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GOVERNANCE MEETINGS



No Meetings This Week.

UCC SUPPORTS AND PRAYS FOR

Our Global Missionary Partners:

Elena Huegel, Mexico Larry and Debbie Colvin, Ghana This week we pray for:





AS A GREEN CHALICE CONGREGATION:



UCC joins churches across the country in faithfully caring for God's creation.

CONNECT WITH US



MINISTERS ON CALL—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, fill out the pastoral care request form found at the bottom of our website or email us at pastoralcare@uccftw.com.

JOURNALS • EMAILS • WATCH • LISTEN

We offer a variety of ways to connect with our many ministries from printed materials to digital resources. Visit our website for all the different ways we are trying to meet and support you on your spiritual faith journey. Please help yourself to printed materials found at the Information Points near the Front Desk or across from room 207.



Devices are available. Please ask an usher for assistance. HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE Restrooms located in the Gallery (second floor).

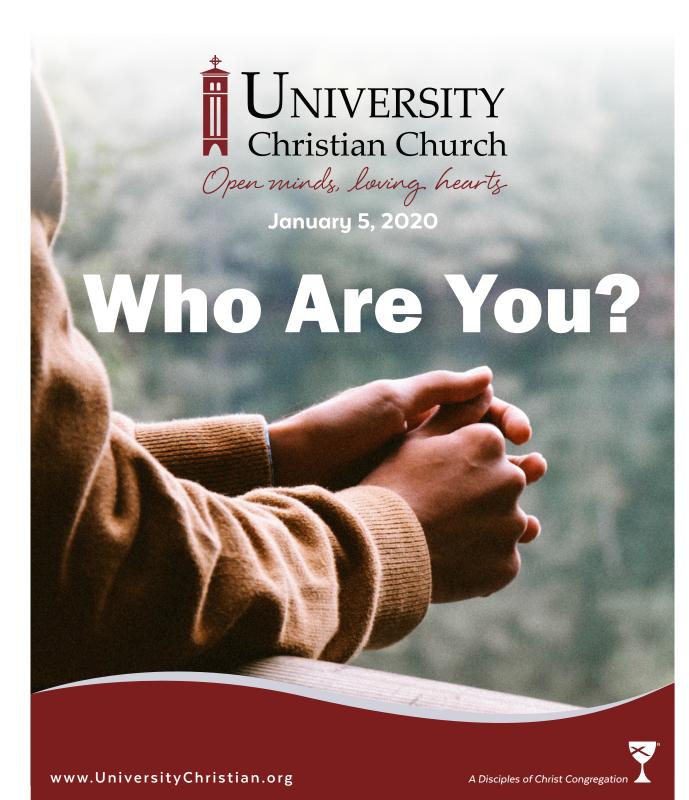






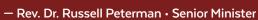






WELCOME TO UNIVERSITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

We're so happy that you have joined us today and pray your time with us be filled with a sense of connection. Please let us know if you need prayer support or if you're visiting by filling out a communication/prayer request card located in the back of the pews.







If you want to learn more about UCC and what it means to be part of our faith community, please email stacy.mccoy@uccftw.com or speak to a minister. More information is available on our church website.

TODAY & FEATURED EVENTS



44th Boar's Head Yule Log Festival

TODAY • 4:00pm and 6:00pm

The BHYLF is a wonderful way to celebrate Epiphany and ring in the New Year. Beautiful music, costumes and pageantry make the festival a unique experience you don't want to miss!

Room in the Inn | Wednesday Evenings

Room in the Inn is open for the winter season. Sign up online to serve or stop by The Gallery after worship to learn more about this ministry of radical hospitality.

Annual Homeless Count | Thursday, JAN 23-Friday, JAN 24 · 7:30pm-8:00am

Tarrant County Homeless Coalition will use UCC as a gathering point for the yearly homeless count. Over 500 volunteers are needed to help count and survey unsheltered homeless persons who live on the streets, camps and in vehicles within Tarrant and Parker County. Register online at ahomewithhope.org

*Benediction

*Ringing of the Tower Bells

*Postlude
In Thee is Gladness • J.S. Bach

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Living the Good News
of Jesus Christ with
Open Minds and Loving
Hearts. If you proclaim
Jesus as the Christ and
would like to partner
with us on your journey
of faith, we invite you
to speak to a minister
after worship.



Doxology is a term used to describe an expression of praise to God. Feel free to sing the last phrase as "Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost" if you wish.

The Lord's Supper (also called communion) is a celebration of Christ's love for the world. Christ is the host and invites all to share in this meal. Our communion bread is free of gluten, wheat, dairy, yeast, eggs, soy, nuts, and corn and we also use alcohol-free grape juice.

We welcome Laura and Sallie Pummill Pollack, violin and organ, who will be playing the communion music.
Laura is a student at Summit Middle School in Edmond, Oklahoma, and is a member of the Oklahoma Youth Orchestra.

Invitation to Offering

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

Star Carol • Robert A. Hobby Kristin Stewart, Christina Smith, Andy Stewart and Lance Newman

*The Doxology 47

Hymn Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host: Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

(9:00) Elder: Zena McAdams (11:00) Elder: Judy Stempel

(11:00) Communion Hymn 163 | Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

Hymn Tune: W ZLOBIE LEZY

Invitation to the Table and The Words of Institution

Prayer for the Bread and Cup

(9:00) Elder: Ellen Myers (11:00) Elder: Art Busbey

The Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

Largo Espressivo • Gaetano Pugnani Laura Pollack, violin

Sallie Pummill Pollack, organ

*Hymn of Discipleship 173 | As with Gladness

Hymn Tune: DIX

UPCOMING EVENTS Register, RSVP or learn more online.

UCC & You: A Class for Visitors & New Members

Sundays, JAN 12-FEB 9 • 10:00am | RM 201

This is a five session class which covers different topics each week including the path to discipleship and how to get involved at UCC, our ministries & outreach programs, and the history & traditions of UCC and our denomination, the Disciples of Christ (DOC). You may join us at any time during the 5 sessions. We're excited to get to know you!

MLK Day of Service

Monday, JAN 20

Joining up with national celebrations, this event honors the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. People of all walks of life come together across Tarrant County to serve at more than 30 service sites. Join us to make it a day on, not a day off.

Financial Peace—Register Now!

Sundays, JAN 12-MAR 8 • 5:00pm | RM 204

If you're looking for a better approach to your finances Financial Peace University is for you. This 9-week faith-based program will show you how to get rid of debt, save for emergencies, and build financial security. Led by Alicia and Jonathan Hawley-Bernandez. Childcare available. **Register online**.

Children & Youth Midwinter Retreats

JYF (3-5) • JAN 24-26 Chi Rho (6-8) • JAN 31-FEB 2 CYF (9-12) • FEB 14-16

Midwinter is a weekend retreat at Disciples Crossing in Athens, Texas. Scholarships available. **Register at disciplescrossing.org** and click "pay with check." UCC will contact you with a payment link.

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HELPING US WORSHIP TODAY

Stephanie Fox

Web Host: (9:00) Addison Gardner (11:00) Allison Bright

Sound: Jack Stewart

Video/Livestream: Rich Darr

Radio Announcer: Troy Tourney

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Families

The information in these margins will guide you through worship. If you have any questions, please ask a greeter, usher or minister.

Discovery Kids for grades K-5 is available during Ilam worship. Join us in Discovery Headquarters RM 2II and learn to put faith into action. Children will return to Sanctuary and sit with families during the Communion hymn.

Red text is read by the congregation. Asterisks (*) indicate times when you are invited to stand. Feel free to remain seated if need be.

As we worship, we are aware that no words can adequately describe God or encompass God's nature. In hymns and prayers, feel free to use language that reflects your image and understanding of God.

Prelude

March of the Kings • arr. Alfred Fedak

Dr. Amy Stewart, organ

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Russ Peterman

Ringing of Tower Bells and Procession of Acolytes

(11:00) Zoe Edwards

*Call to Worship

Rev. Jamie Plunkett

One: Arise, shine, for your light has come!

All: The glory of the Lord has risen upon us!

One: Like sages from afar, come and behold your Christ!

All: Let us lift our voices in praise of his name!

*Processional Hymn 172 | We Three Kings

Hymn Tune: KINGS OF ORIENT

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

(9:00) Rev. Kera Watts (11:00) Rev. Shannon Moore

Call to Prayer

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

One: Let us pray.

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

All: 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Scripture in Context

Scripture | Matthew 2:1-12

Skylar Plunkett, reader

Congregational Response

One: The Word of God, for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon | Follow Your Star

Rev. Dr. Russ Peterman

The Peace

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

* (11:00) Hymn of Response 162 †What Child Is This

Hymn Tune: GREENSLEEVES

You can find today's scripture reading on page **2** of the New Testament in your pew Bible.

The Passing of the Peace is one of the most ancient worship responses. Having received Christ's peace, we pass it on.

SERMON NOTES

Follow Your Star • Matthew 2:1-12