

UCC



ELDER CONFIRMATION SUNDAY



March 4, 2018

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

103 *I Will Enter His Gates | Entraré por Sus Puertas*

Welcome | Bienvenida Eddie Mahanay

711 *Blest Be the Tie That Binds | Sagrado es el Amor*

Communion | Comunción Steve Austin

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Bread | Pan

578 *We Will Glorify /Glorificaremos*

Cup | Copa

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Offering | Ofrenda Nathan Gibbs

Missions Moment | Momento para Misiones

Stepping in the Light | Las Pisadas Del Maestro

Elder Confirmation | Confirmación de Ancianos Charge Paul Rotenberry

Elder Confirmation Gustavo Villanueva

Response Ted Presley

Comments/Comentario Brent Isbell

Prayer | Oración Richard Cox

202 *Joyful, Joyful | Jubilosos*

Worship Leader Steve Austin

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

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Welcome to UCC! If you are visiting today, you are an honored guest. Please fill out a **Connections Card** (found in the seats). Use those cards to share information, ask for prayers, or let us know you want to be a UCC member. Simply drop your card in the offering plate later, or fill it out online at uccabilene.org/card. Please come back soon!

Adult Education Minute: Today our 9 a.m. adult classes continued our **The New Testament Speaks** series, looking at 1 Corinthians. If you want to read ahead, next week we will study 2 Corinthians.

Evening Chapel: Our 5 p.m. speaker today is **Bradley Steele**.

Wednesday Night: This week, our worship leaders host a **Wednesday Praise!** at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room. Everyone is invited to come and sing with us! We will learn new songs and sing some old favorites.

Ordination Sunday: Today we add new elders. This is an important moment. We spent time recently talking about what elders do and how they are responsible for the Body of Christ. That's a heavy thought. But it's also important to remember that we too have obligations toward our leaders! May God bless our new shepherd-group and their families. May God give these men vision and courage and strength for years to come. And I challenge each of us to keep in mind the following instructions:

1 Thess. 5:12-13—But we appeal to you, brothers and sisters, to respect those who labor among you, and have charge of you in the Lord and admonish you; esteem them very highly in love because of their work.

Heb. 13: 7, 17—Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith... Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls and will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with sighing—for that would be harmful to you.

Looking Ahead

- **Missions Special Collection** - March 25
- **Easter Sunday** - April 1
 - **Sunrise Service** - Courtyard, 8 a.m.
 - **Neighborhood Pancake Breakfast** - MAC, 9 a.m.
 - **Easter Worship** - 10 a.m.
 - **Kids Egg Hunt** - Outside Lawn, 11:15 a.m.

CLASS TIMES:

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

WORSHIP TIMES:

Sunday - 10 a.m., 5 p.m.
Sanctuary - 8 p.m.

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NURSERY FACILITIES

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

ATTENDANCE:

Worship - **353**
Chapel PM - **35**
Bilingual - **70**
Coronado - **58**

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Northern Oaks - **N/A**
Chisholm Place - **N/A**
Silver Springs - **31**

OFFERING:

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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Jennifer Welch, Children's Minister
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Children's Church Schedule:

March 4 – No Children's Church

March 11 – Austin B., Kaua, Lorena, Alyssa
March 18 – Marisol & Jacob G., Maggie T.

Elder Buck Cart: Just a reminder that the elder buck cart is available the second and fourth Sunday of the month.

Spring Break Fun: On **Monday, March 12** from 10:30 to 12:30 p.m., children three years old through kindergarten can bring a sack lunch and enjoy some play time in the MAC and on our new playground, Patty's Place. On **Tuesday, March 13**, kids first through fifth grade will enjoy roller skating and/or bowling from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Children will need to bring \$5 and money for snacks. Please RSVP a spot for your child by March 8.

TRANSITIONS

Tonight: Please join us for a potluck and fellowship at 5 p.m. in the Family Room.

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 we will meet at the **Steeles'** house at 6 p.m. Hope to see you there!

Wednesday we'll 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.

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Andrea Archer, Pablo Sanabria, Michael Kennedy
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Welcome: We would like to welcome any college students with us today.

Class: Our Sunday morning class will meet in the MAC 503 at 9 a.m.

Dwelling Place, a time of fellowship, discussion and worship, meets Sundays at 6 p.m. (MAC 503).

Community Groups (our small groups) meet during the week. Details will be announced soon.

BILINGUAL MINISTRY

Vini Montesdeoca, Bilingual Minister
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Fiesta Bilingüe: The Bilingual Group will be having an event at the Nelson Park Festival Gardens, April 1 at 4:30 p.m., for games, food and fellowship. It is a space for everyone in the family to come and enjoy.

Women's Prayer Group: Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Men's Prayer Group: Saturdays at 7 a.m.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Jason Craddock, Youth Minister
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Devo and Free Time Tonight: Join us tonight from 5-7:30p.m. in the Youth Center as we spend some time worshipping together followed by dinner and free time. We will have walking tacos so bring \$3 to help cover the cost. So invite a friend and come join us.

Huddles Continue Wednesday: Huddles will continue this Wednesday night from 7-8 p.m. The **HS Huddle** will meet at the **Scudder** home (658 E N 22nd St.). The **MS Huddle** will meet in the **Youth Center**.

Sign up for a CRADtalk: CRADtalks are our "conversations worth having" with Jason and/or Karla Craddock.

Activity Schedules: If you or your kids have any activities (school or otherwise) coming up, please let Jason know so we can plan to make it out to support them.

NEWS AND NOTES

Sanctuary continues tonight at 8 p.m. in the Chapel so come join us if you are able.

Ladies' Bible Class continues Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Family Room. Free babysitting is offered to those in attendance Wednesday with small children.

Wednesday Night Supper continues this week at 5:45 p.m. in the MAC. This week's supper will be Italian. The cost is free, but if you can donate \$5 per adult plate to help cover the cost of this ministry, it would be appreciated.

Joey Roberts and Family: "Thank you for the wonderful reception last Sunday. For the last six and a half years, we have been blessed to be a part of UCC. From the moment we heard my position was being cut due to budget constraints, we have been heartbroken. This is not just a job for us, it has been a family. The friends we have made here at UCC will last a lifetime, and the opportunity to serve the Lord's church has been both challenging and wonderful. Being a part of Transitions as it has grown into the strong group it is today has been fulfilling. We have felt your prayers and your support not only over the last six-plus years, but also over the last few months since the announcement. Your love and prayers mean the world to us, and we would ask they continue as we wait to see what door God opens. I am very thankful to have worked with this staff here at UCC. The staff that has been assembled is comprised of great, Christian servants who are seeking the Lord's will to guide this church. We pray for UCC. We pray that God will strengthen the body here. We pray God blesses the leadership with wisdom and courage. We pray that UCC becomes a place for the neighborhood around the building to seek Jesus and find him. We hope UCC finds ways to go out into the community and make a difference for the cause of Christ. May God bless UCC and its people. May God's light shine on the path ahead and lead this congregation to do great things in the name of the Lord. And until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand. Blessings to all!

UCC ELDERS

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

Submit your bulletin items to Jason Craddock before noon on Wednesday.