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

Students Away Ministry—Send a finals care package to a student away from home. Names and addresses available in the Gallery **today–November 29**. Email jessica@uccftw.com with questions.

Common Ground and Community Sunday School Classes invite you to join them in a four-week series on *Sabbath as Resistance* led by Rev. Dr. Zena McAdams, **November 1-22**, 10 a.m., Room 315.

“Give Thanks and Bless God’s Name!” Thanksgiving Sunday worship will incorporate themes of gratefulness and duty on **November 22**. Come sing hymn favorites *Now Thank We All Our God* and *For the Fruit of All Creation* with the Chancel Choir and a professional low brass ensemble.

Room in the Inn Training and Luncheon, November 22, 12:15-1:45 p.m. A fun lunch to say “thank you” to our volunteers and provide orientation for those new to RITI. Bring your family. R.V.S.P. to carolmstewart@sbcglobal.net.



Journey with Us

November 29 • Advent begins with special music at 9 & 11 a.m. and **Hanging of the Greens** at 5:30 p.m.—Traditional adornments of the season announce a time of hopeful expectation

Weekly Devotional—email subscribe to adventdevo@uccftw.com

December 6 • Christmas Cantata—sermon in song
Chancel Choir presents John Rutter’s *Joy to the World* at 9 & 11 a.m.

December 14 • Of Many Colors Christmas Concert at 7 p.m.

December 24 • Christmas Eve—Experience the *Wonder of Christmas*
12 p.m. **Worship**—noon service with communion

5 p.m. **Family Worship**—Children’s Choir, bells, live Nativity & carols

8 p.m. **Traditional Worship**—Liturgical dance, Chamber Choir, bells, communion & candles

11 p.m. **Traditional Worship**—Liturgical dance, Chancel Choir, bells & candles

Enjoy a 30 minute *instrumental concert* prior to each of these services!

The Arches Bookstore Flash Sale! Sunday, November 22, only.
10 a.m.-2 p.m. We’ll supply the bag, you fill it with books for just \$3.

With a Little Faith, We Can Move Mountains—UCC Stewardship 2016!
We continue to strive towards campaign completion! If you have not already done so, please prayerfully consider your pledge commitment and respond today by turning in your pledge card or pledge online at universitychristian.org.



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Hanging of the Greens is Sunday, November 29, at 5:30 p.m. This festive, youth-led service provides a family-friendly worship experience that kicks off Advent by adorning UCC’s Sanctuary with symbols of the season and explaining the meaning behind the symbols.

Boar’s Head and Yule Log Festival Tickets go on sale
Monday, November 30. The festival is January 2 and 3, 3 and 5 p.m. daily. Tickets are \$15. Call 817.926.6631 ext. 141, or purchase online at universitychristian.org.

Men’s Movie Night, December 3, 6:30 p.m., Room 203. Join us for Linda Hunt’s Academy Award winning performance in the film *The Year of Living Dangerously*. \$5 gets you a chicken dinner, the movie and great discussion. Sign up in The Arches.

Parent’s Night Out, December 4, gives UCC parents the opportunity to take a well-deserved break. Reservation deadline is November 24. Cost is \$5 per child, \$10 family maximum cost. Register online under “Events” or email susan@uccftw.com.

Tell Your BHYLF Story! A collection of stories is being created celebrating the fortieth anniversary of the festival. Briefly write about a favorite memory you have and send to marsha@uccftw.com or boarshead@uccftw.com. Deadline is **December 7**.

Special Latte with the Ladies will meet **December 12** at 2 p.m. at the Montgomery Street Antique Mall Secret Garden Restaurant. Register now and make your \$15 payment on the UCC website as the Secret Garden Restaurant has limited seating for special groups.

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

Do You Subscribe to Disciples News Service? Keep up-to-date on all things Disciples at www.disciples.org. You may subscribe to the newsletter by clicking the News Service tab and entering your email address.

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Our Missionary Partners

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PROGRAM CONTACTS

Rev. Larry Thomas, Senior Minister; Rev. Russ Boyd, Assoc. Minister for Youth; Rev. Ellen Lewis, Assoc. Minister of Administration; Rev. Cyndy W. Twedell, Assoc. Minister of Outreach, Women’s Ministries and Membership; Rev. Jessica Vacketta, Assoc. Minister for Adults and College; Rev. Christi McDowell, Assoc. Minister of Pastoral Care, Alison Nicoll, Assist. Minister for High School Tyler Heston, Assist. Minister for Middle School; Kyla K. Rosenberger, Dir. of Music and Sr. Organist; and Kera Watts, Dir. of Children’s Ministries.



UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

a Disciples of Christ congregation

November 15, 2015

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

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Meditation Religieuse

Henri Mulet

Ring of the Tower Bells and Procession of the Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

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For the Beauty of the Earth

DIX

*LITANY OF PRAISE

God is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

God is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

One thing have I asked of God; one thing I seek.

That I may dwell in God’s house all the days of my life.

*GLORIA PATRI

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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.)

The Last Words of David**

Randall Thompson

(11 A.M.)

Song of Faith (Chant de Foi)

Craig A. Penfield

*THE DOXOLOGY

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OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

COMMUNION HYMN

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In Remembrance of Me

RED

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

Meditation

Craig A. Penfield

(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

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Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

ST. AGNES

(stanzas 1, 2 and 3)

(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.)

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

SCRIPTURE

Mark 13:1-8

(The text may be found on page 50of the New Testament in the Pew Bibles.)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

(11 A.M.) ANTHEM

The Last Words of David**

Randall Thompson

**He that ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God.

And he shall be as the light of the morning,

when the sun riseth, even a morning without clouds;

as the tender grass springing out of the earth by clear shining after rain.

Alleluia, amen.

- 2 Samuel 23:3-4

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SERMON

The Bad News About the Good News

*HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP

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Jesus Calls Us O’er the Tumult

GALILEE

(stanzas 1 and 5)

(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

Ring of the Tower Bells

*POSTLUDE

Tu es petra (Thou art the rock)

Henri Mulet

IN THE SERVICE

Preaching: Larry Thomas

Chancel Guild

Preparing communion today are

Kay Campbell, Rich Darr

and Nancy Strickland.

Worship Leaders

Jessica Vacketta and Tyler Heston

Musicians

Kyla K. Rosenberger, Senior Organist

Chancel Choir

Eric Mullins, Assistant Choirmaster

Elders

Mary Graham and Jeanne Duke

Linda Smith and Jeanne Duke

Chancel Flowers

The flowers in the Chancel are given to the

glory of God and in loving memory of

Jason Vail Teague by the Jim Teague Family.

Acolytes

Ward Butler and Rachel Darr

Abbey Ellison and Whitney Watts

Scripture Reader: Eldon Irving



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This Week at University Christian Church

The Newcomers Class, offered for those who are new to UCC, concludes **today** at 10 a.m. in Room 201. All are welcome to attend! Questions are encouraged!

Author! Author! is for all ages. Join us **today** for this event connecting UCC readers with UCC authors, 12:15-2 p.m. in Room 207. Light refreshments provided.

Thanksgiving Baskets provide a holiday meal to local families. Purchase food items and leave them in the bin at the Reception Desk or drop off checks or cash in the Gallery **today** and at the Reception Desk during the week. Pack party to assemble the baskets is **Saturday, November 21**, at 9 a.m. in Walker Hall.

College Students and Pickleball Enthusiasts are invited to play Pickleball **tonight** from 4:30-7:30 p.m. in Walker Hall (no experience necessary). You are welcome to swing by at any time or stay for the entire evening!

Thanksgiving Offering collected **today and Sunday, November 22**, benefits the colleges, universities, seminaries and divinity houses affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

WILD Women Book Club—**November 16**, 6 p.m. at Cat City Grill or **November 17**, at 11:30 a.m. in the UCC Library. Both will discuss *Garden Spells* by Sarah Addison Allen.

Men’s Third Thursday Lunch—Join us **November 19** at noon at Cafe Bella on South Hills Ave.

Ignatius Transposed! Retreat in Everyday Life
Prospective participants may attend a four hour *Prayer Practices* preliminary Saturday seminar on **November 21**, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. in Room 206. For details, email kristin@brioleadership.com, or call 817.577.7030.

Dallas Stars Hockey Outing for Middle and High School Youth on **Saturday, November 21**. Visit uccyouth.org/stars for details and reservations.

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
Kera Watts
Ellen Lewis

Congregational Leadership Meetings

Investment Committee
Monday, November 16, 11:30 a.m., Room 202

Endowment Committee
Monday, November 16, 12 p.m., Room 203

Board of Stewards
Tuesday, November 17, 6:30 p.m., Room 207

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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