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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.



CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP MEETINGS

CLG Meeting | Tuesday, November 27 • 5:00pm | RM 202

Deacons Meeting | Sunday, December 2 • 10:00am | College Lounge

HELPING US WORSHIP TODAY

Chancel Guild: Lori Eagleton, Randy Eagleton, Ann Lesok, Mandy Teichelman

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: 🇱🇧 Lebanon and Mission Coworker Maria Bakalian



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



Photos of Cinnamon Roll Sunday and Thanksgiving Feast

The flowers in the Chancel are given to the glory of God and In celebration of the first anniversary of Dr. Russ Peterman's ministry with us at UCC. We are grateful for Russ and his family.



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November 25, 2018

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A Disciples of Christ Congregation



Welcome TO UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

We choose love—as God does—loving people where they are and giving them the space to doubt, learn, wonder and ask the hard questions.

— Rev. Dr. Russell Peterman • Senior Minister



TODAY

Disciples Class Informational Meeting
12:00pm • RM 207

Hanging of The Greens
5:30pm • Sanctuary

Worship Bags for Children

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

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 reception desk.

Childcare

Available for ages infant through kindergarten from 8:45am-12:15pm.

Children & Youth

Weekly Sunday programs for grades 1–12 encourage discipleship through fun and faith-centered activities. Music programs are available. Learn more by visiting our website or by picking up a UCC Journal.



10:00am | RM 201 • Whether you are a guest, returning, or a long time member, you are welcome to this 4 week faith-growing opportunity. Topics include: Exploring UCC, Growing & Worshiping, Serving and Connecting. You can begin anytime!

RECURRING EVENTS

UCC & You

Sundays • 10:00am | RM 201

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Sundays • 5:00pm | RM 206

Yoga

Mondays • 12:30pm | RM 205
Thursdays • 10:30am | RM 205

Needlers

Thursdays • 10:00am | RM 205

Faithfully Fit Forever

Mondays • 4:00pm | RM 205
Wednesdays & Fridays
11:00am | RM 205

Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesdays • 10:00am | RM 203

Children's Closet

Mondays & Thursdays • 10:00am-12:00pm

College Lunch Bunch

Wednesdays • 12:00pm
College Lounge (RM 223)

Biblical Storytelling

December 2 • 10:00am | RM 313

First Thursday Holiday Special

December 6 • 11:00am | RM 150

Grab a UCC Journal—it's packed with valuable information!



Discover UCC programs, serving/volunteering opportunities and events in our monthly UCC Journal—found in the silver stands located near each Sanctuary entrance, by the Front Desk, can be read online by visiting our website, or you can opt in to have one mailed to you.

Opt in to receive or continue to receive the UCC Journal by mail: visit www.universitychristian.org/mail-journal or fill out a paper form. Form found alongside drop-off containers in the Gallery, Arches and Front Desk.

Featured Events

Register or RSVP for programs and events online at universitychristian.org, click on the Resources tab and then click on Open Registrations.



What Shall We Bring—Annual Giving Campaign 2019

We encourage everyone to participate in the planning of our future. Estimate of giving cards can be found in the pews. You can also pledge online or contact the business office.

CONNECT

Poinsettia Orders

November 25–December 16

Purchase poinsettias in memory, honor, in celebration or in appreciation of a person or event. Order online or get a order form at the Reception Desk or in the Arches



CONNECT



Boar's Head & Yule Log Festival and Feast Tickets on Sale

Monday, November 26

SERVE

Gifts of Hope

Sunday, December 2
9:00am–12:30pm | Gallery

Shop at this unique and alternative giving market! Purchased gifts benefit UCC outreach ministries and several local and global charitable organizations.



CONNECT

Intergenerational Advent Experience

Sundays, December 2–23 • 10:00am | Walker Hall

Every Sunday during Advent, all are welcome to learn, serve and experience Advent together. This faith formation opportunity is designed for 4th grade–adults, but younger children are welcome to attend with an adult.

CONNECT



Our Advent Gift to You: Mason Jar Advent Calendar

As we “Make Room” this Advent Season, please take home a Mason Jar Advent Calendar. Calendars will

be available in the Gallery following the Hanging of the Greens service this evening, and in the Arches throughout the remainder of Advent.

CONNECT



World Aids Day Service

Saturday, December 1

This year UCC hosts our community's World AIDS Day observance with a service in Walker Hall. Our labyrinth will be open beginning at 5:00pm, followed by a contemplative service at 6:00pm.

CONNECT

Connect Lunch

Sunday, December 2 • 12:00pm | Walker Hall

Connect and have lunch with us! Adults, \$10. Grades 1–12, \$5. College students and children 5 and under, free. [Reserve your place online or call Pam Reeser.](#)

SERVE

Puerto Rico Mission Pilgrimage

March 10–16, 2019

Share in the hard work of hurricane recovery. Ages 14+ are welcome. Pilgrimage cost: \$1,300. [Deposit due by December 9: \\$200.](#) Contact Cyndy Twedell.

Detailed information about **recurring events** can be [found in the UCC Journal](#).

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A Disciples of Christ Congregation



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 cup for the Lord’s Supper.

The Lord’s Supper (also called communion) is a celebration of Christ’s love for the world. Christ is the host and invites all to share in this meal. 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 dedicated to Living the Good News of Jesus Christ with Open Minds and Loving Hearts. If you proclaim Jesus as the Christ and would like to partner with us on your journey of faith, we invite you to 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 357, stanzas 1 & 2**

We Call Ourselves Disciples
Hymn Tune: LANCASHIRE
- Invitation to the Table**
- The Words of Institution and Prayers for the Bread and Cup**

Elders: (9:00am) Lorraine Stell, bread & Phyllis Allen, cup
(11:00am) Linda Smith, bread & Walter Echols, cup
- The Sharing of the Bread and the Cup**

Meditation on ON EAGLE’S WINGS • Michael Joncas
- *Hymn of Discipleship 77, stanzas 1, 3 & 4 | On Eagle’s Wings**

(soloists sing the stanzas, congregation sings refrain)
Hymn Tune: ON EAGLE’S WINGS
- *Benediction and Choral Response**
- *Ringing of the Tower Bells**
- *Postlude**

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation • arr. Robert A. Hobby



Celebration of Worship

November 25, 2018 | 9:00am & 11:00am



*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

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come • arr. Robert A. Hobby
Janet Pummill, Senior Organist

Ringing of Tower Bells and Procession of Acolytes

(11:00am) Hope Hatter and Henry Vitek

Welcome and Call to Worship

Reverend Shannon Moore

*Processional Hymn 275 | Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Hymn Tune: WESTMINSTER ABBEY

*Litany of Praise

One: Sing praises to God, all you faithful.
All: God hears us in in every season of life.
One: When there is no way,
All: God shows us a new way.
One: Sing praises to God, all you faithful.
All: We will shout joyfully to our God!

*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.

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, 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.

(11:00am) Anthem

New Beginnings • Carlton R. Young
Chancel Choir and Dr. Todd Prickett, choirmaster

This is a day of new beginnings, time to remember and move on, time to believe what love is bringing, laying to rest the pain that’s gone. For by the life and death of Jesus, God’s mighty Spirit, now as then, can make for us a world of difference, as faith and hope are born again. Then let us, with the Spirit’s daring, step from the past and leave behind our disappointment, guilt, and grieving, seeking new paths, and sure to find. In faith we gather ‘round the table to taste and share what love can do. This is a day of new beginnings; our God is making all things new.

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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 | 2 Timothy 4:9-22

Reader: (9:00am) Stephen Mosher
(11:00am) Eldon Irving

Congregational Response

One: The Word of God, for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon | Come Before Winter

Reverend Russ Peterman

*The Peace

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.

*Hymn of Response 86 | Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Hymn Tune: FAITHFULNESS

Invitation to Offering

The Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

(9:00am) New Beginnings • Carlton R. Young
Chancel Choir and Dr. Todd Prickett, choirmaster
(11:00am) Balm in Gilead • arr. Harry T. Burleigh
Kristin Stewart, soprano

Today’s anthem text was penned by prolific hymn-writer Brian Wren. Dr. Wren writes that this text describes faith awakening as we are charged with promise, as a springboard to make a fresh start. Dr. Carlton Young composed the tune for this text with the energy of a 1930s Broadway ballad.

You can find today’s scripture reading on page 213 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.