

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.

WHAT THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA) SAYS ABOUT...

The Great Ends of the Church (G-1.0200)

1. Proclamation of the Gospel for the salvation of humankind
2. Shelter, nurture and spiritual fellowship of the children of God
3. Maintenance of divine worship
4. Preservation of the truth
5. Promotion of social righteousness
6. Exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world

The Meaning of Membership (G-5.0101) The incarnation of God in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ gives to the church not only its mission but also its understanding of membership. One becomes an active member of the church through faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and acceptance of his Lordship in all of life. Baptism and a public profession of faith in Jesus as Lord are the visible signs of entrance into the active membership of the church. Persons may enter into active membership in the following ways: by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith in Jesus Christ, or transfer of certificate from some other church.

Communion of the Faithful (W-2.4006) Around the Table of the Lord, God's people are in communion with Christ and with all who belong to Christ. Reconciliation with Christ compels reconciliation with one another. All the baptized faithful are to be welcomed to the Table, and none shall be excluded because of race, sex, age, economic status, social class, handicapping condition, difference of culture or language, or any barrier created by human injustice. Coming to the Lord's table the faithful are actively to seek reconciliation in every instance of conflict or division between them and their neighbors. Each time they gather at the Table the believing community: (a) are united with the Church in every place, and the whole Church is present; (b) join with all the faithful in heaven and on earth in offering thanksgiving to the triune God; and (c) renew the vows taken at Baptism; and they commit themselves afresh to love and serve God, one another, and their neighbors in the world.

Ron Gilmer, Pastor

Stated Hours:

Monday 1:30-2:30 and Friday 11:00-12:00

Carolyn MacVicar, Secretary
 Church Office Hours:



University Presbyterian Church

June 29, 2008

News and Information

UPC Online - Please visit uaupc.org for up-to-date information about the life of this congregation. News and notes (including Sunday assignments) are available there, as are photos of some of the big events in the history of church: past and present. Missed a sermon? It is posted in the worship section. Looking to invite someone to church? The first step may be coming to church online. Questions or ideas? Contact Adam Miller.

Pictures from Canada— Pat and Annabel are having a great time on their trip to Canada. You can see pictures from their adventures on their website. Go to www.picasaweb.google.com/astephens47/

Monday Morning—Every Monday morning, Ron posts a column that provides a behind-the-scenes look at life at University Presbyterian Church. In the first three months of the column's existence, he has written on subjects ranging from General Assembly to presbytery to the University of Alabama. He has provided updates on the session's decisions, on members and where they are traveling and on congregational concerns. You may access this "blog" from the church's web site or go there directly by visiting monday-morning.bravelog.com/index.php.

Deacon's Food Pantry— the food pantry is in need of canned goods. For the month of May, the food pantry provided 395 bags of food to 284 families totaling 683 people (257 children, 303 adults and 123 seniors).

TV Needed— If you have an old TV you are no longer using, UPC would love to use it in our nursery.

Presbyterian House— Now that summer is upon us, space is available at the Presbyterian House. If you know of a student at any of the schools in Tuscaloosa who is looking for a place to live, please contact the church office (or encourage that person to do so). If you have not been through the facility in a while, perhaps you would like a tour. The house has a new dining room set thanks to the generosity of Bill Henderson. Thinking of giving something away that may be of use to student living at the Presbyterian House? Please let us know.

Plants Need Watering - We need a volunteer to water the outside plants throughout the week. If you would like to take care of our beautiful landscape during these hot summer months, contact Rob Spencer at 233-1707.

The Main Event—The Main Event is a leadership training event sponsored by all of the presbyteries of Alabama: Sheppards and Lapsley; North Alabama; and South Alabama. This year's event, set for August 8-9 at Independent Presbyterian Church in Birmingham will feature Princeton professor Abigail Rian Evans, who specializes in bioethics, health ministries, ministry with older adults, pastoral care and ethics and health care decision-making. To sign up, please contact Paige Miller by Friday, July 25. The church will assume responsibility for registration fees. 218th General Assembly Please be in prayer for the 218th General Assembly, which will convene in San Jose, CA, June 21-28. If you have not voiced your support of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered Presbyterians and would like to do so, please note that postcards provided by the More Light Presbyterians network are available on the table in the back of the church.

Library Computer - Have you noticed the new computer in the library? Rob Spenser has kindly donated a new Compaq 250 GB computer to UPC. Thank you Rob!

Attendance - June 15— 28+2 nursery, June 22—22

Memorials— In Memory of *Helen Cargo* by Nancy and Robert DuPree

Here's what is going on at UPC....

This Week at UPC

Sunday 9:30 Choir rehearsal
11:00 Worship
12:00 Coffee Hour

Monday 11:00 Staff Meeting

Tuesday 1:30-3:30 Food Pantry **Closed**
8:00 Narcotics Anonymous

Friday 8:00 Narcotics Anonymous

Let us Pray.....

Arlee Vallery, Marie and Joe Stone,
Barbara Miller, Jill Martindale, Regina Lassiter, Lucy Morgan, Steve Borrelli and family, Robert Robinson, Lois Field, Wilma Warren, Martha Folmar, Jackie Reid, Kay VanLuvender, Frederick Washington and Eddie Hinton

Sunday Assignments

June 29

Communion	Paige Miller
Reader	Becki Evans
Ushers	Becki Evans and Vanessa Llera
Welcomer	John Whitehead
Greeter	Ann Webb
Coffee Hour	

July 6

Communion	Rob Spencer
Reader	Cathy Andreen
Ushers	Becki Evans and Vanessa Llera
Welcomer	John Whitehead
Greeter	Kay Ellis
Coffee Hour	

Lectionary Readings for:

June 29, 2008

Gen. 22:1-14; *Ps. 13*
Rom. 6:12-23
Matt. 10:40-42

July 6, 2008

Gen. 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67
Ps. 45:10-17 or S. of Sol. 2:8-13
Rom. 7:15-25a
Matt. 11:16-19, 25-30

Happy 4th of July



Clerk of Session: Nancy DuPree **Co-Treasurers:** Garry Warren and Julia Hartman

Session Members

Class of 2008
William Henderson
Adam Miller
Annabel Stephens
Garry Warren

Class of 2009
Julia Hartman
John Whitehead
Lena Prewitt

Class of 2010
Gillie Presley
Nancy DuPree
Linda Grote
Ann Webb

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