UPDATE

Visit www.universitychristian.org for calendar and program details!

College Sunday School, a class just for students, meets **weekly** at 10 a.m. in the College Lounge, Room 223. Not sure where the Lounge is located? Gather in the Gallery following worship (up the stairs, lectern side) and Rev. Jessica will lead the way.

Children's Ministry Promotional Packets were mailed this week. If you have not received one or would like to, please email kera@uccftw.com. Yearly registration for kids is happening at ucckids.org. Children promote to new classes next week!

Sunday Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet at the Darr home **during the month of August** at 5 p.m. All are welcome to participate. No experience required. We're happy to teach beginners and have needles/yarn to use.



Fall Kickoff–Join your church family **August 23** for worship, lunch and fun as we celebrate the beginning of fall programming for all ages. Grab lunch from food trucks at noon (college kids eat free with a voucher available in The Gallery today and August 23). Inside dining, along with a photo booth and kids activities await.

Sunday, August 23, is *Bring a Friend* **Sunday!** Invite your friends, neighbors and family members to join us for worship, Sunday school and Fall Kickoff. Special invitation cards at the Reception Desk and The Arches Information Desk–grab a few to hand out!



Learn more about
University Christian Church ministries
at universitychristian.org

For more about the Disciples of Christ, visit <u>disciples.org</u>

Promotion Sunday for all Children and Youth is August 23 at 10 a.m.

All students move up to their new grade levels.

As the First Day of School Nears we hold in our prayers the children of our community and give thanks to God for the work of UCC's Children's Closet. Celebrate Back-to-School month with a special contribution to The Children's Closet. And plan to participate in the **September 9** Bag-It Night at 6 p.m.

Women's Ministries Luncheon features Mayor Betsy Price. Mark your calendars for **September 20** and plan to be present.

Do You Subscribe to Disciples News Service? Keep up-to-date on all things Disciples at www.disciples.org. You may subscribe to the newsletter by clicking the News Service tab and entering your email address.

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



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Rev. Larry Thomas, Senior Minister; Rev. Russ Boyd, Assoc. Minister for Youth; Rev. Ellen Lewis, Assoc. Minister of Administration; Rev. Cyndy W. Twedell, Assoc. Minister of Outreach, Women's Ministries and Membership; Rev. Jessica Vacketta, Assoc. Minister for Adults and College; Rev. Christi McDowell, Assoc. Minister of Pastoral Care, Alison Nicoll, Assist. Minister for Middle 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 16, 2015

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

(The text may be found on page 616 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bibles.)

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Prelude Voluntary and Fugue Samuel Wesley Ringing of the Tower Bells and Procession of the Acolytes

Call To Worship

*Processional Hymn 15

Rejoice, You Pure in Heart

Marion

*LITANY OF PRAISE

We travel together, seeking the divine.

God is present in our journey, not just our destination.

We walk a winding road, thankful for those who travel with us. God's love is revealed in the faces our traveling companions.

*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.) Steal Away**
To Everything There Is a Season

arr. Ed Lojeski Elizabeth Irene Olson

*The Doxology 46

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer of Dedication

Communion Hymn 420

I Come with Joy
(stanzas 1 and 5)

Dove of Peace

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 86

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

(stanzas 1 and 2)

(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.)

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

(11 a.m.) Anthem

Thanks be to God.

Congregational Response

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Steal, steal away, come on and steal, steal away.

Steal away to Jesus. Steal away, steal away home. I've not got long to stay here. My Lord calls me, he calls me by the thunder; the trumpet sound within-a my soul; I've not got long to stay here.

Steal Away**

Green trees are bending, poor sinner stands a trembling; the trumpet sound within my soul, I've not got long to stay here.

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Sermon

SCRIPTURE

We Travel Together

*Hymn of Discipleship **494**

They'll Know We Are Christians

St. Brendan's

arr. Ed Lojeski

(stanzas 1 and 2)

(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

Fugue a la Gigue

Johann Sebastian Bach

In the Service

Preaching: Cyndy W. Twedell

Worship Leaders

Christi McDowell and Jessica Vacketta

Musicians

Kyla K. Rosenberger, *Senior Organist* Chancel Choir

Jackson Yandell, Assistant Choirmaster

Dana Hapeman, soprano

Mary Farmer, alto

Chancel Guild

Preparing communion today are Cindy Hoover, Carol Smith and Dan Smith.

Scripture Reader: Orlew Lauger

Acolytes

Payne Wellman and Harrison Housley Hattie Castillo and Abby Ellison

Elders

Lorraine Stell and John Andrus Kristie Gibson and Carol Jane Lawrence

Chancel Flowers

The flowers in the Chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. Kenneth T. Lawrence by Carol Jane Lawrence, Eric Lawrence, Craig, Cyrena, Bainbridge and Berkeley Allen.

The flowers in the Gallery are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Melissa Benton and Jordan Rybak on August 15.



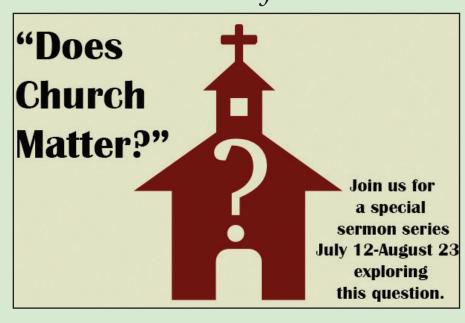
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This Week at University Christian Church



Youth Family Roundup is today at 10 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. All sixth through twelfth graders and their parents are invited to enjoy food and fun while learning about our youth ministry's plans for 2015-16.

Welcome College Students! We're glad you joined us today. Be sure to swing by the table in the Gallery after services to meet college minister, Rev. Jessica Vacketta, and to get your free lunch voucher for our Fall Kickoff next week!

Join a UCC Music Ensemble! The Children's Choirs, Youth/Adult Handbell Choirs and Chancel Choir Sign Ups are **today and Sunday, August 23 and 30,** in the Gallery before and after services. Talk to the directors and join in the fun and fellowship of music! For more information email marsha@uccftw.com.

Men's Third Thursday Lunch is **August 20** at 12 p.m. at Cafe Bella on South Hills Ave. Tony Allred will be discussing the people and ministry in Belize.

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.

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 Kera Watts Ellen Lewis

Congregational Leadership Meetings

Board of Stewards

Tuesday, August 18, 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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