



August 6, 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

153 *Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down*

Welcome/Family News Video

869 *We're Marching to Zion*

227 *On Zion's Glorious Summit Stood*

Congregational Prayer Daniel Austin

553 *I'll Live For Him*

353 *One Day!*

Communion Rusty Towell

Bread

353 *One Day!*

Cup

353 *One Day!*

Offering

Operation Blue Jeans Info Jim Clark

647 *Soldiers of Christ*

Scripture: Revelation 3:7-13 Keegan Copher

Habit 6: Acting Boldly Brent Isbell

470 *Victory in Jesus*

853 *When We All Get to Heaven*

Worship Leader David Allen Sprott

If you would like to have someone pray with you, or for you, please make your way to Room 101 at the end of service where there are UCC members waiting just for you.

Our Sunday morning service is broadcast live at www.uccabilene.org.

REFLECTIONS

Brent Isbell, Preaching Minister
brent@uccabilene.org

Welcome! Are you visiting University Church today? If so, we are very thankful you chose to worship with us this morning. If you will, please fill out a **Connections Card** (small white cards on the seat backs). Use that card to share your contact information, ask us for prayers, or perhaps even let us know you want to be a member at UCC. Simply drop your card into the offering plate when it comes around. Another option is to fill out a card online at uccabilene.org/card. Please come back soon!

Keep the Light On! We continue our summer series working through the letters to the seven churches in Revelation 2 and 3. This morning, we come to the letter to Philadelphia and **Habit 6: Acting Boldly**. Our worship leader this morning is **David Allen Sprott**.

Next week is Blue Jeans Sunday! Don't forget to wear your denim to church next Sunday morning! **Operation Blue Jeans** is a solid tradition at UCC. It's when we collect a special second offering to help our partners at the Christian Service Center provide new school clothes, supplies and Bibles for hundreds of children and their families in Abilene. OBJ is vital ministry to our community, and many depend on us! So please be as generous as possible for boys and girls in our city. **Jim Clark** is here today, and he will tell us more later in the service.

This Wednesday evening, **Carson Reed** from ACU's Siburt Institute will continue our Family Room summer series. Our 2017 theme is **Things That Matter**. We have asked our speakers to help us process subjects of great importance for the Kingdom. This week, Carson's subject will be **Wisdom Matters**. Come join us Wednesday at 7 p.m.!

Coming Events

- **Summer Series: Carson Reed** - Wednesday, Aug. 9
- **Operation Blue Jeans** - Sunday, Aug. 13
- **Summer Series: Danny Sims** - Wednesday, Aug. 16
- **Family Night No. 4: Back-to-School Bash** - Wednesday, Aug. 23
- **Fall Study Kickoff** - Sunday, Aug. 27: All adult classes meet in the auditorium at 9 a.m. for an orientation to our fall curriculum.
- **Back-to-School Bless** - Sunday, Aug. 27: UCC's annual start of school blessing service at 6 p.m. in the Family Room.

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 - 314	July 30, 2017	Northern Oaks - 22
Bilingual - 48	Chisholm Place - 17	
Coronado - 61	Silver Springs - 30	

OFFERING:

July 30 \$11,168.80

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Jennifer Welch, Children's Minister
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Wednesday Night: We will continue our boys and girls series for children first through fifth grade this Wednesday night. The boys and their fathers will meet upstairs in Room 219, and the girls will meet upstairs in Room 212. Children in preschool up to kindergarten will meet in the Early Childhood Center in the big room.

Children's Worship: This year, if you would like to help in Children's Worship, please plan to attend one of the training sessions: Sunday, Aug. 6 from 4:30-5:15 p.m. or Wednesday, Aug. 9 from 6:15 to 7 p.m. We will meet upstairs in the children's worship room.

"Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done."

- Psalm 105:1

TRANSITIONS

Joey Roberts, Communications Minister
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Tonight: We will meet at our house at 5 p.m. (2309 Homestead Place). Check the Facebook page to see what you need to bring.

Next Sunday: We will meet at the Bowmans' house for small group. Stay tuned for more information and details.

Check out **Facebook** for more activities and info, including sign-ups for summer small groups.

GATHERINGS

Bradley Steele, Young Adults Minister
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Tonight: Tonight we will be meeting at the Bryces' house (1205 Cedar Crest Drive) at 5 p.m. for small group/game night. Hope to see you there!

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

Don't forget to join us for class on Sunday mornings at 9 a.m. in MAC 504.

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

NEWS AND NOTES

The Quilting Ministry will meet tomorrow morning, Monday, Aug. 7 at 9 a.m. in Room 208.

Remember next Sunday is **Operation Blue Jeans Sunday**, so please be in prayer as to how you can help with this wonderful cause.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Jason Craddock, Youth Minister
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Intern Appreciation Tonight: As they conclude their time with us this summer, tonight we will have a time of celebrating our two wonderful interns, **Daniel** and **Crysta**, from 5-8 p.m. in the Youth Center. We will start with a devo, and then we will put them each front and center as we tell them why we love and appreciate them. We will also have a nicer, sit-down dinner around tables (i.e. not pizza or corndogs in a circle on the floor). There will be no cost for dinner. So make plans to join us and invite a friend!

Wednesday Night: Join us on Wednesday night from 7-8 p.m. for an activity in the Youth Center.

Fat Lady Sings Trip: Because of our new, longer summer, we want to do a fun, day trip before school starts back, but I want to choose the best date for the group. So, bring your list of August dates that you know you have something going on (school, football practice, band, etc.), so we can try to make this happen. Because the summer's not over till the Fat Lady Sings Trip.

UCC GIVING

Dear UCC Family,
I am reaching out to you to update you on our regular giving and expenses. Often in the summer months, our giving decreases. Many members leave for summer mission efforts, study abroad programs and vacations. However, it is important that we do all that we can to "keep the home fires burning" during this busy time of year. Last year at about this time, our expenses exceeded our giving by about \$13,000. This year at this time, that number has climbed to \$43,000. While we did receive a large check for a donated mineral interest, that money has been dedicated to various projects and not to the regular budgeted expenses. Let's all do what we can to catch up on covering our expenses. If you would like to give online, there is a link at the bottom of the UCC home page (www.uccabilene.org). If you would like to set up an ACH bank account withdrawal, please see the form on the opposite page.

Blessings to you all.
David A. Sprott, Finance Committee Chair

SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIPS

July 29-August 7 Cuba Team
August 8 James Estes returns
Other Trips Sarah Dillinger to Thailand
Shannon Que to Costa Rica

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.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR - August 6-

- AUGUST 6** 8:30 a.m. - Coffee, Juice and Donuts, MAC
9 a.m. - Bible Classes
10 a.m. - Worship, Brent Isbell - speaker, David Sprott - worship leader
4:30 p.m. - Children's Worship Training Session, Room 233
5 p.m. Chapel Service, Brent Isbell - speaker, Gene Linder - song leader
- AUGUST 7** 9 a.m. - Quilting Ministry, Room 208
- AUGUST 9** 6:15 p.m. - Children's Worship Training Session, Room 233
7 p.m. - Bible Classes