



Sunday, Nov. 13
Meal at 5:45 p.m. ~ Worship at 7 p.m.

Sanctuary

a time of food, fellowship and worship

Nov. 6, 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

957 *This World is Not My Home*

Welcome/Family News/Call to Worship

Joey Roberts

537 *Here We Are But Straying Pilgrims*

989 *Soon and Very Soon*

Prayer for God's Children Richard Cox

258 *The New Song*

In Christ Alone

Communion Ron Hadfield

Bread

353 *One Day!*

Cup

353 *One Day!*

Offering

353 *One Day!*

Children's Church

112 *Wonderful Grace of Jesus*

The End is Near Brent Isbell

712 *Jesus is Coming Soon*

852 *When the Roll is Called Up Yonder*

Worship Leader Eric Lemmons

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! Are you visiting today? If so, we hope you experience a warm University Church welcome. Please do us a favor by filling out a **Connections Card** (white cards on the seat backs). Anyone is welcome to use these cards to provide or update contact information, request prayers, become a UCC member, share news, etc. Just drop your card into the offering plate. **You can also fill out and submit out a card online at uccabilene.org/card!** If you are looking for a church home, please come back soon. We thank you for joining us today!

This fall, we are sharing a sermon series called **Exiled: Living in God's Alien Nation**, using the book of 1 Peter as a resource. We only have a few weeks to go. Today, we arrive at chapter four. Peter continues to remind us that Christians are "strange" people in the eyes of our neighbors. They don't understand why we respond to suffering the way we do. They don't get it that we choose to live our lives with hope instead of despair. In our text today, Peter makes it clear that one of the main ideas motivating our "alien" behavior is our belief that **The End is Near** (4:1-11). Our worship leader this morning is **Eric Lemmons**.

Tailgates and Treats was a huge success! Last Sunday night, hundreds of people—including *many* guests—flooded our west parking lot for TNT. Costumed kids got candy, rode ponies and played games. Adults listened to live music and visited with friends. Families decorated trunks and got very creative! Everyone ate great homemade chili and hot dogs and enjoyed the fine West Texas weather. TNT is a great bridge of hospitality to our neighborhood. Let me offer special thanks to **Liz Rotenberry**, new chair of our Involvement Committee. Liz did a great job recruiting and coordinating our many volunteers.

Who Is This Man? This Wednesday in the Family Room, we will watch the first in a video series by author-teacher **John Ortberg** about "the unpredictable impact of the inescapable Jesus." We will share the rest of this series in December. **Tom Milholland** will rejoin us on November 16 to continue his *Relationships* series.

Calendar Notes:

- **Feed the Hungry** (Sunday, Nov. 20)
- **No classes or activities** (Wednesday, Nov. 23)
- **Christmas Road Trip sermon series begins** (November 27)
- **UCC Christmas Party** (December 11, evening)
- **No 9 a.m. classes / 10 a.m. worship only** (December 25, January 1)

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:	October 30, 2016
Worship - 356	Northern Oaks - 25
Bilingual - 52	Chisholm Place - 12
Coronado - 74	Silver Springs - 46

OFFERING:
October 30 \$11,284.52

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Jennifer Welch, Children's Minister
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Children's Worship Today: Darby I., Lorena Z., Gerry L., Chris., Bridgette W.

See the Stars: There is a change of plans for the family activity this evening. Please plan to meet at the AISD Planetarium (700 North Mockingbird) at 4:45 p.m. for a show beginning at 5 p.m. The cost will be \$1 per person, including children.

Come, let us sing to the LORD! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come to him with thanksgiving. Let us sing psalms of praise to him.

– Psalms 95:1-2

TRANSITIONS

Joey Roberts, Communications Minister
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Tonight, we will join the children's ministry in a fun event. Look above for more details!

Coming Up: Small groups resume on Sunday, Nov. 13 with the green group going to the Huddlestons' and the maroon group will meet at the Gibbs' house.

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: We want to welcome all the college students here this morning.

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 for food, fellowship and worship.

Community Groups: Wednesday nights at 6 p.m. at Judy Siburt's house (1657 Newcastle) and on Thursday night at 8 p.m. at the Arringtons' house (2601 Garfield).

Coffee: Want to have coffee with me? Call me at 530-615-8188.

GATHERINGS

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

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

Make sure to mark your calendars for **Sanctuary** (a time of fellowship and worship) on Sunday, Nov. 13. We will meet at 5:45 p.m. in the MAC for a meal, followed by worship in the Chapel at 7 p.m.

Check out our **Facebook** page (search *UCC Gatherings*) for more events and info.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Jason Craddock, Youth Minister
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Getaway Day Today: Today, we should be at the Heart of Texas Baptist Encampment at Lake Brownwood (depending on weather). So at this point, there will not be another activity this evening.

Encounter LE at LCU, Nov. 18-20: I want **everybody** to go with us to Lubbock for this one! For the third year, LCU is hosting the weekend retreat called *Encounter LE*. LCU will be providing all the food, keynote speakers, powerful worship experiences and entertainment, including bringing in the Christian band *Family Force 5*. It's gonna be terrific! Invite a friend to join us, but not if their church is already going. I have extended the deadline to today, Nov. 6, but everyone will need to go to the Encounter LE registration portal (LCUcamps.com/Encounter-LE) to register. I was also wrong on the cost as it is \$25 instead of \$20 (financial assistance available if needed). So, please register as soon as possible and get your paperwork to me sometime today. Besides your registration fee, the other costs are on us, including transportation, Friday dinner and hotel. You will need to bring money for Sunday lunch. That's cheap for a weekend of awesome! So, clear you calendar and let's go!

Wednesday Night: We will continue our separate Huddles for all guys and girls starting off in the Youth Center for both groups. These studies have given us a chance to grow closer, pray over each other and talk about issues that relate specifically to guys and girls. So take this opportunity to get plugged in and make it a time that we can all bring our friends to be a part of this with us. The **Girls' Study** is being led by **Carla Copher-Robinson, Laura Ice** and **Karla Craddock**. The **Guys' Study** is being led by **Jason Craddock** and **Rusty Towell**.

Event Schedules: Please email Jason a schedule or text a photo of it so we can make our plans.

NEWS AND NOTES

Peggy Marler: "Because of your prayers, my thyroid surgery was successful. The mass was benign. Thank you for the phone calls, cards, plant and flowers. They were messages of encouragement. A special thanks to Mary Johnson and Gene Linder for staying with Charlie during the surgery. God is our strength."

The **UCC Softball Team** has a game at Nelson Park tomorrow night at 7 p.m.

Quilting Day: Join us tomorrow morning at 9 a.m. in Room 208.

Ministry of MOMs will have dinner on Tuesday, Nov. 8 at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Lorrie Baldwin (2426 Adam Ave). Please respond to the invite, and let them know if childcare is needed.

Conscious Discipline Continues: The *Conscious Discipline* class continues this week in MAC 501 at 7 p.m.

Ladies' Bible Class meets on Wednesdays in the Family Room at 10 a.m. All ages are invited.

PRAYER LIST

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday, Nov. 6

9 a.m. – Bible Class
10 a.m. – Worship
5 p.m. – Chapel Service

Monday, Nov. 7

9 a.m. – Quilting Day

Tuesday, Nov. 8

6:30 p.m. – MOMs Dinner

Wednesday, Nov. 9

10 a.m. – Ladies' Bible Study
5:45 p.m. – Wed. Supper
7 p.m. – Bible Class

Submit your bulletin items to Joey Roberts before noon on Wednesday.