May 21, 2017 Sixth Sunday of Easter 9:00am & 11:00am

Celebration of Worship

Prelude The Gift of Love Hal H. Hopson

Ringing of the Tower Bells and Procession of the Acolytes

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Processional Hymn 100 When Morning Gilds the Skies LAUDES DOMINI

*Litany of Praise

One: Happy are those who honor God's commandments;

All: praise to God who protects and keeps us!

One: In God's love, we are secure;

All: as people of hope, we have nothing to fear!

*Gloria Patri 35 Greatorex

Litany for Worship Ministries

Prayer for Pastoral Search Committee

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

Ubi Caritas

*The Doxology 46 OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer of Dedication

Communion Hymn 398 Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread St. AGNES

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.

Panis Angelicus César Franck

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.

*(11:00am) Hymn 526

The Gift of Love

GIFT OF LOVE

John 14:15-21

Parents, during 11:00am 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

The text may be found on page 109 of the New Testament in the pew Bibles.

Congregational Response

The Word of God, for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem Our Father

Jack Noble White

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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Sermon Transforming Love in a World of Blind Obedience

*Hymn of Discipleship 463

Renew Your Church

ALL IS WELL

(stanzas 1 and 4)

*Benediction and Choral Response

Ringing of the Tower Bells

Congregational Meeting

Ola Gjeilo

*Postlude Maestoso (from Choral in E Major)

César Franck

In the Service

Preaching

Chuck Rolen † Gallery

Worship Leaders

Tyler Heston †*Lectern door* Shannon Moore †*Narthex door*

Musicians

Kyla K. Rosenberger, Senior Organist Texas State Men & Boys Choir Alan Buratto, Conductor

Elders

†Mary Graham and Pam Atchison

Scripture Reader Walter Echols

Acolytes

Whitney Watts and Grace Housley Sarah Beth Lo and Celia Miller Pitt

Chancel Guild

Preparing communion today are Kay Campbell, Rich Darr, Stephanie Fox, Warner Fox and Nancy Strickland.

Chancel Flowers

The flowers in the Chancel are given to the glory of God and in celebration of all 2017 graduates.

†Ministers & Elders will greet you following worship at the indicated locations.

THIS WEEK @ University Christian Church

WORSHIP MINISTRY SUNDAY | TODAY

Our Chancel Guild, Acolytes, Deacons, Ushers, Radio Announcers and Sound Booth Volunteers all work together to ensure everyone has a meaningful worship experience! We honor their gifts during worship.

WE WELCOME THE TEXAS STATE MEN & BOYS CHOIR under the direction of Alan Buratto to our worship services today. The Executive Director of the organization is Gary Bryant McGrath and the Associate Director is Deborah Buffington.

WORSHIP BAGS FOR CHILDREN are available at the Gallery door. Check out this new way to engage our children in worship. Please return the Worship Bags after worship.

COMMON GROUND BIBLE STUDY | TODAY

Join us at 10:00am in Room 313 as we discuss the Gospel of Matthew, chapters 8 and 10. Email mwilliams_tx@live.com for more information.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN USHER? | TODAY | 10:00AM

A meeting will be held in the Sanctuary to review ushering and greeting procedures, learn about how to handle emergency situations and everything you ever wanted to know about being an usher.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING | TODAY

A brief Congregational Meeting will be held following the 11:00am worship service to approve the 2017-2018 nominees for Assembly Elders and Deacons.

SENIOR MINISTER SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

The committee is collecting papers from interested candidates and will begin contacting possible candidates to gauge their interest. If there is a qualified candidate you believe would be a good fit for UCC, please contact them directly and point them toward universitychristian.org/interested-candidates.

The May Canned Food Challenge—Can we count on you? 'Can' we reach 1000 cans?! Drop off your non-perishable food items in the collection bin near the Receptionist all through **May**.

VBS and Mission VBS—June 20-23 UCC member and volunteer registration continues. Visit ucckids.org to register your child for VBS and to register as an adult or youth volunteer. Don't miss out on VBS 2017!

Music Makers Camp follows VBS in the afternoons, 12:00-3:00pm. \$60 includes lunch and t-shirt. Register at universitychristian.org for children entering 2-7 grades. Email marsha@uccftw.com for details.

Yoga with Julie Vitek—Mondays, 12:30-1:30pm in Room 205. \$5. Bring your own mat and blanket if possible.

Parent's Night Out—Friday, June 2, 6:00-9:00pm. Enjoy a night out while your children enjoy a fun night at church! \$5 per child, \$10 family limit. Register online under "Events" and select "Open Registrations". Deadline for reservation is Wednesday, May 24.

UCC Weekday School is currently searching for a new director. Contact Alice Phillips at maroondoc1@charter.net, chair of the WDS Director Search Committee for more information or if you have a candidate to recommend.

Blue Zones Purpose Workshop—Saturday, June 3, 10:00am-12:00pm. Find your true and unique purpose and add healthy years to your life. Free, but registration required. Visit UCC's website to sign up!

Women's Bowling Event—Wednesday, June 7 at 6:00pm at Cityview Lanes (6601 Oakmont Blvd). Bring your daughters, bring your mothers, bring your friends!

General Assembly | July 8-12, 2017 | Indiana Convention Center • Indianapolis, IN We will worship with many as ONE and learn in community from Disciples of Christ leaders. Together as ONE we will elect a new General Minister and President and hear the results of Mission First. Be inspired. Be transformed. Be renewed. Register at ga.disciples.org today!

Join the Chancel Choir Tour to Australia and New Zealand in June 2018! There are limited available spots for non-singing church members who would like to join this amazing trip. Contact todd.prickett@uccftw.com for details ASAP.



A NEW WAY TO GIVE: Text and Mobile App giving are now available!

AVAILABLE:

- A Complete Sunday School Program for All Ages Meets at 10:00am
- Childcare provided from 8:45am-12:00pm for infants-Kindergarten
- Handicap accessible restrooms located in The Gallery (second floor)
- Assisted listening devices are available; please ask an usher to obtain one

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP MEETINGS

Congregational Meeting: Sunday, May 21 at 12:05pm, Sanctuary **Assembly Meeting:** Tuesday, May 23 at 6:30pm, Walker Hall

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

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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Rev. Dr. Chuck Rolen, Interim Senior Minister; Rev. Cyndy W. Twedell, Senior Associate Minister; 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, Senior Organist.

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