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Ministers are on call, 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, fill out the pastoral care request form found at the bottom of our website or email us at pastoralcare@uccftw.com.
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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.
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Handicap accessible restrooms located in the Gallery (second floor).
Assisted listening devices are available; please ask an usher to obtain one.
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Childcare is provided from 8:45am-12:15pm for children ages infant through kindergarten.

OUR MINISTRY TEAM:


Rev. Dr. Russ Peterman, Senior Minister; Rev. Renee Hoke, Executive Minister; Rev. Cyndy W. Twedell, Minister of Nurture; Rev. Shannon Moore, Minister of Faith Formation; Rev. Jamie Plunkett, Minister of Youth & Families; Rev. Dr. Todd Prickett, Minister of Music; Rev. Jessica Vacketta, Minister of Connections; Rev. Kera Watts, Minister of Children & Families; Allison Bright, Assistant Minister for Youth; William Judd, Assistant Minister for Youth; Janet Pummill, Senior Organist; Eric Mullins, Assistant Choirmaster; Dr. Amy Stewart, Assistant Organist

AS A GLOBAL MINISTRIES CONGREGATION UCC SUPPORTS AND PRAYS FOR:

Our missionary partners: Elena Huegel, Mexico and Larry and Debbie Colvin, Ghana.

This week we pray for:  Venezuela and Mission Coworker Carmelo Alvarez

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



Photos from Faithful Families Sunday School Class and #ucconthego

Open minds, loving hearts

August 19, 2018
www.UniversityChristian.org

A Disciples of Christ Congregation 

Welcome

We're glad to have you at University Christian Church. No matter where you are on your spiritual journey, we welcome you with open minds and loving hearts—as God does. We're not afraid of your past experiences or your present struggles. We choose love instead of judgment, loving people where they are and giving them the space to doubt, wonder, probe and ask the hard questions.

— Rev. Dr. Russell Peterman • Senior Minister



Who We Are

Vision

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

Mission

University Christian Church is dedicated to proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ through deeply spiritual worship, study, and service. Founded on the campus of Texas Christian University and shaped by our academic heritage, University Christian Church encourages a spirit of openness and freedom of thought. We are called to create a loving and caring community for all people, and work together for justice and peace in our world. Recognizing that our spiritual journeys are all different, we strive to be respectful and inclusive concerning each individual's relationship with God.

In faithful witness we commit to our Mission through:

Worship, Outreach and Social Justice, Relationships and Partnerships, Education and Spiritual Growth and The Arts



Thank you for wearing a name tag as we learn names and encourage a spirit of hospitality. Disposable name tags can be found on the tables in the Gallery. Order permanent name tags via the Name Tag Orders link under Open Registrations.

Helping Us Worship Today

Chancel Guild: Kay Campbell, Rich Darr, Nancy Strickland

Chancel Flowers: The flowers in the Chancel are given as a special blessing for all students, teachers, and administrators as they enter into a new school year and in loving memory of Jamie Wellman, by Stephanie and Payne Wellman.

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.

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This Week AT UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

For upcoming programs and events, please refer to the latest monthly Journal that was mailed to you, or pick one up from the silver stands found outside each of the Sanctuary doors.

Journey Land Training

Today • 9:00am | RM 211

For all who will serve in our 10:00am Elementary Sunday School Journey Land experience.

Welcome College Students!

We're glad you joined us in worship today. Swing by our college table in the Gallery after services to meet current students and learn more about UCC. Join us for Lunch Bunch, Wednesdays, 12:00 pm in the college lounge. Contact: jessica@uccftw.com

College Lunch Bunch Volunteers

If you would like to help provide food for our weekly college lunch, please sign up online under open registrations. If you are interested in serving as a monthly host (set out drinks, plates, welcome students, help with food setup, etc.) Contact: Rev. Jessica Vacketta, jessica@uccftw.com

Health & Fitness

Yoga with Julie Vitek—Mondays • 12:30pm & Thursdays • 10:30am | RM 205

Cost: \$8 for one session a week or \$10 for two sessions a week.

**Faithfully Fit Forever—Mondays • 4:00pm
Wednesdays & Fridays • 11:00am | No Cost**

Reserved Parking Spaces—TCU Football

Reserved parking spaces for TCU football season are still available for purchase. All proceeds support UCC Ministries and Youth programs. Contact: parking@uccftw.com



CONGREGATIONAL GOVERNANCE AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Church and The Arts Meeting | Monday, August 20 • 6:30pm | RM 150

Board of Stewards Meeting | Tuesday, August 21 • 6:30pm | RM 150

Mission Pilgrimage Committee | Wednesday, August 22 • 6:00pm | RM 226

BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY Today

We've missed you—time to get Back to Church!
All are welcome and bring a friend!

Invite friends and neighbors to experience our UCC community in a casual and fun setting.



WORSHIP SERVICES
9:00am | 11:00am



BLESSING OF BACKPACKS
11:00am Worship



COMMUNITY BBQ LUNCH
12:15pm



FAMILY FUN ACTIVITIES
12:30pm-2:00pm



#UCCONTHEGO SLIDESHOW
12:30pm-2:00pm

Video Booth—Why UCC?

Today • 11:30am-2:00pm | RM 212

Come have fun with us and be recorded while you share what your "Why UCC" is. We invite everyone to come try out our video booth (studio)—you might get to see yourself on our website, social media or other electronic communication while helping us get the word out of Why UCC!

UCC Garden Flags—are available at all Sanctuary exits and in the Gallery, one per household please.



Room in The Inn—Opportunities in August Wednesday Evenings and Thursday Mornings

Provide a welcome respite to those experiencing homelessness. Serve by greeting our guests, cooking, providing transportation, and more. Contact carolmstewart@sbcglobal.net for training, or stop by the table in the Gallery on Sundays to learn more about this ministry.

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 welcome everyone to participate in sharing this meal each week. Our communion bread is free of gluten, wheat, dairy, yeast, eggs, soy, nuts, and corn and we also use alcohol-free grape juice.

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 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 390, stanzas 1 & 3

Lord of Our Highest Love!
Hymn Tune: FRANCONIA

Invitation to the Table

The Words of Institution and Prayers for the Bread and Cup

Elders: (9:00am) Jeanne Duke, bread & Sandra Soria, cup
(11:00am) Marianne Walker, bread & Bill Walker, cup

The Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

***Hymn of Discipleship 475, stanzas 1, 3 & 5**

The Church of Christ in Every Age
Hymn Tune: WAREHAM

***Benediction and Choral Response**

***Ringing of the Tower Bells**

***Postlude**

When in Our Music God Is Glorified • Robert A. Hobby

Celebration of Worship

August 19, 2018 | 9:00am & 11:00am

Sermon Series • August 12–September 2

Seeking **WHOLENESS** IN A Fragmented World



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

The information in these margins will 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.

In our worship, any gender-specific language is meant to apply to all genders, and all references to God are intended to encompass the full character and nature of God. In the Gloria Patri, for instance, you might sing “Mother” or “Creator” instead of “Father”, depending on how you think about God.

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.

Prelude

Prelude on WAREHAM • arr. John Hanson
Janet Pummill, Senior Organist

Ringling of Tower Bells and Procession of Acolytes

(9:00am) Emma Jane Farmer
(11:00am) Hope Hatter

Welcome and Call to Worship

Reverend Renee Hoke

*Processional Hymn 22 | All Creatures of Our God and King

Hymn Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*Litany of Praise

Hope Hatter

One: Come, sing a new song to God!

All: We will join all the earth in singing praises to God.

One: Let the hills sing together for joy!

All: We will praise our God who does marvelous things.

*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.

(11:00am) Blessing of Backpacks

Reverend Kera Watts

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Reverend Shannon Moore

Call to Prayer

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

One: Let us pray.

Pastoral Prayer, 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 Scripture in Context

Reverend Russ Peterman

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

Scripture | Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Reader: Allison Bright

Congregational Response

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: Words Matter

Reverend Russ Peterman

*The Peace

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

*Hymn of Response 15, stanzas 1, 2 & 4 | Rejoice, You Pure in Heart

Hymn Tune: MARION

Invitation to Offering

Addison Gardner

The Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

A Call to Celebration • Joseph M. Martin
Chancel Choir and Dr. Todd Prickett, choirmaster

All people that on earth now living, sing to the Lord with cheerful noise. Serve the Lord with glad thanksgiving. As one, lift high your voice. Know that the Lord is God. God’s love endureth forever. Make known God’s mighty works. Sing alleluia! Let the church rejoice. Sing alleluia! Raise a joyful noise. Sing alleluia! Ev’ry heart and voice, sing alleluia! Congregation, lift your praises. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord. We are the voices of the future. We are the keepers of the faith. We are the dream of things to come. We are God’s instruments of grace. Let us exalt the Lord forever. Let us work together. We must tell the world that God is love. We see the hope in each new dawning. We wake and face a brand new day. We see the rising of the sun. This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice with glad thanksgiving. Praise God with our living. Let us raise our voices now as one. Let us sing as one. Let the church rejoice... Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Let the church rejoice!

You can find today’s scripture reading on page 194 of the New Testament in your pew Bible.

The Sermon is a message based on scripture that proclaims God’s love and helps to strengthen faith within the gathered community.

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

Faithful giving supports the ministries of our church and helps us develop generosity as a spiritual practice.

This morning’s offertory is based upon the tune OLD HUNDREDTH by Louis Bourgeois (1510–1561). Most of you will recognize it as the tune to which we sing our Doxology each Sunday. This updated setting by Joseph Martin casts the 16th-century tune in a new light.