

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Nun danket alle Gott

Johann Christoph Kellner

Ringling of the Tower Bells and Procession of the Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 715

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET

*LITANY OF PRAISE

O come, let us sing to God;

Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into God’s presence with thanksgiving;

Let us make a joyful noise with songs of praise!

*GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

(11 A.M.) BABY DEDICATION

Hymn 362

Filled with the Joy and Gladness

O PERFECT LOVE

(stanza 2)

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.)

*Come Ye Thankful People, Come***

arr. Mack Wilberg

(11 A.M.)

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

arr. Dennis Klophaus

*THE DOXOLOGY 46

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

COMMUNION HYMN 719

Come, Sing a Song of Harvest

CHRISTUS, DER IST MEIN LEBEN

(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

Now Thank We All Our God

David N. Johnson

(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 714

For the Fruit of All Creation

AR HYD Y NOS

(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

Joel 2:21- 27

(Scripture may be found on page 847 of the Old Testament in the pew Bibles.)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

The Word of God, for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

(11 A.M.) ANTHEM

*Come Ye Thankful People, Come***

arr. Mack Wilberg

Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home:

all is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin;

God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied:

come to God’s own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God’s own field, fruit unto his praise to yield;

wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown;

first the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear:

Lord of harvest grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord, our God, shall come, and shall take his harvest home;

from his field shall in that day all offenses purge away;

give his angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,

but the fruitful ears to store in his garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come to thy final harvest home;

gather thou thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin;

there forever purified, in thy presence to abide:

come with all thine angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home.

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SERMON

A People of Plenty

*HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP 717

Let All Things Now Living

ASH GROVE

*BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

Ringling of the Tower Bells

*POSTLUDE

Come Thou Fount of Eo’ry Blessing

arr. Dennis Klophaus

IN THE SERVICE

Preaching: Larry Thomas

Scripture Reader: Walter Echols

Worship Leaders

Cyndy W. Twedell

Jessica Vacketta

Elders

Bill Proenza and Jim Hodges

Art Busbey and Anne Darr

Chancel Flowers

The flowers in the Chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Kathryn Chisholm Matson and Dana Kay Matson by the Morris Matson family.

Chancel Guild

Preparing communion today are Lori Eagleton, Randy Eagleton Ann Lesok and Mandy Teichelmann.

Musicians

Kyla K. Rosenberger, Senior Organist

Chancel Choir

Jackson Yandell, Assistant Choirmaster

Acolytes

Miles Baker and Rainer Williams

Ryan Mills and Brooke Mills

Low Brass Ensemble

Dennis Klophaus, Jon Hinton, Alex Castro, Tony Baker, Jon Gill, trombones

Sawyer Davis, tuba

Have you signed an attendance card today?

This Week at University Christian Church

“Give Thanks and Bless God’s Name.” Today in worship we incorporate themes of gratefulness and duty. *Now Thank We All Our God* and *For the Fruit of All Creation* are accompanied by a brass ensemble.

Thanksgiving Offering Collected Today benefits the Colleges, Universities, Seminaries and Divinity Houses affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Thanksgiving Baskets Monetary Donations continue to be accepted and appreciated **today**. Help provide a Thanksgiving bag of groceries to families who live below the poverty level. Put ‘Thanksgiving Baskets’ in the memo line of your check and place in the offering plate.

Today Only - The Arches Bookstore Flash Sale 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m. We’ll supply the bag; you fill it with books for just \$3.

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.

Parent's Night Out last day to register is **this Tuesday, November 24**. On **Friday, December 4**, enjoy a night out while your children enjoy a fun night at church. Cost is \$5 per child, \$10 family limit. Register online under “Events” or email susan@uccftw.com

Baby Dedication Today

Samuel Lyle Silva, son of Al & Erin Silva. Grandparents are Bill & Lisa Dishman, Al & Sharon Silva, and Joanne Lyle. Great-grandparents are Martha Dishman and Sam & Marcy Ford. Siblings are Adam and Stella.

Childcare provided from 8:45 a.m.-12 p.m. for infants-preschool.

Handicap accessible restrooms located in The Gallery (second floor)

Assisted listening devices are available; please ask an usher to obtain one.

Ministers On Call

Ministers are 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
Cyndy W. Twedell
Christi McDowell

Congregational Leadership Meetings

There are no meetings this week.



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UPDATE

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

Hanging of the Greens is **Sunday, November 29**, 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**. \$15. The festival is January 2 and 3, 3 and 5 p.m. daily. Call 817.926.6631, ext. 141, or purchase online at universitychristian.org.

Boar's Head Grand Feast Buffet on **Saturday, January 2**, at 6:30 p.m. in Walker Hall. The Boar's Head Guild invites the UCC church family to celebrate the 40th anniversary of our Epiphany festival with a catered meal. \$10 per person. Menu available www.universitychristian.org. Purchase tickets in Room 239 starting **November 30** and in The Arches Bookstore, **Sunday December 6**.

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

Gifts of Hope Market will be in the Gallery, **Sunday, December 6** after both worship services. Your friends and family will feel honored that food, clothing, even farm animals will be purchased with your gift dollars.

Special Christmas Carols with Chancel Choir and TCU Strings – Sunday, December 6. Hear the choir and sing along with the cantata *Joy to the World!* by John Rutter during our worship services.

Tell Your BHYLF Story! A collection of stories is being created celebrating the 40th anniversary of the festival. Briefly write a favorite memory and send to marsha@uccftw.com or boarshead@uccftw.com. Deadline is **December 7**.

Adult Advent Devotions are available in The Arches.

Listen live on KTCU FM 88.7 or on universitychristian.org



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Special Latte with the Ladies will meet on **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. Seating is now limited.

Of Many Colors presents *Joy to the World* on **Monday, December 14**. Come to this 7 p.m. evening concert of jazz/gospel vocal and instrumental music in the Sanctuary. Free admission with an offering to benefit UCC music programs.

Family Advent Devotionals, Sing a Song of Christmas, have been mailed to all families with children ages two through fifth grade. Extra Advent packets are available in The Arches.



Be Still.

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!

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

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PROGRAM CONTACTS

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