

When LESS is MORE

April 28

LESS DISSENSION, MORE HARMONY
I CORINTHIANS 12: 14-31

We live in a world where the message is always needing more and never having enough. We are constantly bombarded with messages and ads informing us that we need more. But sometimes the key to finding what we really want, is having less.

ASSISTED LISTENING

Please see an usher to use one of our FM receivers or follow instructions below to use your own smartphone



Download the Free "Listen Everywhere" App



Connect to UCC's wireless network, "UCC_Guest"



Choose the desired channel

Accessible

Restrooms are located in the Gallery (2nd floor).

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

MINISTERS are 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. You may also contact us via the Prayer and Care page on our website or by emailing us at pastoralcare@uccftw.com.

Scan QR code



WAYS TO GIVE

- Text the amount you would like to give to 817-241-2780
- Download the UCC app and click on **More/Giving**
- Set up a recurring gift by contacting: michelle@uccftw.com or call 817-926-6631

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LOVING HEARTS.



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WORSHIP BULLETIN

APRIL 21, 2024

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A Disciples of Christ Congregation



WELCOME

to University Christian Church!

We are so glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. University Christian Church is a place of extravagant welcome, filled with people with curious minds and open hearts. In this season, we are looking for ways we can live into the spirit of Easter by living in hope and loving each other into an abundant life.

We are in the middle of a sermon series, When Less is More, in which we are looking at what we need less of, in order to make room for more of what our souls are truly longing for. If you are new to UCC, we'd love to meet you.

REV. DR. RUSS PETERMAN
SENIOR MINISTER

STUDENT & CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Children's Worship is available for infants through fifth grade. At 10 am, there is both Playground Faith for preschoolers and Discovery Kids for K-5. The check-in for cribs-fours is in the Walker Hall hallway outside of the south preschool wing; the check-in for K-5 is in Room 211.



Bridge (grades 4-6) meets for BridgeAM at 11 am in Room 217, and BridgePM meets at 5:00 pm, also in Room 217.

Youth (Grades 6-12) meets in Room 223 at 11:00 am. Evening Youth Groups meet at 5:00 pm followed by a Snack Supper at 6:00 pm. Scan the QR code below for more information about our youth programs!



College: Hey there! Come join our community for a free come & go lunch every Wednesday from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm in our College Lounge. All other information about our college programming can be found on IG @uccftw_college.



universitychristian.org/childrens-ministry/



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JOYS & CONCERNS

We celebrate with parents Alex and Shane Llorens the birth of daughter Savannah on February 29, 2024. Proud big brothers are Anthony and Luca.

We hold in prayer Gail Bollen and family in the death of her uncle, Dan Reeder on April 8.

We hold in prayer Frank Perry and family in the loss of his father, Franklin Perry on April 9.

UPCOMING EVENTS

YOUTH STOCK SALE

Today is your chance to buy stock for youth summer service learning trips. At \$10 per share, the stock will help our trips by providing extra scholarship money and buy supplies for work sites and more! Everyone who buys stock is invited to a "shareholders luncheon" at the end of the summer to hear all about the great work we did during our trips. You are welcome to buy stock from the table in the lobby on Sundays, or scan the QR code. Thank you for taking stock in our Youth Service Learning Trips!



universitychristian.org/youth

APRIL 21-MAY 12

SHARE A PAIR

The Children's Closet is collecting NEW packets of socks and underwear to distribute with school uniforms. Sizes 6-14 underwear and children's socks of all sizes are needed. Collection bins will be located throughout the church April 21-May 12, or you can shop our Amazon Wish List by scanning the QR code.



[Amazon wishlist link](#)

MAY 5 & 7

COLLEGE MINISTRY TOWN HALL

UCC's College Ministry Vinery Lead Team invites you to a town hall listening session to help us collect your thoughts on how you think UCC can best serve and walk alongside our TCU neighbors. We will be holding two sessions: May 5th from 12:15 - 1:30pm in the College Lounge and May 7th from 5:30 - 6:30 pm in Room 150. Food will be provided! Please join us as we listen well and dream together about the future of College Ministry at UCC!

WORSHIP STAFF

CLERGY

- REV. DR. RUSS PETERMAN
Senior Minister
- REV. SHANNON MOORE
Executive Minister
- REV. ALISON FITZGERALD
Minister to Students
- REV. ALLEN LUTES
Minister of Outreach
- REV. DR. TODD PRICKETT
Minister of Music
- REV. KERA WATTS
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- REV. DR. ZENA MCADAMS
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- REV. AUSTIN SCHMIDT
Director of College Ministry

SUPPORT STAFF

- ANN BOWLING
Childcare Coordinator
- LEE NELSON
Member Engagement Coordinator

CHANCEL GUILD

- RICH DARR, KAY CAMPBELL, NANCY STRICKLAND, KENDALL PALMER

LEADING MUSIC TODAY

- DR. AMY STEWART
Assistant Organist

VIDEO AND SOUND

- DAVE MARTIN, BAINBRIDGE ALLEN, RICH DARR, JACK STEWART

RADIO ANNOUNCER

- TROY TUOMEY

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

***POSTLUDE**

And Again I Say, Rejoice! • Brenda Portman

"Rejoice in the Lord always, again I will say, rejoice" Philippians 4:4

If you are a guest today please stop by our Welcome Desk in the foyer for UCC information and a warm welcome. We look forward to meeting you!

IN THE WORLD

Global Ministries is a shared ministry between the Disciples of Christ and the United Church of Christ. Join us in praying for global and local partners who work for justice, reconciliation and peace.

- ◆ Our Global Missionary Partner:
Emma Perry, Hungary



As a Green Chalice Congregation: UCC joins churches across the country in faithfully caring for God's creation. Thank you for recycling your bulletin.

Today's CELEBRATION of WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Christians, We Have met to Worship • arr. Dale Wood
Janet Pummill, organ

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS AND PROCESSION OF THE ACOLYTES (11 AM)

Charlie Milam and Mabel Ford

WELCOME

Rev. Kera Watts

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN #277**

Christians, We Have Met to Worship
HOLY MANNA

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

- One: God is here! So don't let go of reasons to rejoice.
- All: We will sing a song to the One who fills our lives with joy.
- One: God is here! So don't stop lifting prayers of thanksgiving.
- All: We will sing a song to the One who hears our words and silence.
- One: God is here! So don't stop sharing your hearts.
- All: We will sing to the One who gives us peace we cannot begin to understand.

***GLORIA PATRI #35**

GREATOREX
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

CALL TO PRAYER

- Rev. Alison Fitzgerald
- One: The Lord be with you.
- All: And with your spirit.
- One: Let us pray.

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

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

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 understanding of God.

PASTORAL PRAYER, THE LORD'S PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE

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.

THE SCRIPTURE IN CONTEXT

SCRIPTURE - PHILIPPIANS 4:4-9

9am: Jeff Moore
11am: Mike Herring

You can find today's scripture readings on page 198 of the New Testament in the pew Bible.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

One: The word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON - WHEN LESS IS MORE: LESS ANXIETY, MORE PRAYER

Rev. Shannon Moore

***THE PEACE**

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #622**

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
CWM RHONDDA

INVITATION TO OFFERING



RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

A New Song • Jim Hodges
Chancel Choir and Ethan Prickett, tenor
Paul Unger, string bass, Dr. Amy Stewart, piano
Janet Pummill, organ
Rev. Dr. Todd Prickett, choirmaster

I waited patiently for the Lord, for my Lord heard my cry! Many are the wonders you have made, O God. O Lord, you heard my cry! You set my feet on a rock, a mighty rock, and gave me a firm place to stand. You are my shield, my glory. You lifted me up. You held my head high. You gave me a song. There's a new song in my heart, a song of praise to our God.

***DOXOLOGY**

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**

9am: Cindy Istook, Elder
11am: Eldon Irving, Elder

INVITATION TO THE TABLE AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER FOR THE BREAD & CUP

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD & CUP

Sheep May Safely Graze, BWV 209 • Johann Sebastian Bach

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

One: These are the gifts of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

***HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP #700**

O Day of God, Draw Nigh
ST. MICHAEL

The Chancel Choir is honored to premiere a new anthem this morning by our beloved friend, Jim Hodges. Based upon Psalm 40, the lyrics reflect a spiritual journey that begins with a cry for God's help, continues with the assurance of God's faithfulness to us, and results in a "new song" in our hearts. Jim became well-known in Texas as president/executive producer at Buffalo Sound Productions where he produced and composed commercial music with artists including: T-Bone Burnett, Michael Bolton, Beverly Sills, Lee Greenwood and the Gatlin Brothers.

Our communion bread is free of gluten, wheat, dairy, yeast, eggs, soy, and nuts. We also use alcohol-free grape juice.

UCC is dedicated to transforming the world by living out Christ's courageous love. If you would like to partner with us on your journey of faith, we invite you to speak to a minister after worship.