Information



Get UCC Emails: If you are receiving too many UCC emails, or you are not sure how to sign up to receive UCC related emails, visit our website and click the link "Email List Sign Up" at the bottom of the web page to opt in or out of receiving one or all of our emails.



Watch worship services live at www.UniversityChristian.org/live or on our Facebook page University Christian Church of Fort Worth via Facebook Live. Watch recorded sermons at www.UniversityChristian.org/resources/sermons.



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Ministers are on call, available after hours, and available on weekends for pastoral care emergencies. If you have a need, call us at 817.926.6631 and follow the prompts, email us at pastoralcare@ uccftw.com, or fill out the pastoral care request form found at the bottom of our website.



Sunday school classes for children, youth, college and adults meet at 10:00am every Sunday. Adult class topics are located at the Sanctuary doors and front reception desk.



Handicap accessible restrooms located in the Gallery (second floor). Assisted listening devices are available; please ask an usher to obtain one.



Childcare is provided from 8:45am-12:15pm for children ages infant through kindergarten.

Helping Us Worship Today

Chancel Guild

Carol Smith, Dan Smith, and Kule Killion

Chancel Flowers

The flowers in the Chancel are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the youth who completed the 6th Grade Disciples Class. Your mentors are proud of you!

Worship Bags for Children

Worship Bags are available at the Gallery door. Check out this way to engage our children in worship. Please return them after worship.

OUR MINISTRY TEAM:

Rev. Dr. Russ Peterman, Senior Minister; Rev. Cyndy W. Twedell, Senior Associate Minister; Rev. Shannon Moore, Associate Minister; Jamie Plunkett, Associate Minister for Youth; Rev. Dr. Todd Prickett, Minister of Music; Rev. Jessica Vacketta, Associate Minister for Adults and College; Rev. Kera Watts, Associate Minister for Children; Tyler Heston, Assistant Minister for Youth; Josh Jackson, Assistant Minister for Youth; Kyla K. Rosenberger, Senior Organist; Joshua Ridenour, Organ Scholar

AS A GLOBAL MINISTRIES CONGREGATION UCC SUPPORTS AND PRAYS FOR:

OUR MISSIONARY PARTNERS: Paul Turner, Democratic Republic of Congo | Elena Huegel, Mexico.

THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR: Haiti and Mission Coworker Chimiste Doriscar

AS A GREEN CHALICE CONGREGATION UCC JOINS CHURCHES ACROSS THE COUNTRY IN FAITHFULLY CARING FOR CREATION. **LEARN MORE ABOUT:**

Our ministries at UniversityChristian.org | The Disciples of Christ, visit disciples.org













University Christian Church















Open minds, loving hearts



This Week at university christian church

Thank you to all who helped make Easter Sunday so meaningful and inspiring. It takes everyone to be Christ's Church and we appreciate you and the gifts you generously share.

Youth Night at Top Golf

Today | 2:30pm-4:30pm • Top Golf Fort Worth

UCC Youth will spend the evening at Top Golf for a fellowship event. For cost and to RSVP, please contact Jamie.Plunkett@uccftw.com

Welcome to Worship

April 8, 15, 22 & 29 | 10:00am • Room 109

Bring your children (current 4s and Kinder) to Welcome to Worship during the 10:00am Sunday school hour and the 11:00am worship time.



College Lunch Bunch Wednesdays | 12:00pm-1:00pm

All college students are invited to this free lunch in the college lounge.



New Member Lunch

Today | 12:00pm • Room 207

We are pleased to welcome new members to our UCC community. They have received invitations and will be our guests today at a catered lunch in their honor.

Wednesday Bible Study - All are welcome!

Wednesdays | 10:00am · Room 203

Bible study led by Dr. Bobby Wayne Cook.

Pickleball

Today | 4:30pm • Walker Hall

No experience necessary to play this game! (A combination of ping-pong/tennis/wiffle ball).

Prom Dreams Boutique is Open!

Our Prom Dreams ministry provides dresses and accessories to local students at no cost. We offer a boutique atmosphere which preserves the enjoyment of the traditional prom shopping experience. Volunteers needed:



sign up online under Open Registrations.

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group

Thursday, April 12 | 3:30pm-5:00pm • Room 201

A support group for caregivers of those suffering from Alzheimer's disease or other forms of dementia led by Dr. Charles Sanders and Leslie Dell.

Latte with the Ladies

Saturday, April 14 | 9:00am

Women of all ages are encouraged to meet at **Avoca on Magnolia** for a relaxed fellowship time.



CONGREGATIONAL GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

Building and Grounds Committee | Today, April 8 ⋅ 12:15pm | Room 226 Finance Committee | Tuesday, April 10 · 5:30pm | Room 203

Upcoming at university christian church

For more information or to register for the following, visit our website, UniversityChristian.org



Legacy Society Luncheon

April 15 | 12:15pm • Room 150

Be our guest at a free lunch and learn more about how to be a part of UCC's Legacy Society! Childcare provided with reservation. RSVP online under Open Registrations by April 8.



Church and the Arts Road Trip to Tulsa

Tour Tulsa's famous Philbrook Museum and Gardens, Mayo Hotel, and Gilcrease Museum (including a Norman Rockwell Exhibit) from May 4-6. Cost is \$365/person. \$150 deposit is due April 15. Copies of the full itinerary are available in the Arches. Please email Rachel at rachel.ngurukie@uccftw.com with any questions or to reserve a place.



WiLD Women Book Club

April 16 | 6:00pm · Cat City Grill April 17 | 11:30am • Room 150

Both groups will discuss Killers of the Flower Moon by David Grann.



Earth Stewardship Sunday

Sunday, April 22 · Gallery

In celebration of Earth Stewardship Sunday, UCC's Caring for God's Creation will offer information in the Gallery regarding recycling and other 'caring' ways to help the Earth.



Vacation Bible School | June 26-29

VBS for children 2 years through 3rd graders and Mission VBS for 4th and 5th graders. Registration is open for everyone.

Cost is \$20 per child, discounts and childcare available for parents who volunteer. For more information, contact robin.doule@uccftw.com.



Senior Banquet

Wednesday, May 2 · Walker Hall Annual Senior Banquet honoring our

graduating high school seniors.



Softball Schedule

Friday, April 13 | 6:45pm · Gateway Park Field 4 Friday, April 20 | 6:45pm · Gateway Park Field 1



Blanket the World with Love

Beginning April 15, honor your mother, sister, daughter or important women in your life with purchasing the gift of blankets in their name from Church World Service as CWS offers comfort, warmth and compassion to our neighbors in the US and around the world facing displacement, disaster or the strain of poverty.



Men's Ministry Lunch

Thursday April 19 | 12:00pm · Café Bella Join men of all ages for lunch and fellowship. For more information email rachel.ngurukie@uccftw.com.



Parents Night Out • April 27

Enjoy a night out from 6:00pm-9:00pm while your children enjoy a fun time at church. Cost: \$5 per child, \$10 family limit. Register online under Open Registrations bu April 20.



Hearing and Healing:

Table Conversations on Gun Violence Wednesday, April 25 | 6:00pm • Walker Hall

Rev. Dr. Joretta Marshall will guide our discussion as we gather at the Table, in the spirit of welcome and inclusion, to share concerns and listen for God's direction on the subject of gun violence. A boxed supper will be provided and communion will be served. RSVP online to reserve your meal and/or childcare.



April 8, 2018

You can find today's scripture reading on page 115 of the New Testament in your pew Bible.

This morning's anthem was written by Episcopalian organist Everett Titcomb (1884-1968). A lifelong Bostonian, he served the Church of St. John the Evangelist and taught at New England Conservatory and Boston University. Most of his compositions favor early music and were written in the polyphonic style.

The Sermon is a message based on scripture that proclaims the good news of Jesus Christ and helps to strengthen faith within the gathered community.

University Christian
Church is a warm
community that
welcomes everyone to
the table. If you proclaim
Jesus as the Christ and
would like to partner
with us on your journey
of faith, we invite you to
come forward during the
Hymn of Discipleship or
speak to a minister
after worship.

The Scripture in Context

Reverend Russ Peterman

Scripture | John 20:19-31

Readers: (9:00am) Kendall Lehman (11:00am) Andrew Darr

Congregational Response

One: The Word of God, for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

(11:00am) Anthem

Alleluia. All the Earth Doth Worship Thee • Everett Titcomb

Chancel Choir and Dr. Todd Prickett, choirmaster

Alleluia, alleluia. All the earth doth worship Thee, O God, and sing of Thee. They shall sing praise to Thy name, O most high.

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Sermon | Faithful Doubt

Reverend Russ Peterman

*Hymn of Discipleship 265, stanzas 1, 3 & 4

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

Hvmn Tune: MORECAMBE

*Benediction and Choral Response

*Ringing of the Tower Bells

*Postlude

Fairest Lord Jesus • arr. Alice Jordan

Celebration of Worship

April 8, 2018 | 9:00am & 11:00am



Living the good news of Jesus Christ with open minds and loving hearts





The information in these margins will help guide you through worship. If you have any questions, please ask a greeter, usher or minister.

Red text is read by the congregation.

Asterisks (*) indicate times when you are invited to stand. Feel free to remain seated if need be.

Gloria Patri (Latin for "Glory be to the Father") is an ancient prayer of praise. Early Christians usually referred to God in masculine terms. You might sing "Mother" or "Creator" instead of "Father," depending on how you think about God.

We celebrate with the Disciples Class students today who participate in Believer's Baptism, one of the theological roots of our denomination. We also take this moment to reaffirm our own baptisms, and to remember that the gift of baptism is God's to give, as we celebrate the confirmation of our Disciples Class students who have already been baptized.

Prelude

Fairest Lord Jesus • Diane Bish
Joshua Ridenour, Organ Scholar
Carillon for a Joyous Day • Douglas E. Wagner
Whitechapel Handbell Choir and Mimi Rogers, director

Ringing of the Tower Bells and Procession of the Acolytes

Acolytes: (9:00am) Beckett Hummelke and Eric Self (11:00am) Sarah Beth Lo and Amelia Alsleben

Welcome and Call to Worship

Jamie Plunkett

*Processional Hymn 517 | Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Hymn Tune: BEECHER

*Litany of Praise

One: Let heaven and earth sing praises!

All: We proclaim our praise with great joy!

One: The brilliant light of the resurrection fills our hearts

and our spirits.

All: Alelluia! Praise God! Alleluia!

*Gloria Patri 35: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Service of Baptism and Confirmation

Reverend Russ Peterman, Reverend Cyndy W. Twedell, Tyler Heston and Josh Jackson

(9:00am) We celebrate the baptisms of Jack Bradford,
George Edward Butler, Scott Cooper, Marshall Lehman
and Miley Stallings

(11:00am) We celebrate the baptisms of Rachel Darr, Parker Jones, Karoline Litke, Meredith Martin, Brooke Mills, Claire Nelson, Megan Nelson, and Emerson Self. We celebrate the confirmations of Caroline Waldvogel and Ethan Prickett.

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Reverend Kera Watts

Call to Prayer

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

One: Let us pray.

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer and Choral Response

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

The Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

(9:00am) Alleluia. All the Earth Doth Worship Thee • Everett Titcomb Chancel Choir and Dr. Todd Prickett, choirmaster (11:00am) Christ Be with Me • K. Lee Scott Jackson Yandell, baritone

*The Doxology 46

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

(11:00am) Communion Hymn 416, stanzas 1 & 2

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

Hymn Tune: CONSOLATION

The Lord's Supper | Invitation to the Table

The Words of Institution and Prayers of the Elders
Elders: (9:00am) Meg Lehman, bread and Gregg Lehman, cup
(11:00am) Rich Darr, bread and Anne Darr, cup

The Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

Borning Cry • arr. David Christiansen

The Peace

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

*(11:00am) Hymn 638, stanzas 1 & 3 | In the Bulb There Is a Flower

Hymn Tune: PROMISE

11:00am worship, 1st-3rd graders are invited to join a Worship and Wonder leader in the Gallery. Children will return to the Sanctuary during the Hymn of Discipleship.

The Lord's Prayer is a prayer that Jesus taught his disciples. It asks God to help us be generous, thankful, and humble. We say this prayer together each week at the end of the Pastoral Prayer.

You are welcome to give via text to 817-241-2780. Simply text the amount you want to give and follow the prompts. You may also give through "ShelbyNext Giving" available in your app store.

Doxology is Greek for "words of glory." We use this ancient form of praise to thank God as the offering is brought forward with the bread and juice for the Lord's Supper.

The Lord's Supper (also called communion) is a celebration of Christ's love for the world. We share this meal each week and everyone is welcome to participate. Our communion bread is free of gluten, wheat, dairy, yeast, eggs, soy, nuts, and corn.

The Passing of the Peace is one of the most ancient worship responses. Having received Christ's peace, we pass it on.