

JANUARY 1, 2017		NEW YEAR’S DAY		11 AM	
CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP					
PRELUDE	Love Came Down at Christmas	K. Lee Scott			
Ringing of the Tower Bells					
WELCOME					
CALL TO WORSHIP					
*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 165	Once in Royal David’s City	IRBY			
*LITANY OF PRAISE					
For the holy child from Bethlehem, we thank you, O God.					
We praise you. We rejoice in you.					
For living in our hearts and guiding our lives, we thank you.					
We praise you. We rejoice in you. Alleluia!					
*GLORIA PATRI 35					
GREATOREX					
SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS					
CALL TO PRAYER					
The Lord be with you.					
And with your spirit.					
Let us pray . . .					
PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER (using debts and debtors) & CHORAL RESPONSE					
THE RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS					
Shepherd’s Dance					
Richard Elliott					
*THE DOXOLOGY 46					
OLD HUNDREDTH					
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION					
COMMUNION HYMN 404					
A Hymn of Joy We Sing					
BOYLSTON					
(stanzas 1 and 2)					
THE LORD’S SUPPER					
INVITATION TO THE TABLE					
THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE PRAYERS OF THE ELDERS					
THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP					
Christ’s table is open to all.					
You are invited to come forward to receive communion by intinction:					
break off a piece of bread and dip it in the cup. Ushers will direct you.					
THE PEACE					
The peace of the Lord be with you.					
And also with you.					
*The congregation is invited to stand at these times of the service. Feel free to remain seated if need be.					

*HYMN 518		This Is a Day of New Beginnings		BEGINNINGS	
		Worship and Wonder will not meet today.			
SCRIPTURE		Matthew 2:13-23			
		The text may be found on page 2 of the New Testament in the pew Bibles)			
CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE					
		The Word of God, for the people of God.			
		Thanks be to God.			
ANTHEM		New Year		John Rutter	
		Turn your eyes to the light; cast away the works of darkness,			
		Let them go: turn your eyes to the light.			
		Turn your face to the sun; feel the warmth,			
		the hope of new beginnings with each new year.			
		The light was always there, if we could but see it;			
		and warmth was in the air if we’d known how to feel.			
		Turn your eyes to the light, turn your face to the sun:			
		New light, new hope, new year.			
		Turn your ears to the sound; somewhere near, a voice is calling:			
		Hear the news, turn your ears to the sound.			
		Turn your heart to the love; Christ is come to bring the world new life.			
		The voice is always there, if the world will hear it;			
		And love is always there, if you search in your heart.			
		Turn your ears to the sound, turn your heart to the love:			
		New life, new love, new year, new life, and love, and light,			
		and hope, this good new year.			
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SERMON		A New Year’s Resolution: The Journey of Faith			
*HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP 168		Down to Earth		PERSONENT HODIE	
		(stanzas 1 and 2)			
*BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE					
		Ringing of the Tower Bells			
*POSTLUDE		In Dulci Jubilo		J. S. Bach	
		IN THE SERVICE			
Preaching		Scripture Reader			
Chuck Rolen †Gallery		Josh Jackson			
Worship Leaders		Elders			
Cyndy W. Twedell †Lectern door		†James Chaffin and Roxanne Penix			
Russ Boyd †Narthex door		†Cantey St. & Tower doors			
		Musicians			
		Janet Pummill, Guest Organist			
		Chancel Choir			
		Todd Prickett, Choirmaster			
		†Ministers & Elders will greet you following worship at the indicated locations.			

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At Disciples Crossing in Athens, TX. Register online at [www.disciplescrossing.org](http://www.disciplescrossing.org) by **December 27** and contact [jessica@uccftw.com](mailto:jessica@uccftw.com) with questions.

**UCC’S 2017 COUPLES RETREAT | FEBRUARY 3-4**

*Briarwood Retreat Center*, Total cost is \$200/couple. A non-refundable \$100 deposit is due by **Monday, January 9**. Register online or email [barbara.rektorik@uccftw.com](mailto:barbara.rektorik@uccftw.com).

**HOLIDAY POTLUCK BRUNCH | 10-11 AM, JANUARY 8**

In Walker Hall—beverages provided; bring a breakfast dish to share. Sunday school classes will not meet, but childcare is available.

**BOAR’S HEAD & YULE LOG FESTIVAL | JANUARY 7-8 | 3 PM & 5 PM**

- VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! STAGE BUILD AND STRIKE**

Stage Build Begins Today at 1pm

If you can please bring a 9/16 socket wrench, crescent wrench or 9/16 box or open end wrench and work gloves.

Stage Strike Begins Monday, January 9 at 5:30 pm.

Contact Gregg Lehman at [gregg.h.lehman@yahoo.com](mailto:gregg.h.lehman@yahoo.com).

- CASTING ROLES AVAILABLE** for men, women and youth. Visit <http://universitychristian.org/bhyl-signup> to sign up.

- TICKETS ON SALE!**

Call 817-926-6631, Ext. 141 or [universitychristian.org](http://universitychristian.org) for \$15 Patron seats. Plenty of free seats available, too! Join us and bring a friend to the 41<sup>st</sup> musical and theatrical production celebrating the story of Christ’s birth.

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**Yoga with Julie Vitek | Mondays, 12:30 -1:30 pm**, (except January 2 and 16)  
Room 205, \$5. Bring your own mat and blanket if possible.

**Friday Fellowship, January 13**, program by Rev. Shannon Moore followed by a potluck lunch. Join us in Room 207 at 11 am. RSVP by **Tuesday, January 10** to [barbara.rektorik@uccftw.com](mailto:barbara.rektorik@uccftw.com).

**Latte with the Ladies** is **Saturday, January 14** at 9 am at Brewed (801 W. Magnolia Ave. – 76104). Women of all ages are welcome to join the fellowship and great conversations on the **second Saturday** of each month.

**You are Invited to a Prayer Bead Meeting** on **Saturday, January 14**, 10 am, Room 204. Beginning beader skills taught; equipment provided. Prayer beads are made for UCC and THR Harris Hospital for people in crisis situations.

**UCC's Prayer Shawl Ministry** will celebrate its 12th year anniversary in worship **Sunday, January 15**. Over 2,000 prayer shawls have been knit or crocheted since this ministry began at UCC in January 2005.

**Looking at the Whole Bible in Ten Weeks**-A chronological study of the Hebrew Bible and New Testament Books, led by Rev. Dr. Eldon Irving, begins on **Sunday, January 15**, 10 a.m. in Room 207.

**Recycling Sunday - January 15**. Learn more about recycling as Caring for God's Creation offers helpful information in the Gallery after each service. Collection of some recyclable items will also be offered.

**MLK Day of Service, Monday, January 16**. Make it a Day on – not a Day off. Sign up to participate at [www.tarranttogether.org](http://www.tarranttogether.org).

**WILD Women Book Club – Monday, January 16** at 6 pm at Cat City Grill and **Tuesday, January 17** at 11:30 am at UCC for discussion of *The Little Paris Bookshop* by Nina George.

**The 14<sup>th</sup> Reel Religion Film Festival** returns on **January 27** and **28**. Take your pick of 18 films with facilitated discussion. Register at [www.lifelong.tcu.edu](http://www.lifelong.tcu.edu) or in The Arches on **Sunday, January 15** and **22** before and after worship. Free admission.

**The Homeless Count** for Fort Worth will launch from UCC on **Thursday, January 26** at 8 p.m. Visit [www.ahomewithhope.com](http://www.ahomewithhope.com) for details of the annual count or to volunteer.

**New to UCC?** Welcome! We hope you'll join us for the Newcomers Class in **February, 10 am Sundays**, for a chance to get to know others while learning about UCC and its ministries.

**Would you like to donate flowers for Sunday worship?** A variety of dates exist. Contact Pam Reeser at 817.926.6631, ext. 123 or [pam@uccftw.com](mailto:pam@uccftw.com) for information on the flower ministry.

**Mission Worth It!** An in- town family friendly Spring Break opportunity is **Monday, March 13 – Thursday, March 16**. Like to camp, do good work and meet new people? Join us in late **June** for a pilgrimage to a New Mexico Navajo reservation. **July** holds a flight to Nicaragua and mission work there! Learn more about these opportunities at 12:15 pmon **Sunday, January 29** – lunch included!

**Bible Study every Wednesday** at 10 am in Room 203, led by Dr. Bobby Wayne Cook. All are welcome to join in the study of Luke.

**Looking for a great Boot Camp Style Workout?** Scotty Jones leads a group each **Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 5:30 am** in the UCC Porte-cochere parking lot for a 45 minute workout. Bring a mat and hand-weights. FREE!



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

## AVAILABLE:

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

## Our regular Sunday morning programs resume January 15.

- A complete Sunday school program for all ages meets at 10 am
- Childcare provided from 8:45 am – 12 pm

**Ministers Are On Call** and 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.

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## OUR MISSIONARY PARTNERS:

**Paul Turner**, Democratic Republic of Congo

**Elena Huegel**, Mexico

## LEARN MORE ABOUT:

- Our ministries at [UniversityChristian.org](http://UniversityChristian.org)
- The Disciples of Christ, visit [disciples.org](http://disciples.org)



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## PROGRAM CONTACTS:

**Rev. Dr. Chuck Rolan**, Interim Senior Minister; **Rev. Cyndy W. Twedell**, Senior Associate Minister; **Rev. Russ Boyd**, Associate Minister for Youth; **Rev. Shannon Moore**, Associate Minister; **Rev. Jessica Vacketta**, Associate Minister for Adults and College; **Whitney Peters**, Assistant Minister for High School; **Tyler Heston**, Assistant Minister for Middle School; **Rev. Kera Watts**, Associate Minister for Children; **Dr. Todd Prickett**, Director of Music/Choirmaster; **Kyla K. Rosenberger**, Director of Worship & Arts/Senior Organist.

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