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*Handicap accessible restrooms located in the Gallery (second floor).*



**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](mailto:pastoralcare@uccftw.com).

### GOVERNANCE MEETINGS



**CLG Meeting** • Tuesday, February 19 • 5:30pm | RM 202

**Board of Stewards Meeting** • Tuesday, February 19 • 6:30pm | RM 150

### HELPING US WORSHIP TODAY

**Chancel Guild:** Kay Campbell, Rich Darr, Nancy Strickland

**Web Host:** Rev. Renee Hoke, **Sound:** Mike Coffey, **Video:** Jack Stewart, **Radio Announcer:** Troy Tuomey

### 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:** 🇭🇰 Hong Kong and Mission Coworker Judy Chan



### AS A GREEN CHALICE CONGREGATION:

UCC joins churches across the country in faithfully caring for God's creation.

### LEARN MORE ABOUT:

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# UNIVERSITY Christian Church

*Open minds, loving hearts*



Photos from Just Say Know, Clergy Woman's Breakfast, Latte With the Ladies and Youth.

The flowers in the Chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Susan McAdams "Ninnom" Harrell; gone but hardly forgotten! The Harrell Family.



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# 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

### Welcome Video: Filming Day

Please wear a yellow name tag if you do not want to be filmed. Name tags are located at the front desk, Arches, Gallery and Sanctuary entrances.

### Week of Compassion Special Offering

9:00am • 11:00am

### 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.

### Childcare

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

### 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.

### 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.

### Simple Worship • 9:30am-9:50am | Chapel of the Good Shepherd

This twenty minute, come-as-you-are service is an opportunity to worship in a casual atmosphere.

## RECURRING EVENTS

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Sundays • 5:00pm | RM 206

### Children's Closet

Mondays & Thursdays • 10:00am-12:00pm

### Faithfully Fit Forever

Mondays • 4:00pm | RM 205

Wednesdays & Fridays

11:00am | RM 205

### Yoga

Mondays • 12:30pm | RM 205

Thursdays • 10:30am | RM 205

### Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesdays • 10:00am | RM 203

### Room In The Inn

Wednesday Nights &

Thursday Mornings

Sign up online to serve

### Needlers

Thursdays • 10:00am | RM 205

### Lunch Bunch

Noon | College Lounge (RM 223)

### WiLD Women Book Club

Monday, February 18

6:00pm | Cat City Grill

Tuesday, February 19

11:30am | RM 150

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



*UCC Journals can be found in the silver stands located near each Sanctuary entrance, by the Front Desk, read online on our website or you can opt in to have one mailed to you.*

**Opt in to receive the UCC Journal by mail:** visit [www.universitychristian.org/mail-journal](http://www.universitychristian.org/mail-journal) or call Michelle Groom at 817-926-6631.

## Featured Events

**Register or RSVP** for programs and events online at [universitychristian.org](http://universitychristian.org), click on the Resources tab and then click on Open Registrations.

### SERVE

#### Toiletries Drive • Month of February

All are encouraged to collect regular size: bar soap, toilet tissue, deodorant, razors and shaving cream, shampoo, conditioner and toothpaste for South Central Alliance of Churches. Donation bins located near reception desk. **Contact:** Linda Smith, [linda.k.smith1954@gmail.com](mailto:linda.k.smith1954@gmail.com)

### CONNECT

#### Connect Dinner

Thursday, February 21

6:00pm-7:30pm | Walker Hall

Gather around the table to fill your soul and tummies with good conversation, connected community and delicious food. Menu: Roasted Idaho Trout with Mediterranean Vinaigrette. College students and children 5 and under eat free, grades 1-12 \$6 and adults \$12. **Space is limited—make reservations today in the Gallery or online.**

### CONNECT

#### Annual Fine Arts Show

Sunday, March 3 • 10:00am-2:00pm | RM 207

Calling all artists of all ages, professional and amateur! You are invited to share and display your artwork at this year's exhibit. Entry forms, located in the Arches or Front Desk, **must be received by February 24.** For more information **contact Judy Williamson, [williamsonjudy@rocketmail.com](mailto:williamsonjudy@rocketmail.com).**

### SERVE

#### Docent Orientation

Monday, February 25 • 6:30pm | RM 150

Enhance the understanding of art and symbolism of UCC. Learn to lead tours of the Sanctuary and Gallery.

### CONNECT



#### Belltower Series: Of Many Colors Presents "The Gospel Train"

Wednesday, February 20

7:00pm | Sanctuary

OMC is excited to present many cherished gospel standards in this year's concert, titled "The Gospel Train". Enjoy favorites, including "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" and many others. Please join us and bring a friend! Admission is Free.

### SERVE

#### Prom Dreams Orientation

Thursday, February 21 • 5:30pm

This is an orientation and training for volunteers.

**Meet us at:** Prom Dreams Boutique

2618 S. University Drive.

### SERVE

#### Upcoming Mission Pilgrimage Opportunities

Navajo pilgrimage in partnership with Broadway Baptist Church—July 12 through July 20.

Texas City Hurricane Relief pilgrimage—July 28 through August 3.

**Contact:** [mgroom@uccftw.com](mailto:mgroom@uccftw.com)

### CONNECT

#### Lenten Meals and Small Groups

Wednesdays • 6:00pm | Walker Hall

Each Wednesday evening during Lent, small groups will gather in Walker Hall for a simple meal at 6:00pm. At 7:00pm, the groups will go into meeting spaces for a Lenten devotion and time of building relationships with God and each other. **Register online, contact Shannon Moore, [shannon.moore@uccftw.com](mailto:shannon.moore@uccftw.com).**

Detailed information about **recurring events** can be **found in the UCC Journal**.

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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**

Elders: (9:00am) Cheryl McDonald  
(11:00am) Sally King

**(11:00am) Communion Hymn 321, stanzas 1 & 3**

**Break Thou the Bread of Life**  
Hymn Tune: BREAD OF LIFE

**Invitation to the Table**

**The Words of Institution and Prayer for the Bread and Cup**

Elders: (9:00am) Nancy Strickland  
(11:00am) Susan Sprinkle

**The Sharing of the Bread and the Cup**

*Let Us Break Bread Together* • African-American Spiritual

**\*Hymn of Discipleship 463, stanzas 1 & 2 | Renew Your Church**

Hymn Tune: ALL IS WELL

**\*Benediction and Choral Response**

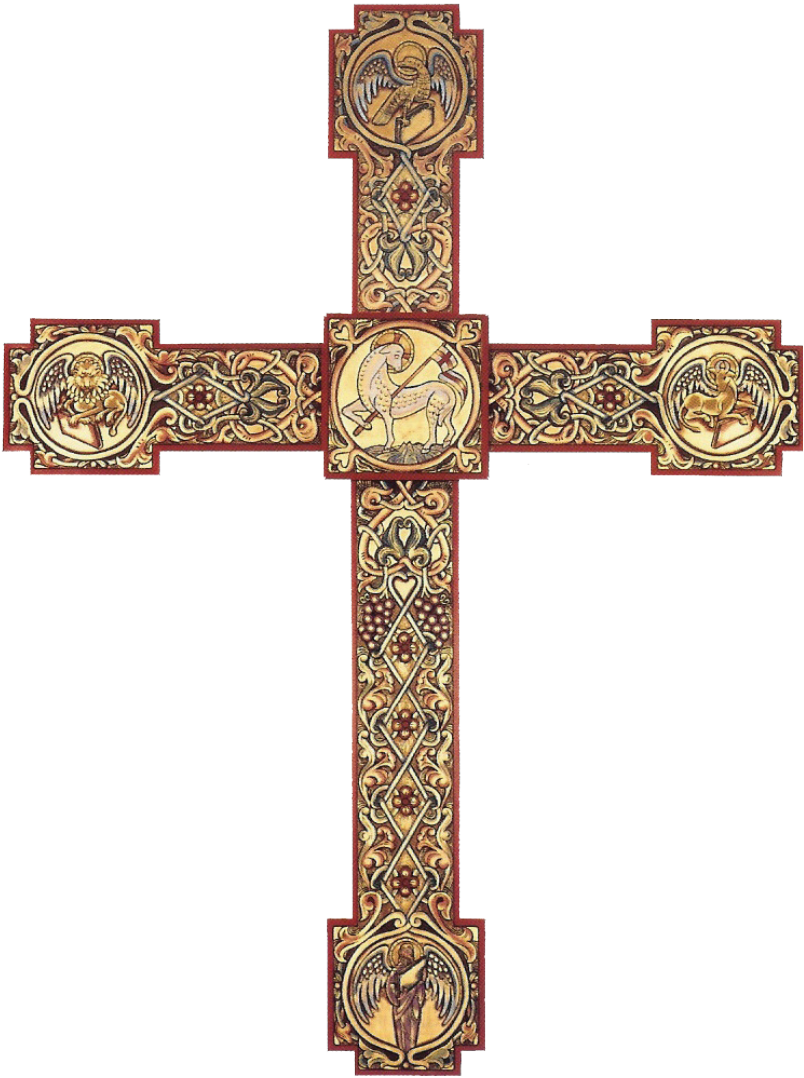
**\*Ringing of the Tower Bells**

**\*Postlude**

*Toccata on "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"* • Ludwig van Beethoven

# Celebration of Worship

February 17, 2019 | 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.

This morning’s prelude, Organ Fugue in D Major, is the only solo piece Beethoven wrote for organ. It was written when he was 13 and is thought to be one of his first compositions.

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

Fugue in D Major • Ludwig van Beethoven  
Janet Pummill, organ

Ring of Tower Bells and Procession of Acolytes  
(11:00am) Josie Scanlon & Savannah Hardin

Welcome and Call to Worship  
Reverend Cyndy Twedell

\*Processional Hymn 2 | Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee  
Hymn Tune: HYMN TO JOY

\*Litany of Praise

One: God calls fervently to the lost and the least.  
All: God calls us when we wander and welcomes us home.  
One: Let us celebrate and rejoice in God’s presence forever!  
All: Together we raise our voices in joy: Alleluia! Amen!

\*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) Presentation of Bibles to Third Graders  
Reverend Russ Peterman and Reverend Kera Watts

Sharing of Joys and Concerns  
Allison Bright

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 | Luke 6:17-26  
Reader: Chad Cline

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

Sermon | Deep Joy in a Shallow World  
Reverend Russ Peterman

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

\*Hymn of Response 324 | Your Words to Me Are Life and Health  
Hymn Tune: WINCHESTER OLD

Invitation to Offering

The Receiving of Tithes and Offerings  
The Beatitudes • Philip W. J. Stopford  
Chancel Choir and Dr. Todd Prickett, choirmaster  
Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.  
Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.  
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.  
Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.  
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.  
Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heav’n.  
Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.  
Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

You can find today’s scripture reading on page 64 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 a meditative and reflective setting of The Beatitudes from Matthew 5. The contemporary harmonies and natural setting of the text creates a chant-like effect, further emphasizing the meaning of the words.