UPDATE

Visit www.universitychristian.org for calendar and program details!

Aid for Nepal

As we continue to hold in our prayers the people of Nepal and the first responders, Week of Compassion has begun sending financial support to their partners in Nepal for immediate relief efforts and emergency aid such as food, water and medicine.

UCC gladly receives your contributions on their behalf—just note "Week of Compassion" on your check.

Our Rosemont Elementary School Summer Reading Book Drive insures every student at Rosemont takes home a new book for the summer. Stop off at The Arches during May to choose a book and make your contribution.

The May Canned Food Drive stocks the shelves at South Central Alliance of Churches for the summer. Drop off your food items in the collection bins across from the Reception Desk and help feed families in our community.

Pentecost Commemorates the Coming of the Holy Spirit on the early followers of Jesus. Be here on **Sunday, May 24**, as we celebrate the church's beginning. Wear red! Help us create the image of "the church on fire" with the Holy Spirit.

Parent's Night Out, **May 29**, 6-9 p.m. Parents, go out for a night out while your children are entertained by fun games, crafts and activities. Reservation deadline is **May 21.** Register at https://uccftw.wufoo.com/forms/parents-night-out/ or email susan@uccftw.com. $5 per child, $10 family limit.

A Brief Congregational Meeting will be held **Sunday, May 31,** following 11 a.m. worship to approve the 2015-2016 nominees for Assembly Elders and Deacons.

Arroz y Frijoles Cook Off in support of the UCC Mission Pilgrimage to Nicaragua, is **Sunday, May 31**, at 12:15 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Plan to enter and don't miss this fun event. Email Rebecca at rebecca.smart@uccftw.com to sign up!

Music Makers Camp is for children entering second-seventh grades. **June 23-26** following VBS, 12-3 p.m. $45 per child includes lunch. Register at universitychristian.org or email maryelizabethfarmer@yahoo.com or marsha@uccftw.com.

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at universitychristian.org

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***The 1's*, UCC Singles,** are going to Cooking School! Discover the secrets to producing proper Texas BBQ. **Friday, June 5,** 6:30 p.m. at Central Market, 4651 W. Freeway, #100 . $60 per person. Scholarships available. R.S.V.P. to rebecca.smart@uccftw.com by May 22.

Room in the Inn Training/Orientation will be offered **Sunday, June 14,** at 12:15 p.m. Email carolmstewart@sbcglobal.net to r.s.v.p. so you can experience the joy of providing care for our homeless guests.

VBS Volunteer Registration for adults and youth continues at ucckids.org. We need you to serve the children currently registered. **VBS is June 23-26** and a fun way to be a part of UCC!

VBS Registration for two's through third grade and *Mission VBS* for fourth-fifth grades has ended. Please fill out a paper form and turn it in to Susan Henry. We will notify you if a spot is available for your child.

Women's Regional Assembly, June 26-28, at the Y O Ranch Hotel & Conference Center in Kerrville, Texas. Visit ccsw.org for registration information.

Online Worship Bulletin available on the UCC website under Resources for those who wish to view it from home.

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May 17, 2015

Living the Good News of Jesus Christ
with open minds and loving hearts

May 17, 2015 **Seventh Sunday of Easter** **9 & 11 a.m.**

Celebration of Worship

Prelude *Procession* C.S. Lang
Ringing of the Tower Bells and Procession of the Acolytes

Call To Worship

*Processional Hymn **95** *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun* Duke Street

*Litany of Praise
God has gone up with a shout,
the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.
Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our Lord, sing praises! Psalm 47:5-6

*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
(9 a.m.) *Ornament of Grace* Bernard Wayne Sanders
(11 a.m.) *The Lord is My Light and My Salvation*** John Rutter

*The Doxology **46** Old Hundredth

*Prayer of Dedication

Communion Hymn **406** *Beneath the Forms of Outward Rite* Belmont
(stanzas 1 and 4)

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
Pastorale Peter Mathews
(All followers of Christ are invited to share in the bread and cup which represent the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, as they nourish us in our life together in His name.)

The Peace
The peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

* (11 a.m.) Hymn **324** *Your Words to Me Are Life and Health* Winchester Old
(Parents, during 11 a.m. worship, please bring your first-third graders to join a Worship and Wonder leader in the Gallery. Children will return to the Sanctuary during the Hymn of Discipleship.)

Scripture Psalm 1
(The text may be found on page 489 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bibles.)

**The congregation is invited to stand at these times of the service. Feel free to remain seated if need be.*

Congregational Response
The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon *The Secret Garden*

(11 a.m.) Anthem *The Lord is My Light and My Salvation*** John Rutter
The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?
Though a host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid:
and though there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust in him.
One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require:
even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
to behold the fair beauty of the Lord, and to visit his temple.
For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle:
yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me, and set me up upon a rock of stone.
Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness:
I will sing, and speak praises unto the Lord.
Hearken unto my voice, O Lord, when I cry unto thee: have mercy upon me, and hear me.
My heart hath talked of thee, seek ye my face: thy face, Lord will I seek.
O hide not thou thy face from me nor cast thy servant away in displeasure.
Thou hast been my succour: leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.
When my father and my mother forsake me, the Lord taketh me up.
Be strong and he shall comfort thine heart; and put thou thy trust in the Lord.
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*Hymn of Discipleship **323** *Wonderful Words of Life* Words of Life
(stanzas 1 and 2)
(All those who are inspired to confess their faith in Christ or make a discipleship covenant with our congregation are invited to join the pastors at the front of the church.)

*Benediction and Choral Response
Ringing of the Tower Bells

*Postlude *Toccata in Seven* John Rutter

In the Service

Preaching: Larry Thomas

Worship Leaders
Michael Yandell and Christi McDowell

Musicians
Kyla K. Rosenberger, *Senior Organist*
Chancel Choir
Jackson Yandell, *Director*
Amy Yandell, *clarinet*

Elders
Mark Alland and Mary Jane Alland
Errol Henry and Laura West

Scripture Reader: Chad Cline

Chancel Guild
Preparing communion today are
Kay Campbell, Rich Darr
and Nancy Strickland.

Acolytes
Maria Gober and Joye Hatter
Kaylee Hardin and Hattie Castillo

Chancel Flowers
The flowers in the Chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Lloyd Scurlock by Sue Scurlock, the Mark Montague Family and the Brian Adams Family.

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This Week at University Christian Church

Reception Honoring Michael Yandell today in the Gallery after both worship services. Congratulate Michael on his ordination and wish him well as he begins the PhD program for Theological Studies at Emory University in Altlanta.

Pentecost Special Day Offering, supporting Disciples new church development, will be taken **today and next Sunday, May 24.** Please make checks payable to UCC with a note in the memo line "Pentecost Offering."

Life After Loss Support Group–Rev. Christi McDowell begins a five week journey through grief beginning **today** at 2 p.m. in Room 206. If you are interested in participating in this group, email thelia@uccftw.com.

Women of Valor, the Sunday night women's group, meets **tonight** at 5 p.m. in Room 204. Please join us!

***Fire and Meat*,** the backyard grilling class/demonstration has been postponed due to the anticipation of rain. Date to be determined.

WILD Women Book Club–**Monday, May 18**, at 6 p.m. at Cat City Grill and **Tuesday, May 19,** at 11:30 a.m. in the UCC Library. Both will discuss *Vanishing Acts* by Jodi Picoult.

Men's Third Thursday Lunch–Join us **May 21** at 12 p.m. at Cafe Bella on South Hills Ave. Bill Walker will lead a discussion on the Churches of Shanghai.

Disciples Crossing Young Adult Service Camp, **May, 21-24**, Ages 19-25. Give back to the place that has given you so much. Main programming for this camp is service. You'll work on the grounds and out in the community of Athens. Register online at disciplescrossing.org and then email psantangelo@uccftw.com for payment.

Cheer on the UCC Softball Team at Gateway Park **Friday, May 22**, 6:45 p.m.

Childcare provided from 8:45 a.m.-12 p.m. for infants-preschool.
A complete Sunday school program for all ages meets at 10 a.m.
Handicap accessible restrooms located in the Gallery *(second floor)*.
Assisted listening devices are available; please ask an usher to obtain one.

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.

On Call This Week
Russ Boyd
Kera Watts

Congregational Leadership Meetings

Building & Grounds
Sunday, May 17, 12:15 p.m., Room 202

Assembly Meeting
Tuesday, May 19, 6:30 p.m., Walker Hall

Members of the congregation may attend congregational meetings with the exception of any portion of a meeting held in Executive Session.

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