

# UPDATE

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**Hanging of the Greens** is **Sunday, November 30**, 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.

**The Marriage Well**, a monthly enrichment program for couples, meets **Friday, December 5**, in Room 207, 6-7 p.m. This month's topic: *Surviving the Holidays*.\*

**UCC Singles Christmas Party**, **Friday, December 5**, 7-9 p.m. at Tommy's Burgers off Forest Park. Email [jessica@uccftw.com](mailto:jessica@uccftw.com) for more information.\*

*\*Childcare for both The Well and Singles events available from 5:45-9 p.m.  
Reservation needed by **November 26**—email [susan@uccftw.com](mailto:susan@uccftw.com).*

**Family Advent Devotionals**, *Tidings of Comfort and Joy*, have been mailed to all families with children ages two through fifth grade. Additional Advent resources for families and extra Advent packets are available in The Arches.

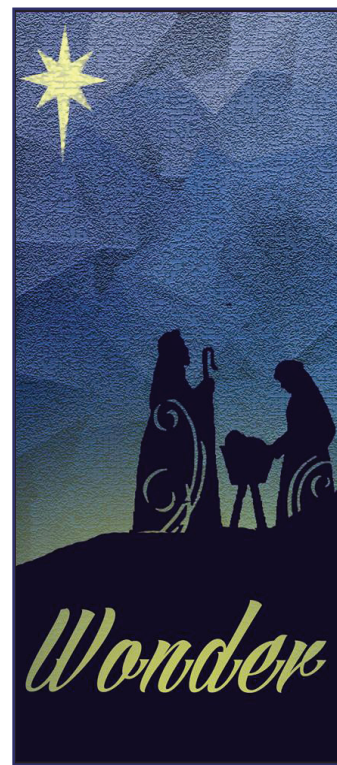
**Adult Advent Devotionals** are now available in The Arches. Receive a weekly devotional via email by sending "subscribe" to [adventdevo@uccftw.com](mailto:adventdevo@uccftw.com). (If you are a weekly UCC Update email recipient you will already be subscribed!)

**Hear Christmas Music by the Chancel Choir** at the 9 and 11 a.m. services on **Sunday, December 9**. They will present a special cantata, accompanied by brass, organ and percussion, titled *Gloria* by John Rutter.

**Chancel Flowers Donor Opportunities**—several openings exist for flowers donors in 2015. Flowers enhance worship for many and it is a wonderful way to remember someone or celebrate a special occasion. Please consider donating. Email [pam@uccftw.com](mailto:pam@uccftw.com) for more information.

**Poinsettia Order Forms** are available at The Arches Information Desk and the Reception Desk. Orders can also be made online or by emailing [pam@uccftw.com](mailto:pam@uccftw.com). Deadline is **December 14**.

**Of Many Colors Christmas Concert** on **Monday, December 15**, at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. There will be special, original arrangements of Christmas music in jazz-gospel style. Come enjoy a night of holiday celebration for all ages young and old!



## *Journey with Us*

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

**December 7** • **Christmas Cantata**—sermon in song  
Chancel Choir presents John Rutter's *Gloria* at 9 & 11 a.m.

**December 15** • **Of Many Colors 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 with carols

**8 p.m. Traditional Worship**

Chamber Choir, bells, communion & candlelight

**11 p.m. Candlelight Worship**—Chancel Choir & bells

30 minute *instrumental concert* prior to each service!

**Couples Retreat**, **February 7-8, 2015**, at the Marriott Solana, Roanoke, TX. This year's theme: *The Gateway to The Five Love Languages*. A \$100 deposit is due by **Friday, December 19**. Register online or email [thelia@uccftw.com](mailto:thelia@uccftw.com).

**UCC Trip to France**—**May 8-17, 2015**. A few spaces are still available for the *French Feast for the Senses* tour. Email [marsha@uccftw.com](mailto:marsha@uccftw.com) for details.

**A Support Group for Caregivers** of those suffering from Alzheimer's disease or other forms of dementia meets the **first and third Thursdays** during November and December, 4:30-6 p.m. in Room 201.

**Listen live at 11 a.m. on KTCU FM 88.7 or on [universitychristian.org](http://universitychristian.org) under Resources**

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## UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Two Thanksgiving Hymns

arr. Neil Harmon

Ringling of the Tower Bells and Procession of the Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 276

We Gather Together

KREMSER

\*LITANY OF PRAISE

We praise the Lord, in whom we find our refuge.

We give thanks to God, from whom all good things come.

We praise the Lord, who surrounds us with abundance.

We give thanks to God, who equips us to serve those in need.

\*GLORIA PATRI 35

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(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.)

Now Thank We All Our God\*\*

Johann Pachelbel

(11 A.M.)

Canon in D

Johann Pachelbel

\*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

Come, Ye Thankful People Come

arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

(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.

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

\*(11 A.M.) HYMN 56

For the Beauty of the Earth

DIX

(stanzas 1, 2 and 5)

(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

Deuteronomy 8:7-18

(Scripture found on page 165 of the Old Testament in the pew Bibles).

(11 A.M.) ANTHEM

Now Thank We All Our God\*\*

Johann Pachelbel

Now thank we all our God, who worthy deeds hath done for ev’ry creature;

who all our lives his wond’rous love hath us richly blessed, and grants us all things good.

He gives to us a joyful heart and vouchsafe a holy peace, yea, holy peace to his chosen ones;

we implore that his grace with us abide, and redeem us, Lord, while e’er we are living.

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,

who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;

who from our mother’s arms hath blessed us on our way

with countless gifts of love and still is ours today.

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SERMON

Remember

\*HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP 717

Let All Things Now Living

ASH GROVE

(stanza 1)

(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

Ringling of the Tower Bells

\*POSTLUDE

All Glory Be to God on High

Johann Pachelbel

IN THE SERVICE

Preaching: Larry Thomas

Chancel Guild

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

Worship Leaders

Jessica Vacketta

Russ Boyd

Kera Watts

Musicians

Kyla K. Rosenberger, Senior Organist

Chancel Choir

Eric Mullins, Asst. Choirmaster & Bell Director

Ad Deum Handbell Choir

TCU Brass Quartet

Thomas Raggazino, trumpet

Carlos Gonzales, trumpet

Amanda Kana, trombone

Tanner Webb, bass trombone

Elders

Walter Echols and Bill Proenza

Walter Echols and James Chaffin

Acolytes


Georgia Curtis and Tevy Sek

Kaylee Hardin and Harrison Housley

Chancel Flowers

The flowers in the Chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Margaret A. Summy by her husband, Dr. Bill Summy.

Scripture Reader: Meredith Buckley



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This Week at University Christian Church



Baby Dedications

We celebrate with the following families whose children are dedicated in today’s services:

Everly Katherine Edmondson, daughter of Kevin & Candice Edmondson.

Grandparents are Kay Edmondson, Dave Edmondson and Randy & Beth Sanders.

Great-grandparents are Jean Arnold and Harvey and Paulanna Milligan.

Marshall Reed Smith, son of Brian Smith & Nicole Duvall.

Grandparents are Ed & Cathy Duvall and Kent & Charlene Smith.

Great-grandparents are Richard & Chantel Duvall, Mary Morris and Shirley Duvall.

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!

Come Home Thanksgiving Offering that is received today helps underwrite the education of students attending the fourteen undergraduate institutions and seven divinity schools affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ.)

Students Away Ministry: Send a finals care package to a student away from home. Names and addresses available in the Gallery today.

Email [jessica@uccftw.com](mailto:jessica@uccftw.com) with questions.

CCF/JYF will not meet tonight or November 30.

Enjoy the Thanksgiving Break followed by Hanging of the Greens on November 30.

We will resume December 7 at 5 p.m.

The Thanksgiving Basket Ministry provides families living below the poverty level with groceries for their Thanksgiving meal.

Cost per basket is \$15. Basket Assembly took place yesterday but checks can still be accepted through November 24.

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

Congregational Leadership Meetings

Elders Meeting

Tuesday, November 25, 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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