

## 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 announcements to Carolyn MacVicar at [upsa@bellsouth.net](mailto:upsa@bellsouth.net).

**Deacons' Lunch** - Please join us in the fellowship hall immediately after this morning's service for lunch. At this gathering, Ron Gilmer will lead a discussion of who UPC is, which should be fun for members and informative and fun for guests. The session is revisiting UPC's mission statement, and this exercise is the next step in the process.

**Realizing the Dream** - The Martin Luther King, Jr. Realizing the Dream Committee exists to raise consciousness about injustice and promote human equality, peace and social justice by creating educational opportunities for growth, empowerment and social change so that every person may experience the bounty of life's abundant possibilities. This year's schedule of events includes: a SCLC & Realizing the Dream Banquet at Capstone Hotel on Friday, January 15, 6:30 p.m. (\$25 person or \$150 per table); the 21st Annual Realizing the Dream Concert at Moody Music Building on Saturday, January 16, 7:30 p.m. (\$15); Performing Arts Presentation "Driving Miss Daisy" at Theater Tuscaloosa, April 23-May 2; a Unity Breakfast at Beulah Family Life Center on Monday, January 18, 7 a.m.; a Unity March from Martin Luther King Elementary School on Monday, January 18, noon; and Rally at First African Baptist Church on Monday, January 18, 6 p.m. For more information, please visit: <http://realizingthedream.ua.edu/>.

**Session** - The session's next stated meeting will take place on Thursday, January 21, at 5:30 p.m. Please be in prayer for those who will be serving as elders this year.

**Service of Witness to Resurrection** - A Service of Witness to the Resurrection in celebration of the life and legacy of Joseph Pascal Stone, Jr., will take place on Saturday, January 23, 2 p.m. A reception will follow in the fellowship hall. If you would like to help with the reception, please contact Margie Harris.

**Reception for Thomas Evans** - Presbytery of Sheppards and Lapsley Executive Presbyter has accepted a call to serve as Presbytery Executive of Greater Atlanta beginning this month. Sheppards and Lapsley will be saying goodbye to Tom with a reception at the presbytery office on Sunday, January 24, 3-5 p.m. If you would like to participate, please contact Ron Gilmer.

**UA Church Music Conference** - The University of Alabama's Church Music Conference will take place January 29-30 in the Moody Music Building. The first place winner in the scholarship competition will perform along with UPC organist Faythe Freese and other UA faculty in *Lifting Up Our Voices and Instruments in Song* on Friday, January 29, 7:30 p.m. Then, on Saturday January 30, the conference will conclude with an organ concert by Stephen Tharp with music by Jeanne Demessieux and others. For more information, please visit: <http://music.ua.edu/2010-university-of-alabama-school-of-music-church-music-conference/>.

**That All May Freely Serve** - That All May Freely Serve is a group within the PC(USA) that works with More Light Presbyterians and Covenant Network toward changing ordination standards in the church so that all may freely serve. This group is offering scholarships for Presbyterians between the ages of 18 and 30 to attend the General Assembly meeting in Minneapolis, MN, July 1-10. For more information, contact Ron Gilmer or visit <http://www.tamfs.org/>.

**Attendance** - January 3-35

**January Birthdays** - January 11- Vanessa Llera, January 12-Grace Millender, January 17-Sara Clements, January 21-Tanya Davis, January 31-Heather Lietch

## Sunday Assignments

### January 10

Communion Nicole Varnado and Rachel Walker  
Reader Adam Miller  
Ushers The Alexanders  
Welcomer Steve Borrelli  
Greeter Kai Miller

### January 17

Communion Nancy DuPree  
Reader John Whitehead  
Ushers Mary Meares and Ann Webb  
Welcomer Paige Miller  
Greeter Becki Evans

## Lectionary Readings

### January 10

Isa. 43:1-7  
Ps. 29  
Acts 8:14-17  
Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

### January 17

Isa. 62:1-5  
Ps. 36:5-10  
1 Cor. 12:1-11  
John 2:1-11

## Let us Pray....

Lois Field, Shirley Burnett, Tabatha Jarnagin, Anna Gordon, Danielle Rabel, Ginny Hartman, Paige Miller, Quinn Miller, Jared Dearing, Torry Ryan, Aaron Chun, Michael Yampolsky, James Walker, Marie Stone, Robert Robinson, Wilma Warren, Jackie Reid, Carl Washington, James Darget, Carla Hall, Tiffany Washington, Cadarius Washington and Frederick Washington.

## This Week at UPC

<b>Sunday</b>	9:30 Sunday School 10:15 Coffee Hour 11:00 Worship 12:00 Deacons' Lunch	<b>Tuesday</b>	10:30 Staff Meeting 11:30 Lectionary Bible Study 1:30-3:30 Food Pantry 8:00 Narcotics Anonymous
		<b>Friday</b>	8:00 Narcotics Anonymous

### Elders

Steve Borrelli  
Jamie Campbell  
Nancy DuPree  
Linda Grote  
Gillie Presley  
Lena Prewitt

Robert Spencer  
Annabel Stephens  
Garry Warren  
Ann Webb

### Deacons

Pat Dunbar  
Robert DuPree  
Paige Miller  
Torry Ryan  
Rachel Walker

## 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. 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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William Henderson, Director of Music  
Faythe Freese, Organist  
Heekyung Lee, Intern

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

**January 10, 2009- 11:00 a.m.  
Baptist of the Lord**

## THE GATHERING

### GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### VOLUNTARY

### MEDITATION

Book of Common Worship

*God of mystery and power, open our eyes to the fire of your love,  
and open our ears to the thunder of your justice,  
that we may receive your gifts of blessing and peace,  
to the glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 60:1

Arise, shine; for your light has come,  
And the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

### \*HYMN PH #361

*How Firm a Foundation*

FOUNDATION

### CONFESSION OF SIN

Holy One, in Jesus Christ, your light has come, and yet we prefer darkness. The Scriptures teach us that you are a God of mystery, and yet we are capable of acting as if we know everything. Grant us vision to behold your glory. Comfort us when we fear your judgment. We give thanks that by your grace, we are able to confess our sin and that by your mercy, we are forgiven. You know us better than we know ourselves, and you love us still. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray.

### KYRIE

arr. Healey Willan, 1930



### DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

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

### GLORIA

Thomas Keesecker



## THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Adam Miller

### FIRST READING

Isaiah 43:1-7 (OT p. 672)

The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

### PSALM

Psalm 29

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**Ascribe to the Lord the glory that is due the holy name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

**The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

**The Lord makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, "Glory!"

The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as Sovereign forevermore. The Lord shall give strength to the chosen people; the Lord shall give the people the blessing of peace.

### SECOND READING

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 (NT p. 60)

The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

### ANTHEM

*Lord, When You Came to Jordan*

Brian Wren

### SERMON

*When All the People Are Baptized*

Ron Gilmer

### \*HYMN PH #70

*Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized*

CAITGNESS

### \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from A Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome to the prodigal home, God is faithful still. 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

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*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!*

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

*Please see insert.*

### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

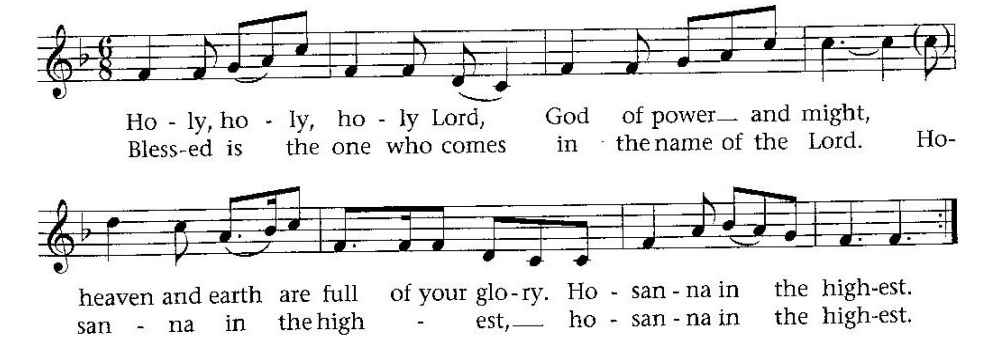
Lift up your hearts.

**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



## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



## LORD'S PRAYER

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

## AMEN



## 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 #525

*Here I Am, Lord*

## VOLUNTARY

*Please be seated during the closing voluntary as we give thanks to God for the gift of music. The Worship Committee asks that you show your appreciation for the musicians by some way other than clapping.*

## \*CHARGE AND BLESSING

Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless and keep you. The Lord be kind and gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. Alleluia! Amen.

**ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION**  
**UNIVERSITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA**  
**January 10, 2010**

**\*PROFESSION OF FAITH**

Romans 8:1, 28, 38, 39

**We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

**THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

from *The Book of Common Worship*

We give you thanks, Eternal God, for you nourish and sustain all living things by the gift of water. In the beginning of time, your Spirit moved over the watery chaos, calling forth order and life. In the waters of the Jordan, Jesus was baptized by John and anointed with your Spirit. By the baptism of his own death and resurrection, Christ set us free from sin and death, and opened the way to eternal life. We thank you, O God, for the water of baptism. In it, we were buried with Christ in his death. From it we were raised to share in his resurrection, through it we were reborn by the power of the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we celebrate our fellowship in him in faith. We pray that all who have passed through the water of baptism may continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

**ANOINTING**

*Annabel, Jamie, Lena, Pat and Rachel will be anointed with oil and encouraged to remember their baptisms.*

**CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS**

Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one triune God?

**We do.**

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you?

**We do.**

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God?

**We do, and we will.**

Will you fulfill your office in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions?

**We will.**

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?

**We will.**

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors and work for the reconciliation of the world?

**We will.**

Do you promise to further the peace, unity and purity of the church?

**We do.**

Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination and love?

**We will.**

**QUESTIONS FOR ELDERS**

Will you be faithful elders, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in governing bodies of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

**We will.**

**QUESTIONS FOR DEACONS**

Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

**We will.**

**QUESTIONS TO CONGREGATION**

Do we, the members of the church, accept Annabel, Jamie, Lena, Pat and Rachel as elders or deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

**We do.**

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who is Head of the Church?

**We do.**

**LAYING ON HANDS**

*Jamie and Rachel will be asked to kneel.*

*All who have been ordained previously are asked to come forward and lay hands on them.*

**PRAYER OF ORDINATION**

Gracious and eternal God, with joy we give you thanks and praise. Throughout the ages you have been faithful to your covenant people whom you have called out of bondage and redeemed to be your own. In every time and place you have chosen servants from among your people to point the way to salvation. We are grateful for ancestors in the faith who followed without fear, placing their trust in you alone. We give you thanks for judges and monarchs who ruled in righteousness and peace. We praise you for prophets and apostles who spoke your bold words of mercy and of truth. We thank you for men and women in every age who have nurtured your people in faith and faithfulness. Above all we praise you for Jesus Christ, who came not to be served, but to serve, and to give his life to set others free. Anointed by your Holy Spirit, he proclaimed your reign on earth, revealing your saving love in all he said and did.

**Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your servants whom you called through baptism as your own and marked them as your own. Grant them the same mind that was in Christ Jesus. Give them a spirit of truthfulness that they may show the compassion of Christ in the actions of daily living and rightly govern your people. Give them gifts of your Holy Spirit to build up the church, to strengthen the common life of your people, and to lead with compassion and vision. In the walk of faith and for the work of ministry, give to your servants gladness and strength, discipline and hope, humility, humor and courage, an abiding sense of your presence, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION**

Annabel, Jamie, Lena, Pat and Rachel, you are now deacons and elders in the church of Jesus Christ and for this congregation. Be faithful and true in ministry so that your whole life will bear witness to the crucified and risen Christ.

**WELCOME**

*Before returning to their seats, those who have been ordained previously are encouraged to welcome the newly ordained.*

**CHARGE**

1 Peter 4:7-11

Be serious and discipline yourselves for the sake of your prayers. Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another without complaining. Like good stewards of God's manifold grace, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ, to whom belongs the glory and the power forever and ever. **Amen.**

\*Please stand if able.

**PRESENTATION**

from *The Book of Order*

The purpose and pattern of leadership in the church in all its forms of ministry shall be understood not in terms of power but of service, after the manner of the servant ministry of Jesus Christ.

Ordination is the act by which the church sets apart persons to be presbyters (ministers of Word and Sacrament or elders) or deacons, and is accompanied with prayer and the laying on of hands. Ordination to the office of minister of Word and Sacrament is an act of presbytery. Ordination to the offices of elder and deacon is an act of session, except that when a new church is organized, the presbytery may examine, ordain and install the officers.

The office of elder or deacon is perpetual and no one can lay it aside at pleasure or be divested of it except as provided in this Form of Government or the Rules of Discipline.

From *The Book of Occasional Services*

On this Sunday in which we remember and celebrate our Lord's baptism, we remember and celebrate ours, as the church sets apart Jamie Campbell Naidoo to serve as an elder and Rachel Walker to serve as a deacon and installs them for active service along with Lena Prewitt and Annabel Stephens, who already have been ordained as elders, and Pat Dunbar, who already has been ordained as a deacon.

**We remember with joy our common calling to serve Christ, and we celebrate God's particular call to our brothers and sisters.**

**SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE**

1 Corinthians 12:4-7, 27

There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

**There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.**

God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

**To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.**

Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

**STATEMENT ON ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION**

Nancy DuPree

Clerk of Session

We are called into the church of Jesus Christ by baptism, and marked as Christ's own by the Holy Spirit. This is our common calling, to be disciples and servants of our servant Lord. Within the community of the church, some are called to particular service as deacons, as elders, and as ministers of the Word and Sacrament. Ordination is Christ's gift to the church, assuring that his ministry continues among us, providing for ministries of caring and compassion in the world, ordering the governance of the church, and preaching the Word and administering the sacraments. Representing the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church, the session of University Presbyterian Church now ordains Rachel to the office of deacon and Jamie to the office of elder, and installs them to active service on their respective boards. The session also installs to active service those who have been previously ordained: deacon Pat and elders Annabel and Lena.

**\*REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT**

Ordination calls the whole church to renewed commitment, and reminds us all to bear gladly the yoke of Christ given in the covenant of baptism. Let us, therefore, reaffirm our baptismal vows, renouncing all that opposes God and God's rule and affirming the faith of the holy catholic church.

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

**We do.**

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love?

**We do.**

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying God's Word and showing God's love?

**We will.**