



May 10, 2015

University Church of Christ exists by the grace of God to be a loving fellowship praising God by living and telling the good news of Jesus.

WORSHIP

718 *We Shall Assemble*

27 *Blessed Be Your Name*

Welcome Brent Isbell

Marines Family Blessing Kris Southward

703 *We Love You With The Love of the Lord*

383 *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*

Communion Mac Ice

Scripture: John 19:25-30

Bread

324 *Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed?* (1,2)

Cup

324 *Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed?* (3,4)

Offering

Flowers for Moms

That it May Go Well with You Brent Isbell

Salvation Belongs to Our God

Family News/Congregational Prayer

Jason Craddock

76 *How Great Thou Art*

Benediction: Psalm 121:7-8

Worship Leader Luke Burnam

If you would like to pray with someone today, you are invited to pray with elders Richard Cox and Don Faver in Room 101 at the close of our service.

Our Sunday morning service is broadcast live at www.uccabilene.org.

REFLECTIONS

Brent Isbell, Preaching Minister
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Welcome to University Church! Some are visiting mothers and grandmothers today. Some are in town for ACU graduation weekend. Whatever the case may be, if you are visiting today for any reason, please take a minute to fill out one of the **guest registry cards** found on the seat backs. Then just put your card in the offering plate later. If you are looking for a church home, please come back and visit again soon!

Modern Family: Biblical Wisdom for a Digital World. Today we continue our home and family series with a few more reflections on the relationship between parents and children. Today, since it's a special Mom's Day anyway, let's focus on the responsibilities God has given children toward their parents: ***That It May Go Well with You.*** Our worship leader today is **Luke Burnam.**

Happy Mother's Day! Today we honor our moms and grandmas and all the women who bless our lives. Our kids will help us say thanks and offer a small tribute to mothers. We will also pause this morning to dedicate the children of **Julio and Elizabeth Marines** to God's kingdom. If you do not know the Marines family and their background, please listen closely. You will be blessed to know how this UCC couple is serving God, and Mother's Day is the perfect day to honor them and tell this great story.

Wednesday nights: Dr. Tony Ash continues his mid-week video series ***Jack & Me: Why I Like C.S. Lewis.*** Join us weekly in the Family Room at 7 p.m. This week: ***The Weight of Glory*** and ***A Grief Observed.***

Looking ahead...

- May 17** Senior Sunday
- May 24** Summer Sermon Series Begins:
How to Behave in Church: The "One Another" Texts
- June 3** Wednesday Summer Adult Series Begins:
Majoring in the Minors: Minor Prophets for 2015 People

WELCOME

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CLASS TIMES:

Sunday - 9 a.m.
Wednesday - 7 p.m.

WORSHIP TIMES:

Sunday - 10 a.m., 5 p.m.

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NURSERY FACILITIES

For your convenience, nursery facilities are available during worship in the Early Childhood Center.

ATTENDANCE:

Worship - 446	May 3, 2015	Northern Oaks - 16
Bilingual - 67		Chisholm Place - 17
C. Village - N/A		Silver Springs - 42
Coronado - 72		

OFFERING:

May 3 **\$27,740.45**

CARE GROUPS MEETING TODAY

CARE Groups meet today following the schedule below. There will be a 5 p.m. devotional in the Family Room this evening for anyone who would like to attend.

2	Not Meeting	McNiece	
5	Not Meeting	Southward	
7	1365 Cedar Crest	Bo Green	5 p.m. (devo)
9	Not Meeting	Reyes	
10	Not Meeting	Ballard	
11	Meets Fourth Sunday	Statler	noon
12	Not Meeting	Hammond	
13	Not Meeting	Herttenberger	
14	Not Meeting	Pamplin	
15	Not Meeting	Sheppard	
16	Meets First Sunday	Presley	11:30 a.m.
17	Not Meeting	Thompson	
19	Not Meeting	Howell	
20	Not Meeting	McCaleb	

CHILDREN'S HOME SPECIAL COLLECTION

Last Sunday was the annual Children's Home Special Collection. To date, \$25,500 has been donated to help support the children, families, house parents, staff members and others. If you were not able to give last Sunday, you can still drop your check in the plate today (just make a note on the memo line), or you can bring your special contribution to the church office this week. Thank you for caring and giving to these important places and people.

STAY CONNECTED

University members and friends can now stay connected with UCC via Facebook and Twitter. Like the Facebook page at www.facebook.com/UCCAbilene, follow the UCC Twitter feed at www.twitter.com/UCCAbilene and also follow us on Instagram @UCCAbilene. You can also follow the UCC Campus Ministry, UCC Children's Ministry and UCC Youth Ministry on all three platforms as well.

NEWS AND NOTES

There will be **NO 5 p.m. Chapel Service** because of Mother's Day/CARE Group Sunday.

You are invited to a bridal shower honoring **Regina Ayala** and **Alex Estrada**, son of **Al and Lisa Estrada**, on Sunday, May 24 from 2:30-4 p.m. at the home of Cathy Herttenberger (5280 West Lake Road). Selections are at Dillard's and Target. A money envelope will also be available on site.

You are invited to a bridal shower honoring **Bonnie Coley**, daughter of **Mark and Vicki Coley** and bride-elect of **David Armstrong** on Sunday, May 24 from 2-3:30 p.m. at the home of Cheryl Bacon (29 Kings Cross). Selections are at Williams Sonoma, Amazon.com and Bed, Bath and Beyond.

Jeannette Lipford: "I never had many members in my family until the Lord added me to the University Church of Christ. Now my children and I want to thank you for prayers, smiles, hugs, sitting along-side at night, cakes, pies, chicken casseroles, ham, rolls, dishwashing, flowers, glasses of water, leadership, videos, providing a lovely space to say goodbye, cards, caring hands. Yes, a family affair, God's family. May God bless each and every one of you."

Tom King: "Thank you, church family, for the pretty, sweet-smelling roses, the visits and for caring for us."

Martha Roberson: "Thank you for all the cards, calls, visits and beautiful flowers. Most of all, thank you for your prayers—the best blessing!"

Terri Larson: "On behalf of the family of Loreta Kelley, I want to thank the UCC family for everything! Thank you for the many years of being our church home, for all the later years of ministering to mom after we had all left home, for so graciously providing a delicious meal before the service and the opportunity to visit over tea and coffee afterwards, and for the beautiful plant which came home to Oklahoma with me! Thank you so much!"

Ann (Kelley) Dyer: "We, the family of Loreta Kelley, want to thank the University Church for the beautiful deffenbachia that was sent at the time of her death. We have all been blessed by our long association with dear friends and acquaintances at UCC. We appreciate the wonderful meal that was prepared and served, as well as the many other kindnesses extended to us. I am so very thankful for the influence on me and the encouragement given to me all my life. Thank you for the many expressions of sympathy and the acts of kindness we received."

Kelly M. Audet, USO: "Thank you all for your wonderful donation of candy, cookies, snacks and the toothpaste. Your support is greatly appreciated by our troops."

U.S. Army Soldiers: "Thank you for your donations. It helps to know someone is thinking of us."

Y. Escarno: "Thank you so much for the care packet. I love it!"

TRANSITIONS

a ministry of 20s and 30s

Joey Roberts, Communications Minister

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We will not meet for small group tonight due to Mother's Day.

Next **Sunday, May 17**, we will have small group at the Bowmans' house (642 Green Valley Drive). More info to come.

Join us for small group on **Sunday, May 24** at the Vargas' house (812 Eastover Drive). Check the Facebook page for more information next week.

On **Sunday, May 31**, we will join the children's ministry for a Picnic in the Park. More details will come at a later date.

Check out Facebook to keep up with the latest on small group, women's lunch, men's lunch and other Transitions activities throughout the week.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Jason Craddock, Youth Minister

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No Activity Tonight: Since today is Mother's Day, we will not have an activity tonight. Do something special for your moms. Maybe a nice foot massage or something.

Senior Sunday Details: Things are a little different this year for Senior Sunday. We will begin on May 17 at 8:15 a.m. with a breakfast reception in the MAC. We are hoping to have congregational support for this, asking for volunteers to provide food. See information about the food needed below. This will be our congregation-focused time where members will be encouraged to come congratulate and visit with our graduating seniors, peruse their table exhibits, drop off gifts and enjoy breakfast together. During worship, we will recognize our seniors by name and pray over them and their families at the front of the auditorium. That evening, we will have a smaller, more intimate dinner for seniors and their families from 6-8 p.m. The Youth Committee and I hope these changes will make for a very meaningful time for our seniors, their families, the youth group and the congregation.

Mission Trip - July 14-21: This year for mission trip, we will be going to Kinlichee, Ariz. in the Navajo Nation. This is Navajo territory in the Four Corners region of Arizona, New Mexico, Utah and Colorado. We worked with the Kinlichee congregation back in 2010, and our teens still speak of it fondly. Now we are going back. We have a lot of manual labor to help them with. Their main permanent building burned down a few years ago and they need a new pre-fabricated building put up. We will be helping with that as well as possibly tearing down a couple of other small structures, painting, roofing, pouring concrete sidewalks, plumbing and more. We will stay on site for most of the time, but may spend a little bit of time at the Manuelito Navajo Children's Home in Gallup, N.M. We will wrap up our week with a trip to Canyon de Chelly, a beautiful canyon system nearby that is very unique and special to the Navajo culture and history. I will have a packet next week with more information, but put it on your calendar and make plans to join us.

Huddles Continue Wednesday: The **SR/JR Huddle** will continue to meet at the home of **Carla Copher** (1412 Glenhaven Dr) with **Jason Craddock** co-leading. The **SO/FR Huddle** will meet at the home of **Rusty and Amy Towell** (2910 Shirley Road) and co-led by **Gerardo and Alma Lara**. We will provide a van shuttle leaving the Youth Center at 6:45 p.m. and returning at 8:15 p.m. The **MS Huddle** will continue to meet each week in the Youth Center with **Luke and Karaline Burnam** co-leading.

LCU Encounter (June 14-20): Encounter is a camp experience for entering 9th graders through 2015 HS graduates. It costs \$295 for the week with no additional expenses. Encounter registration is active now and will be open through May or when camp reaches capacity (approx. 800). You can register at LCUCamps.com.

NEWS

Senior Sunday Breakfast Reception Help Needed: On Sunday, May 17, at 8:15 a.m. we will be having a breakfast reception to honor our graduating high school seniors in the MAC. **Sherri Statler** is coordinating the reception and is needing volunteers to prepare egg casseroles and/or muffins or sweet breads. You are welcome to use a recipe of your choice, or she can provide one. The Statlers are also willing to pick up your food contribution on Saturday if arriving before 8 a.m. on Sunday is a challenge. We're rounding out the menu with ham, biscuits and breakfast punch. Please let Sherri know if you can help with an egg casserole or muffins with a message to sstatler@ChristianHomes.com or call 668-4939.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Jennifer Welch, Children's Minister
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VBS Signup: You have the opportunity to sign up online at our website (uccabilene.org), or you can sign up at the VBS table located in the southwest foyer. Invite your friends, your neighbors, your grandkids, etc. for this fun time as we go to Camp Kilimanjaro. VBS is set for June 8-10 from 9 a.m. to noon and is for children three years old through fifth grade. See you there!

Quotes for Mother's Today:

A mother picks up her children and wipes away life's tears.
She scares away monsters in the night and silences life's fears.
- Kathryn Ann

I will be those stars you wish upon to help you realize your dreams.
I will be the needle and the thread if it all falls apart at the seams.
- Mssparklyone

Happy Mother's Day!

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Kyle Bowen and Rachel Hurst, Campus Ministry
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We enjoyed a Movie Night at the Pamplins' last Saturday! Thank you to the Pamplin family for being gracious hosts. We also had our last Dwelling Place of the semester at the Arringtons' home on Sunday night. Thanks to everyone who was a part of Dwelling Place over the last year. We look forward to resuming it in the fall.

Wednesday Nights: There will be no Wednesday night activities for the summer.

Volleyball Night: Within a few weeks, we'll start a weekly volleyball night with Southern Hills, so look for those details to come soon.

Coffee or Lunch: Rachel will be in town for the summer, so if you'd ever like to get coffee or a meal, let her know.

Good luck to Kyle as he begins his summer internship and to all of our college students embarking on new adventures this summer!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR - May 10-24

- MAY 10** 8:30 a.m. - Coffee, Juice and Donuts, MAC
9 a.m. - Bible Classes
10 a.m. - Worship, Brent Isbell - speaker, Luke Burnam - worship leader
CARE Group Sunday
NO 5 p.m. Chapel Service
- MAY 12** 6:30 p.m. - Bilingual Women's Prayer Group
- MAY 13** 5:30 p.m. - Wednesday Night Supper (Hamburgers)
7 p.m. - Bible Classes
- MAY 17** 8:30 a.m. - Coffee, Juice and Donuts, MAC
9 a.m. - Bible Classes
10 a.m. - Worship, Brent Isbell - speaker, Luke Burnam - worship leader
5 p.m. Chapel Service - Lou Seckler - speaker, David Sprott - song leader
- MAY 19** 6:30 p.m. - Bilingual Women's Prayer Group
- MAY 20** 7 p.m. - Bible Classes
- MAY 24** 8:30 a.m. - Coffee, Juice and Donuts, MAC
9 a.m. - Bible Classes
10 a.m. - Worship, Brent Isbell - speaker, Luke Burnam - worship leader
2 p.m. - Coley Bridal Shower, 29 Kings Cross
2:30 p.m. - Estrada Bridal Shower, 5280 West Lake Road
5 p.m. Chapel Service - Brent Isbell - speaker, Gene Linder - song leader

PRAYER LIST

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS:

If you have a submission for the weekly bulletin, please submit to Joey by noon on Wednesdays. You may call him at 673-6497 or email joey@uccabilene.org.