# **UPDATE**

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

**Join a UCC Music Ensemble!** Children's Choirs, Youth/Adult Handbell Choirs and Chancel Choir sign ups are **today and August 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.

**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.

**College Lunch Bunch**, a free lunch and weekly gathering for college students, starts **Wednesday**, **August 26**. Join us at noon in Room 223 (College Lounge). Email <a href="mailto:jessica@uccftw.com">jessica@uccftw.com</a> for more information.

**Room in the Inn Needs You!** Wednesday, August 26, is the final summer session overnight for our guests. Please stop by the signup table today in the Gallery to learn more and sign up to serve.

**Kimbell Art Museum Tour**–Friday, August 28, at 5 p.m. A docent-led tour of the special exhibition *Botticelli to Braque: Masterpieces from the National Galleries of Scotland*. Email Marsha Hodges at <a href="marsha@uccftw.com">marsha@uccftw.com</a> to reserve a spot. Reservations are limited.

#### September is Back-to-School Month at the Children's Closet!

As school starts we hold the children of our community in our prayers. We can give those prayers life by contributing or volunteering at the Children's Closet Mondays and Thursdays 10 a.m. to noon.

**Children's Closet Bag-It-Night** is **Wednesday**, **September 9**, at 6 p.m. in Walker Hall. Adults and children will fill 2,300 orders for uniforms for thirty-two schools. Plan to be part of this exciting and meaningful ministry!

**Latte with the Ladies** is **Saturday**, **September 12**, beginning at 9 a.m. at Brewed (801 W Magnolia Ave., 76104). Women of all ages are welcome to join the fellowship and great conversations on the second Saturday of each month.

**The Newcomers Class,** offered for those who are new to UCC, is **September 13, 20 and 27**, at 10 a.m. in Room 201. All are welcome to attend! Questions are encouraged!



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**CCF/JYF for First Through Fifth Graders** begins **September 13** at 5 p.m. Join for fun, games and learning.

**WILD Women Book Club**–Monday, September 14, at 6 p.m. at Cat City Grill and Tuesday, September 15, at 11:30 a.m. in the UCC Library. Both will discuss *Go Set a Watchman* by Harper Lee.



#### **Women's Ministries Luncheon**

featuring Mayor Betsy Price Sunday, September 20, 12:15 p.m., Walker Hall

We'll wear blue as Mayor Price shares with us about *Blue Zones* and ways to get involved in this Fort Worth initiative. Make \$12 prepaid reservations online or in The Arches Sundays, August 30, September 6 and 13. Child care (infant-elementary) is available by reservation.

**Fort Worth Crop Hunger Walk** is **Sunday**, **September 20.** Registration at 1:30 p.m./walk at 2 p.m. at TCU Dee J. Kelley Alumni and Visitors Centerhelps. Be a part of the UCC team by walking or giving. Register or donate anytime online or pick up a fundraising packet in The Arches during the month of September.

**Monday Night Fellowship**, September 21, 6:30 p.m. at the home of Tony Allred. MNF is a four-week men's small group study of *Dare to Answer: 8 Questions That Awaken our Faith* by John Brusacker. \$10 donation, covers the cost of the book.

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**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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#### PROGRAM CONTACTS

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 High School Tyler Heston, 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 23, 2015

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

#### CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Prelude *Jesus Christus unser Heiland (Jesus Christ our Savior)*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

We are all recipients of God's extravagant welcome.

A welcome rooted in God's abundant love and grace.

Because God has welcomed us, we are called to welcome others.

So that the world will know the love and grace that surrounds us.

\*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.) Welcome to the House of the Lord\*\* Gwyneth Walker (11 A.M.) Carillon de Longpont Louis Vierne

\*The Doxology 46 Old Hundredth

\*Prayer of Dedication

Communion Hymn 408 Come, Share the Lord Divernon (stanza 1)

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

Von Gott will ich nicht lassen (I Shall Not Abandon God)

J.S. Bach (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 **289** What is This Place Komt Nu Met Zang (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.

Congregational Response

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

(11 а.м.) Аптнем

Welcome to the House of the Lord\*\* Gwyneth Walker
\*\*Welcome to the House of the Lord. Welcome!

Welcome light, welcome beauty, welcome wonder. Welcome to the House of the Lord. Here there is glory. Here there is wisdom. Here there is mystery.

Welcome to the House of the Lord. Welcome! Welcome peace, welcome solace, welcome love. Here there is comfort. Here there is healing. Here there is kindness mercy and forgiveness. Welcome light, welcome beauty, welcome wonder. Here there is comfort. Here there is healing. Here there is glory. Here is wisdom. Here is splendor and mystery.

Here is Life Eternal! Come to the House of the Lord!
Welcome light, welcome beauty, welcome wonder. Welcome God!

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Sermon We Welcome

\*Hymn of Discipleship 485

Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race Tallis' Canon

11, 14,000

(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.)

(stanzas 1 and 4)

\*Benediction and Choral Response Ringing of the Tower Bells

\*Postlude Fantasia super Komm Heiliger Geist (Fantasia on Come Holy Spirit) J.S. Bach

#### IN THE SERVICE

**Preaching:** Larry Thomas

Scripture Reader: Walter Echols

#### **Worship Leaders**

Cyndy W. Twedell and Ellen Lewis

#### Musicians

Collin Boothby, Organ Scholar Chancel Choir Eric Mullins, Assistant Choirmaster

Chancel Guild

Preparing communion today are Lori Eagleton, Randy Eagleton, Ann Lesok and Mandy Teichelman.

#### Acolytes

Tevy Sek and Joye Hatter Davis Watts

#### **Elders**

Art Busbey and Gregg Lehman Imma Jeanne Alexander and Linda Brookshire

#### **Chancel Flowers**

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



**Fall Kickoff Today!** 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 eat free with a voucher available in The Gallery **today**). Inside dining, along with a photo booth and kids activities await.

Promotion Sunday for All Children and Youth is today at 10 a.m.

All students move up to their new grade levels.

**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 after worship (up the stairs, lectern side) and Rev. Jessica will lead the way.

#### Youth Handbell Groups start tonight!

UCC Ringers, 5-6 p.m. and Whitechapel Handbells, 6:30-7:30 p.m. in Room 229. Parents Meeting, 6-6:30 p.m., Shirey Rehearsal Hall.

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** Jessica Vacketta Cyndy W. Twedell

### Congregational Leadership Meetings

#### **Elders Meeting**

Tuesday, August 25, 6:30 p.m., Room 206

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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