



NEXT WEEK
JOIN US!

Sept. 25, 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

Come, Now is the Time to Worship

Welcome/Family News Brent Isbell
Congregational Prayer

63 *I Will Call Upon the Lord*

508 *A Wonderful Savior*

Before the Throne of God Above

Communion Gary McCaleb

Scripture: Romans 8:31-39

Bread

140 *Love Divine*

Cup

140 *Love Divine*

Offering

Children's Church

609 *I'm Not Ashamed to Own My Lord*

Introductory Remarks Tom Milholland

Scripture: Romans 1:14-17

Obligated, Eager and Unashamed Igor Egirev
St. Petersburg, Russia

659 *I Love to Tell the Story*

738 *Take the Name of Jesus with You*

Worship Leader David Allen Sprott

If you would like to pray with someone today, you are invited in Room 101 at the close of our service to pray with some of our elders.

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 with us today, thank you! Please do us a favor by filling out one of those **guest registry cards** (white cards found on the seat backs). Use those cards to ask for prayers, place membership, or communicate anything you need. Then simply drop your card into the offering plate when it's passed. Please come back soon. If you are searching for a new church home, we'd be happy to welcome you into the UCC family!

Today, we are hosting some very special guests! At 9 a.m., we are sharing a combined adult class in the auditorium taught by **Tony Fernandez** from **Cuba** (**Tim Archer** will be translating). Then, at the 10 a.m. worship assembly, **Igor Egirev** from **Russia** will be preaching for us. Both of these men are great friends and faithful mission partners to the people of University Church! I look forward to hearing encouraging reports about what God is doing in their respective home countries. Today's sermon by Igor: **Obligated, Eager and Unashamed** (Romans 1:14-17). Our worship leader this morning is **David Allen Sprott**.

Wednesday Praise! This Wednesday night, we are trying something a little new and different. We invite **all our UCC members** from youth group up through adults to join us in the Family Room at 7 p.m. for something we're calling *Wednesday Praise*. This is simply an opportunity for our worship leaders to help us **learn some new songs** and merely enjoy an hour of singing together as God's people. We will have a couple more such nights later in the fall. Please, come sing with us. Churches of Christ are a singing people. Singing is part of our heritage. So, the more voices, the better!

Beginning **Wednesday, Oct. 5**, we will start a new three-week adult class in the Family Room taught by **Royce Money**. The title of Royce's class is **Who Are the Evangelicals? And Are We Part of Them?** We hear a lot about "the evangelicals" in the media, especially during election season. But what *is* an evangelical? How are we like them? How are we not? What do we need to know? Come listen and learn on the first three Wednesdays in October!

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 - **364**
Bilingual - **63**
Coronado - **70**

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Northern Oaks - **22**
Chisholm Place - **14**
Silver Springs - **37**

OFFERING:

September 18 **\$16,479.85**

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Jennifer Welch, Children's Minister
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Children's Worship Helpers Today: Keegan Copher, Karla Ciriaco, Lizzie Bryce, Alyssa Garza and Jackson Hatch.

Nursery Information: Please be sure to get your new nursery brochure, either when you pick up your child from the nursery or at the Welcome Desk.

Mr. Gatti's Pizza Fun: Children third through fifth grade are invited to meet Tuesday evening, Sept. 27 at 5:30 p.m. in the Family Room. We will leave for Mr. Gatti's to enjoy pizza, fellowship and a few games. Parents can pick up at 7:30 p.m. at the Family Room. Each child will need to bring \$7 for their food and extra money if they would like to play games.

"So do not throw away this confident trust in the Lord. Remember the great reward it brings you!"
- **Hebrews 10:35**

TRANSITIONS

Joey Roberts, Communications Minister
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Tonight, our small group will meet at our house (2309 Homestead Place) at 5 p.m. Check Facebook to see what's needed.

Next week, we will meet at the **Sprotts'** house. We'll meet at the **Gibbs'** the following Sunday.

Check out Facebook for more activities and info like men's lunches, women's lunches, Bible class information and more.

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Kyle Bowen, Campus Ministry leader
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Welcome: Good morning, college students. We welcome any visitors here today. We hope we can meet you and grow in a relationship with you.

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.

Community Groups: Our Community Groups meet Wednesday night at 7 p.m. at Judy Siburt's house (1657 Newcastle) and on Thursday night at 9 p.m. at the Arringtons' house (2601 Garfield).

Campus Ministry Retreat: The retreat will be Oct. 14-16, so mark your calendars and start getting pumped.

NEWS

Wednesday Night Supper will return this week with pizza. The cost is \$5 for adults and college students and younger are free. Supper is served from 5:45-6:45 p.m.

Ladies Bible Class meets each Wednesday in the Family Room at 10 a.m. Ladies of all ages are invited to attend.

Wednesday Praise! All adults are invited to attend the special Wednesday event on Sept. 28 where we will learn new songs. See Brent's article for more information.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Jason Craddock, Youth Minister
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Cookout at the Park Today: Today at 5 p.m., we will meet at the Youth Center before going to a park (TBA) to play Ultimate Frisbee, cook out, goof around and have a devo. We will come back to the Youth Center at 8 p.m. Bring \$3 for dinner if you can. As of this writing, there is a 90 percent chance of rain on Sunday, so our backup plan will be games in the MAC. Invite a friend to come and join us for some food, fun and fellowship.

Wednesday Night Singing: On Wednesday, we will take a break from our split Huddles to join the rest of the church as we learn some new songs together. We will meet from 7-8 p.m. in the Family Room. Afterwards, the girls and the guys are invited for basketball until 8:30 p.m. in the MAC.

Event Schedules: We still need schedules for teen events. We enjoy going to cheer our students on at their various extracurricular activities, as do some of the rest of the youth group. Please email Jason a schedule or text a photo of it so we can make our plans. Concerts, football games, volleyball matches, swimming competition, thumb-wrestling battles, martial arts exhibitions, art show, parades and more are things that we look forward to as we invest in the lives of your/our kids (plus it's cheap family entertainment for us).

Upcoming Dates:

October 12 - Fields of Faith

November 18-20 - Encounter LE

GATHERINGS

Bradley Steele, Young Adults Minister
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Tonight, we will be meeting for small group at the Steeles' house (1451 Yeomans) at 5 p.m. for dinner and fellowship.

On **Wednesday**, we will be meeting at 7 p.m. for coffee, dessert and Bible Study in MAC 504.

On **October 28-30**, Gatherings will be going on a weekend retreat to Glen Rose. Go with us!

Have you joined the Gatherings' **Facebook Group**? If not, search Gatherings at UCC and find more information.

NEWS AND NOTES

Welch Family: What a wonderful blessing it was for us to return to Haiti this summer. We appreciate your love, prayers and support. Please continue to pray for the children of The Goodness of God Orphanage."

UCC Softball: Come cheer on the UCC Softball team Monday, Sept. 26 in a doubleheader at 8 and 9 p.m. at Nelson Park.

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.