



July 26, 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

 264 *O Come, Let Us Adore Him*

Welcome Mark Tate

I Stand in Awe

Congregational Prayer Eric Hardegree

 922 *Jesus Paid it All*

 382 *Why Did My Savior Come to Earth? (1)*

Communion Jason Craddock

Scripture: Isaiah 42:1-3; Matthew 11:28-30

Bread

 382 *Why Did My Savior Come to Earth? (2)*

Cup

 382 *Why Did My Savior Come to Earth? (3)*

Offering

Children's Church

 679 *'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*

Be Gentle with One Another Brent Isbell

 907 *Hark the Gentle Voice*

Family News

Benediction: Philippians 4:4-7

Worship Leader Mark Tate

If you would like to pray with someone today, you are invited to pray with elders Mark Tate and James Thompson 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
brent@uccabilene.org

Welcome! If you are visiting University Church today, please take a minute to fill out one of those **guest registry cards** (they are located on the seat backs). Then simply drop your card in the offering plate when it's passed later. Are you looking for a church home? Please visit us again soon. Let us get to know each other. Every Christian needs a strong spiritual family, and we would love to be yours!

How to Behave in Church. Our summer sermon series has been focusing on how we behave in church. We have been looking at some of the "one another" teachings in the New Testament. Love one another. Honor one another. Teach one another. Encourage one another. Be kind to one another.... These Scriptures show us how to behave toward our brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ, not to mention toward all our neighbors. Today, let's talk about the instruction to **Be Gentle with One Another** (Ephesians 4:2). Our world and culture is not very gentle at all. These are rough and prickly times. Is the church of Jesus known as a community of gentle men and gentle women? Throughout this series, we are challenging each other to honestly evaluate our own level of Body membership. What if every member of the church was a member just like you? Our worship leader today is **Mark Tate**.

Majoring in the Minors. We continue our summer series on the Minor Prophets this Wednesday night. Our guest speaker this week is **Grady King**. Grady is a long-time, dear friend to me and my family, not to mention an outstanding teacher and resource person for churches everywhere. I am grateful my friend is coming, but I am sorry that I will miss him! I will be down in New Braunfels, preaching at the church where **Mic, Tara, Canaan and Jordan Biesboer** now serve. If you are here, please come enjoy Grady at 7 p.m. in the Family Room. His message is **Habakkuk: When God is Silent**.

Looking ahead to Fall? Yes, I know it's still summer and hot, but here is a teaser about a few cool things on deck for Fall Sundays at UCC...

Sunday sermons? *Paul's Letter to the Romans*

Sunday adult classes? *The Gospel of John*

Sunday evening chapel? *Life of Abraham*

And more to come!

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 - 392	July 19, 2015	Northern Oaks - 18
Bilingual - 30		Chisholm Place - N/A
C. Village - 23		Silver Springs - 42
Coronado - 84		

OFFERING:

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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Jennifer Welch, Children's Minister
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Wednesday Night: We will meet at the Taylor Elementary playground at 7 p.m. this Wednesday night. Please make sure your family has a Bible or at least a phone with the Bible app when you come.

Random Act of Kindness: This last Wednesday, we had some children come up with some great ideas for our random acts of kindness. We enjoyed distributing some toys, drinks and snacks to two different parks here in town. Each item was labeled with our UCC Kids logo reminding them to have a blessed day. The recipients were all very surprised and appreciative of our kind gesture.

Heifer Project: Our Heifer Project will end on Sunday, Aug. 9. Parents remind your kids to work to earn money. They can bring their banks, baggies or wallets that day.

TRANSITIONS

a ministry of 20s and 30s

Joey Roberts, Communications Minister
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Tonight, we will meet at the Sprotts' house (834 Elmwood) for small group. More information can be found on the Facebook page.

On **Wednesday, July 29,** we will join the children's ministry at the Taylor Elementary playground at 7 p.m. Bring a Bible for your family (or a Bible app on your phone).

Next Sunday, Aug. 2, we will have small group at the Gibbs' house (901 Washington). More info to come next week.

Check out our **Facebook** page for other events and details pertaining to Transitions.

NEWS AND NOTES

Join us for **5 p.m. Chapel Service** today as **Bill Young** will be our speaker and **Gene Linder** will lead the singing.

There is a **young family with children** who just moved to Abilene from California. The husband/father will be an undergraduate student at ACU, but the family (who has visited UCC lately) is in need of beds and many other household necessities. Please call the church office if you can help with any of these items.

You are invited to celebrate **James and Carolyn Thompson** and their 50 years together at a reception on Saturday, Aug. 15 from 2:30-4:30 p.m. in the Family Room.

On Sunday, Aug. 16, we will have our annual **Operation Blue Jeans** special contribution. This year's theme is "Operation Blue Jeans and Beyond." Please be in prayer how you can help support this worthwhile ministry.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Jason Craddock, Youth Minister
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facebook.com/groups/uymteens

Free Time Tonight: Come hang out with us tonight from 5-7 p.m. in the Youth Center. We will have snacks and drinks and *Super Smash* in the theater room.

Six Flags Tomorrow: If you didn't sign up, but you would still like to go tomorrow, check with Jason to see if there is any room. We will meet at 8 a.m. in the Youth Center and return at 11 p.m. Bring a sack lunch (we will provide the drink). You will need money for a fast food supper on the way home and drinks inside the park (I recommend a buying souvenir cup for free refills throughout the day).

No Senior Overnight Retreat: We did not receive enough interest for the overnight senior getaway. We will try to plan something else locally before school starts.

The PEAK on Wednesday: On Wednesday, July 29 from 7-8 p.m., we will have a fun class and time of worship followed by snacks.

REEL Faith on Thursday: This week, our REEL Faith movie will be *Into the Woods* (PG). We will talk about contentment and temptation on our journey of faith. Invite a friend and come to the Youth Center Theater from 6-9 p.m. We will have popcorn, candy and sodas.

MS Mission Stay: Our annual MS Mission Stay starts next Sunday night, Aug. 2 and finishes Wednesday night, Aug. 5 in the Youth Center. We will have several projects throughout the week, and we will have lots of fun activities in the evenings. Mission Stay is for all entering sixth graders through those who just finished eighth grade. There is no cost for the week. Please let Jason know if you plan to attend as soon as possible. We are still ironing out our overnight accommodations, but we will be staying in home(s) here in Abilene.

PRAYER LIST

Immediate Health Concerns

Randy Becton
Deloris Davee
Bette Harris
Exa Fay Hooten

Health Concerns

Randy Allison
Mable Bailey
Cheryl Ballard
Jerry Cook
Patty Cox
Charlotte Davis
Art Evans
Betty Gallaway
Brent Green
Ina Green
Lucy Hatch
Bob Hunter
John Jordan
Yuneva Kirk
Callie Mickey
Martha Morris
Eddie Pierson
Norma Phipps
Georgia Sanders
Reford Schmittow
Bob Scott
Bettye Shipp
Yvonne Sinclair
Bill Teague
James White
Norma Williams
Jamie Zimmerle

Homebound

Mary Anderson
Louise Ballard
Nick Barbato
Mary Barthelemy
Mitch Caffey
Betty P. Clark
Deloris Davee
Lealand Davee
Ausencia Gutierrez
Gregorio Gutierrez
Betty Mann
Billie Paine
Willa B Patterson
Agnes Stone
Jo Watson
Brenda Whitsett

MARK YOUR CALENDAR - July 26-30

JULY 26	8:30 a.m. - Coffee, Juice and Donuts, MAC 9 a.m. - Bible Classes 10 a.m. - Worship, Brent Isbell - speaker, Mark Tate - worship leader 5 p.m. Chapel Service - Bill Young - speaker, Gene Linder - song leader
JULY 27	8 a.m. - UCC Youth Group to Six Flags
JULY 29	7 p.m. - Taylor Elementary Playground Family Time 7 p.m. - The PEAK, UCC Youth Group 7 p.m. - Majoring in the Minors, Family Room (Grady King)
JULY 30	6 p.m. - REEL Faith, UCC Youth Group in Theater

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.