UPDATE

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

***Welcome to Worship* for First Graders** continues **today** with parents and children in Room 207 at 11 a.m. to prepare for First Grade Inclusion on **September 27**.

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

September is Back-to-School Month at the Children's Closet!
We hold the children of our community in our prayers as school starts.
We can give those prayers life by contributing or volunteering at
The Children's Closet Mondays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to noon.

Men's Ministry *Fire and Meat*, Sunday, October 4, 5:30-8 p.m. at 3928 Thistle Lane. $10 cash or check. Join us for fellowship, grilling, games and food. Sign up at The Arches Information Desk.

Cardboard Arcade Challenge will be on Children's Sabbath, **October 18**, at 10 a.m. Elementary aged children will begin creating and designing their games this week in Journey Land. Check out ucckids.org for a link to the story that started the Imagination Foundation.

College Lunch Bunch, a free lunch and weekly gathering for students, meets **Wednesdays** from 12-1 p.m. in the College Lounge (Room 223). Swing by in between classes for a quick bite! Email jessica@uccftw.com for more information.

A Support Group for Caregivers of those suffering from Alzheimer's disease or other forms of dementia meets the **second and fourth Thursdays** of the month from 4:30-6 p.m. in Room 201. Dr. Charles Sanders and Leslie Dell have been trained by the Alzheimer's Association to facilitate this group.

College Sunday School, a class just for students, meets **weekly** at 10 a.m. in the College Lounge, Room 223. Not sure where the Lounge is located? Gather in the Gallery after worship (up the stairs, lectern side) and Rev. Jessica will lead the way.

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.

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

Learn more about
University Christian Church ministries
at universitychristian.org

For more about the Disciples of Christ,
visit disciples.org

Trunk or Treat
Sunday, October 25, 5–6-30 p.m.

A great way for children, families and singles in the church and throughout the community to celebrate Halloween. Bring your friends and neighbors and join us for a time of fun and fellowship as we enjoy a safe "trick or treat" environment, refreshments, candy and a few surprises!

Watch for Details on Ways to Participate!

Listen live at 11 a.m. on KTCU FM 88.7 or on universitychristian.org under Resources

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University Christian Church

a Disciples of Christ congregation

September 20, 2015

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

September 20, 2015 Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost 9 & 11 a.m.

Celebration of Worship

Prelude *Joyful Praise* Eugene Butler
Ringing of the Tower Bells and Procession of the Acolytes

Call To Worship

*Processional Hymn **622** *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* Cwm Rhondda

*Litany of Praise
We do not live by bread alone,
but by the Word who became flesh and dwells among us.
Christ is the true bread of heaven, the manna of freedom.
Come, let us worship and give thanks.

*Gloria Patri **35** Greatorex

(11 a.m.) Baby Dedications
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.) *Prayer of St. Francis*** Allen Pote
(11 a.m.) *Lord of the Small* Dan Forrest

*The Doxology **46** Old Hundredth

*Prayer of Dedication

Communion Hymn **419** *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly* Holy Manna
(stanza 1)

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
Vigil Eugene Butler
(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 **458** *Ours the Journey* Ours the Journey
(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 Exodus 16:1-15
(The text may be found on page 62 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 *Prayer of St. Francis*** Allen Pote
**Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love.
Where there is injury, thy pardon, Lord. Where there is doubt, let there be faith.
Oh, Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there's despair let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness, let there be light. Where there is sadness, let there be joy.
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console.
To be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love.
Oh, Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love.
For it is in giving that we receive, and it is in pardoning that we are pardoned.
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.
Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Amen.
-St. Francis of Assisi
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Sermon *Finish What You Start*

*Hymn of Discipleship **439** *God, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing* Sicilian Mariners
(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* Eugene Butler

In the Service

Preaching: Larry Thomas

Worship Leaders
Russ Boyd and Ellen Lewis

Musicians
Kyla K. Rosenberger, *Senior Organist*
Chancel Choir
Eric Mullins, *Assistant Choirmaster*
Lance Newman, *baritone*

Acolytes
Payne Wellman and Harrison Housley
Hattie Castillo and Abby Ellison

Scripture Reader: Ellen Myers

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

Elders
Bob Stewart and Carol Stewart
Art Busby and Doug Welch

Chancel Flowers
The flowers in the Chancel are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the 30th anniversary of the Seekers Class of University Christian Church by the class.

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This Week at University Christian Church

Holy Moses!
Sermon Series on life lessons on leadership and faithful living from the life of Moses continues **through Sunday, October 4**.
Rev. Larry Thomas, preaching.

Today We Celebrate the Dedication of *Elouise Clar Costas*, daughter of Robert Costas & Dana St. Germain-Costas. Grandparents are John & Mary Costas.

Women's Ministries Luncheon featuring Mayor Betsy Price is **today** at 12:15 p.m. in Walker Hall. Lunch reservation deadline has passed.

Fort Worth CROP Hunger Walk is **today.** Registration at 1:30 p.m./walk at 2 p.m. at TCU Dee J. Kelley Alumni and Visitors Center. Be a part of the UCC team by walking or giving. Donate at www.cropwalk.org/fortworthtx. UCC's participation honors the memory of Lynn Cross.

UCC Singles are invited to meet for lunch and then walk the CROP Walk **today**. The group will meet at Los Vaqueros at 12:15 p.m.

***Monday Night Fellowship*, September 21**, 6:30 p.m. at the home of Tony Allred. MNF is a four-week men's small group study of *Dare to Answer: 8 Questions That Awaken Your Faith* by John Busacker. $10 donation covers cost of the book. Sign up at The Arches Information Desk.

***Pope and Potluck*, September 24**, at 6 p.m. Share a meal and participate in a panel discussion about Pope Francis' address to Congress that day. R.S.V.P. to Sandra at sandra.pontouf.soria@gmail.com, or call 817.980.9654 by September 23.

The Marriage Well, UCC's monthly couples' enrichment program, meets **Friday, September 25,** in Room 207, 6-7 p.m. Topic: *Spiritual Practices for Your Marriage & Family*. Childcare reservation deadline has passed.

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
Cyndy W. Twedell
Kera Watts

Congregational Leadership Meetings

Elders Meeting
Tuesday, September 22, 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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