



CROSS WORDS

Current Sermon Series

February 28, 2016

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*

739 *God's Wonderful People*

719 *Love One Another*

Special Guest Introduction Steve Austin
Welcome/Family News Joey Roberts

731 *Take Time to Be Holy*

Prayer for God's People Jeff Arrington

364 *Come, Share the Lord*

Communion Andrew Huddleston

Bread

715 *The Church's One Foundation*

Cup

704 *Bind Us Together*

Offering

Missions Special Collection Video

Children's Church

709 *How Sweet, How Heavenly*

Scripture: John 19:16-27 Lou Seckler

CrossWords: A Word on Family Brent Isbell

711 *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

710 *The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

Worship Leader Lanny Mullins

If you would like to pray with someone today, you are invited to pray with elders Kris Southward 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

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Welcome to University Church! If you are visiting today, thank you for joining us. We are always grateful for our guests. Please take a minute to fill out a **guest registry card** (small white cards on the backs of the seats). Just drop your card in the offering plate later when it's passed. If you are new to Abilene or searching for a church home, please come back soon. UCC is a great place to call home!

CrossWords. For the weeks leading up to Easter Sunday on March 27, we are using our weekly messages to think about what happened at the Cross by listening to the seven last words of Jesus. One of the most fascinating statements Jesus made had to do with his mother, Mary. Today, let's continue our series in John 19 with **A Word on Family**. Our worship leader today is **Lanny Mullins**.

On Wednesdays during March, we will be sharing a special series with **Steve Austin** on **The Life of Christ**. The first class this week is titled **Caesarea Philippi-What Did You Confess?** This will be a great study in select events in Jesus' ministry, and I know Steve's many trips to Israel will add to the quality of the teaching these next few weeks. Join us at 7 p.m. each week in the Family Room.

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

- **Communion.** Every week, we share the Lord's Supper as a family. But many don't realize how many UCC servants contribute behind-the-scenes to make this happen. **Kevin Weems** and his family prepare every tray, beginning on Saturday. It's a lot of work! Then, many others take communion out to nursing homes each week, some leading worship services there—**Benny Gallaway, Greg and Lori Reagan, Chip and Marsha Morgan, Roberta Brown** and the **Walt Worgull family** are among these teams who do this important ministry. They ask for little. Some of them aren't here with us on Sundays, because they are serving on their own mission fields. To a person, these are some of UCC's best. Thank you!
- **Short-Term Mission Projects.** Every spring, UCC takes up a special collection to fund several groups going on short-term mission trips. This year, our special day is **Sunday, March 6**. Today we continue enjoying some informational videos about some of these projects. You will be inspired. These groups do important work that contributes to long-term Kingdom growth worldwide. Please be planning and preparing for a generous harvest on March 6!

WELCOME

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NURSERY FACILITIES

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

ATTENDANCE: February 21, 2016

Worship - 452 Northern Oaks - 22

Bilingual - 48 Chisholm Place - 16

Coronado - 82 Silver Springs - 21

OFFERING:

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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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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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Fourth Grade: Parents of fourth graders, there will be two opportunities for you to attend a meeting regarding your child and their fifth grade Bible class next year. Please make plans to either attend on Wednesday, March 2 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 101 or Sunday, March 6 at 11:15 a.m. (following worship service) in Room 101.

Save the Date: Vacation Bible School will be June 1-3 in the evening. More details soon!

Thank You: "Thank you UCC Kids for the Valentine note and candy. They were very appreciated. May the Lord Bless You and Keep You." – Roma Lee Aberegg

"The name of the Lord is a fortified tower; the righteous run to it and are safe."

– Proverbs 18:10

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Kyle Bowen, Campus Ministry leader
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Welcome: Thank you for worshipping with us today. We hope you feel connected with God and can connect with us today!

Class Time: Our Sunday morning class meets at 9 a.m. in MAC 503.

Dwelling Place: On Sundays, we meet at 6 p.m. in MAC 503. The Dwelling Place is a time of fellowship, singing and discussion.

Wednesday Nights: This Wednesday night, our gathering will meet at 7 p.m. in MAC 503. In addition, Wednesday Night Supper starts at 5:30 p.m. in the MAC if you are interested in free food and fellowship.

Tomorrow: We will have a volleyball night at Sonic on Judge Ely at 9 p.m. So bring your friends and have some fun.

Volleyball Match: Next Sunday, March 6, we will play a volleyball match against the Transitions Class from 5-7 p.m. in the MAC.

Coffee or Lunch: If you would like to grab lunch or coffee with me, Kyle, the campus ministry leader, call me at 530-615-8188.

TRANSITIONS

Joey Roberts, Communications Minister
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Tonight, the Transitions small group will meet at the Gibbs' (901 Washington Blvd.). Join us from 5-7 p.m.

Next week, we have been challenged to defend our volleyball title against the college class. Everyone be ready to continue the domination!

Coming Up: We will not have small groups on Sunday, March 13 since it is the beginning of Spring Break.

Easter Sunday: It's not too early to think of who you will be inviting to our Easter Sunday on March 27. We will have a sunrise service, pancakes, worship and an egg hunt. Invite someone!

YOUTH MINISTRY

Jason Craddock, Youth Minister
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Gatti's Tonight: Tonight at 5 p.m., we will meet at the Youth Center and then go to Gatti's to eat and play games. Bring \$5 for dinner and any extra you may want for some game tokens. We will finish back at the Youth Center at 7:30 p.m.

Huddles Continue: Our small group Huddles will continue this week at their normal locations. The **Senior/Junior Huddle** will meet at the home of **Rusty and Amy Towell** (2910 Shirley Rd.). The **Sophomore/Freshman Huddle** will meet at the home of **James and Mandy Scudder** (658 E N 22nd St). The **Middle School Huddle** will meet in the Youth Center.

Summer Camp Registration and Philosophy:

The youth ministry believes it is important to have a variety of experiences during time in the youth ministry and camps fit into that philosophy as well. We strongly encourage all eligible HS students to attend **LCU's Encounter**, which is just for HS students, at least once after spending their MS years at **Camp Blue Haven**.

- **LCU Encounter (June 11-18)** is for entering ninth graders through 2015 HS graduates, allowing five years of eligibility. Registration is now open, and it costs \$295 for the week with a few additional expenses for fast food meals. Encounter registration will be open through May or when camp reaches capacity (approx. 800). You can register at LCUcamps.com.
- **Camp Blue Haven (June 11-24)** is for entering fifth graders through 2016 HS graduates, allowing nine years of eligibility. It costs \$420 for the two-week session plus additional expenses for travel and trading post. More information can be found on the website at CampBlueHaven.com.

HS Mission Trip Date Set: On July 14-22, we will be going on our High School Mission Trip to Kinlichee, Arizona, focusing on outreach to the community where we worked last year. Last year, we did demolition and construction of the beginnings of a new building on the church's property. But this year, we will be going out into the surrounding neighborhoods, meeting people and inviting them to the VBS we will be helping the church produce. The cost for the trip will be \$50 per person and paperwork will be due June 5. We would love to have several adults attend with us so please talk to Jason if you could go with us.

DATES TO KNOW

Feb. 28

5 p.m. – Chapel Service (Seckler, Sprott)

March 2

10 a.m. – Ladies' Bible Class

5:30 p.m. – WNS

7 p.m. – Bible Classes

March 6

8:30 a.m. – Coffee and Donuts

9 a.m. – Bible Class

10 a.m. – Worship

5 p.m. – Chapel Service (Isbell, DeLano)

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.