

## News and Information

**Welcome!** Thanks be to God for gathering us to worship. Welcome to University Presbyterian Church. If you are worshipping here for the first time, please sign the register on the stand inside of the front door of the sanctuary. For more information on the life and work of this congregation, please contact pastor at (758-5422), by way of e-mail ([rongilmer@aol.com](mailto:rongilmer@aol.com)) or visit the church's web site: [www.uaupc.org](http://www.uaupc.org).

**Adult Sunday School**— Oct. 19 - Alabama Constitutional Reform - Hill Carmichael  
Oct. 26 - West Alabama Food Bank - Henry Lipsey.

**Religion and Racial Justice** - The University of Alabama welcomes Cornel West to Morgan Auditorium on Thursday, October 16, 7 p.m. West has taught at Harvard, Yale and Princeton. His book *Race Matters* is considered a classic on the subject of religion and race in the United States. Please note that the *Belonging to God* group will adjourn in time to allow participants to attend both events.

**Belonging to God** - This fall, a series is being offered for those wishing to explore their spirituality and the PC(USA). Sessions will include: (1) Who Am I?: Our Stories; (2) Our Help Is in the Name of the Lord: On Scripture and Worship; (3) More and More Light: Civil Rights and Social Justice; (4) Belonging to God in the Church and the World: The Church's Witness and Mission. The group will meet in participants' homes on Thursdays, 5:30-7 p.m., beginning October 16. The first meeting will be at Ron and Lydia Gilmer's home. Thus far, Beccy Biermann, Kendall French, Quincy Hall, Jeff Naidoo, Beth Riggs, Patrick Rish, Annabel Stephens, Nicole Varnado, Rachel Walker and Denise Yanaura have signed up. If you are interested in joining them, please contact Ron Gilmer, who will be leading the series.

**It's Not East Being Green** - The Peace and Justice Committee is considering implementing a recycling program at UPC that would emphasize aluminum, newspaper and magazines. The question being discussed is, "Does the church have the volunteer base to transport the recyclables to the appropriate locations on a regular basis?" If you would be willing to assume responsibility for transporting recyclables to a recycling center one Sunday per month, please contact Gillie Presley or another member of the Peace and Justice Committee.

**Election Day Transportation**—The Peace and Justice Committee plans to provide transportation on election day, November 4th, for anyone who might have difficulty going to vote. If you can help provide transportation please contact one of the Peace and Justice Committee members: Gillie Presley, Norm Baldwin, Linda Grote, Robert DuPree, Bill Henderson and Ruthie Sherrill.

**Children's Sunday School** - Paige Miller is coordinating Children's Sunday School, but she needs help! If you are interested in assisting in any way (teaching, helping another teacher, etc.), please contact Paige as soon as possible. Her email address is [PURPLEPC@AOL.COM](mailto:PURPLEPC@AOL.COM) and phone number is 657-0799. Thank you!

**Communion of the People** -Following the breaking of the bread, all who confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour are invited to gather at the communion table where we serve one another. In giving the bread, it is appropriate to say "the body of Christ, given for you." In giving the wine (non-alcoholic), it is appropriate to say, "the blood of Christ, the cup of salvation." Appropriate responses include "Amen," "Alleluia! Amen" and "Thanks be to God!"

**Communion Music** -As the sacrament is celebrated, the congregation is invited to sing the following choruses: (1) Holy is the Lord; (2) Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry. Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst; and (3) Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

**Attendance** - October 5 —34 + 3 nursery, September 21 —38 + 2 nursery

## Sunday Assignments

### October 12

Communion Kay Ellis  
Reader Ann Webb  
Ushers Becki Biermann and  
Lydia Gilmer  
Welcomer Adam Miller  
Greeter Cathy Andreen

### October 19

Communion Nancy DuPree  
Reader Linda Grote  
Ushers The Millers  
Welcomer Steve Borrelli  
Greeters Nancy DuPree  
Gillie Presley

## Lectionary Readings

### October 12

Exod. 32:1-14  
Ps. 106:1-6,19-23  
Phil. 4:1-9  
Matt. 22:1-14

### October 19

Exod. 33:12-23  
Ps. 99  
Thess. 1:1-10  
Matt. 22:15-22

*Let us Pray.....*

Arlee Vallery, Marie and Joe Stone, Barbara Miller,  
Jill Martindale, Regina Lassiter, Lucy Morgan,  
Robert Robinson, Lois Field, Wilma Warren, Martha Folmar, Jackie Reid, Kay  
VanLuvender, Carla Hall and Frederick Washington.

### This Week at UPC

**Sunday** 9:30 Sunday School  
10:15 Coffee Hour and  
Choir Warm-up  
11:00 Worship  
12:30 Choir Rehearsal  
**Monday** 6-8:00 WF Bible Study and  
Dinner

**Tuesday** 11:30 Lectionary Bible Study  
8:00 Narcotics Anonymous  
7:00 WF Men's Bible Study  
**Wednesday** 7-9 Karate Class  
**Thursday** 7-9 Karate Class  
**Friday** 2-6:00 WF Friday Chaos in the  
student center  
8:00 Narcotics Anonymous  
**Saturday** UA vs. Ole Miss-Home game

### Elders

Nancy DuPree  
Linda Grote  
Julia Hartman  
William Henderson  
Adam Miller  
Gillie Presley

Lena Prewitt  
Annabel Stephens  
Garry Warren  
Ann Webb  
John Whitehead

### Deacons

Robert DuPree  
Carla Hall  
Paige Miller

### Mission Statement

*We come together as the body of Christ, an expression of God's grace in this community. We are bound together in God's steadfast love and in our mutual love and support for one another. We honor a special commitment to provide nurture, support and encouragement to students. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we seek to live with compassion, to work for justice, to integrate faith and learning and to celebrate the gift of our life together. Since God's love excludes no one, our mission is to be inclusive. We trust that in God's time and by God's grace, God will destroy all barriers. We resolve to erect no barriers while working to overcome existing ones. Recognizing that we do not possess all the truth all the time, we affirm a variety of expressions of life and faith. This is an open church. You are welcome here.*

### Ron Gilmer, Pastor

Stated Hours: Monday 10:00-11:00 and Thursday 10:00-12:00 noon

Carolyn MacVicar, Secretary  
Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 8-2

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Ron Gilmer, Pastor  
William Henderson, Director of Music  
Patrick Rish, Organist

*“University Presbyterian Church is a More Light Congregation,  
an Inclusive Church Committed to Social Justice”*

**October 12, 2008 – 11:00 a.m.**  
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## THE GATHERING

### GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### VOLUNTARY

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.  
**Let your gentleness be known to everyone.**

The Lord is near.

**Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.**

And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

**Thanks be to God!**

\*HYMN PH #277 *O God, Our Faithful God* O GOTT, DU FROMMER GOTT

#### CONFESSION OF SIN (UNISON)

Holy God, in a broken and fearful world, your Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom and peace. We give thanks for your Spirit. We confess our lack of courage, our lack of vision, our affection for idols and our reluctance to listen. Help us to work with others, even as we learn to live with ourselves. In Jesus' name and for his sake, we pray.

### KYRIE

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Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

#### DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.  
**Thanks be to God!**

### GLORIA

Thomas Keesecker



Glo-ri-a, glo-ri-a, gloria in excel-sis De-o! - sis De-o!

## THE WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST READING

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Exodus 32:1-14 (OT p. 78)

#### SECOND READING

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Matthew 22:15-22(NT p. 24)

### ANTHEM

*In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful* The Community of Taize  
(SNC # 220)

### SERMON

*How Did You Get in Here Without a Robe?* Ron Gilmer

#### \*HYMN PH #506

*Deck Yourself, My Soul, with Gladness* SCHMUCKE DICH

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

based on Psalm 106:1-4  
Halleluiah! Give thanks to the Lord, who is good, whose mercy endures forever. Can anyone declare the mighty acts of the Lord or show forth all God's praise? Happy are those who act with justice and always do what is right! Remember us, O Lord, with the favor you have for your people, and visit us with your saving help through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy...  
**Hear our prayer.**

#### THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## THE EUCHARIST

#### OFFERING

#### DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit ever more;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore, Amen.*

OLD HUNDREDTH

#### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

#### GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise....**

### SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power— and might,  
Bless-ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-



heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est.  
san - na in the high - est,— ho - san - na in the high-est.

#### MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

*The prayer, as it will be prayed this morning, begins, "Our Mother God and Father God, who art in heaven..."*

#### AMEN!



A - men, — A - men, A - men, A - - men!

#### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

#### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

## SENDING

#### \*HYMN PH #507

*I Come with Joy*

DOVE OF PEACE

#### \*CHARGE AND BLESSING

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**Alleluia! Amen.**

### VOLUNTARY