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GOVERNANCE MEETINGS



No Meetings This Week.

HELPING US WORSHIP TODAY

Chancel Guild: Kyle Killion, Carol Smith, Dan Smith


Web Host: Allison Bright, **Sound:** Rich Darr, **Video:** Jack Stewart, **Radio Announcer:** Diane Cooper

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:  Indonesia and Mission Coworker Karen Campbell



AS A GREEN CHALICE CONGREGATION:

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

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Open minds, loving hearts



Photos of the Annual Fine Arts Show, Sunday School and Puerto Rico Commissioning.

The flowers in the Chancel are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Natalie Ford and Cody Edwards on March 9.



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March 10, 2019
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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



JYF, Chi-Rho and CYF
will not meet tonight.

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.

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

will not meet March 10

Sundays • 5:00pm | RM 206

Children's Closet is

Closed the Week of March 10

Mondays & Thursdays •
10:00am-12:00pm

Needlers

Thursdays • 10:00am | RM 205

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

Lunch Bunch

Wednesdays • Noon

College Lounge (RM 223)

Prom Dreams Boutique

Thursdays: 5:00pm-7:00pm

Saturdays: 10:00am-12:00pm



Grab a UCC Journal! There is a new one each month—read it online or take one from the silver stands located near Sanctuary entrances and by the Front Desk.

UCC Journal by postal mail: visit www.universitychristian.org/mail-journal or call Michelle Groom at 817-926-6631.

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Featured Events

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

CONNECT

Men's Second Thursday Lunch

Thursday, March 14 • Noon | Café Bella

The Men of UCC now meet the Second Thursday of the month. Join men of all ages for lunch and fellowship at Café Bella.

CONNECT

Belltower Series:

An Evening with Mack Wilberg

Thursday, March 21

7:00pm | Sanctuary

We welcome Mack Wilberg, Director of Music of the Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square, to conduct this concert featuring the UCC Chancel Choir, Arlington Master Chorale, and orchestra.

Admission is free, however tickets are required.

Pick up your tickets at the reception desk today!



CONNECT

Good News, Good Brews

Wednesdays, Starting March 13

7:30pm-9:00pm | Fort Brewery & Pizza



This 21+ group gathers at a local pub to discuss faith, beliefs, and lots more in a casual atmosphere.

Contact: shannon.moore@uccftw.com.

CONNECT

Friday Fellowship: Game Day

Friday, March 22 • 10:00am | RM 211

Friday Fellowship now meets twice a month! On the 4th Friday, we will gather for Game Day to play dominos, cards and board games. Bring your game and snack to share!

CONNECT

Rice & Beans Cook-off

Sunday, March 31 • 12:15pm | Walker Hall

Join us as we support our partners in Nicaragua and enjoy classic Nicaraguan cuisine—Arroz y Frijoles—rice and beans! \$10 per adult and \$3 for children. **Register online by March 27 to enter the Rice and Beans competition.**

SERVE

VBS Participant & Volunteer Registration

Volunteers Needed, Register Online!

Vacation Bible School is June 11-14

VBS is for children 2 years through grade 3. Mission VBS is for grades 4 and 5. Cost is \$25 per child for VBS and \$40 per child for Mission VBS. Scholarships are available by request.

Contact: robin.doyle@uccftw.com



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

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

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.

Invitation to Offering

The Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

Cantilene • Louis Cahuzac
Gary Whitman, clarinet & Janet Pummill, organ

*The Doxology 46

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

*Prayer of Dedication

Elders: (9:00am) Ann Barr
(11:00am) Tim Lee

(11:00am) Communion Hymn 485, stanzas 1 & 4

Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race
Hymn Tune: TALLIS’ CANON

Invitation to the Table

The Words of Institution and Prayer for the Bread and Cup

Elders: (9:00am) Lyn Willis
(11:00am) Avis Herndon

The Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

Interlude on RESIGNATION • arr. Gilbert M. Martin

*Hymn of Discipleship 180, stanzas 1, 3 & 4

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days
Hymn Tune: ST. FLAVIAN

*Benediction and Choral Response

*Ringing of the Tower Bells

*Postlude

The God of Abraham Praise • arr. Michael Burkhardt

Celebration of Worship

March 10, 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.

We welcome Gary Whitman, Division Chair of Woodwinds, TCU, and member of the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra. Gary will be playing the Prelude and Offertory this morning. The Concertino was written for violin by Giuseppe Tartini, an Italian Baroque composer. There were no solo works for clarinet at that time. It was later arranged for the clarinet by Gordon Jacob.

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, we strive to find various ways to encompass God's character and nature. We use expansive language for God, when possible, knowing that no words can describe the Holy One completely.

Prelude

Tartini Concertino • arr. Gordon Jacob
Gary Whitman, clarinet & Janet Pummill, organ

Ringling of Tower Bells and Procession of Acolytes
(11:00am) Hope Hatter & Henry Vitek

Welcome and Call to Worship
William Judd

*Processional Hymn 24 | The God of Abraham Praise
Hymn Tune: LEONI

*Litany of Praise

One: Sing praise to God who rescues us when we fall.
All: Sing praise to God who walks with us on all our journeys.
One: Even though we fall, God lifts us and places us on paths of peace.
All: Even though we stray, God finds us and brings us back to lives of hope.
One: Thanks be to God, whose love is continually with us.
All: Praise be to God, whose mercy is over us all.

*Congregational Response
From Here to There • Todd Prickett

From here to there, we jour-ney through life's wil-der-ness and strife. Our

God moves us from fear to faith; trans-formed by love we thrive. Di-

vine love pulls us for-ward as Christ turns des-pair to hope. Our

wand'-ring hearts find sol-ace as we move from death to life.

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Reverend Renee Hoke

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
Springs in the Desert • Arthur B. Jennings
Chancel Choir and Randolph Lacy, tenor
Dr. Todd Prickett, choirmaster

Say to them that are of a fearful heart, be strong. Fear not: behold, your God will come and save you. The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose. For in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams flow in the desert. And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water. A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the way of holiness; the redeemed shall walk there: and the ransomed of the Lord shall return with songs and everlasting joy: and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

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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 | Exodus 15:22-16:3
Reader: Kyle Killion

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

Sermon | From Fear to Faith
Reverend Russ Peterman

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

*Hymn of Response 80 | My Shepherd, You Supply My Need
Hymn Tune: RESIGNATION

The Lord's Prayer is a prayer Jesus taught his disciples and we say it together each week following the Pastoral Prayer. You might begin it by saying "Mother" or "Creator" instead of "Father" depending on how you think about God.

Today's anthem has been widely sung since its publication in 1920. Composer Arthur B. Jennings (1887-1972) took parts of Isaiah 35 and wrote this dramatic meditation on its vision of the end of sorrow and concluded with a foretaste of the feast to come! Jennings served as organist at the University of Minnesota and Plymouth Congregational Church in Minneapolis for decades.

You can find today's scripture reading on pages 62-63 of the Old 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.