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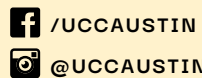


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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 4/28:** Congregational Meeting, 12 p.m., Sanctuary
- 4/29:** Finals Snacks for UT Students, 10 a.m., Courtyard
- 4/30:** Forum Group, 4 p.m., Zoom
- 5/1:** Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 p.m., Sanctuary
- 5/2:** UT Red Cross Club Blood Drive, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Fellowship Hall
- 5/5:** Seekers Class, 9:30 a.m., Wassenich Classroom
Worship, 11 a.m., Sanctuary & online

Congregational Meeting: Today!

The Board has called a congregational meeting for **today** in the Sanctuary immediately following worship. The congregation will vote to extend a call for the Associate Minister of Connection and Outreach and elect members for leadership positions.

KEEP IN PRAYER

Loved ones of Leonard Sanchez, friend of BJ Stiles, who died • Christal Fisher, recovering from surgery • Gerald Vickers, father of Tammy Smith, recovering from surgery • Darleen Ammann, Rev. Megan's grandmother, upcoming melanoma treatment • Esthermay Johnston • Wayne Scholz, leukemia treatments • Lynn Scholz • Joy: Deborah and Adam Kogler are expecting a baby in August! • Jim Barufaldi, undergoing medical treatment • Israel and Palestine • Steve Peglar • Marti Kennedy • Trenna Pickett • Howard Hall • Barry Smith • Judy Brumley • Ukraine • 4/28/24 Global Ministries Focus: Korea • All affected by COVID-19 • For those most affected by systemic racism & for those seeking to become anti-racist

STAFF AND WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Rev. Megan Peglar Senior Minister
Morgan Kramer Director of Music
Sabrina Ellis Assistant Choir Director
Cathie Parsley Organist
Gaye Lynn Scott Worship Leader
Kim Kofron, Laura Leshikar Elders
Ron Martin Media Volunteer
Yuxin Liu Offertory Soloist

UNIVERSITY Christian Church



Dynamic · Inclusive · Compassionate · Progressive

Welcome to University Christian Church!

Responding to the call to be a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world, UCC extends the grace-filled welcome of Christ to all persons equally, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, class, sexual orientation, political affiliation, or disability.

All children are invited to remain in the sanctuary during worship. The Pray Ground, on the lectern side of the sanctuary, is a space built especially for them. Parents are invited to sit on the pews nearby.

Wireless hearing enhancement receivers are available in the narthex.

University Christian Church

April 28, 2024

The information in the margins will give you guidance and explanation about today's service.

Asterisks (*) indicate when you are invited to rise in body or spirit.

Hymnals are located in pew seatbacks.

When the pastor says, "O God in your mercy," you are invited to respond by saying, "Hear our prayer."

Some people use a variety of names for God since no word fully encompasses who God is. Feel free to say, "Our Mother," "God of all love," or anything else that reflects your understanding of God.

The scripture can be found on page **230 (NT)** in your pew Bible. The lectionary is a collection of pre-selected scriptures that is used for worship, study, or other theological uses.

Welcome

Prelude and Lighting of the Candles

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing - setting, Burton

Introit

Call to Worship

*Hymn

284 *Gather Us In*

*Litany of Praise

One: The good news gives light.

All: Seek us out, O God, and fill us with understanding.

One: Here is the water of life, the word that feeds, the food of eternity.

All: Come and praise the vine that gives all goodness.

*Prayer Hymn

106 *Alleluia*

Pastoral Prayer

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

The Lord's Prayer

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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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. Amen.

Word in Song

Wondrous Love - Traditional Southern-American tune, arr. Sametz

Scripture

1 John 4:7-21

Sermon

Because God Is Love

(Week 2 of the Love One Another worship series)

Offertory Invitation

Offertory

I Feel His Love - Stauffer

*Doxology

*All praise be yours, O risen Lord;
From death to endless life restored;
Whom, with our God we do adore;
And Holy Spirit evermore, Amen.*

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Hymn

411 *For the Bread, Which You Have Broken*

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Words of Institution

One: The Lord Jesus, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said,

All: This is my body which is for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.

One: In the same way the cup, after supper, saying,

All: This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink of it, in remembrance of me.

One: According to his commandment:

All: We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.

Prayer for the Loaf and the Cup

Communion of the People

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn

517 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

Benediction

Postlude

Recessional - Wagner

We are invited to respond to the love of God by sharing our time, talents, and resources.

Doxology is a term used to describe an expression of praise to God.

All are invited to Christ's table to share in the communion feast.

We say the Words of Institution responsively to emphasize the unity of the Body of Christ.

The memorial acclamation (*we remember...*) is an ancient response to the words Jesus said at the Last Supper. It is sometimes called "the mystery of faith."

Come forward to receive communion when you are ready. The bread is gluten free; the cup is grape juice.

If you would like to be a part of this community of faith, you are invited to come to the front during the final hymn or speak with a minister after the service.

University Christian Church lives out the love of Jesus the Christ through thoughtful worship, compassionate service, and spiritual growth.