



NEW SERMON SERIES

April 30, 2017

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*

Welcome/Family News Bradley Steele
Prayer

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

533 *I Am a Sheep*

810 *Listen to Our Hearts*

Communion Talmadge Trammell

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Bread

Open My Heart

Cup

Offering

Children's Church

Shout to the North

Video Scripture: Acts 9:1-20 Mark Tate,
Randi Williams, Andrew Huddleston
and Lowell Callahan

Unlikely Teammates Brent Isbell

452 *Standing on the Promises*

Blessing for UCC College Graduates
Jeff Arrington and Kyle Bowman

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 an elder.

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, thank you for coming our way! Please fill out a **Connections Card** (on the seat backs). It's pretty easy, but it helps us connect and say thank you for being our guest. You can use that little card to share contact information, request prayers, or even let us know you have decided to be a member here at UCC. Just drop it in the offering plate. You can also do this on your phone at uccabilene.org/card. Please, come back soon!

Reverse. Today we continue our seven-week road-to-Pentecost series. The story of the early Church is one of surprising reversals. We are spending a few Sundays together in Luke's second volume (Acts), focusing on how the community of Jesus changed the world by being changed. It's a fast road from Easter to Pentecost. Fifty days! Today we're in Acts 9 on the road to Syria with a terrorist named Saul. Up the highway in Damascus is a disciple named Ananias. God often surprises us by giving us friends and allies we'd have never imagined. Today: **Unlikely Teammates**. Our worship leader is **Eric Lemmons**.

Campus Sunday. We will pause a few minutes today to honor our graduating university students. University Church is so very grateful for the fantastic women and men God gives us during their college years. We pray God's richest blessings on each of you!

This Wednesday we conclude our feature series with guest teacher **Dr. Cliff Barbarick**, Bible professor at ACU. This is the final week of our six weeks titled **Tackling a Taboo: Homosexuality and the Church**. This has been smart, challenging material, and Cliff has done a masterful job helping us navigate a sensitive subject with grace and honesty. Join us at 7 p.m. in the Family Room.

Coming Events

- **Mother's Day** - Sunday, May 14
- **Senior Sunday** - Sunday, May 21
- **CONNECT: Inter-Generational Night** - Wednesday, May 24
- **Summer Family Night No. 1** - Wednesday, May 31 (Ice Cream)

WELCOME

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NURSERY FACILITIES

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

ATTENDANCE:	April 23, 2017
Worship - 386	Northern Oaks - 16
Bilingual - N/A	Chisholm Place - N/A
Coronado - 72	Silver Springs - 40

OFFERING:	
April 23	\$9,634.24

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

Jennifer Welch, Children's Minister
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Teacher Appreciation Dinner: Invitations have been sent for our dinner on Saturday, May 6. Please RSVP to attend the dinner by Tuesday, May 2. If you need childcare, be sure and RSVP for babysitting, too. We will enjoy a meal together at Al's Mesquite Grill from 6-7:30 p.m.

Children's Church Helpers: Ella I., Ashlen P., Tea J., Bick and Kate T.

Vacation Bible School: Children ages three through fifth grade make plans to "Camp Out" with us on Friday, June 2 from 6-8:30 p.m. and then come back on Saturday, June 3 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Together we will enjoy "getting s'more of Jesus."

TRANSITIONS

Joey Roberts, Communications Minister
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Tonight: The gold group will be at the Sprotts' house (834 Elmwood Drive), and the blue group will meet at the Huddlestons (858 Avenue F).

Next Week: The gold group will be at the Gibbs' house, and the blue group is still in need of a host for the next Sunday. We will have a combined potluck on Sunday, May 14.

GATHERINGS

Bradley Steele, Young Adults Minister
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Tonight we will meet at the Lemleys' house (1250 Tulane) at 5 p.m. for small group. We hope to see you there!

Wednesday we will meet at 7 p.m. in MAC 504 for Sanctuary. Join us for coffee, dessert and Bible study.

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

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Kyle Bowen, Campus Minister
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Sundays: Our Sunday **class** starts at 9 a.m. in MAC 503. **Dwelling Place**, a time of fellowship, singing and discussion, meets on Sundays at 6 p.m. in MAC 503.

Community Groups: Our Community Groups meet on Wednesday Night at 7 p.m. at **Judy Siburt's** house (1657 Newcastle) and on Thursdays at 8 p.m. at the **Arringtons'** (2601 Garfield).

Senior Sunday: Today is our college graduation Sunday, so we will have a luncheon in the MAC following services for college students and their families.

NEWS AND NOTES

The **Quilting Ministry** will meet on Monday, May 1 in Room 208 at 9 a.m.

You are invited to a bridal shower honoring **Lydia Pinson**, bride-elect of **Andrew Tate** on Sunday, May 7 from 2-3:30 p.m. at the home of **Sylvia McCaleb** (7 Hilliard Circle). Selections are at Amazon, Anthropologie, Belk, Dillard's, Pottery Barn, Target and The Registry.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Jason Craddock, Youth Minister
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JFF Tonight: It's the fifth Sunday of the month so tonight is Just For Fun (JFF). So, come hang out with us from 5-7:30 p.m. as we kick back and have some fun hanging out together. We'll have video games and board games and maybe even some basketball. We will eat hamburgers for dinner, so bring \$2 if you can to help cover the cost.

Senior Sunday Breakfast Reception Help Needed:

On Sunday, May 21, we will be having a breakfast reception to honor our graduating high school seniors in the MAC at 8:15 a.m. Vicki Britten is coordinating the reception, and we are asking for volunteers to prepare a number of breakfast finger foods including: sausage-cheese baguette toast, pigs in blankets, fresh fruit; bite-size quiche tarts; and sweet rolls/pastries. If you are willing to help with one (or more) of these, please email Vicki at *brittenv@acu.edu*.

2017 UYM Senior Class: Dawson Graham (Clyde HS - grandson of Win and Roseann Martin); Lido Guzman (Abilene HS - daughter of Luis and Lido Guzman); Gerry Lara (Cooper HS - son of Gerardo Lara and Alma Lara); Travis Towell (Abilene HS - Son of Rusty and Amy Towell); Cristian Villanueva (Abilene HS - son of Gustavo and Micaela Villanueva); and Derek Wu (Abilene Christian HS - international student staying with the Villanuevas).

Summer Camp Trip: As usual, we will be taking two groups to camps this summer during the same time period. The **Camp Blue Haven group** will leave on Saturday, June 10 and return Friday, June 23. The **Encounter group** will leave on Sunday, June 11 and return Saturday, June 17. We will be getting paperwork out soon, in addition to what you have already received from the respective camps.

HS Mission Trip: Our HS Mission Trip will be July 13-21, and we will be going to McAllen. Our focus will be on helping Harvey Drive Church of Christ reach out to their community in a variety of ways, through putting on community events and service projects. We will be working over the coming months to shape exactly what that will look like, but it may be similar to many of the things we have been trying here at UCC. Part of our prep will be brainstorming for some of our own ideas to offer to them. We will even end our week with a day-trip down to South Padre Island to close out our time there. So, make plans to join us and invite a friend. Adults will also be needed, so if you are interested, please see Jason.

Huddles Continue Wednesday: Huddles will continue this Wednesday from 7-8 p.m. The **HS Huddle** meets at the home of **James and Mandy Scudder** located at 658 E N 22nd Street.. The **MS Huddle** will meet in the Youth Center.

Sign Up for CRADtalks: Our goal is to leave with a plan for growing deeper in relationship with God and praying over anything you may want to pray with us about. Let me know when you can get together, and we (Karla and/or I) will set it up.

PRAYER LIST

UCC ELDERS

Jeff Arrington
Steve Austin
Richard Cox
Mark Hamilton
Eddie Mahanay
Paul Rotenberry
Kris Southward, chair
Mark Tate
James Thompson
Gustavo Villanueva

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