



## The Page Scholarship Committee Names Winners

By Don Houk, Chair, Page Scholarship Fund Committee

The Page Scholarship Committee announces three winners of \$2,000 college scholarships, renewable for four years of college, potentially \$8,000 each.



**Alexa Cardenas** will graduate from Arlington High School to major in architectural engineering at UT Arlington or UT in Austin. Alexa has a heart for community service and is very active in mentoring other students.



**Angelica Lopez** will graduate from Diamond Hill High School, ranked sixteenth in a class of 181 with an SAT score of 1,230.

She and her siblings wake up early and help their father with a family business; after school she serves as an athletic trainer. She expects to attend Texas A & M and make a career in elementary education.



**Goma Timsina** will graduate from Polytechnic High School ranked tenth in a class of 188. She and her family lived in a refugee camp near Nepal for fifteen years. They resettled in the U.S.

in 2009. She plans to go to UT Arlington and seek a career in nursing.

## Mary Louise Page Scholarship Fund



How is UCC able to fund these scholarships? We received a \$266,000 endowment over the past two years but, for me the story started in spring of 1999.

### Biggest Outreach Gift Ever Received

I was an intern, working with Chuck Dowell. One day, he asked, "How would you like to meet a woman and her daughter who are going to leave \$800,000 for Outreach?" I was excited and, in less than thirty minutes, I was talking to a very sweet woman and her daughter, Jean Ranallo.

After the death of Jean and later Louise, close friends and relatives received significant bequests. The rest of the estate went to UCC (60%) and All Saints Hospital (40%). It provided for two separate UCC funds: one for people in need and a scholarship fund for students in need.

### 140 Applications--Amazing Stories All

We carefully reviewed the applications. Some families of these applicants have annual incomes of less than \$20,000. We ranked the candidates, giving attention to need, scholastic achievement, extra-curricular activities and school leadership. Applicants were also required to write a personal essay of the obstacles they have had to overcome. These essays were heart wrenching. We reduced the number of candidates to seven. A week or so later, Bill Landreth, Susan Smith, Alice Phillips, Ken Hubbell and I spent twenty minutes interviewing each of these seven finalists. It was very difficult to select only three.

### What about the Other Four Finalists?

This was a major concern for the five of us. However, we each quickly agreed to make a gift of \$200, raising \$1,000 and we decided to ask the Outreach Committee to match our gifts with \$1,000 from UCC's outreach funds. We were able to award each finalist a one year \$500 scholarship.

## Stay Connected!

**Traditional Worship**  
Sundays, 9 & 11 a.m.

*The Search* **Alternative Worship**  
Sundays, 5 p.m.

**Live broadcast** of 11 a.m. service  
on KTCU FM 88.7  
or on our **website**  
at [www.universitychristian.org](http://www.universitychristian.org)





## Celebrating Pentecost

by Rev. Larry Thomas, Senior Minister

You will have no doubt noticed our new Pentecost banners. The banners are comprised of the two most prominent symbols one finds used in conjunction with the feast day: the descending dove and tongues of fire. As a congregation that enjoys liturgy, tradition and art, we felt it appropriate to design new Pentecost banners that we can appreciate for years to come. Carol Fowell, Director of Communications, and Amberley Parker, Web and Social Media Coordinator, worked together to create them.

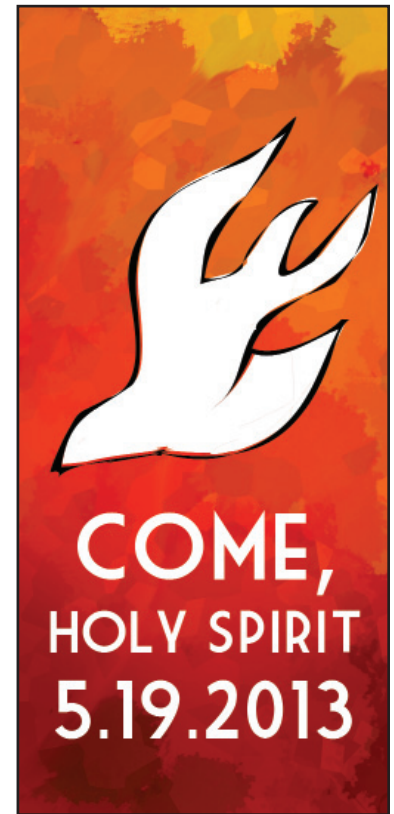
The day of Pentecost is recognized within the Christian faith as the birthday of the Church. It is celebrated fifty days after Easter. Luke tells us that it was during the Jewish Feast of Weeks (Shavout), a celebration of God's giving Moses the Law at Sinai, that the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles

allowing them to share the Gospel in unfamiliar languages. This proved to be the empowering experience that the fledgling movement needed to become emboldened. Luke tells us that thousands were added to their numbers on that day.

Our celebration of Pentecost will have familiar components as well as some new experiences. Our focus will be upon the Holy Spirit and the role the Spirit plays in our congregation and in the Church Universal. In keeping with the spirit of the day, we will be receiving a special offering that our denomination will make available for the establishment of new congregations.

We hope that you, your family and perhaps even your friends will join us for this ancient, yet modern, service of worship.

Peace...



## Caring for God's Creation Dinner Meeting



UCC Caring for God's Creation Ministry announces an important dinner meeting featuring Mary Gugliuzza of the Fort Worth Water Department on Monday evening, May 13, at 6:30 p.m. The dinner, at Cat City Grill, 1208 Magnolia Avenue, is sponsored by the local chapter of Texas Interfaith Power and Light. There will be a PowerPoint presentation in the private dining room during which Mary will explain how our Fort Worth water

is treated now and the plans being made for our future needs.

Bring cash to pay for your meal since use of the private dining room requires one payment for all meals plus 20% gratuity. Contact Sandra Soria at [sandrael@charter.net](mailto:sandrael@charter.net) (817.924.6262) if you're interested in avoiding the parking challenges by carpooling.

## Staff Changes at UCC

The month of May brings the departure of two UCC staff members.

Rebecca Terry, Associate Minister for Adults, has announced her resignation from the UCC staff to pursue a new career in nursing. Rebecca has been on staff since July 2010. Says Rebecca, "It has been a rewarding experience serving UCC as the minister to adults. But, I am also excited about the new opportunities in my future."

Her last day at UCC will be Sunday, May 5.

Long-time custodian, Robert Williams, will retire on May 31. He has been a mainstay of the facilities staff since April 1999. Over the years, members and staff have come to know and rely on Robert's quiet presence. In recognition of his faithful service, we plan to present Robert with a "love offering" on his retirement. If you wish to contribute, please contact the business office; your gifts will be gratefully accepted.

## Pentecost Special Day Offering



Our Disciples family is growing! In 2001, former general minister and president, Dick Hamm, challenged the denomination to start 1,000 new congregations by 2020 to better represent the diversity present in America today.

To date, Disciples have started 800 new communities of faith. These new churches have reached more than 50,000

persons, many new to the Christian faith. More than eighteen languages are spoken.

On May 12 and 19, Disciples churches will collect the Pentecost Offering to fund this new church movement. When you give to the Pentecost Offering, one half of your gift stays in the local region. The other half goes to Hope Partnership for Missional Transformation to support the recruitment, assessment, training and coaching of new church pastors, spouses and core team members. Please make checks payable to UCC and note Pentecost Offering on the memo line.

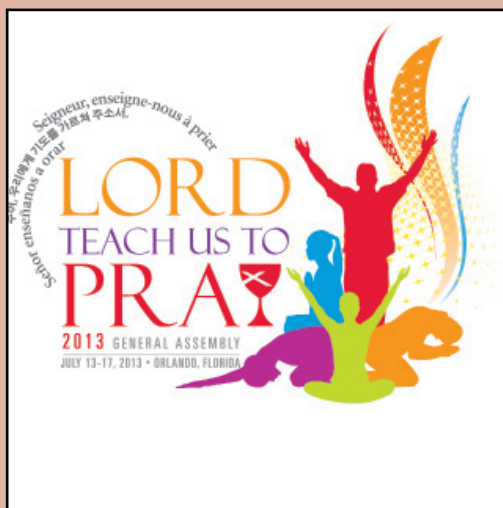
## Fine Art Show at UCC

By Martha Lunday, Church and the Arts Chair



The recent art show at UCC allowed us to get a glimpse of our congregants skills in painting, drawing, photography, printmaking and sculpture. Twenty-six individuals participated with thirty-five pieces of art. Over 300 people came through the gallery during the show on February 24 and around 60 attended the reception for the artists that evening.

The Church and the Arts committee was very pleased with the number that participated in the art show and all the folks that came by to enjoy the artists' works. My personal thanks to a great committee that received, installed, provided food and cleaned up.



## General Assembly 2013 in Orlando

If you are going to General Assembly and would like to be a voting delegate for UCC, please contact Thelia Chaffin for more information at 817.926.6631 ext. 132 or email [thelia@uccftw.com](mailto:thelia@uccftw.com).

## Life of the Church

### Births

*Evelyn Camille Fickes*, daughter of Corey and Kacey Fickes, born February 27.

*Fisher Clifton Underbrink*, son of Jessica and Richard Underbrink, born November 13, 2012. Great-grandmother is Helen Clifton.

*Cameron Quinn Clifton*, son of Brooke and Cameron Clifton, born October 5, 2012. Great-grandmother is Helen Clifton.

### Deaths

*Gaile Aston*, April 5

*Ronnie Reid*, April 3  
Cousin of John Braswell

*Imogene Kinnaird*, March 24  
Grandmother of Kerry Dick

*Caitlain Bryan*, March 20  
Granddaughter of Karen and Gene Boring

*Dorothy Small*, March 15  
Mother of Cindy Hoover and Janet Small

*Madeline Harding Higby*, March 15  
Mother of Janice Richardson

### Weddings

*Ryan Carey and Robb Miller*  
April 6

*Calli Cain and Nick Gilati*  
April 27

## May Canned Food Drive



South Central Alliance of Churches (SCAC) is the local outreach arm of University Christian Church. It includes fourteen churches has been in operation since 1988 and serves our neighbors in ZIP codes 76104, 76109 and 76110. SCAC provides both case management and emergency assistance which might include food, rental assistance, utility assistance, bus tokens, gas vouchers, toiletries and baby items. The SCAC emergency food pantry

is sourced entirely by donations from member churches and the community. The pantry provides one bag of emergency food to clients to get them through until a next paycheck, assistance check, social security check or child support check.

Each May, UCC invites the congregation to contribute non-perishable food items to be dropped off in the collection bin by the Reception Desk. Monetary donations are also welcome, with checks made payable to UCC, noted as a donation for SCAC, and placed in the collection plate or left with the receptionist.

Suggested items:

Canned fruit, juice, vegetables and soups. Canned meat of all kinds, including fish. Powdered and evaporated milk, baby formula, pudding or custard. Peanut butter, dried beans, macaroni and

cheese, hamburger helper, tuna helper, rice and pasta.

Tips for making this ministry meaningful:

- Involve the family in deciding what to contribute or how much to give
- Shop for extra portions of your family's favorite food
- This Mother's Day, remember her favorite food and buy some in her honor
- Say a prayer of blessing for those who will receive your donation

The hunger in our community is great. Please be as generous as possible, especially with sources of protein.

*"If you judge people, you don't have time to love them." -Mother Teresa*

## Imagine...

by John Rodenberg



Imagine joining a new congregation and being given the opportunity to involve yourself in any ministry of your choosing. Imagine doing something, not because you had to do it, but because you really wanted to do it. Imagine participating in a weekly event where your little investment of time made a huge difference in the lives of others.

When our family joined UCC last year, there were many wonderful places and opportunities to get involved. I chose *Room in the Inn* (RITI). Having attended more than a lifetime worth of church meetings and social groups as

an ordained Disciples minister, I looked for a ministry at UCC that directly met the physical and spiritual needs in our community.

RITI is organized by an amazing group of volunteers who care passionately about those less fortunate. The amount of time they take to set up, the warm welcome they extend, the scrumptious meals they serve and the quality time they spend with our guests is inspiring.

I am such a big fan of RITI, I regularly invite our children Heather (14 years) and Matthew (10 years) to join in the meals with our guests and to stay while we play cards and games. Heather and Matthew witness first hand what Christ

meant when he said, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Thank you UCC for providing this important ministry and for giving so much, not just to the guests who are served but to our community as a whole.

Join us once, or many times, in hosting ten homeless men at Room in the Inn.

*Room in the Inn Training*  
Sunday, June 9, 12:15 p.m.

Lunch will be provided to all who r.s.v.p. to [carolmstewart@sbcglobal.net](mailto:carolmstewart@sbcglobal.net) or 972.239.7769.



## Summer Reading from The Arches Bookstore

Summer is a good time for thoughtful reading on the patio or the beach. The Arches has shelves full of great reads from well-known authors: Karen Armstrong, Parker Palmer, Thomas Merton, Philip Yancey, Phyllis Tickle and Frederick Buechner. We also have a selection of thought-provoking books by Disciples authors, including some of our own UCC members. The Arches will close for the summer at 12:30 p.m., Sunday, June 2. If you've been thinking about browsing our shelves or making a purchase, now is the time.

If we don't have what you are looking for, special orders are still possible by June 2.

We are always happy to help you at The Arches!

## How are Things *Growing* in the Community Garden?

The strawberries are in and thriving, planted primarily by one, two and three-year-olds. Cabbages have been harvested and tasted (mixed reviews) and classes of all ages have picked and sampled our delicious peas! Next up: bok choy, squash, corn and beans.

The University Christian Church family has the opportunity to join the gardening fun. Workdays are scheduled for Saturday, April 27, at 9 a.m. (in



celebration of Earth Sunday on April 28) and during the summer at 9 a.m. on the third Saturday each month (May 18, June 15, July 20 and August 17).

For more information on the *Growing Up Green Community Garden*, contact Claire Graham or Cyndy W. Twedell.



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## Important Summer Dates for Children's Ministries

Put these summer opportunities for children and families on your calendar!

*God's Backyard Bible Camp* is \$20 per child or \$40 per family; however, four-day volunteers receive half-price registration. *Mission VBS* registration is \$35. Visit [www.ucckids.org](http://www.ucckids.org) to register and pay online or pick up forms in The Arches. All volunteer forms can be found at [www.ucckids.org](http://www.ucckids.org).

### Summer Camps for Children and Families at Disciples Crossing

Grand Camp-May 31-June 2  
(children ages 4-10 and a grandparent)

Discovery Camp-May 24-26  
(completed second or third grade and a parent)

Family Camp-June 7-9  
(families with at least one child under 18 and an adult over 21)

JYF Camp I-July 8-12  
(completed fourth or fifth grade)

JYF Camp II-July 15-19  
(completed fourth or fifth grade)

### Vacation Bible School, June 25-28



Don't miss out on *God's Backyard Bible Camp* (for age two through third grade) or *Backyard Mission VBS* (fourth and fifth graders). We will focus on serving our family, serving friends, serving community and serving Jesus.



### Summer Fun

(for children two months to entering K)  
Mondays & Wednesdays  
9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Session I – June 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19

Session II – July 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24

\$120 per session

Contact Joy Milton at [cjoym@yahoo.com](mailto:cjoym@yahoo.com) for information and availability.

## Music Makers Camp-Sign Up Now!



It's not too late to be a part of summer youth music at UCC! Music Makers Camp provides all types of musical

activities for grades 2-5 and lunch too! No matter what their interest is: singing, music history, percussion, composing or just being with friends, this camp has it all. Camp meets 12-3 p.m. Tuesday, June 25, through Friday, June 28, immediately following VBS.

This camp is an incredible opportunity for children to gain confidence socially,

grow musically and have a great time with their friends. Visit [www.universitychristian.org](http://www.universitychristian.org) to register your child online. Space is limited to thirty-five children. Questions? Contact [marsha@uucftw.com](mailto:marsha@uucftw.com) or Mary Farmer, Director of Children's Choirs, via email at [maryelizabethfarmer@yahoo.com](mailto:maryelizabethfarmer@yahoo.com). Open to all, tell your friends!



### Did You Know?

- If all the children clothed by the Children's Closet this past year came to worship one Sunday they would represent a larger congregation than was in attendance Easter Sunday?
- If all the children served by the Children's Closet in its twelve year existence filled the TCU football stadium the crowd would be larger than will attend the TCU vs. Texas game?

Thank you to all who give their time, talent and contributions to insure countless children are blessed by the Children's Closet Ministry of University Christian Church!

## Endowment Fund 2012 Annual Report

**Make this the Year of Your Legacy**  
**by Troy Tuomey,**  
**Endowment Committee Chair**



*"The only thing you take with you when you're gone is what you leave behind."  
(John Allston)*

What better goal for this year than to create your own personal legacy to continue your ministry beyond your own lifetime? We support our congregation's ministry with gifts during our lifetime, but an endowment gift means our ministry will continue for perpetuity.

Create a list of the ministries you love and support now. Consider your own dreams for those ministries for the future. Next, consider all the goals you have (provide for family, retirement, education for grandchildren). Meet with your professional advisor to learn how informed estate planning might increase the overall value of your estate, while also leaving a legacy about what was important to you.

There will always be the poor, the sick and the disenfranchised in our world. Long after our lifetimes, there will be people teaching other people about Jesus Christ. We will always need to help provide for ministry. We hope you would consider a legacy gift that would support University Christian Church in your plans. Create your legacy now to support these ministries, both now and beyond your lifetime.

Love this church? Let your estate plan be a testament of that love.

*For more information about planned giving opportunities, please contact Michelle Ingram, Director of Accounting at 817.926.6631 or by email at [michelle@uccftw.com](mailto:michelle@uccftw.com).*

**NEW ENDOWMENT FUND**  
**Major General Chet and Sally Werst McKeen**  
**Endowment Fund**

During August 2012, Chet and Sally Werst McKeen generously established a new endowment fund to underwrite operating costs of the church. As they stated at the time [paraphrased], "Without paying for the salaries and operating expenses, the church cannot do the outreach and ministry it is called to do." Making a major endowment gift during their lifetime also will provide Chet and Sally the opportunity to appreciate the impact their gift makes each year. The Endowment Committee asked the McKeens if they would be willing to share their personal story of what inspired them to make this gift:



*"For over 60 years, UCC has been the Church Home for the Werst family. It's been a source of spiritual enrichment, a refuge in times of stress and a center for joyful occasions. Memories of Life's memorable events, weddings and funerals, are all associated with UCC, as are the opportunities to make close and lasting friendships and to grow through the Stephen Minister program.*

*With our marriage in 1999, Chet became a member of UCC, and after serving in responsible*

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# University Christian Church ~ Endowment Fund 2012 Annual Report

## INVESTMENT REPORT

The objective of UCC's investment strategy is to provide money annually to enhance ministry while growing the Endowment Fund's purchasing power over the long term.

Investment performance and new gifts received contributed almost equally to the growth of the Endowment Fund in 2012. Investment income, realized losses, and unrealized gains, approximated a 9.4% return on investments during 2012. Further, the return on investments significantly exceeded distributions, allowing the Endowment Fund to recover substantially from prior year losses.

<b>12/31/11</b>	<b>\$10,072,122</b>
Contributions received	1,050,496
Mineral Income, net of ad valorem taxes	157,867
Distribution withdrawal	(408,253)
Investment Income, net of expenses	420,233
Realized Gain (Loss)	(629)
Unrealized Gain (Loss)	614,030
Net Change in Investments	<b>\$ 1,833,744</b>
<b>12/31/12</b>	<b>\$11,905,866</b>
<b>Estimated Return on Investment</b>	<b>9.4%</b>

The 2012 distribution rate was reduced to 5.0% from 5.5% in 2011. In 2013, the rate will be further reduced to 4.5% as part of the Endowment Committee's objective to avoid reducing the Endowment Fund's long-term purchasing power. Despite decreased distribution rates, growth in the value of the Endowment Fund is expected to result in slightly larger distributions in 2013 compared to 2012.

Endowment Funds are invested with the Christian Church Foundation (CCF) and Church Extension. Additionally, UCC is the beneficiary of trusts managed by third-party trustees.

Investments at Church Extension are notes bearing a fixed rate of interest and help fund loans and mortgages to other churches. Investments at CCF are in pooled funds. The Campbell Multi-Strategy Fund seeks higher returns with lower volatility by investing in equities and alternative assets. The Common Balanced Fund holds a mix of equities and fixed income instruments to produce strong returns

with modest volatility. The Brown Fund is designed to maintain stability by holding a majority of its investments in fixed income.

	12/31/2011	12/31/2012
Cash	\$373,205	\$6,173
<b>Managed Investments</b>		
Church Extension	837,174	579,630
CCF Campbell Multi Strategy Fund	3,099,345	3,499,549
CCF Common Balanced Fund	2,661,005	3,813,747
CCF Brown Fund	1,925,110	2,785,250
<b>Total Managed Investments</b>	<b>8,522,634</b>	<b>10,678,176</b>
Beneficial interests in trusts	1,176,283	1,221,517
<b>Total Asset Market Values</b>	<b>\$10,072,122</b>	<b>\$11,905,866</b>

For more detailed reports of activity, please contact Michelle Ingram, Director of Accounting, at 817.926.6631 or by email at [michelle@uccftw.com](mailto:michelle@uccftw.com).

## McKeen Endowment

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*positions in other denominations for many years, he found, in the Disciples of Christ, a catechism more appropriate for his research and beliefs. The Church clearly gave him opportunity for a combination of spiritual growth, friendship and service.*

*Together we have been giving modest financial support to the Church over the years, but recognizing the extensive and lasting benefits we have realized from our UCC association we thought we should do more. After thoughtful consideration, it seemed appropriate to make a gift to the Endowment Fund in memory of Doris and Harry Werst, because in that way, we could express our appreciation and at the same time give a gift that would keep on giving so that others might find the growth and comfort that we have experienced."*

During 2013, the McKeen Endowment is expected to distribute approximately \$11,250 to fund operating costs within the Unified Operating Budget. This annual distribution represents the equivalent of almost three average pledging units, and will underwrite necessary expenditures that would otherwise not be possible.

## University Christian Church ~ Endowment Fund 2012 Annual Report

### NEW ENDOWMENT FUND

#### Edgar & Laura Keltner General Endowment Fund

In late 2012, UCC received a generous bequest from the estate of Ed Keltner, which established the Edgar and Laura Keltner General Endowment Fund. Their son, David, provided a testimony about why endowing a permanent fund was important to his parents:



*“Laura and Ed Keltner were honored to leave a legacy to University Christian Church because the Church provided them a spiritual home.*

*My mother and father came from radically different religious backgrounds. Mom, born in Maine and raised in the Midwest, was from a Presbyterian background. Dad, on the other hand, was raised in a strict Church of Christ family. In the 1950s, they resolved their religious differences by agreeing on UCC after discussions with Granville Walker.*

*Dad worked on a number of church committees and eventually became Chair of the Board. Even after his tenure was completed, Dad was proud to be the Church’s lawyer for many years.*

*Mom, on the other hand, was “hands on” in a different way. She took the Bible’s teachings to help others literally. During the late ‘50s and early ‘60s, she volunteered at the Bethlehem Community Center in the Stop Six neighborhood, serving as the Center’s bookkeeper and helping out as she could. Unfortunately, in those years, her service in an African-American community was not popular in some quarters. Of course, at that period in time, our country and community were struggling with Civil Rights issues. For both Mom and Dad, there was no question on this issue. They both believed that all God’s children deserved justice and mercy. They learned that*

*lesson at UCC. They hoped their gift to the Church would encourage others to follow their path of service.*

*Thank you for letting me say a little about Mom and Dad. May God bless their memories and UCC.”*

UCC is thankful for the legacies left by our members, including the Keltner family.



### ENDOWING YOUR PLEDGE

*by Brian N. Gibson*

UCC celebrates every member’s annual gift to God and UCC through our annual Stewardship Campaign. But it is good to remember that there is a “big” or long-term picture of stewardship, too.

Did you know you could endow your church pledge so that your giving to UCC will continue in perpetuity? You could leave a legacy that will provide income to UCC after your earthly life is over.

This is simple to do. Create a permanent endowment fund at UCC that will annually distribute an amount equal to your pledge. Use this simple formula to estimate the endowment gift necessary to endow your pledge. Multiply your pledge by 25, as follows:

$$\text{Annual Pledge} \times 25 = \text{Endowment Fund}$$

If your pledge is \$5,000, create an endowment fund of \$125,000 and UCC will receive \$5,000 a year. As your fund’s value grows to keep pace of inflation, the amount distributed in your name grows, too.

Your generous donation of \$5,000 is all UCC requires to create a new named endowment fund. UCC also accepts a pledge of \$1,000 per year over 5 years. UCC members may create endowment funds during their lifetime, add to it periodically, and name their endowment fund as a charitable beneficiary of their will, retirement plan, or insurance policy. These strategies allow those unable to endow their pledge with a single gift to reach a level that will endow their church pledge over a longer period.

# University Christian Church ~ Endowment Fund 2012 Annual Report

## Endowment Fund List by Purpose

Adult Education	Fund Name	Historical Gift	Market Value	Music Ministry	Fund Name	Historical Gift	Market Value
<b>Boar's Head</b>	Brian and Kristie Gibson Adult Education Endowment	2,923	3,081	Beulah Johnson Organ Fund Endowment		102,534	99,651
<b>Capital</b>	Boar's Head Endowment	15,550	15,141	Mary Ingle and Gentry Shelton Music Endowment (Designated)		55,897	58,150
	Cagle Building Endowment	1,618,957	1,415,826	Mary Ingle and Gentry Shelton Music Endowment (Restricted)		2,175	2,188
	Iris McGaugh Capital Endowment	71,122	67,638	Ron Shirey Chancel Choir Endowment (Designated)		31,258	35,140
	Building Fund Endowment (Designated)	366,316	367,819	Ron Shirey Chancel Choir Endowment (Restricted)		1,355	1,495
	Building Fund Endowment (Restricted)	8,733	9,700	<b>Operating</b>			
	Florence Kerr Capital Endowment	241,593	233,482	Embry Trust		760,565	769,152
	Harold & Beulah Johnson Building Endowment	331,802	324,414	Carolyn Zaepfel Endowment		461,455	441,124
	Fillingim Foundation	205,669	209,673	Chet & Sally Werst McKeen Endowment		250,000	249,754
<b>Children's Ministry</b>	May Henson Endowment	3,713	3,695	<b>Outreach</b>			
	Jo Taylor Endowment	4,666	4,752	Charles F. Kemp Outreach Endowment		22,459	22,830
	Gilbert & Hilda Davis Endowment	71,720	70,654	Josie and Joe Minyard Endowment		10,051	10,235
<b>Christian Education</b>	Ken Lawrence Memorial Endowment (Designated)	7,305	9,715	Elizabeth & Ed Winton Endowment		277,418	264,880
<b>Church &amp; the Arts Special Event</b>	Ken Lawrence Memorial Endowment (Restricted)	2,534	2,704	Needlers Endowment (Designated)		7,437	6,908
	Ken Lawrence Memorial Endowment (Restricted)	18,518	18,857	Needlers Endowment (Restricted)		10,000	10,642
	Evans Student Endowment	11,015	11,216	<b>Outreach - Human Assistance</b>			
	Frieda McMahon Endowment	71,720	70,654	Bob McMahon Endowment		9,583	9,759
<b>College Student Activities</b>	Jim & Lucille Moudy Endowment	10,618	10,693	<b>Outreach - Local</b>			
	UCC General Endowment (Designated)	691,002	651,880	Children's Closet Endowment		13,681	14,070
	UCC General Endowment (Restricted)	332,612	369,919	Helping Hands Endowment		98,699	100,479
	Cagle General Endowment	3,286,973	2,874,557	Mary Louise Page Outreach Endowment		236,236	236,422
	Jennings General Endowment	436,075	473,282	Mary Louise Page Scholarship Endowment		118,118	118,211
	Paul & Martha Youngdale General Endowment	20,388	18,709	<b>Pastoral Care</b>			
	Rev. Ora Shelton Endowment	633,960	652,672	Charles F. Kemp Pastoral Care Endowment (Designated)		18,711	16,869
	Valerie & Ben Hogan Endowment	1,000,000	1,014,565	Charles F. Kemp Pastoral Care Endowment (Restricted)		23,293	25,872
	Edgar & Laura Keltner General Endowment Fund	100,468	100,468	<b>Pastoral Care - Human Needs/Medical</b>			
<b>Hanging of the Greens</b>	Hanging of the Greens Endowment	13,018	13,256	William A. Buttram Endowment		14,393	14,656
<b>Landscape Maintenance</b>	Vera Edelbrock Endowment	50,000	50,914	<b>Pastoral Care - Older Adults</b>			
<b>Library</b>	Heyer Trust	82,371	83,110	Suzanne Yarbro Memorial Endowment		22,152	22,300
<b>Members Entering Ministry</b>	Clyde Foltz Endowment	10,000	8,570	Jean White Endowment		37,786	38,245
				<b>Unrestricted</b>			
				Johnson Remainder Trust		-	159,581
				<b>Weekday School</b>			
				Weekday School Endowment (Designated)		33,047	32,227
				Weekday School Endowment (Restricted)		6,586	7,315
				W. A. & Gail Landreth Weekday School Endowment		5,125	5,438
				<b>Youth Camps</b>			
				John B. Craddock, Jr. Endowment		8,163	8,313
				<b>Youth Ministry</b>			
				Lisa Kurz Endowment		16,226	16,143
				Leigh Ann Brown Endowment		10,490	10,682
				<b>Grand Totals</b>		<b>12,314,516</b>	<b>11,899,692</b>

## CCF/JYF in May



CCF/JYF will meet for the final time for the school year on May 5. It has been a year full of fun, service, worship, fellowship, learning and even more *fun!* Special thanks to David Schones, our CCF/JYF Coordinator, for providing weekly programming that is fun, challenging and meaningful.



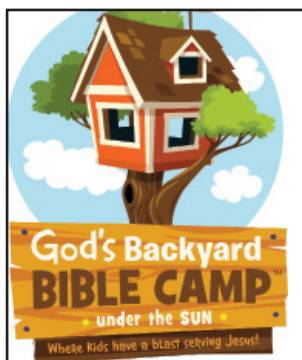
*Pictured above and left:  
A fun evening at CCF/  
JYF joining with Chi Rho  
for some Church Rules  
Kickball—no stealing!*

## Summer Journey Land Teachers Needed!



The summer is upon us and everyone will be taking some time to refresh and rejuvenate after a long school year. Children's Ministries understands! Therefore, we are asking volunteers to teach *one* week in Journey Land this July and August. We need you to take one week that you will be in town and can commit to serving as a leader. Fun new *Spark* curriculum makes planning easy and the kids love it. Be a part this summer—Children's Ministries needs you! Contact [susan@uccftw.com](mailto:susan@uccftw.com) with the date that works for you.

## Save the Date...Training Lunch



VBS Training Lunch for all adult volunteers will be held on June 2 at 12 p.m. in Room 211. Still not signed up to be a part? Visit [www.ucckids.org](http://www.ucckids.org) to fill out a volunteer form—a fun week is guaranteed!



## Baby Dedications

Would you like to schedule a dedication for your infant? Dedications take place during the 11 a.m. worship service or *The Search*. Upcoming dates are: May 12 (Mother's Day), June 16 (Father's Day), and August 4.

The baby dedication is a blessing of the child and a promise from parents to their child to raise them in a Christian home. But, it is also the public acknowledgement of a covenant with the people of University Christian Church that we as a community of faith will surround the child with the spirit of Christ as they grow in our midst.

In order to affirm these provisions, parents will participate in a Baby Dedication class to learn about some of the intricacies of a child's faith journey and about how University Christian Church can help foster their family and child in the process of understanding Christ's love. The next class offered will be June 2 at 10 a.m.

Please contact Susan Henry in the Children's Ministries Office, [susan@uccftw.com](mailto:susan@uccftw.com), or ext. 165 for further information.

## New Members

What a joy it is to welcome new faces to the UCC family of faith! Please take time to get to know these who make our community richer by their presence.



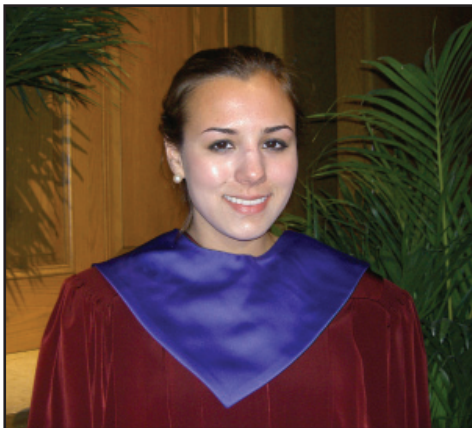
*Ricki and Ethan Klos are an interfaith couple, fairly new to Fort Worth. Ricki is a registered piano technician, grew up Christian in Austin and loves music, theater, film and travel. Ethan is the treasurer for the City of Arlington, grew up Jewish in Ft. Worth and loves travel, theater, film and sports. Their three children are the primary reason they moved to Ft. Worth. Sadie (12) and Bixby (9) attend the Fort Worth Academy of Fine Arts and Tilly (7) attends Tanglewood Elementary. The kids all love travel, theater and film and enjoy celebrating dual religious holidays in their home. Ricki is pleased to finally find a great fit for her and for her family at UCC. They also attend Temple Beth-El.*



*Welcome Valerie and Daniel Phelps. Both Valerie and Daniel were born in Fort Worth and grew up in the metroplex. They were married in 2008 and welcomed Dylan a year later. Valerie is a stay at home mom and currently studies art at TCCD. Daniel is a web developer at EF Johnson. They are excited to call UCC their church home and look forward to getting to know their church family.*



*Tiffany Collins Blackmon is a graduate of TCU, best selling cookbook author, chef and spokesperson for food and entertaining. She and Greg Blackmon married in 2011 and divide their time between their two homes and families in Fort Worth and Austin. Their thirteen-year-old daughter, Kennedy Collins will soon be a freshman at Vandergrift High School in Austin. She plans to attend TCU to add to their family of nineteen alumni. Tiffany and Greg share a passion for TCU and have three children and four grandchildren.*



*McKenzie Flowers Fergus is from Abilene and attends Texas Christian University, majoring in Theology and English. Music guides her life. And she is a new member of the UCC Chancel Choir where she believes it is a blessing beyond words to sing. McKenzie was baptized April 14. She only runs marathons in countries outside of the United States and she is trying to visit every state before she graduates from graduate school. She has a King Charles Spaniel puppy, Dalai Lama.*



### Newcomers Class

If you've been looking for a good way to invite a friend or family member to UCC, the Newcomers Class provides a wonderful opportunity. The next class is offered Sundays, May 5, 12 and 19, at 10 a.m. in Room 201. All are welcome.

The Newcomers Class provides an opportunity to get to know others, meet Rev. Thomas, learn about UCC and the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and tour the building. Questions are always welcome.

For more information, please contact Michelle Groom, Ministry Assistant to Rev. Cyndy Twedell, at 817.926.6631 ext. 138., or email her at [mgroom@uccftw.com](mailto:mgroom@uccftw.com). The next Newcomers Class will be offered in September.

### Friday Fellowship

Dr. Anne Jones Bailey is an award-winning author and historian who has written and edited many books on the Civil War. She also edits the quarterly Newsletter of the Society of Civil War Historians. She is a graduate of TCU and retired professor of history at Georgia College. Dr. Bailey will discuss the Civil War in Texas for our program on Friday, May 10, at 11 a.m. in Room 207. Lunch will be provided following our program; a donation of \$5 is welcome to help cover the cost. Please r.s.v.p. to Jennifer at 817.926.6631 no later than Wednesday, May 8.

## Church and the Arts: A Few Minutes with Steve Mosher

by Carolyn Critz



I offered to write a brief article for the *Journal* as a new member of the Church and the Arts Committee. My thinking was to get to know the committee members and share

what I learned with the congregation. I selected Steve Mosher, a committee member, as I didn't know him well and he was willing to do the interview. We met over lunch at Z's Cafe on a Friday.

Steve has an interest in photography that goes back to late elementary-early junior high school years. He shared that his family had an interest in photography back to his paternal grandfather, an agronomist who photographed farmsteads in his work.

Steve's dad was the family photographer on vacations. His brothers also had an interest in photography and, to keep up with them, Steve got his first camera, a Kodak Brownie 620 box camera. Later, he bought a 35 mm camera for taking slides.

When I asked him about taking any photography classes, he replied he learned about photography by watching his brothers and reading about it. "You can learn a lot from a book." Steve admires the work of Ansel Adams and Eliot Porter, whose works are archived at the Amon Carter Museum. He said that "In photography, as in other works of art, it's all about the use of light and the composition of the image."

At the recent art show at UCC, Steve's photography of Big Bend National Park was shown in a portfolio style.

The Big Bend is a great subject for photographers. Some of Steve's photography is on display at the Weiler House gallery in Handley.

Opportunities to travel with the choir opened new doors to Steve. He was able to visit museums and see major original works of fine art. One example is the Eugene Burnand painting *Les Disciples* in the Musee d'Orsay in Paris that he saw during a study trip to France. In talking with Ken Lawrence, trip leader, Steve said his interest in art was expanded.

A few minutes with Steve Mosher allowed me to see him as a fellow committee member, choir member, appreciator of art and, unexpectedly, a self-taught photographer.

### UCC Quick Financial Summary - Unified Budget March 2013

Description	2012 YTD Actuals	2013 YTD Actuals	Budget YTD 2013	Budget Annual	YTD Variance
<b>Income</b>					
Pledges	\$571,821	\$629,218	\$650,152	\$2,136,134	(\$20,935)
Non Pledge Contributions	\$48,159	\$61,247	\$53,058	\$300,000	\$8,189
Offering	\$6,560	\$10,107	\$7,477	\$36,500	\$2,631
Misc. Unrestricted Income	\$25,171	\$28,512	\$32,948	\$156,176	(\$4,436)
WDS Income (Net)	\$51,622	\$71,696	\$56,438	\$95,646	\$15,257
Endowment Income	\$53,875	\$70,957	\$66,043	\$257,872	\$4,913
Participant/Restricted Income & Reserve Use	\$186,920	\$271,483	\$273,652	\$479,796	(\$2,169)
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$944,127</b>	<b>\$1,143,219</b>	<b>\$1,139,768</b>	<b>\$3,462,124</b>	<b>\$3,450</b>
<b>Total Personnel Expense</b>	<b>\$466,030</b>	<b>\$445,558</b>	<b>\$475,638</b>	<b>\$1,814,346</b>	<b>\$30,080</b>
<b>Total Program/Admin. Expense</b>	<b>\$202,700</b>	<b>\$296,940</b>	<b>\$324,006</b>	<b>\$1,154,742</b>	<b>\$27,066</b>
<b>Total Mission/Outreach Expense</b>	<b>\$56,908</b>	<b>\$118,758</b>	<b>\$89,119</b>	<b>\$474,335</b>	<b>(\$29,639)</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$725,638</b>	<b>\$861,256</b>	<b>\$888,763</b>	<b>\$3,443,424</b>	<b>\$27,507</b>
<b>Net Operating Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$218,489</b>	<b>\$281,963</b>	<b>\$251,005</b>	<b>\$18,699</b>	<b>\$30,957</b>

This is a summary report of our Unified Budget. The full report is available for download from the UCC website or copies can be picked up from the Business Office. You may contact Michelle Ingram, Director of Accounting, at 817.926.6631 or by email [michelle@uccfw.com](mailto:michelle@uccfw.com) with any questions or comments.

### UCC Mission Statement

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.

## CPR Training

Basic Life Support classes will be held for lay people every Monday and Friday during the month of May in Room 204, from 1–4 p.m. The new training standard for lay people are to learn ‘chest compression only’ with no rescue breathing involved. Participants will also learn how to use the automatic defibrillator machine. Only one session

is needed to become certified. The cost of class is \$2 to cover the cost of a certification card which is valid for two years. (There will also be a class for healthcare providers by request during the month of May.)

Two of our parish nurses, Carole Widmann and Tracie McCrary, will teach

and lead the training. Class is limited to six participants and registration is required. The deadline to register is the day prior to each session. Please contact Carole Widmann at [RNcarole@gmail.com](mailto:RNcarole@gmail.com) to register. Since Memorial Day falls on Monday, May 27, class will be held Wednesday, May 29.

## TCU Nursing Students and UCC Collaboration



TCU nursing students have been working with UCC on their community health portion of the nursing program. The students are all seniors due to graduate in May. Their project involved researching the homeless community and identifying needs of The Day Resource Center for the Homeless (DRC). A health fair was held at DRC where the students set up stations to answer questions about such things as diabetes, high blood pressure, pain,

and mental health. The homeless individuals participated in a raffle and received prizes! Bus passes, Walmart gift certificates and Subway certificates were among the prizes. The nurses received a very warm welcome with much participation. Their professor is Geri Dinard and our parish nurse, Carole Widmann is the liaison between UCC and TCU.

## Prayer Bead Ministry

Many scriptures assure us of God's presence with us; however, in times of stress, a reminder is sometimes needed. Thanks to this church—and especially to a group that gathers on the second Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to noon in Room 202 to assemble these reminders. Patients and their families at Texas Health Harris Methodist Fort Worth receive a reminder in the form of a small cross and thirty-four little beads.

These tokens, known around the hospital as “Prayer Beads,” are lovingly assembled and blessed by the group, and then given to Chaplain Jim Tenery (who brought the idea for this program from his residency at Mother Frances Hospital in Tyler). Jim gives the prayer

beads to the chaplains and any other staff members who know the value of a tangible reminder of God's presence.

The glass beads and metal cross bring comfort and peace to so many. Among these are patients worrying about what the results of their tests will be; family members of loved ones in critical condition; patients and their families who suffer the burdens and uncertainties of chronic conditions; parents of healthy newborns who will be journeying with their little one as he or she grows in wisdom and in stature to become the individual God has created him or her to be, those parents whose babies do not live long enough to go home; stressed patients and their family

members who have come to the ER due to an accident, a stroke or a heart attack; those preparing for surgery (either elective or life-saving); those hoping for good outcomes from physically and emotionally draining cancer treatments; those going through the rigors of dialysis and the family and friends of one who has died.

To those who share the prayer beads, each of the scenarios on the list are populated with real people with a real need for a reminder of God's loving presence. If you want to learn more about this ministry, come to the next bead gathering. You might just want to learn how to make them.



## May at *The Search*

On May 12, come celebrate Mother's Day at *The Search* (5 p.m., Fellowship Hall) where we will be focusing on the Lord's Prayer and the ways it can direct our spiritual practices. Expect to participate in several prayer and meditation activities as we honor and remember the women that have blessed our lives.

## Just for Women



UCC Women's Ministries works to bring together women of all ages from both morning and evening worship communities in

creative opportunities to share the good news of God's love and the mission of Jesus the Christ. Women's Ministries engages women in meaningful enrichment, spiritual growth, study and worship while advocating for and reaching out to women in our community and around the world.

For more information about Women's Ministries please contact Cyndy Twedell, Associate Minister, 817.926.6631.

Don't miss these upcoming events:

**May Friendship Day and Bible Study** is Friday, May 3, 10:30 a.m., at Gethsemane Presbyterian Church, 960 W Bluff St., 76102. Celebrate passionate friendships that give form and reality to the work and vision of a just, peaceful and caring movement. Donations benefitting John Peter Smith Hospital will be collected and include travel size toiletries along with layettes, blankets, booties, diapers and gowns for babies.

## Men's Ministry

### Breakfast with the Guys

Saturday, May 4, at 8:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Men, join us for a hearty breakfast, great fellowship and meaningful conversation.

Our theme is *Fatherhood*. A panel of UCC members will discuss the joys, challenges and dilemmas of fatherhood, moderated by Rev. Daniel Terry. Join us if you are a father, serve as a father figure or hope to be a father one day. \$5 at the door. Youth and sons are welcome.

### Men's Night Out

Join us for the TCU vs. UT baseball game barbecue tailgate, fellowship and great baseball on Thursday, May 16, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at TCU's Lupton Stadium. Barbecue tailgate at 5:30 p.m., game

### Women's Circles

First Tuesday October through May-make plans to come May 7 to:

Lily of the Valley Circle  
UCC Library (Room 150) at 11 a.m.

Rose Circle  
Broadway Plaza Parlor at 10:30 a.m.  
5301 Bryant Irvin Road

### Cup of Blessing Bible Study

Thursdays, September through May, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Room 211. Bring your bag lunch and join this spirit filled group for the book of Judges.

### Latte with the Ladies

Coffee and conversation the second Saturday each month at local coffee houses beginning at 9 a.m. and continuing for those who prefer to come at 10 a.m. Next on May 11 at The Cup (3909 Camp Bowie Blvd 76107).

### Women of Valor

Sunday Evening Women's Group meets Sunday, May 19, at 6 p.m. in Room 204.

### WILD Women Book Club

Third Tuesday, noon to 1 p.m. in the UCC Library. Join us May 21 as we conclude our year of mystery with a discussion of *Borderline* by Nevada Barr.

to follow at 6:30 p.m. \$20 per person, includes dinner and a ticket to join other UCCers on the third base porch.

For those with tickets already, dinner is \$10. Sign up at The Arches Info Desk on Sundays, or email [sharyn@uccftw.com](mailto:sharyn@uccftw.com).

### Holy Mackerel: Seafood Boil for Men

Sunday, June 2, at 6:30 p.m. in the backyard of church member Steve Shineman. Join us for an evening of fellowship, amazing food, culinary inspiration and meaningful conversation. Featuring church member and chef David Harrell.

Cost, additional details and sign-up coming in May. Stay tuned!



## Kid's Hope First Annual Book Drive

Come to The Arches each Sunday in May to see books displayed that UCC is providing for each student at Rosemont Elementary School. This is a great opportunity for those who cannot provide the hour per week of mentoring time, but wish to help these students. Those who wish sponsor a book for \$5 each can choose the book or books they want to purchase. Book plates will be available so the donor can make their gift personal.

## Arriba!

Arriba! We are inviting all college students to come and take a break from studying for our Spring Finals Feast. Come enjoy Latin cuisine and music, hang out with friends, and prepare for the last week of the semester.  
May 6, Room 204, 5-7:30 p.m.



## Blood Drive

Give the gift of life and donate blood on Sunday, June 2, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Carter BloodCare will bring their mobile unit to UCC and will be parked in the North parking lot of our building. No reservations are needed. Go to [www.carterbloodcare.org](http://www.carterbloodcare.org) for a list of guidelines.

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## Congregational Meetings

### Communications Committee

Wednesday, May 1  
5:30 p.m., Room 202

### Personnel Committee

Tuesday, May 7  
5:30 p.m., Room 202

### Building & Grounds

Sunday, May 12  
12:15 p.m., Room 202

### Finance Committee

Tuesday, May 14  
5:30 p.m., Room 202

### Board of Stewards

Tuesday, May 21  
6:30 p.m., Room 207

### Assembly Meeting

Tuesday, May 28  
6:30 p.m., Room 207

*All members of the congregation may attend these meetings with the exception of any portion of a meeting held in Executive Session.*

## You are Invited!

### *The Christian Church of the Southwest Region and University Christian Church*

Cordially invite your presence and prayers for the

### *Ordination to Christian Ministry*

of

### *Jessica Lynn Vacketta*

on

Sunday, May 12, 2013 at 3:00 p.m.

at University Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)  
2720 South University Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76109

Reception following the service in the Gallery of University Christian Church