



May 17, 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

72 *Blessed Be the Lord God Almighty*

Welcome/Family News Mark Tate

364 *Come, Share the Lord*

Communion Steven Moore

Scripture: Romans 8:31-39

Bread

112 *Wonderful Grace of Jesus (1,3)*

Cup

113 *His Grace Reaches Me (1)*

Offering

113 *His Grace Reaches Me (2)*

Children's Church

1015 *Jesus Loves the Little Children*

Family: Messy But Worth It Brent Isbell

202 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

226 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Blessing the Class of 15 HS Graduates Jason Craddock and Steve Austin

710 *The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

Benediction: Philippians 4:20,23

Worship Leader Luke Burnam

If you would like to pray with someone today, you are invited to pray with elders Eric Hardegree and Eddie Mahanay 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 UCC! If you are visiting us today, please take a moment to fill out one of the **guest registry cards** found on the seat backs, then drop your card in the offering plate later. If you are looking for a church home, please come back and visit again very soon!

Modern Family: Biblical Wisdom for a Digital World. Today we conclude our *Modern Family* series with some final thoughts about the importance of our family ties: **Family: Messy, But Worth It.** Our worship leader today is **Luke Burnam.**

Senior Sunday 2015! Today we celebrate our UCC high school graduates. Earlier we had a breakfast reception in their honor, and this morning in worship we will take some time to call their names, present each a Bible and pray over this important time in the lives of these families. It seems like just yesterday that these thirteen young men and women were babies, doesn't it? No matter where they go to school or work or whatever comes next, we ask God to bless each one with a future of dedicated service to Jesus and his kingdom.

Communion serving change. For the past few years, we have heard regularly from some of our communion servers that going up and down the front steps is physically difficult. In fact, some of our servers have been forced to drop out of the serving rotation. For that reason only, the elders decided a while back to serve all our trays from the back of the auditorium. Only the one presiding will be up front. We think this is a positive move that allows more potential servers to participate. We've done it for about six weeks now, and it seems to be working very well.

Wednesday nights: Dr. Tony Ash concludes his mid-week video series **Jack & Me.** Join us this week in the Family Room at 7 p.m.

- May 24** New Summer Sermon Series Begins:
How to Behave in Church: NT One Another Texts
- June 3** Wednesday Summer Adult Series Begins:
Majoring in the Minors: Minor Prophets for 2015 People
- June 8-10** VBS 2015: Camp Kilimanjaro
- June 10** Family Night in the MAC: Ice Cream and Desserts, 7 p.m.

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:	May 10, 2015	OFFERING:	
Worship - 522	Northern Oaks - 19	May 10	\$18,657.65
Bilingual - 60	Chisholm Place - 17		
C. Village - 25	Silver Springs - 26		
Coronado - 68			

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Jennifer Welch, Children's Minister
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Children's Worship: Just a reminder that we will only have preschool children's worship for children three years old through kindergarten starting today.

VBS Volunteers Needed: We need group leaders to lead classes from once center to another. We need a craft supervisor and nursery attendants for our teachers helping with VBS. If you would like to help in one of these areas, please contact Jennifer Welch.

Family Picnic and Swimming: Make plans to enjoy a picnic and swimming Sunday evening, May 31 from 5-7 p.m. at the home of Mark and Celia Tate. Families can bring their blanket, picnic basket, and towels if you or your children would like to swim.

Summer Nursery Help: We have some of our nursery members out this summer. If you would be willing to help out where needed, please email jenniferw@uccabilene.org.

TRANSITIONS

a ministry of 20s and 30s

Joey Roberts, Communications Minister
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Tonight we will have small group at the Bowmans' house (642 Green Valley) starting at 5 p.m. Check the Facebook page for more info on what to bring.

On Sunday, May 31, we will join the children's ministry for a picnic and swimming at the home of Mark and Celia Tate (1600 Rainey Road). We will meet from 5-7 p.m. Bring a picnic dinner and your swimming gear (if you want).

NEWS

Join us for **5 p.m. Chapel Service** today with **Lou Seckler** speaking and **David Allen Sprott** leading singing.

Thank you for opening your hearts to the **Children' Home Special Collection**. To date, you have given \$26,550. If you have not had a chance to give, drop off your contribution to the church office. Thank you again for helping UCC serve these special organizations.

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.

Zeire Guzman, a family member of Luis Guzman, has moved to Abilene with her daughter and is in need of furniture, kitchen items, appliances, household items. Please see Harland Rall, Tim Archer or Gustavo Villanueva if you can help.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Jason Craddock, Youth Minister
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2015 Senior Sunday: Today is a very special time for the Youth Ministry and for the congregation as a whole. It is the time that we get to honor our graduating seniors. This morning we will ask each of our graduating seniors to come to the front with their families (after the sermon) so we can pray over you as a congregation. Please take one of the Senior Sunday Booklets for more information about each of our seniors and go by the MAC after worship to peruse the decorated senior tables they and their parents have set up. You may also drop off gift there as well.

We have 13 graduates this year: Tomas Chaparro (CHS), Sarai Ciriaco (CHS), Kayla Copher (AHS), Mackie Guzman (AHS), Brooke Jacques (AHS), Aimee Lara (CHS), Evan Palmer (AHS), Christian Rodgers (WHS), Emilie Smith (Homeschool), Ensley Towell (AHS), Jocelyn Villanueva (AHS), Jovita Wattimena (ACHS) and Yaru "Emily" Zheng (ACHS).

Senior Sunday Dinner Tonight: Tonight, we will have our Senior Sunday Dinner in the Family Room from 6-8 p.m. This is open to all senior families and teens in the youth group. I still need teens to help serve tables, so please let Jason know if you can help.

CBH Travel Details and Paperwork: Camp time is almost here and what an exciting way to kick off our summer! An information packet was emailed out this past week with all the details you need to know in addition to the information you received from Camp Blue Haven. There are also some packets available on the Youth Center desk if you prefer. All paperwork and payments are due Sunday, May 31 and can be given to Jason Craddock or Cathy Young. We will meet to leave for camp on Saturday, June 13 at 8:30 a.m. so we can be on the road as close to 9:00 as possible. We will return on Friday, June 26 around 8 p.m.

LCU Encounter (June 14-20) is for those entering ninth grade through 2015 HS graduates. The cost is \$295 for the week with no additional expenses. Registration is now open (LCUCamps.com) and remains open through May, or when camp reaches capacity. You can register at LCUCamps.com.

Mission Trip - July 14-21: Our Mission Trip is set! 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. 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 other manual labor. We will stay on site for most of the time, but we 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. I will have a packet next week with more information.

Huddles Resume Wednesday: The huddles will return to their regular places this Wednesday from 7-8 p.m.: JR/SR (1412 Glenhaven Drive); SO/FR (2910 Shirley Road); JH (Youth Center).

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.