



# CHILDREN'S HOME

- FOSTER'S HOME OF STEPHENVILLE
- ARMS OF HOPE
  - BOLES CHILDREN'S HOME
  - MEDINA CHILDREN'S HOME



- CHRISTIAN HOMES OF ABILENE
- CHEROKEE HOME FOR CHILDREN

SPECIAL COLLECTION - JUNE 25

June 11, 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

*How Great is Our God*

**Welcome/Family News** Joey Roberts

**290** *Shine, Jesus, Shine*

**309** *In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified*

**Congregational Prayer** Garrett Hoskins

*Before the Throne of God Above*

**Communion** David Swearingen

**Scripture: John 13:1-15**

**Bread**

**Cup**

**Offering**

**Children's Homes Video**

**Children's Church**

**664** *Take My Life, and Let It Be*

**But Some Doubted** Bradley Steele

**416** *Footsteps of Jesus*

**639** *Rescue the Perishing*

**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 an elder.*

*Our Sunday morning service is broadcast live at [www.uccabilene.org](http://www.uccabilene.org).*

## REFLECTIONS

**Brent Isbell**, Preaching Minister  
[brent@uccabilene.org](mailto:brent@uccabilene.org)

**Welcome!** Are you visiting University Church today? If so, thank you for joining us. Please fill out a **Connections Card** (on the seat backs). Use this card to give us contact information, request prayers or even tell us you want to be a member at UCC. Just drop it in the offering plate later (or do it at [uccabilene.org/card](http://uccabilene.org/card)). Please come back and see us again very soon!

**Bradley Steele, UCC's Associate Minister** is preaching for me today and next Sunday. I am in Israel, co-leading a travel group with **Steve Austin**. We have spent the last three days at numerous sites in Galilee, including Jesus' hometown Nazareth and Cana, where he did his first miracle at a wedding. Some of our group members took advantage of being at Cana and renewed their marriage vows! Today, we are on the beautiful Mt. of Beatitudes. We will be visiting Capernaum, Tabgha and other amazing locations around the northwestern Sea of Galilee. We are enjoying our time here but also miss you, our UCC family. I know each of you will be richly blessed by Bradley's preaching these next two weeks! Your worship leader this morning is **David Allen Sprott**.

**Things That Matter.** This Wednesday night, **Mic Biesboer** from New Braunfels will continue our Wednesday Summer Series at 7 p.m. in the Family Room. We are unpacking subjects of great importance for Kingdom people. Mic will be preaching about how **Future Matters**. Can you believe Mic and Tara and their kids have been gone from UCC for three years? Come join our series and catch up with Mic!

## VBS THANKS - by Jennifer Welch

What a blessing to have so many invest their time to help in various ways for our VBS this year. We hosted 125 children each day. On Saturday of our VBS, **Jason Craddock** cooked hot dogs, and we fed the children and all the volunteers. Children and workers seemed to enjoy their time, and I know without a doubt that God was lifted high and glorified. Our Bible class teachers were **Bradley Steele** (elementary) and **Laura Ice** (pre-school). Our crafts were led each day by **Sarah Welch** (elementary) and **Galanell Pamplin, Ashlen Pamplin, Ella Ice, Sarah Isbell** and **Sienna Daughtery** (preschool). Recreation was led by **Karen Southward, Daniel Austin, Alan Caffey, Landon Morris** and **Travis Hatch. JoAnn Campbell** and **Sandra Morrow** were the leaders in our kitchen, and a wonderful Saturday crew included **Linda Caffey, Lenis Zuniga, Allie Jessup** and **Lex'n Holmans**. The children were divided into 15 "cabin crews" led by the Gatherings Bible class and our UCC Youth! Behind the scenes was **Teena Roberson**, who has been blessed with creative ability and a heart to serve; **Joey Roberts**, who of course helped in all the communication areas and stayed late Friday night helping to finish crafts to go home Saturday; and my husband, **Roger**, who helped in various ways, at all hours, and worked with me right up to the kick-off. I wasn't sure it would all get done, but it did! Thanks everyone, it was a privilege to serve with you.

### CLASS TIMES:

Sunday - 9 a.m.  
Wednesday - 7 p.m.

### WORSHIP TIMES:

Sunday - 10 a.m., 5 p.m.

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

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### NURSERY FACILITIES

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

### ATTENDANCE:

Worship -	<b>331</b>	Northern Oaks -	<b>18</b>
Bilingual -	<b>52</b>	Chisholm Place -	<b>12</b>
Coronado -	<b>68</b>	Silver Springs -	<b>42</b>

### OFFERING:

**June 4 \$22,506.25**

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

**Jennifer Welch**, Children's Minister  
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**Children's Church Helpers:** Ella Ice, Sarah Isbell, Tea' Jimenez, Keegan Copher

**Family Fun Night:** Tonight, June 11, UCC families are invited to come to the Dive Spot at 5:30 p.m. We will swim from 5:40-6:40 p.m. The Dive Spot is located at 1701 Lytle Trail.

**Wednesday Night:** Families, I hope you are working on your "Under the Umbrella" challenge. Be sure and send me your pictures or post them on your Facebook and tag UCC Children's Ministry. This Wednesday, June 14, we will meet in the auditorium.

## TRANSITIONS

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

**Tonight:** We will join the children's ministry at the Dive Spot for some splashing fun. See above for more details. See you there!

**Summer Plans:** We will be meeting together this summer, doing some fun things, swimming with the children's ministry and more. However, we need people to sign up to host events. We will be doing combined group meetings this summer, so if you can host, please sign-up via the link on the Transitions Facebook page.

## GATHERINGS

**Bradley Steele**, Young Adults Minister  
*bradley@uccabilene.org*

**Tonight** we will meet at the Steeles' house (1451 Yeomans) at 5 p.m. for small group.

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

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

## NEWS AND NOTES

This morning, we have our **Children's Home Fair** in the auditorium. Please take time to meet the representatives, ask questions and find out more about the wonderful things they are doing for the Kingdom. The **Children's Home Special Contribution** is Sunday, June 25.

Please make sure you take a moment to **proof your family's entry** for the new church directory. The proofs are in white binders located around the auditorium this morning (and were passed around in some classes).

## SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIPS

<b>May 31</b>	James Estes to Zambia
<b>June 16-23</b>	Welches to Haiti
<b>June 19-30</b>	Towells to Honduras
<b>June 28</b>	Angela Estes to Zambia
<b>June 30-July 9</b>	Mexico Team
<b>June 30-July 11</b>	Costa Rica Team
<b>July 6-18</b>	Ecuador Team
	Johnny Estes to Zambia
<b>July 23</b>	Johnny/Angela Estes return
<b>July 29-August 7</b>	Cuba Team
<b>August 13</b>	James Estes returns
<b>Other Trips</b>	Sarah Dillinger to Thailand Shannon Que to Costa Rica

## YOUTH MINISTRY

**Jason Craddock**, Youth Minister  
*jason.craddock@uccabilene.org*

**No Activities This Week:** With most of the group gone to Encounter or Blue Haven this week, we will not have an activity today, BLAST on Tuesday nor REEL Faith on Thursday. We will also not have class on Wednesday night, but encourage you to go to the combined class in the Family Room.

**BLAST Service Projects Needed:** BLAST is our regularly scheduled teen service project during the summer. We are currently looking for work projects that can help out people in our neighborhood and our church. If you are aware of someone in need, or you yourself could use some help with a one-time project (painting, cleanup, yard work, pantry/shed/garage organization, etc.), then please let Jason know. Before you say, "Well I need this done, but I don't want to bother the nice teens," let me offer a couple of things. One, they are not that nice (just kidding they are actually really nice). Two, part of developing a Christ-like identity and strong faith is learning to serve others inside and outside the church. You letting us help you with something you are not able to do alone would be quite beneficial to shaping the faith of these growing Christian teens. So, please email Jason (*jason.craddock@uccabilene.org*) if you know of something that we could do to serve.

**HS Mission Trip and Paperwork:** Our HS Mission Trip will be July 13-21, and we will be going to McAllen. We need to know who is going by Sunday, July 2 so we can make all the necessary travel arrangements. All paperwork and payment is due the following Sunday, July 9. The cost of the trip is only \$30 per person. Our focus will be on helping the Harvey Drive Church of Christ reach out to their community in a variety of ways, through putting on community events and service projects. Part of our prep will be brainstorming for some of our own ideas to offer to them. Some of you may know Abel Alvarez, the longtime minister (27 years) at HDCC. In July 2016, Abel had the second kidney transplant of his life. Abel had struggled with health issues affecting his kidneys for many years and his body had rejected his first transplant and tried to reject this most recent one as well. But now Abel is doing much better. We thought it would be helpful to him and to the congregation he serves to offer them a little boost through our own prayers, time, sweat and resources. We will even close 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 (or email Jason at *jason.craddock@uccabilene.org*). Check out more about Abel's story on our UCC Youth Ministry Facebook page.

### Upcoming Dates:

- Blue Haven - June 10-23
- Encounter - June 11-17
- HS Mission Trip - July 13-21
- MS Mission Stay - July 30-August 2

## FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY

Today is **Fellowship Sunday**. Remember there's no 5 p.m. Chapel service. Enjoy your fellowship.

## PRAYER LIST

## UCC ELDERS

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.