of the church.)

*BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE


Ringing of the Tower Bells

*POSTLUDE

Toccata (from Suite on AURELIA)

Robert A. Hobby

IN THE SERVICE		
Preaching	Elders	
Russ Boyd, Associate Minister	Margaret Puckett and Elaine Becker Carol Jane Lawrence and Urbin McKeever	
Worship Leaders	Acolytes	
Cyndy W. Twedell Jessica Vacketta	Bohumila Jones and Tevy Sek Davis Watts	
Musicians	Chancel Guild	
Janet Pummill, Associate Organist Chancel Choir Jerry McCoy, Choirmaster Marsha Hodges, alto Jim Hodges, piano	Preparing communion today are Lori Eagleton, Randy Eagleton, Lee Ann Harmon and Ann Lesok.	
Scripture Reader	Chancel Flowers	
Gay McKeever	The flowers in the Chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her parents, Roy and Valta Reynolds, by Rena Reynolds.	



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Welcome to University Christian Church!

This Week



Today is Kickoff Sunday!

Join us for worship, lunch and fun as we celebrate the beginning of fall programming for all ages.
Grab lunch from food trucks at noon (College students free with voucher.) Inside dining, photo booth and kids activities await!

Welcome College Students!

We’re glad you joined us in worship today. Be sure to swing by the table in the Gallery after services to meet our college minister, Rev. Jessica Vacketta, and pick up your free lunch voucher for our Fall Kickoff!

Today is Promotion Sunday!

All children move up to their new classes and we begin a new year of hands-on learning about The Covenant.

Welcome to Worship Class for First Graders

begins today at 11 a.m. in Room 218. The class prepares the children to officially join the congregation in the pews on September 28 with First Grade Inclusion during 11 a.m. worship.

Janet Pummill, our Associate Organist, is Retiring September 1.

We wish her all the best as she pursues more free-lance performing and composing. Enjoy her anthem performed today and her playing on August 31, also. Be sure to thank her for many years of fine music-making at UCC.

Handbell and Vocal Choir Sign Ups

continue today in the Gallery before and after services. Stop by and talk to directors or call 817.926.6631 ext. 152 for details.

Online Directory Photo Day!

Smile! We’re taking pictures again today after each worship service. Look for picture stations around the building—just follow the signs. Want to help? Contact Alexandra Stevens at als13@me.com.

Childcare provided from 8:45 a.m.-12 p.m. for infants-preschool.

A complete Sunday school program for all ages meets at 10 a.m.

Parish Nurse Office is closed for the Summer.

Handicap accessible restrooms located in the Gallery (second floor).

Assisted listening devices are available; please ask an usher to obtain one.

Ministers On Call


Ministers are available after hours and on weekends for pastoral care emergencies. If you have a need, call us at 817.926.6631, and follow the prompts.

On Call This Week
Kera Watts
Jessica Vacketta

Congregational Leadership Meetings

Elders Meeting
Tuesday, August 26, 6:30 p.m., Room 207

Members of the congregation may attend congregational meetings with the exception of any portion of a meeting held in Executive Session.



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