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Hear More Brass Music for Eastertide!

We will continue our celebration of the Resurrection next **Sunday**, **April 12**. The TCU Trumpet Choir will provide special music at both services.

Prom Dreams Boutique is Now Open! Dresses and accessories are still needed. Donations may be dropped off at the Reception area at any time. Email promdreams@uccftw.com for details or if you would like to volunteer.

The Newcomers Class, offered for those who are new to UCC, is **April 12, 19** and **26**, at 10 a.m. in Room 201. All are welcome to attend! Questions are encouraged!

Celebrate Earth Stewardship Sunday and the gift of God's good earth on **Sunday**, **April 19**. The Caring for God's Creation Committee has an exciting morning planned, including a butterfly release!

Ghana and the Work of Global Ministries will be the topic for a lunch presentation by Gary Luallin, GM missionary in Ghana, **Sunday**, **April 19**, at 12:15 p.m. in Room 207. R.S.V.P. for the \$10 lunch to <u>lynn@uccftw.com</u>.

Women of Valor, the Sunday night women's group, will host a special event featuring a program of the Multicultural Alliance on **April 19** beginning at 6 p.m. Space is limited to twelve participants. Contact Kristie Gibson at 817.504.1318 or kristiegibson@sbcglobal.net to r.s.v.p. or for more information.

WILD Women Book Club–Monday, April 20, at 6 p.m. at Cat City Grill and Tuesday, April 21, at 11:30 a.m. in the UCC Library. Both will discuss *Sheepish:* Two Women, Fifty Sheep, and Enough Wool to Save the Planet by Catherine Friend.

The Marriage Well, meets Friday, April 24, Room 207, 6-7 p.m. This month's topic: Sabbath in our Families. Childcare reservations needed. Email susan@uccftw.com by Thursday, April 16.

Enjoy the Children's Choir Spring Musical on Sunday, April 26, at 12:30 p.m. in Walker Fellowship Hall. A free snack lunch begins at noon. Our children present *Life of the Party* and hope you can join them!

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The Assurance of Things Hoped For

Sunday, May 3, 12:30 p.m., Walker Fellowship Hall

All are invited to hear Rev. Dr. Joan Brown Campbell, a highly sought-after lecturer, author and leader in the ecumenical interfaith movement.

Make your \$10 box lunch reservations online at <u>universitychristian.org</u> and childcare (infant through elementary) reservations online by **April 29.**

Common Ground, a Sunday School class for couples and singles ages 35 & up, meets weekly at 10 a.m., Room 313. A variety of topics including contemporary Christian theologians, biblical studies led by Brite alumni and PhD students, and community leaders as guest speakers. Email jessica@uccftw.com for details.

Lunch Bunch—Every **Wednesday** students gather in the College Lounge for food, fellowship and prayer. Volunteers are needed to provide a meal for approximately twenty people. We still need to fill dates for the spring semester. If you would like to learn how to help this ministry, email rebecca.smart@uccftw.com.

Community, a Sunday School class for couples and singles in their 20s and 30s, meets weekly at 10 a.m., Room 315. The class is discussion based and engages book and DVD-based studies, along with guest speakers.

Email Rev. Jessica Vacketta, at iessica@uccftw.com for details.

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

Listen live at 11 a.m. on KTCU FM 88.7 or on university christian.org under Resources

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University Christian Church

a Disciples of Christ congregationEaster Sunday, April 5, 2015

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

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Prelude An Easter Celebration arr. Joel Raney
Ringing of the Tower Bells and Procession of the Acolytes

Welcome

Introit Easter Acclamation arr. Lanny Allen

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Processional Hymn **216** Christ the Lord Is Risen Today Easter Hymn

*LITANY OF PRAISE

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen! People: Christ is risen indeed! Leader: Sing to God a new song.

People: For the God who raised Jesus Christ from the dead raises us to new

life daily.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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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

When Morning Gilds the Skies arr. D. Linda McKechnie

*The Doxology 46 Old Hundredth

*Prayer of Dedication

COMMUNION HYMN **101** Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts Quebec (stanzas 1 and 3)

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.

*Hymn **222** Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! W Zlobie Lezy (Children's Worship and Wonder will not take place today and resumes next week!)

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*The congregation is invited to stand at these times of the service. Feel free to remain seated if need be.

Scripture

(Scripture found on page 114 of the New Testament in the pew Bibles).

Congregational Response

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Christ the Lord is Ris'n Today

Eleanor Daley

John 20:1-18

"Christ the Lord is ris'n today!" Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Sing, ye heav'ns and earth reply, Alleluia!
Vain the stone, the watch, the seal, Christ has burst the gates of Hell, Alleluia!

Death in vain forbids His rise, Christ has opened Paradise. Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, foll'wing our exalted Head, made like him, like him we rise, ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

Hail earth and heav'n! praise to thee by both be giv'n, Alleluia!

Thee we greet triumphant now, hail, the Resurrection thou, Alleluia!

-Charles Wesley (1707-88)

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Sermon

Good News-He Lives!

*Hymn of Discipleship 230

Now the Green Blade Rises Noël Novelet (stanzas 1. 2 and 3)

(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.)

*CHORAL BENEDICTION
Ringing of the Tower Bells

Hallelujah Chorus (from Messiah)

G. F. Handel

*Postlude The Trumpet Shall Sound

G. F. Handel/H. Hopson

IN THE SERVICE

Preaching

Larry Thomas

Worship Leader

Jessica Vacketta Cyndy W. Twedell Ellen Lewis Kera Watts

Elders

Roxanne Penix and Leslie Dell Eldon Irving and Avis Herndon

Acolytes

Janie Bradford and Joye Hatter Gabriela Yarbrough Musicians

Kyla K. Rosenberger, Senior Organist Chancel Choir

Jackson Yandell, Assistant Choirmaster
TCU Brass Ensemble

Carlos Diaz & Michael Moreno, trumpet Juan Diaz & Freddy Diaz, trombone Alex Castro, bass trombone

Joey Carter, *timpani*Ad Deum Handbell Choir (9 a.m.)
UCC Ringers (11 a.m.)

Eric Mullins, Director

Chancel Guild

Preparing communion today are Linda Austin, Mark Muller and Roxanne Penix.



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This Week at University Christian Church

First Sunday College Lunch Today!

Students are invited to meet Rev. Jessica Vacketta in the Gallery at 12:15 p.m.

Vacation Bible School Registration for participants and volunteers continues at <u>ucckids.org</u>. Join us for *G Force–God's Love in Action VBS* for two's through third graders and *Mission VBS* for fourth-fifth graders **June 23-26**, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Register for *Music Makers Camp!* Led by Mary Farmer, Children's Choir Director. Camp follows VBS, 12-3 p.m., **June 23-26**. Music Makers is for kids entering 2-7 grades. \$45 each–includes lunch. Register at <u>universitychristian.org</u> or email <u>maryelizabethfarmer@yahoo.com</u> or <u>marsha@uccftw.com</u> for details.

Register Now for Summer Camps at Disciples Crossing in Athens. Sign up online at <u>uccyouth.org/camps</u> by **April 15** for early bird pricing on camps for children, youth and families.

UCC Offices will be Closed on Monday, April 6, for an Easter staff holiday.

Join us for *Friday Fellowship*, April 10, 11 a.m., Room 207.

Dr. Anne J. Bailey will talk about her books and how Texans, both the soldiers and the women and children left at home, survived four years of war. Potluck lunch following in Room 211. Email danlsmith@mindspring.com for reservations.

UCC Softball—Come out to Gateway Park and cheer on the UCC Softball team! **Friday**, **April 10**, 7:45 p.m.

The 1's will meet Friday, April 10, for dinner at Fred's Texas Café (915 Currie St.) and then head to Gateway Park (751 Beach St.) to cheer on UCC's softball team. Game time is 7:45 p.m. Email jessica@uccftw.com for more information.

Latte with the Ladies is Saturday, April 11, beginning at 9 a.m. at Avoca (1311 West Magnolia Ave.–76104). Women of all ages are welcome to join the fellowship and great conversations on the second Saturday of each month.

Childcare provided from 8:45 a.m.-12 p.m. for infants-preschool. Handicap accessible restrooms located in the Gallery (*second floor*). Assisted listening devices are available; please ask an usher to obtain one.

Ministers are On Call and 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 Ellen Lewis Cyndy W. Twedell

Congregational Leadership Meetings

Personnel Committee Tuesday, April 7, 5:30 p.m., Room 202

Building & Grounds Sunday, April 12, 12:15 p.m., Room 202

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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