

un·hurried:

THE PATIENT WAY OF JESUS

AUGUST 11 - SEPTEMBER 15

SEPTEMBER 8
**The Power of Silence
in the World of Noise**

SEPTEMBER 15
Slow Church

SERMON SERIES



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WORSHIP BULLETIN

SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

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to University Christian Church!

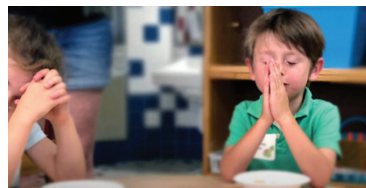
Welcome to University Christian Church! We are glad that you have chosen to worship here today. I hope during this time of worship, you will encounter God's presence, Christ's love, and our congregation's hospitality.

Today we continue our sermon series called **Unhurried: The Patient Way of Jesus**. To live the way of Jesus, we have to slow down. But this is not easy in the chaos of our urban, digital world. In this series we'll hear Jesus' invitation to slow down, learn the unforced rhythms of grace, and find rest for our souls.

If you are a guest today, I hope you will take a moment to introduce yourself to me. I'll be and the back of the sanctuary after the service and would 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 north preschool wing; the check-in for K-5 is in Room 206.



Bridge
Bridge PM will not be meeting this Sunday from 5-6pm because of Labor Day. Bridge AM will still meet at 11:15am in 202.

Youth (Grades 6-12)
Youth programming is on a break this week for Labor Day. Join us next week for Sunday School at 11:15am in room 223, and Youth Groups at 5:00pm in room 205! For more information check out our Instagram @uccyouth



College: Welcome College Students! We're so glad you're here. We hope you'll join us for Lunch Bunch - a free come and go lunch - on Wednesdays from 11:30am - 1:30pm in our College Lounge. To stay on top of other opportunities we offer, check out our Instagram @uccftw_college



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JOYS & CONCERNS

We hold the Randerson Family in prayer following the death of Lenora Randerson, on August 25.

We hold the Donley Family in prayer following the death of Mary Lou Donley, on August 24.

UPCOMING EVENTS

ONLINE DIRECTORY CHANGE COMING!

At the end of August, UCC's member directory will only be available on the UCC App. Those using Instant Church Directory, please visit UCC's homepage - Stay Connected with Our App - or scan the QR code for instructions to download and log into UCC's App. Have questions or need help logging in? Contact Michelle at mgroom@uccftw.com or 817.926.6631.



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UCC MISSION PILGRIMAGE

Outreach ministry is excited that we are headed on our first Mission Pilgrimage since COVID! This October 6-11 we'll travel to Los Fresnos, Texas to serve alongside our partners at Southwest Good Samaritan Ministries, a refugee ministry of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). September 8th is the last chance to sign-up.



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PROM DREAMS BOUTIQUE

Homecoming Season
Sept. 8 – Oct. 3 | 5pm – 7pm
Volunteer shifts begin 30 minutes before the Boutique opens. If you are able to help on Thursday evenings but can't arrive until 5pm, please let us know. You can sign up for two back to back shifts on the same night if you are willing and able to open and close the Boutique. Thank you for the gift of your time and for making Homecoming Dreams come true!



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FORMATION PODCAST RETURNS

Formation is back! After taking a brief summer hiatus, the formation podcast is back with new episodes. Every week our Executive Minister, Rev. Shannon Moore, talks to congregation members, staff, community leaders and other interesting people about their faith, UCC, Fort Worth, and more. Check it out on our Youtube page (don't forget to subscribe!) or on Spotify. Interesting in sharing your story with us? Then please reach out to us at formation@uccftw.com

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- ROY GOVER

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

One: These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

***HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP #432**

O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life

ST. PETER

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

***POSTLUDE**

Be Thou My Vision • Arr. Dale Wood

If you are a guest today please stop by our Welcome Desk in the foyer at the back of the sanctuary 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



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Today's CELEBRATION of WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Cantabile on Gather Us In • Martin Ellis
Janet Pummill, organ

RINGING OF THE TOWER BELLS

WELCOME

Rev. Austin Schmidt

PROCESSION OF THE ACOLYTES (11:15 AM)

Charles "CJ" Jacobs and Preston Pitts

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN #463**

Renew Your Church
ALL IS WELL

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: We gather in worship to be transformed by God's presence.

All: Here we seek God's wisdom, guidance and truth.

One: Let us embrace the opportunity to grow in our faith.

All: We offer ourselves as living sacrifices, pleasing to God.

One: Let us celebrate the many gifts God offers.

All: With hearts and minds renewed, we worship our God.

***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

Kyle Powell

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.

In the coming months, some organ selections will include works by American composer Martin Ellis. He will perform a recital here on January 24, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., co-sponsored by the Fort Worth Chapter of the American Guild of Organists and UCC. Today's prelude and communion music feature two of his compositions.

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.

The Gloria Patri is a short hymn of praise to God in the persons of Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit.

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 - ROMANS 12:2

Chad Cline

You can find today's scripture readings on page 162 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: UNPLUGGED

Rev. Dr. Russ Peterman

*THE PEACE

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #250

O Breath of Life

ST. CLEMENT

INVITATION TO OFFERING

"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect".

ROMANS 12:2

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Be Thou My Vision • Bill Cutter

Chancel Choir and Dr. Todd Prickett, choirmaster

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that Thou art; Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Thou my Redeemer, my love thou hast won. Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise; Thou mine inheritance, now and always; Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, Great God of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

Great God of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

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*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

8:45 am: Sandra Soria, Elder

11:15 am: Judith Stempel, Elder

INVITATION TO THE TABLE AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER FOR THE BREAD & CUP

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD & CUP

Cantabile on "Faithfulness" • Martin Ellis

Today's choral offertory is a setting of the Irish hymn "Be Thou My Vision," based on a 6th-century Middle Irish poem by Dallan Forgaill. The English version, translated by Mary Byrne and set to verse by Eleanor Hull, was published in 1912. The hymn tune SLANE, originally titled "With My Love on the Road," was introduced in 1909. The arrangement is by Bill Cutter, Director of Choral Activities at MIT.

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.

Our communion bread is gluten free and we use alcohol-free grape juice.