



FEED THE HUNGRY NOV. 22

November 15, 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

Welcome/Call to Worship Brent Isbell

718 We Shall Assemble

15 Step by Step

2 We Praise Thee, O God

Communion Stan Baldwin

Scripture: Philippians 2:1-11

Bread

288 Fairest Lord Jesus (1)

Cup

288 Fairest Lord Jesus (2,3)

Offering

Video: Feed the Hungry

Children's Church

853 When We All Get to Heaven

God's Fellowship, God's People Brent Isbell

We Fall Down

Family News/Prayer for the Congregation Steve Austin

851 I'll Fly Away

Worship Leader Steven Moore

If you would like to pray with someone today, you are invited to pray with elders James Thompson and Mark Tate 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! Are you visiting today? If so, we thank you for coming our way. Please fill out a guest registry card (located on the seat backs), then drop your card into the offering plate later. If you are new to Abilene or looking for a church home, we want to meet you. Please come back soon. We would appreciate the chance to know you and perhaps welcome you into the University Church family.

Big God: The Massive and Magnificent Message of Romans. This morning, we come to Romans 14-15. Here it becomes very clear that Paul is writing—not as a detached theologian—but as a church leader offering loving pastoral guidance to a real church with real people and problems. The house churches of Rome are divided over difficult issues. What Paul tells them is a word for churches in every place and time that struggle with relationships. The message today is God's Fellowship, God's People (14:1-15:13). Our worship leader is Steven Moore.

Wednesday class: Our teacher this week is Wendell Willis. Join us in the Family Room at 7 p.m. Note: There will be no mid-week classes or UCC activities next week (Thanksgiving week).

Next week is Feed the Hungry! Every year, on the Sunday before Thanksgiving, UCC members bring our groceries (and money, too) to Pack the Pulpit with sacks to help Jim Clark and our friends at the Christian Service Center restock the pantry. Grocery bags and shopping lists are available. This is a great chance for kids (and adults) to participate and learn to share and be thankful for God's blessings.

When I think about the BEST of University Church, I think about...

- Delicious food prepared so often by Barry Young and his teams of grill-masters. Burgers, chili, jalapeno poppers... mmm!
The great voice and presence of Bill Young. How we will miss Bill and Ann when they move to Colorado soon. But we wish them well and pray for their transition to mountain country!

Again, just a couple of the many things I love most about life among God's people at UCC! If you can think of some similar outstanding examples of your own, let me know: brent@uccabilene.org.

FEED THE HUNGRY

Next Sunday, Nov. 22 we have the opportunity to be a blessing to the poor of Abilene with food, by either bringing sacks of food or by writing a check to the Christian Service Center to keep the food pantry stocked. Cash donations go towards food purchases, mainly at the Food Bank for 18 cents a pound. Please take sacks or an envelope home as you leave this morning and return them next week.

"Thank you for demonstrating the love of our Savior in how we feed the hungry of Abilene. To the praise of his Glory." - Jim Clark, CSC Director

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 - 386
Bilingual - 53
Coronado - 74
C. Village - 15
November 8, 2015
Northern Oaks - 22
Chisholm Place - 19
Silver Spring - 47

OFFERING:

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## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

**Jennifer Welch**, Children's Minister  
*jenniferw@uccabilene.org*

**Random Acts of Kindness:** During the month of November, I will list several random acts of kindness that you can choose to do each week as a family or individually. After church each Sunday, you can read the list together and decide which "Random Acts of Kindness" you would like to incorporate into your week, or think of some random acts on your own. Enjoy and be ready for the unexpected blessings you will receive in return.

### Week Three:

1. Offer a ride to a friend in need.
2. Bring a meal to a friend.
3. Open the door for someone.
4. Smile.
5. Help someone carry his/her groceries.
6. Leave an extra large tip.
7. Rake a neighbor's yard.

**Haiti Christmas Project:** Due Nov. 22. You may drop off your filled bags at the welcome desk.

**Intergenerational Mixer:** On **Sunday, Nov. 22**, the UCC children and families invite all church members to join them in the Family Room following the 5 p.m. Chapel Service to work on a service project together for the prison ministry. First through fifth graders will be serving cookies and lemonade. Join us!

## CAMPUS MINISTRY

**Kyle Bowen**, Campus Ministry leader  
*campus@uccabilene.org*

**Welcome:** If you are a visiting college student, we are glad you visited with us, and we would love to get to know you and connect with you.

**Class Times:** Our Sunday morning class meets at 9 a.m. in MAC 503, and on Wednesdays, we meet at 7 p.m. in MAC 503. Join us!

**Dwelling Place:** Tonight, we will have Dwelling Place at 6:30 p.m. in MAC 503.

**This Wednesday:** We will be serving Wednesday Night Supper, so if you would like to help, meet in MAC 503 at 5 p.m.

**Coffee or Lunch:** If you would like to meet or have coffee with Kyle, the campus ministry

## TRANSITIONS

**Joey Roberts**, Communications Minister  
*joey@uccabilene.org*

**Tonight**, we will meet at the **Huddlestone's** (858 Avenue F) for our small group. Check out Facebook for more info on food.

Next week, Nov. 22, we will join the **UCC Children's ministry** in the activity in the MAC.

Because of Thanksgiving weekend, we won't have small group on **Sunday, Nov. 29**. We'll resume small group on **Sunday, Dec. 6** at the **Huddlestone's** (858 Avenue F).

Check out the **Facebook** page for more events and information pertaining to Transitions such as men's lunch, women's lunch, Bible class topics and more.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

**Jason Craddock**, Youth Minister  
*jason.craddock@uccabilene.org*  
facebook.com/groups/uymteens

**Devo and Free Time Tonight:** Tonight, from 5-7:30 p.m. we will meet in the Youth Center for a devo followed by free time. We will have some fun games to kick things off. We will not have dinner, but we will have snacks/drinks.

**ENCOUNTER LE at LCU, Nov. 20-22:** LCU is hosting a FREE weekend retreat called Encounter LE. LCU will be providing all food, keynote speakers, powerful worship experiences and entertainment, including bringing in the Christian band Group 1 Crew. It's gonna be terrific! Invite a friend to join us, but not if their church is already going. I also need some adult volunteers who would be willing to go with us. Paperwork is available on the Youth Center desk and is due **TODAY**. While the event is free, we still have to pay for our hotel, so we are setting the cost for each attendee at \$20. That's pretty cheap for a weekend of awesome!

**Huddles Continue Wednesday Night:**  
**SR/JR Huddle** at the **Towells'** (2910 Shirley Rd.).  
**SO/FR Huddle** at **Scudders'** (658 E.N. 22nd).  
**MS Huddle** in the Youth Center.

**Event Schedules:** The Craddocks really love to come and cheer you on, as do some of the rest of the group. Please email me a schedule or text a photo of it so we can make our plans. These could also become our Home Team Activity of the Week, so let me know so we can schedule them.

## NEWS AND NOTES

Tonight in the **5 p.m. Chapel** service, **Brent Isbell** will be the speaker and **Gene Linder** will lead the singing.

We express our sympathy to the family of **Pauline Dunn** who passed away last weekend. Her services were held yesterday here in Abilene.

**Ladies' Bible Class** continues on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Family Room. **Karen Jinkerson** will be the teacher all semester.

**Wednesday Night Suppers** continue this week with Arby's. Supper begins at 5:30 p.m. in the MAC. The cost is \$4 per adult and \$2 for K-12. College students eat free.

A bridal shower for **Carla Copher** is scheduled for this afternoon from 2-3:30 p.m. at the home of Sherri Statler (804 Highland). Selections are at Dillard's and Bed, Bath and Beyond.

A **quilting workday** is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 30 to sort fabric and pack everything up at Christian Village and move it to UCC.

**Intergenerational Mixer:** On Sunday, Nov. 22, the UCC children and families invite all church members to join them in the Family Room. See more info in the children's ministry section.

**Update:** Please note new cell phone numbers for **Win** (325-721-3446) and **Roseann Martin** (325-721-3481).

## 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](mailto:joey@uccabilene.org).