

Seek the Sacred · Commit to Love · Empower to Serve

Words from our Senior Minister

Lent Isn't About Denial. It's About Transformation

For thousands of years, Christians have used the season of Lent as a time to examine our lives, our relationship with God, and ultimately our faith.

It's not uncommon for people to give something up during this season in order to refocus our lives on God. By fasting from certain things, we practice dying to ourselves and those things that distract us from living more fully. But I wonder if sometimes we lose sight of the purpose and the reason we do these things, and therefore miss out on the meaning of Lent. The question becomes, "What are you giving up for Lent?" as if that is what the season is about. We end up denying ourselves something for the sake of denial. We give up chocolate or Facebook, thinking the act of denial is the purpose of Lent. And we end up missing the point.

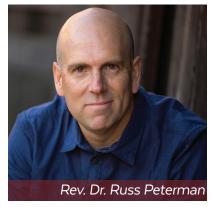
But Lent isn't about denial; it is about transformation. Transformation is about letting ourselves be filled with God's presence so that we can be shaped by God's grace.

Author and Blogger Julie Clawson wrote:

Transformation is about letting ourselves be filled with God's presence so that we can be shaped by God's grace. Our acts of kenosis—denying ourselves in order to empty ourselves enough to allow God to fill us—are means to an end. They are disciplines that prepare us to be transformed. We deny ourselves so that we can be reborn as new creations—to live more fully as the kingdom citizens God desires us to be.

So I am very tentative in choosing what disciplines I will follow during Lent to open myself up to God's transforming power. I've discovered that for me personally, legalistic denial for the sake of denial often achieves the opposite purpose. Giving up coffee doesn't make me a better follower of Christ, it just makes me more irritable. Giving up Facebook doesn't help me build community in the body of Christ; it simply helps me as a detached introverted person creep further into my shell. Those disciplines don't assist me in emptying myself in order to let God in; they simply fill me with more of me.

I've come to learn that in order to become more fully the person God wants me to be, I instead need to make sacrifices that actually allow me to achieve those ends. Often those sacrifices are less about personal denial, and more about following disciplines that encourage me to love others more. Keeping this in mind the question shifts from "What am I giving up for Lent?" to "What can I do to allow God to transform me this season?" This allows us to focus on the ultimate purpose behind why we engage in certain



disciplines, lest we miss their very point!

So, this year, what if you were to consider a new way to observe Lent? Instead of giving something up, you were to take on practices that encourage you to be more of the person you long to be. If you want to be more grateful, take on the discipline of writing a thank you note every day or keeping a gratitude journal. If you desire to be more present to the world, decide to commute in silence or vow not to check your work email at home. If you long to be more loving, place random Post-It notes with encouraging messages around your house for your family to find or invite someone you love but don't spend enough time with over for dinner one evening. If you wish to be more forgiving, pray for someone you need to forgive (even if—especially if—it is yourself!) or call someone with whom you've had a falling out and make amends.

As we make our journey through Lent, may we choose disciplines and practices that help us become the kind of people God desires us to be. May they bring life, and not a burden. And may you live so you are able to love... and love so you are able to live.

Peace to your Lenten path,

Rev. Dr. Russ Peterman, Senior Minister

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OUR MISSION & VISION

VISION

Transforming the world by living out Christ's courageous love.

MISSION

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OUR CORE VALUES

DISCIPLESHIP

As members of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) we are committed to following Jesus Christ with open minds and loving hearts, as we work to bring about wholeness in a fragmented world.

CURIOSITY

We don't pretend to have all the answers, and we don't shy away from big questions about who God is and what God is calling us to do.

COMPASSION

Jesus' compassionate spirit is at the heart of everything we do. We are called to care for one another as we experience each other's vulnerability, and we are equipped to carry that compassion into the world.

INCLUSIVITY

God created you to be you. We welcome all people, understanding that our conversations and relationships, and thus our work, becomes richer when we listen to each other, rather than when we turn people away.

VULNERABILITY

Together we create brave spaces where we can be honest and open about where we are on our spiritual journey. It is in these brave spaces where we do the work of discernment to uncover what God is calling us to do, both as individuals and as a community of faith.

GENEROSITY

We respond to God's abundance with gratitude as we invest in God's calling for our community. Our giving doesn't begin and end with our finances. We commit our spiritual gifts and talents back to God.



hearing the still, small voice & finding your own

Have you ever misplaced your phone-which is on vibrate of course-and then asked someone to call it? We get really still and really quiet. Our ears perk up in all directions in order to be ready to hear that little buzz. It is a quieting down and high alert all at the same time. This Lent we will quiet things down and heighten our curiosity, seeking the sacred "still, small voice" of God and, in the process, finding our own. Come and rest, come and listen.



LENTEN WORSHIP

SUNDAYS

Traditional Worship • 9:00am & 11:00am Simple Worship • 9:30-9:50am

ASH WEDNESDAY | February 26 Labyrinth • 6:00pm & Worship • 6:30pm • Walker Hall

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

PALM SUNDAY | April 5

Worship • 9:00am • 11:00am & Simple Worship • 9:30am Family Easter Egg Hunt • 10:00am & Agape Feast • 6:00pm

MAUNDY THURSDAY | April 9

Worship • 7:00pm

EASTER WORSHIP

EASTER SUNDAY · APRIL 12 · THE POWER OF INTENTION

Sunrise Service • 6:45am
Simple Worship • 9:30am

Worship • 9:00am • 11:00am

DISCIPLES CLASS BAPTISM SUNDAY

BAPTISM SUNDAY · APRIL 19

Worship • 9:00am • 11:00am

COMMUNION FOR ALL

As a congregation of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), we share in the Lord's Supper every Sunday. We practice open communion—Christ is the host and everyone is welcome to share the bread and cup.

SIMPLE WORSHIP

Sundays, 9:30-9:50am • Chapel of the Good Shepherd

Simple Worship is just that—we worship simply. This twenty—minute, come-as-you-are service is an opportunity to worship in a casual atmosphere. All ages are welcome!

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Sundays, 9:00am and 11:00am • Sanctuary

Our traditional worship services connect us to God and one another through scripture, sermon and prayer. Music, led by organ and choir, is an important element of our worship each Sunday and at special services throughout the year. Our worship bulletin includes helpful information to guide you through the service. Children are always welcome in worship, and worship activity bags are available to help keep children engaged. Our Discovery Kids Sunday School program is open for kids in kindergarten through grade 5. Childcare is available for children up to age 4.

WORSHIP WITH US FROM ANYWHERE!

Whether you are out of town, ill, homebound, or otherwise unable to worship with us in person, we offer live streams of our traditional morning services on our website at universitychristian.org/live and on our Facebook page, facebook.com/uccfortworth. We also offer a radio broadcast KTCU 88.7FM.

Welcome to all things UCC!

We have so many ministries and events for everyone to participate in and enjoy throughout the spring season.

Below is a color code to help you quickly navigate whether the programs on the following pages are for: all (all ages and genders), men, women, college, youth and children.



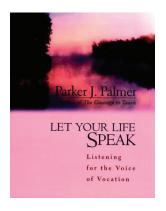
featured events

LENTEN BOOK STUDY

Let Your Life Speak: Listening to the Voice of Vocation by Parker Palmer

SUNDAY MORNINGS, MARCH 1-APRIL 5 • 10:00AM • RM 223 Led by Leigh Ann Franklin, Rev. Zena McAdams & Rev. Jessica Vacketta

MONDAY EVENINGS, MARCH 2-APRIL 6 · 6:30PM · ARCHES LOUNGE Led by Rev. Dr. Russ Peterman



In a recent sermon, Russ spoke to how formative this book has been for him, and that if you only read one book this year, let it be this one! Dr. Palmer is a well-known author, educator, and activist who tells stories of his own life experience to help us listen to the inner voice in our own lives. With wisdom, compassion, and gentle humor, Palmer invites us to listen to the inner teacher and follow its leadings toward a sense of meaning and purpose.

During the 6 weeks of Lent, we'll dive deeply into this fascinating book that is an open-hearted gift to anyone who seeks to live authentically. Russ will lead weekly discussions on Monday evenings. An alternative time will be offered during the Sunday School hour with three presenters—Lee Ann Franklin, Rev. Zena McAdams and Rev. Jessica Vacketta.

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER PRACTICES

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS, MARCH 4-APRIL 8 • 5:30PM

One of our Core Values is Discipleship. During the season of Lent, take this opportunity to learn about traditional prayer practices like Breath Prayer and Centering Prayer as a way to strengthen your faith and grow as a follower of Jesus Christ. We will gather in a private home on Wednesday evenings. Contact Rev. Shannon Moore to sign up.

FAT TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

Tuesday, February 25 6:00pm • Walker Hall

Join us for live jazz music, pancakes and fellowship!

DISCIPLES CLASS

Sundays, March 1-29 10:00am • RM 203

Disciples Class is our Baptism/ Confirmation preparation class that explores the foundations of faith, while helping participants develop their understanding of God, Jesus Christ, and the Church.

CHURCH AND THE ARTS ANNUAL SHOW

Sunday, March 1

Members and friends of UCC are invited to display their original decorative arts at the Annual Arts Show.

CYF YOGI'S BREAKFAST

Every other Friday • 7:00am Yogi's Deli & Grill

Beginning February 7, students grades 9-12 gather for breakfast and community time before school.

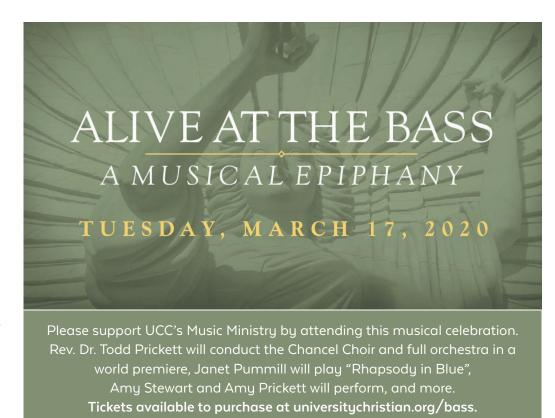
GRIEF AWARENESS FOR KIDS

Sundays, March 15, 22 & 29 11:00am • RM 211 (Discovery Headquarters)

GRIEF AWARENESS FOR PARENTS

Sunday, March 22 5:00pm • RM 211

Often, the most difficult conversations with our children are those that we feel the topic is too mature for them to manage, or conversations that we ourselves have not processed and are unsure about. Grief and loss are often among these topics. Loss and grief are inevitable and never scheduled.



Join us as we take time to prepare ourselves for helping our children through the unexpected moments.

This elementary age-appropriate program for children will be offered during the 11:00am Discovery Kids program. We will focus on emotions, ways to talk about grief and play opportunities to help children process what they are learning.

ROOTS NATURE HIKE

Saturday, March 21 • 10:00am Trinity Trails

Youth engaged in the Roots Mentor Program will spend the morning on a hike around the Trinity Trails. Contact Addison Gardner for more information.

DISCIPLES CLASS RETREAT

Saturday, April 4 12:00pm-4:00pm • 3rd Floor

The final gathering of the Disciples Class is a day retreat which includes a Q&A about all the topics covered in class (and beyond!), a walkthrough of Baptism Sunday, a youth-led worship service, and a celebration of all their hard work!

CONFESSION OF FAITH SUNDAY

Sunday, April 5 9:00 & 11:00 Worship

Youth who have been participating in the Disciples Class will take a final step towards Baptism/
Confirmation by making their confessions of faith in worship.

DISCIPLES CLASS BAPTISM SUNDAY

Sunday, April 19 9:00 & 11:00am Worship

Disciples Class youth enter the waters of baptism in worship.
The day includes a brunch hosted by the Roots Mentors, as well as First Communion.

We offer three worship services, bible studies, classes, special events, small groups and more as opportunities for you to continue your spiritual journey. Learn more about discipleship and grow your relationship with God.

FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP

Fridays, March 6 & April 3 11:00am • RM 211

Join us for our Lunch & Learn series, featuring a variety of speakers followed by a delicious potluck lunch.

WILD WOMEN BOOK CLUB

Mondays, March 16 & April 20 6:00pm • Cat City Grill Tuesdays, March 17 & April 21 11:30am • RM 150

The WiLD Women Book Club theme for 2019–2020 is *Women Through the Ages*—led by Bea Smith.

March Book: Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens.

April Book: *The Silent Sister* by Diane Chamberlain.

SIMPLE WORSHIP

Sundays • 9:30am-9:50am Chapel of the Good Shepard

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

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WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDYWednesdays • 10:00am • RM 203

A weekly Bible study and discussion led by Rev. Shannon Moore and Rev. Zena McAdams. The conversations are lively, there's no homework and all are welcome to join at any time.



The Music Ministry of University Christian Church seeks to glorify God through meaningful worship and music performances. Music is an important avenue to worship, helping the congregation to pray, praise and proclaim God's message. Through weekly anthems and musical offerings we seek to create affective moments of understanding that deepen our faith and help to make real the rational discernments in our hearts. The Belltower Series goes beyond weekly worship to provide

concert events as a gift to the Fort Worth community.

UCC's music program offers choral groups for adults and children. Elementary school children rehearse on Sunday evenings and preschool children create music each Sunday morning as a part of Christian Education. Multiple handbell ensembles exist for youth and adults. They ring regularly during morning worship and annually for the Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival. Additionally, the UCC Bell Ringers, for grades 9–12, enjoys quadrennial tours of England.

UCC CHANCEL CHOIR

Thursdays • 7:00pm | RM 147

Regular rehearsals of the Chancel Choir in Shirey Hall. Childcare provided.

AD DEUM HANDBELL CHOIR

Thursdays • 6:00pm | RM 229

Regular rehearsals for the adult bell choir.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Sundays • 5:00pm

The choir rehearses on Sunday evenings from 5:00-6:00pm, followed by an optional snack supper with the youth.

YOUTH HANDBELL CHOIRS

Sundays • 5:00pm-6:00pm RM 229, RM 205 & Sanctuary





Our mission is to create an environment where children thrive in learning the good news of Jesus Christ. We help build a foundation for faith development through a variety of programs for families and children to engage learning and living in Christ.

PRESCHOOL CHILDCARE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays • 8:45am-12:15pm

Cribs-Age 4

Preschool childcare is offered every Sunday with music time and bible lessons during the ten o'clock hour.

DISCOVERY KIDS

Sundays • 9:45am **Discovery Headquarters (RM 211)**

Kindergarten-Grade 5 Children will start off the morning in a fun and interactive large group and then, move to smaller groups with more specialized, age-appropriate faith-learning opportunities.

ACOLYTES

Sundays • Grades 4-6

Each Sunday, children in our congregation help lead worship by serving as acolytes. Acolytes light the candles on the communion table as a sign of Christ's presence in our midst. At the end of worship, they carry that light out of the Sanctuary as a symbol of our taking the good news out into the world. Contact Ann Bowling to sign up.





You are a child of God, created in the image of God and dearly loved. Nothing can change that. Here at UCC, our youth create brave spaces where we share hard things and ask big questions, so we can fully be who we were created to be. There's space for you here, as we have fun and learn to live out our faith.

UCC Youth Ministry strives to be an inclusive, creative and loving community for the youth. A place where you can practice vulnerability and celebrate each other's strengths—through which you can be connected to other ministries across

UCC—and by which you can be nurtured in your lifelong journey of discipleship.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays • 10:00am-10:50am

Girls. Grades 6-8 · RM 304 Boys, Grades 6-8 · RM 308 Grades 9-12 • RM 312



YOUTH SNACK SUPPER

Sundays • 6:00pm-6:30pm

Grades 6-12 · RM 312

Youth are invited to gather for snack supper and a time of fellowship.

CHI RHO YOUTH GROUP

Sundays • 6:30pm

Grades 6-8 · 3rd Floor

CYF YOUTH GROUP

Sundays • 6:30pm

Grades 9-12 · 3rd Floor

CHI RHO COMMUNITY GROUPS

Wednesdays • 6:30pm-7:30pm

Grades 6-8

CYF COMMUNITY GROUPS

Wednesdays • 7:00pm-8:00pm

Grades 9-12

Community groups are an opportunity to gather with your peers in a smaller, comfortable setting to talk about matters of faith and explore what it means to be followers of Jesus. Groups are broken out by grades, meet in host homes, and are led by a faithful group of youth mentors. Join a group today!



Our mission is to engage in meaningful relationships with students and young adults as they grow in their faith journeys. Through worship, education, service and fellowship, we strive to express the love of God made known in Jesus Christ. Know that we're here to help! Grab coffee with our college minister, say hello to someone in worship and explore the many ministry opportunities available.

No matter who you are, who you love or where you're from, you are always welcome here—a home away from home.

COLLEGE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays • 10:00am-10:50am RM 223 (College Lounge)

A place to connect with other students and discuss faith, culture, vocation and the Bible as we look at how to navigate life as people of faith. This class is led by Rev. Allison Bright, Assistant Minister for College.

COLLEGE LUNCH BUNCH

Wednesdays • 12:00pm-1:00pm RM 223 (College Lounge)

Think of this as a mid-week communion meal. A weekly lunch gathering where we feed our spirits and our stomachs. The college lounge is located by the Rogers/Cantey entrance and is open for studying and or hanging out before and after lunch.

COLLEGE BIBLE STUDY

Fridays • 8:00am-8:45am RM 223 (College Lounge)

Each week we'll take a look at one of the lectionary texts for the upcoming weekend. We'll explore the Gospels, Prophets, Psalms, and more. This will be a discussion based bible study with no homework (or pre-work). If you miss a week, no sweat, join us the following Friday. Breakfast and bibles provided.











Meaningful fellowship, learning and spiritual development opportunities are available for all seasons of life at UCC. We offer an array of ways for you to connect: retreats, workshops and small groups.

FAITHFULLY FIT FOREVER

Mondays • 4:00pm | RM 205 Wednesdays & Fridays 11:00am | RM 205

Join us for a light aerobic exercise program and a faithful reminder of God's loving presence in our lives. All ages welcome.

YOGA WITH JULIE VITEK

Mondays • 12:30pm | RM 205 Chair Yoga • 1:45pm | RM 205 Thursdays • 10:30am | RM 205

Julie Vitek teaches yoga every Monday and Thursday! All are welcome. \$5 per class. Bring a mat if possible.

ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Thursdays, March 12 & April 9 3:30pm | RM 201

A support group for caregivers of those suffering from Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. This group meets the second Thursday of the month.

STROKE SUPPORT GROUP

Tuesdays • 11:00am | RM 202

A support group for caregivers and survivors of strokes. This group meets every Tuesday.



SPRING SOFTBALL

Friday Evenings

February 21-April 24 · Gateway Park

People ages 16 & up are invited to join our softball team and people of all ages are needed to help cheer the team on. Sign up online

LATTE WITH THE LADIES

Saturday, March 14 and April 11 9:00am-11:00am March: Hot Box Biscuit Club **April: Park Hill Cafe**

Join women of all ages for fellowship over morning coffee.

We meet at local coffee bistros each month on the second Saturday.

MEN'S THIRD THURSDAY LUNCH

Thursdays, February 20, March 19 & April 16 Noon · Café Bella

Join men of all ages for lunch and fellowship on the third Thursday of every month at Café Bella.



MONTHLY MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturdays, February 22, March 29 & April 25 8:00am-9:15am • RM 207

We gather each month for breakfast and good conversation.

GRIEF AWARENESS FOR KIDS

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> **GRIEF AWARENESS FOR PARENTS** Sunday, March 22

5:00pm • RM 211

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WOMEN GLAMPING TOGETHER OVERNIGHT RETREAT

Friday, March 20 · 6:00pm

Women 18+ are invited to join us in Walker Hall for indoor glamping! Bring a friend, your tent, mattress and camp chair. \$10 per person Register at universitychristian.org/ glamping by March 13.

FAITH AND GRIEF WORKSHOP Sundays, April 19-May 24 5:00pm | RM 207

Faith & Grief Workshops provide time and space to process personal grief in community with others. This six-week program includes sacred stories, presentations on the nature and dynamics of grief, small group discussions and spiritual practices designed to promote comfort. You do not have to attend every sessions. Donations accepted.

empower to serve

Part of discipleship is responding to the needs of others. From around the world to our local community, we are being called to serve. We offer many outreach opportunities to live out this call.

YOUTH SERVICE LEARNING TRIPS

Chi Rho (grades 6-8) May 31-June 3 · Houston, TX

CYF (grades 9-12)

July 19-25 · Los Angeles, CA

Our week-long Service Learning trips give our youth an immersive faith experience by providing opportunities to travel to new places, discover what God is doing there and partner in that work. It is a safe space to ask big questions and explore new ways of understanding their relationship with God. Register online at univeristychristian.org/slt.

YOUNG ADULT MISSION **PILGRIMAGE**

June 18-21 · Washington D.C

We are headed to Washington D.C to support the Poor People's Campaign Moral March on Washington. We are energized by the opportunity to unite with others across the country to challenge systemic racism and poverty from a faithfully informed perspective. Contact Rev. Jessica Vacketta by April 1 to register.

PRAYER BEADS

Saturdays, March 7 & April 4 10:00am • RM 204

Prayer beads are made for UCC and THR Harris Hospital for people in crisis situations. No experience needed, we will teach you and supplies provided.

NOTE WRITERS

Thursdays, March 12 & April 9 10:00am • Arches

We gather each month to send notes of encouragement, congratulations or condolences.

GHANA MISSION PILGRIMAGE APPLY NOW!

August 10-21 · Ages 18 & up

In partnership with Global Ministries and co-led by Rev. Marco Cable, Executive Director of the Africa Office of Global Ministries, participants will be visiting projects focused on the following: women's empowerment/development, refugee/migration issues and anti-human trafficking initiatives. Apply online at university christian. org/ghana.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Sundays • 5:00pm | RM 206

Prayer Shawl Ministry welcomes all to gather to knit and crochet shawls—given in gratitude to those undertaking a new journey in life and to those facing surgery or loss.

HELP FEED HUNGRY COLLEGE STUDENTS

Wednesdays • 12:00pm • RM 223

We are looking for individuals or groups to help provide food for our weekly College Lunch Bunch. Sign up online.

NEEDLERS

Thursdays • 9:00am • RM 312

Gather together to crochet, knit and do needlework.

PROM DREAMS BOUTIQUE WORK DAYS

February 2-March 12

Thursdays, 2:00pm-4:00pm Sundays, 1:00pm-3:00pm,

Prom Dreams Boutique

Serve at the boutique to help prepare for the spring opening on March 19. Volunteers are needed to help sort through donations, organize inventory and work on minor dress repairs and steaming. Contact Kalen

Ruiz to serve.

PROM DREAMS BOUTIQUE **VOLUNTEER INFORMATION MEETING**

Sunday, March 8 ·12:30pm **Prom Dreams Boutique**

Learn about the many ways you can serve this ministry, from donating dresses and accessories, to working as a boutique associate, or helping with inventory management. Following the meeting you are invited to help work in the boutique in preparation for the Spring opening.

PROM DREAMS BOUTIOUE

March 19-April 25

Thursdays, 5:00-7:00pm

Saturdays, 10:00am-12:00pm

Prom Dreams Boutique

We have rooms and closets filled with items for students to come shop (free of charge) for their Prom dance or special formal event. Sign up online at universitychristian.org/ prom-dreams to serve as a boutique associate and help students find their special dress and accessories.

WEEKDAY SPRING PARTY

Friday, May 1

Dust off your derby hat and join us for UCC Weekday School's annual Spring Party Friday, May 1! The evening will include, dinner, live music, live and silent auctions, and more. Purchase tickets and or sponsorships at universitychristian.org/spring-party.

OKLAHOMA MISSION PILGRIMAGE INFORMATION MEETING

Sunday, March 29 · 12:15pm RM 223 (College Lounge)

UCC will once again partner with Disciples Volunteering—this time to help with long term recovery work in El Reno, Oklahoma on June 28-July 3. Join us to learn more about this intergenerational opportunity.

EARTH STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

Sunday, April 19

UCC will join faith communities around the world in celebrating Earth Stewardship Sunday and the 50th Anniversary of Earth Day.

CHILDREN'S CLOSET

Mondays & Thursdays

10:00am-12:00pm Children's Closet

Help fill school uniform requests from FWISD counselors and/or deliver uniforms to schools.

SERVE AS A CAMP COUNSELOR **THIS SUMMER**

Disciples Crossing Campground in Athens, TX

Are you interested in serving as a counselor at our church camp this summer? Be sure to fill out an interest form at disciplescrossing. org/counselor.

SERVE AS A KID'S HOPE MENTOR

1 hour. 1 dau a week

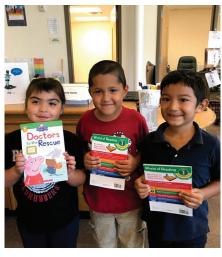
Rosemont Elementary School

Kids Hope USA changes lives by matching volunteers with students at Rosemont Elementary. Kids Hope provides structure, training, support, and resources designed for use in public schools by churches to give kids what they need most-hope and love from a mentor. For one hour each week, the mentor and student participate in relationshipbuilding, academics, life skills and fun activities. Contact Mike Wagner for more information.







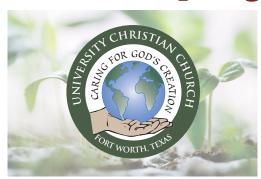




UNIVERSITY **Christian Church** OUTREACH

To encourage and engage our church community in demonstrating the love of God in Jesus Christ by our actions in ways that offer help, hope and reconciliation to individuals and families within and beyond our community. We commit ourselves to building caring partnerships and fostering mutual ministries with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), other faith-based communities, and human services organizations serving those in need. Sign up to serve by visiting universitychristian.org/outreach.

UCC's Spring Outreach Programs



The Caring for God's Creation Ministry has been prayerfully leading UCC in its stewardship of God's good earth for over 15 years. Replacing the styrofoam cups used in the church building was one of Caring for God's Creation's early projects.



The Children's Closet mission is to reach out to disadvantaged children in our community with God's spirit of love, help and hope by providing clothing to children in FWISD.



Kids Hope USA changes lives by matching UCC volunteers with students at Rosemont Elementary. For one hour each week, the mentor and student share activities that build an encouraging relationship.



Our language is intentional—a mission pilgrimage rather than a mission trip. It's not about us and what we're doing, but about what God is going to do through us and those we meet.



Thanks to the generosity of Mary Louise Page and Gerry & Don Houk and Virginia and Alex Cothran, University Christian Church is able to offer a scholarship to selected applicants.



Our Prom Dreams Boutique welcomes high school students to select a formal/semi-formal dress and accessories at no cost.

FEBRUARY

SUN 23

9:00am Traditional Worship 9:30am Simple Worship 9:45am Discoveru Kids

10:00am Sunday School Classes (All Ages)

11:00am Traditional Worship

12:30pm Mission Pilgrimage Meeting 5:00pm Youth Handbell Rehearsals

Children's Choir

Prauer Shawl Ministru 6:00pm Youth Snack Supper

6:30pm Youth Group Activities (grades 6-12)

MON 24

10:00am Children's Closet 12:30pm Monday Pray Partners

Yoga with Julie Vitek 1:45pm Chair Yoga with Julie Vitek **4:00pm** Faithfully Fit Forever

TUES 25

11:00am Stroke Support Group **4:15pm** Theological Reflection Group **6:00pm** Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper

6:30pm Elders Meeting

WED 26 Ash Wednesday

Summer Fun Registrations Opens 10:00am Wednesday Bible Study 12:00pm College Lunch Bunch 4:00pm Room in the Inn **6:30pm** Ash Wednesday Service

THURS 27

9:00am Needlers 10:00am Children's Closet 10:30am Yoga with Julie Vitek

6:00pm Ad Deum Handbell Rehearsal 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

FRI 28

11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever

6:30pm Softball

SAT 29

8:00am Leadership Retreat

MARCH

SUN 01

VBS Registration Opens for UCC Members

9:00am Traditional Worship 9:30am Simple Worship Decorative Arts Show

9:45am Discovery Kids

10:00am Sunday School Classes (All Ages)

11:00am Traditional Worship

5:00pm Youth Handbell Rehearsals

Children's Choir Prayer Shawl Ministry

6:00pm Youth Snack Supper

6:30pm Youth Group Activities (grades 6-12)

MON 02

10:00am Children's Closet

12:30pm Monday Pray Partners

Yoga with Julie Vitek

1:45pm Chair Yoga with Julie Vitek 4:00pm Faithfully Fit Forever

TUES 03

11:00am Stroke Support Group 5:30pm Personnel Committee

WED 04

10:00am Wednesday Bible Study 11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever 12:00pm College Lunch Bunch

5:30pm Contemplative Prayers Practices **6:30pm** Chi Rho Community Groups 7:00pm CYF Community Groups

THURS 05

9:00am Needlers

10:00am Children's Closet 10:30am Yoga with Julie Vitek

6:00pm Ad Deum Handbell Rehearsal **7:00pm** Chancel Choir Rehearsal

FRI 06

7:00am CYF Breakfast at Yogi's 11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever

6:30pm Softball

SAT 07

10:00am Prayer Beads

SUN 08

9:00am Traditional Worship 9:30am Simple Worship 9:45am Discovery Kids

10:00am Sunday School Classes (All Ages)

11:00am Traditional Worship

12:30pm Mission Pilgrimage Meeting

5:00pm Financial Peace **5:00pm** Prayer Shawl Ministry

MON 09

WDS Spring Break

12:30pm Monday Pray Partners Yoga with Julie Vitek 1:45pm Chair Yoga with Julie Vitek 4:00pm Faithfully Fit Forever

6:.30pm Church & The Arts Meeting

TUES 10

WDS Spring Break

11:00am Stroke Support Group

WED 11

WDS Spring Break

10:00am Wednesday Bible Study 11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever

5:30pm Contemplative Prayers Practices **7:00pm** Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURS 12

WDS Spring Break 9:00am Needlers

10:30am Yoga with Julie Vitek

3:30pm Alzheimer's Caregiver Support

FRI 13

WDS Spring Break

11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever

11:00am Friday Fellowship: Lunch & Learn

6:30pm Softball

SAT 14

9:00am Latte with the Ladies

SUN 15

9:00am Traditional Worship 9:30am Simple Worship 9:45am Discovery Kids

10:00am Sunday School Classes (All Ages)

11:00am Traditional Worship Grief Awareness for Kids

12:30pm Mission Pilgrimage Meeting **5:00pm** Youth Handbell Rehearsals

> Children's Choir Prayer Shawl Ministry

6:00pm Youth Snack Supper

6:30pm Youth Group Activities (grades 6-12)

MON 16

10:00am Children's Closet 12:30pm Monday Pray Partners Yoga with Julie Vitek 1:45pm Chair Yoga with Julie Vitek

4:00pm Faithfully Fit Forever 6:00pm Wild Women Book Club

7:00pm ALIVE AT THE BASS Rehearsals

TUES 17 ALIVE AT THE BASS

11:00am Stroke Support Group 11:30am Wild Women Book Club 7:30pm ALIVE AT THE BASS

WED 18

10:00am Wednesday Bible Study 11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever 12:00pm College Lunch Bunch

5:30pm Contemplative Prayers Practices 6:30pm Chi Rho Community Groups 7:00pm CYF Community Groups

THURS 19

9:00am Needlers 10:00am Children's Closet 10:30am Yoga with Julie Vitek

5:00pm Prom Dreams Boutique

6:00pm Ad Deum Handbell Rehearsal

FRI 20

7:00am CYF Breakfast at Yogi's 11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever

6:00pm Women's Glamping Together

6:30pm Softball

SAT 21

10:00am Prom Dreams Boutique

SUN 22

9:00am Traditional Worship 9:30am Simple Worship 9:45am Discovery Kids

10:00am Sunday School Classes (All Ages)

11:00am Traditional Worship

Grief Awareness for Kids 12:30pm Mission Pilgrimage Meeting

5:00pm Youth Handbell Rehearsals Children's Choir

> Prayer Shawl Ministry Grief Awareness for Parents

6:00pm Youth Snack Supper

6:30pm Youth Group Activities (grades 6-12)

MON 23

10:00am Children's Closet **12:30pm** Monday Pray Partners 12:30pm Yoga with Julie Vitek 1:45pm Chair Yoga with Julie Vitek

WED 01

VBS Registration Opens to All 10:00am Wednesday Bible Study

11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever 12:00pm College Lunch Bunch

5:30pm Contemplative Prayers Practices 6:30pm Chi Rho Community Groups 7:00pm CYF Community Groups

THURS 02

9:00am Needlers 10:00am Children's Closet 10:30am Yoga with Julie Vitek **5:00pm** Prom Dreams Boutique 6:00pm Ad Deum Handbell Rehearsal 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

FRI 03

7:00am CYF Breakfast at Yogi's 11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever

6:30pm Softball

SAT 04

10:00am Prom Dreams Boutique 12:00pm Disciples Class Retreat

SUN 05 Palm Sunday

9:00am Traditional Worship 9:30am Simple Worship 9:45am Discovery Kids

4:00pm Faithfully Fit Forever

TUES 24

11:00am Stroke Support Group **6:30pm** Board of Stewards Meeting

WED 25

10:00am Wednesday Bible Study 11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever 12:00pm College Lunch Bunch

5:30pm Contemplative Prayers Practices **6:00pm** Mission Pilgrimage Committee 6:30pm Chi Rho Community Groups 7:00pm CYF Community Groups

THURS 26

9:00am Needlers 10:00am Children's Closet 10:30am Yoga with Julie Vitek **5:00pm** Prom Dreams Boutique **6:00pm** Ad Deum Handbell Rehearsal **7:00pm** Chancel Choir Rehearsal

FRI 27

11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever

6:30pm Softball

SAT 28

10:00am Prom Dreams Boutique

SUN 29

10:00am Sunday School Classes (All Ages)

Family Easter Egg Hunt 11:00am Traditional Worship

5:00pm Youth Handbell Rehearsals

Prayer Shawl Ministry

5:30pm Agape Feast 6:00pm Youth Snack Supper

6:30pm Youth Group Activities (grades 6-12)

MON 06

10:00am Children's Closet 12:30pm Monday Pray Partners

Yoga with Julie Vitek

12:30pm Chair Yoga with Julie Vitek

4:00pm Faithfully Fit Forever

TUES 07

11:00am Stroke Support Group **6:30pm** Personnel Committee

WED 08

10:00am Wednesday Bible Study 11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever 12:00pm College Lunch Bunch

5:30pm Contemplative Prayers Practices 6:30pm Chi Rho Community Groups 7:00pm CYF Community Group

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURS 09 Maundy Thursday

9:00am Needlers

9:30am Simple Worship 9:45am Discovery Kids

9:00am Traditional Worship

10:00am Sunday School Classes (All Ages)

11:00am Traditional Worship

Grief Awareness for Kids 12:30pm Mission Pilgrimage Meeting 5:00pm Youth Handbell Rehearsals

Children's Choir Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:00pm Youth Snack Supper

6:30pm Youth Group Activities (grades 6-12)

MON 30

10:00am Children's Closet 12:30pm Monday Pray Partners Yoga with Julie Vitek

1:45pm Chair Yoga with Julie Vitek 4:00pm Faithfully Fit Forever

TUES 31

11:00am Stroke Support Group 6:30pm Elders Meeting

10:00am Children's Closet 10:30am Yoga with Julie Vitek

3:30pm Alzheimer's Caregiver Support **5:00pm** Prom Dreams Boutique

7:00pm Maundy Thursday Worship Service

FRI 10 Good Friday

11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever

Friday Fellowship: Lunch & Learn

6:30pm Softball

SAT 11

9:00am Latte with the Ladies 10:00am Prom Dreams Boutique

SUN 12 Easter Sunday

6:45am Sunrise Worship 9:00am Traditional Worship 9:30am Simple Worship 9:45am Discovery Kids

10:00am Sunday School Classes (All Ages)

11:00am Traditional Worship

MON 13 UCC Offices Closed

10:00am Children's Closet

TUES 14

11:00am Stroke Support Group **5:30pm** Finance Committee

Music Committee

WED 15

10:00am Wednesday Bible Study 11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever 12:00pm College Lunch Bunch **5:30pm** Worship Life Committee **6:30pm** Chi Rho Community Groups 7:00pm CYF Community Groups

THURS 16

9:00am Needlers

10:00am Children's Closet 10:30am Yoga with Julie Vitek **5:00pm** Prom Dreams Boutique **6:00pm** Ad Deum Handbell Rehearsal **7:00pm** Chancel Choir Rehearsal

FRI 17

7:00am CYF Breakfast at Yogi's 11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever

6:30pm Softball

SAT 18

10:00am Prom Dreams Boutique

SUN 19 Disciples Class Baptisms

9:00am Traditional Worship 9:30am Simple Worship 9:45am Discovery Kids

10:00am Sunday School Classes (All Ages)

UCC & YOU: A Class for Visitors

& New Members

11:00am Traditional Worship 5:00pm Youth Handbell Rehearsals

> Children's Choir Prayer Shawl Ministry Faith and Grief Workshop

6:00pm Youth Snack Supper

6:30pm Youth Group Activities (grades 6-12)

MON 20

10:00am Children's Closet

12:30pm Monday Pray Partners

Yoga with Julie Vitek

1:45pm Chair Yoga with Julie Vitek **4:00pm** Faithfully Fit Forever 6:00pm Wild Women Book Club

TUES 21

11:00am Stroke Support Group 11:30am Wild Women Book Club **6:00pm** Board of Stewards Meeting

WED 22

10:00am Wednesday Bible Study 11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever 12:00pm College Lunch Bunch **6:30pm** Chi Rho Community Groups 7:00pm CYF Community Groups

THURS 23

9:00am Needlers 10:00am Children's Closet 10:30am Yoga with Julie Vitek **5:00pm** Prom Dreams Boutique **3:30pm** Alzheimer's Caregiver Support **6:00pm** Ad Deum Handbell Rehearsal **7:00pm** Chancel Choir Rehearsal

FRI 24

11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever **6:00pm** Parents Night Out

6:30pm Softball

SAT 25

10:00am Prom Dreams Boutique

SUN 26

9:00am Traditional Worship 9:30am Simple Worship **9:45am** Discovery Kids

10:00am Sunday School Classes (All Ages)

UCC & YOU: A Class for

Visitors & New Members

11:00am Traditional Worship **5:00pm** Youth Handbell Rehearsals

5:00pm Youth Handbell Rehearsals Children's Choir

Prayer Shawl Ministry **6:00pm** Youth Snack Supper

6:30pm Youth Group Activities (grades 6-12)

MON 27

10:00am Children's Closet 12:30pm Monday Pray Partners Yoga with Julie Vitek 12:30pm Chair Yoga with Julie Vitek

4:00pm Faithfully Fit Forever

TUES 28

11:00am Stroke Support Group 6:30pm Elders Meeting

WED 29

10:00am Wednesday Bible Study 11:00am Faithfully Fit Forever 12:00pm College Lunch Bunch **6:30pm** Chi Rho Community Groups **7:00pm** CYF Community Groups

THURS 30

9:00am Needlers 10:00am Children's Closet 10:30am Yoga with Julie Vitek

3:30pm Alzheimer's Caregiver Support **5:00pm** Prom Dreams Boutique 6:00pm Ad Deum Handbell Rehearsal 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Notes.

registrations

In this section, you will find opportunities to sign up for programming, events and service opportunities. Unless otherwise noted, registrations are online at: universitychristian.org/register

SUMMER FUN

Session 1: June 8-11 and 15-18 Session 2: July 6-9 and 13-16 9:00am-12:00pm

Summer Fun is parents-dayout program organized by the Children's Ministry to provide activities for children ages 2 months to early elementary. Registration for UCC Members will open on February 16 and open to the public on February 26.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PARTICIPANT & VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

VBS is June 23-26

Vacation Bible School (\$25 per child) is for children 2 years through grade 3. Mission VBS (\$40 per child) is for grades 4 and 5.

Registration for UCC Members will open on March 1 and open to the public April 1.

PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Registration is open March 17-April 17 PNO is April 24.

This is an opportunity for a date night or even just a few hours to take some time just for you. Only \$5 per child, \$10 max per household. Fun activities and programs provided for infants through grade 5.

Registration for Camps at Disciples Crossing in Athens, Texas is open! Register at disciplescrossing.org

FAMILY CAMP

May 22-24 · Ages Newborn to Adult

Family Camp is an opportunity for the whole family to rest, play, and worship together for a weekend. All ages are welcome as long as one of the family members is over the age of 21.

GRAND CAMP

May 29-31 · Ages 4-10 with grandparents

Grand Camp is an opportunity for Grandparents and Grandchildren to explore the joy of camp together for a weekend. This is a truly special camp option!

ADVENTURE CAMP

June 1-6 • Grades 6-12

Adventure Camp combines outdoor adventures with traditional elements of church camp. Campers are bussed out of state to experience things like hiking, rock climbing, white-water rafting, and more!

DISCOVERY CAMP

June 5-7. Grades 1-2 with a parent

Discovery Camp is designed to be an introduction to summer camp ministry and prepares young children for week-long summer camps once they've reached JYF. This weekend, shared with a parent a fun time of playing, growing and worshiping together!

CHI RHO CAMP

June 8-13 • Grades 6-7

Chi Rho is our Junior High ministry and focuses on a general overview of the New Testament one year and the Old Testament the next.

CYF CONFERENCE

June 15-20 • Grades 9-12

Campers will have the opportunity to reconnect with their faith, grow in it, and share with others in a one-ofa-kind week.

EIGHTERS CAMP

June 21-27 • Grade 8

Eighters Camp is designed to teach campers about spirituality and sexuality through a wonderful Christian curriculum. Truly a unique camp experience!

JYF CAMP

June 29-July 3 & August 3-7 Grades 3-5

JYF campers will engage in faith and Bible stories through interactive learning stations and creative & energetic worship experiences.

CAMP CREATE

July 20-24 • Grades 3-12

A brand new camp experience focused on combining creative expression with traditional summer camp programming. Campers will get to try out different types of artistic expression (music, dance, art, etc) and then decide on a track to follow for the week.

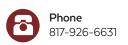
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