

News and Information

Welcome - Welcome to University Presbyterian Church, an open and affirming "More Light" congregation in the PC(USA). Please sign the guest register at the back of the sanctuary if you are worshipping here for the first time. For more information about the life and work of this congregation, please contact Ron Gilmer.

Worship - The PC(USA) affirms that "the life of the Church is one, and that its worship, witness and service are inseparable" (*Book of Order*, preface to the Directory for Worship). In an effort to be inclusive, gender-neutral language is used in worship. When patriarchal language appears in hymns, members often substitute language that recognizes that God is neither male nor female. You are welcome to join them. Please be seated for the voluntaries at the beginning and end of the service. You may choose to use this time for prayer and meditation.

Announcements - All are welcomed to make announcements of interest to the congregation at the beginning of the service. The session asks that announcements be succinct. You are encouraged to submit announcements in writing by the end of business hours on the Wednesday before the Sunday that you would like the announcement to appear in print. Please send such announcements to Carolyn MacVicar at upsa@bellsouth.net.

All Saints' Observance- During the 11 a.m. service, we will remember and give thanks for the saints among us who have entered the Church Triumphant in the past year. Please pass along the names of persons you would like remembered and stories about them that you would like to share to Ron Gilmer.

Birth Announcements - The population of UPC's nursery is ever-expanding. We give thanks to God for the safe arrivals of Quinn Nokoseh Miller and Cadarius Washington. Quinn is the son of Adam and Paige Miller and brother of Kai. He arrived on Sunday, October 25 weighing 8 lbs. 12 oz. and was 19.5" tall. Cadarius is the son of Tiffany Washington and the daughter of Carla Hall. He was born on Thursday, October 15 weighing 8 lbs. 5 oz. and was 19" tall.

Congregational Care - The church is organizing an effort to provide food for the Miller family following the arrival of Quinn. If you are willing to prepare a dish, cook an entire meal and/or deliver food to the Millers in Moundville, please contact Linda Grote.

Spaghetti-to-Go - Support the Deacons' Food Pantry by participating in the Spaghetti-to-Go event next Friday, November 6, 5-7 p.m. If you are willing to cook, serve and/or eat spaghetti, please contact Pat Dunbar.

Boogie on the Belle - The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Tuscaloosa has invited us to participate in their "Boogie on the Belle" on Saturday, November 14, 8-10 p.m. The event will feature a cruise on the Bame Belle and live music. Tickets are \$25 per person and \$40 per couple. Yours may be purchased through Ron Gilmer. Please note that today is the last day to sign up for this event.

Officer Training-An officers' training event has been scheduled for November 13-14. All who are actively serving as elders and deacons and those being ordained and/or installed next year are asked to participate in this event, which will take place on the campus of at Unitarian Universalist Association of Tuscaloosa County.

Belonging to God - The "Belonging to God" series will begin following this year's Service of Lessons and Carols, which has been set for Sunday, December 6, 5 p.m. The group will meet after the covered dish dinner. The next meetings in the series will take place Thursday, December 10, at 6:30 p.m., and Sunday December 13, at 3:30 p.m. Please pray for those who have already signed up to participate: Joanna Biermann, Brock Fisher, Kendall French, Quincy Hall, Bill Henderson, Jessi Hitchins, Charlotte Lawson, Mary Meares, Maria-Victoria Perez-Fisher, James Shoemaker and Denise Yanaura. If you would like to know more about being Presbyterian and being Presbyterian at UPC, please contact Ron Gilmer about becoming part of this group.

Calendar - Please mark your calendars: **November 1st**- All Saints Day, **November 6th**- Spaghetti-to-Go, **November 13th-14th**- Officers Retreat, **November 22nd**- Festival of the Earth, **December 6th**- Lessons and Carols.

Attendance - October 25—44+ 5 nursery, October 18— 40 + 2 nursery

November Birthdays- **November 1**—Eryn Blake, **November 5**—Ruthie Sherrill, **November 6** - Larry Goldman, Chet Alexander, **November 9** - Rob Spencer, **November 18**—Erica Durham, **November 19**—Karin Andreen, **November 20**—Robert Cargo

Sunday Assignments

November 1

Communion Rob Spencer
Reader Julia Hartman
Ushers Mary Helen Martin
Kendall French

Welcomer
Greeter Lydia Gilmer

November 8

Communion Kay Ellis
Reader Steve Borrelli
Ushers Becki Evans and
Vanessa Llera

Welcomer Julia Hartman
Greeter Garry Warren

Lectionary Readings

November 1

Isa. 25:6-9

Ps. 24

Rev. 21:1-6a

John 11:32-44

November 8

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17

Ps. Heb. 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44

Let us Pray....

Ginny Hartman, Paige Miller, Quinn Miller, C.W. Tomlin, Jared Dearing, Torry Ryan, Aaron Chun, Michael Yampolsky, James Walker, Marie and Joe Stone, Robert Robinson, Lois Field, Wilma Warren, Jackie Reid, Carl Washington, James Darget, Carla Hall, Tiffany Washington, Cadarius Washington and Frederick Washington.

This Week at UPC

Sunday 9:30 Sunday School
10:15 Coffee Hour
11:00 Worship

Monday 6:00-8:00 Westminster Fellowship

Tuesday 10:30 Staff meeting
11:30 Lectionary Bible Study
1:30-3:30 Food Pantry
8:00 Narcotics Anonymous

Wednesday 5:30-7:00 Choir rehearsal

Friday 5-7 Spaghetti-To-Go
8:00 Narcotics Anonymous

Elders

Steve Borrelli
Nancy DuPree
Linda Grote
Julia Hartman
Gillie Presley
Lena Prewitt

Robert Spencer
Garry Warren
Ann Webb
John Whitehead

Deacons

Robert DuPree
Carla Hall
Paige Miller
Torry Ryan

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

Ron Gilmer, Pastor Stated Hours: Tuesday 11:30-1 and Thursday 8-9
Carolyn MacVicar, Secretary Office Hours: Tuesday 8-12, Wednesday 8-12 and Thursday 8-2

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Heekyung Lee, Intern

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an Inclusive Church Committed to Social Justice”*

November 1, 2009– 11:00 a.m.
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
All Saints' Day

THE GATHERING

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTARY

MEDITATION

Psalm 24:1-5

*The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and all who dwell therein.
For it is the Lord who founded it upon the seas and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.
"Who can ascend the hill of the Lord? Who can stand in God's holy place?"
"Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, who have not pledged themselves to falsehood,
nor sworn by what is a fraud.
They shall receive a blessing from the Lord and a just reward from the God of their salvation."*

OPENING SENTENCES

Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.
God will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; God will swallow up death forever.
Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of God's people will be taken away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.
It will be on that day, lo, this is our God; we have waited for God, so that we might be saved.
This is the Lord for whom we have waited;
Let us be glad and rejoice in God's salvation.

*HYMN PH #526

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

CONFESSION OF SIN

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope and love, we may inherit the world you promised in Jesus Christ.

KYRIE

arr. Healey Willan, 1930



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

Julia Hartman

FIRST READING

Ruth 1:1-18 (OT p. 241)

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 146

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul! I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, for there is no help in them.

When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.

Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! Whose hope is in the Lord their God;

Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;

Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.

The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

The Lord loves the righteous and cares for the stranger; the Lord cares for the stranger;

The Lord sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

The Lord shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING

John 11:32-44 (NT p. 105)

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

*Sine Nomine
(For All the Saints)*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

SERMON

Every Sea, Every Tear

Ron Gilmer

*HYMN PH #525

Here I Am, Lord

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Revelation 21:1-6

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God prepared as one adorned for marriage. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. God will dwell with them; they will be God's peoples, and God will be with them; God will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new. Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then God said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life." Alleluia! 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 PH #455

*All creatures, your Creator bless,
And worship God in humbleness.
O sing ye! Alleluia!
Praise, praise Creator, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up 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

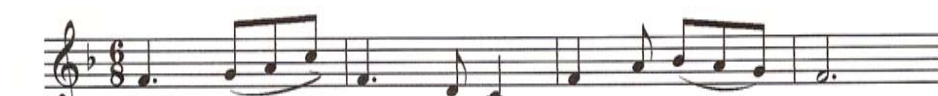


Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

LORD'S PRAYER

Please begin, "Our Mother and Father God, who art in heaven..."

AMEN



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

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Please gather at the Lord's Table. When giving the bread, it is appropriate to say, "The body of Christ, the bread of heaven." When giving the cup, it is appropriate to say, "The blood of Christ, the cup of salvation."

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

*HYMN PH #423

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

DUKE STREET

VOLUNTARY

Please be seated during the closing voluntary as we give thanks to God for the gift of music.

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

2 Corinthians 13:13

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

Alleluia! Amen.