



October 21, 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

Welcome/Family News Bradley Steele

Call to Worship (Psalm 91:9-16)

Come, Now is the Time to Worship

Surround Us Lord

Prayer Gustavo Villanueva

Still

Fairest Lord Jesus

Communion Ron Hadfield

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Bread

83 *God is so Good*

Cup

83 *God is so Good*

Offering

Children's Church

Lord Reign on Me

Mark 5:21-36 Samjung Hamilton

The God of Surprises Brent Isbell

Mighty to Save

Benediction (1 Thessalonians 5:23-24)

Worship Leader Jeremy Meeks

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

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

REFLECTIONS

Brent Isbell, Preaching Minister
brent@uccabilene.org

Just Gospel! This morning, we continue our Mark series with a message about **The God of Surprises**. One of the most shocking things Jesus revealed about God's Kingdom is that God cares about everyone. That was big news in a world where boundaries between people and groups were huge. Not unlike our fractured culture. Jesus came as an outsider, giving us a new vision of what God is like. Our worship leader today is **Jeremy Meeks**.

Adult Education Minute: Today, our 9 a.m. adult classes are in Week 9 of our fall church-wide series **God's Holy Fire**. Our focus this morning is *Reading Prophecy*. Next week: *Reading Gospels*. Please read Matthew 8:23-27; Mark 4:36-41; and Luke 8:23-25 in preparation.

At this evening's **5 p.m. Chapel service**, the speaker will be **Vini Montesdeoca**, and **Gene Linder** will lead singing.

UCC Wednesdays. This week, we begin a new four-week series that combines our Family Room/*Conversations* groups in the Chapel. Our guest teacher is **Steve Ridgell** from Herald of Truth. Steve will help us learn about **Story- Telling Evangelism**. We encourage all adults to join us for practical and timely lessons about how to share Jesus with our friends and neighbors.

Did You Know it's really easy to sign up to receive our *UCC Daily News* e-mail updates? Just contact Marisol Groves in the office at 673-6497, or email her at marisol@uccabilene.org to sign up.

Guys Night Out. On Friday, **November 2** all the men and boys of UCC are invited to join us in the Youth Center from **6 - 9 p.m.** We will eat delicious chili and watch the movie *True Grit (2010)* together. Mark your calendar and come hang out with us for fun, food, and fellowship!

Greetings from Igor Egirev! I attended a board meeting for the work in Russia this past week in Nashville. Igor reported on some very encouraging news about ministry among the churches all over Russia. God is doing great things in our world!

Calendar Check

- Tailgates-n-Treats** - Oct. 28, 5:30-7 p.m. in the west lot
- Guys Night Out** - Nov. 2, 6 - 9 p.m. in the Youth Center
- Unity Service and Potluck with Bilingual** - Nov. 11
- Feed the Hungry Sunday** - Nov. 18

CLASS TIMES:

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

WORSHIP TIMES:

Sunday - 10 a.m.
Sanctuary - 5 p.m., 7 p.m.

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NURSERY FACILITIES

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

ATTENDANCE: Oct. 14 2018
Worship - 351 Northern Oaks - 27
Coronado - 61 Chisholm Place - 11
Bilingual - 65

OFFERING:
Oct. 14 \$13,695.46

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Jennifer Welch, Children's Minister
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Children's Church: Maggie Trammell, Lizzie Bryce.

TNT Event: Our Tailgates-N-Treats night will take place on Sunday, Oct. 28 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. In addition to food, fun, and games, we will enjoy May Farm animals. Use this event as an outreach opportunity to a neighbor, friend or co-worker. The Lord can move in mysterious ways; look for ways to be His vessel.

"This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters."

1 John 3:16

CAMPUS MINISTRY

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

Sunday morning class beginning at 9 a.m. in our regular classroom (MAC 503).

Our **small group** meets Thursday nights (901 Washington Blvd.) at 7 p.m.

Sanctuary, a time of fellowship, discussion and worship, meets Sundays at 6:15 p.m. (MAC 503) for a meal, then moves to the chapel at 7 p.m.

20's & 30's

Bradley Steele, Associate Minister
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Tonight, we won't have small groups.

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.

TRANSITIONS

Andrew Huddleston
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Tonight, we will meet at Blue Sky at 5:30 p.m. for dinner.

Next week, we will join in the fun at Tailgates -N-Treats.

BILINGUAL MINISTRY

Vini Montesdeoca, Bilingual Minister
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Ladies prayer group will meet on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. **Every lady** is invited to join us for dinner and prayer time. **(Even if you don't speak Spanish).**

Seasons, Ladies Sunday Bible Class meets in room 123 at 9 a.m.

Ladies Bible Class will be meeting this Wednesday at 10 a.m., **in room 502 (MAC).**

YOUTH MINISTRY

Jason Craddock, Youth Minister
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REEL Faith Tonight: Join us tonight from 5-7:30 p.m. in the Youth Center as we watch *A Quiet Place* (PG-13 but edited for some content). It's pretty suspenseful, so bear that in mind, but it is also one of my favorite movies of the year. There will be plenty to discuss, but we will focus on how solitude and quiet actually helps us in our spiritual lives as we are surrounded by danger and unrest. Bring your own dinner or wait until after the movie. We'll provide popcorn and drinks.

Encounter LE at LCU, Nov. 16-18: For the fifth year, LCU is hosting a weekend retreat/conference called Encounter LE. LCU will be providing all food, keynote speakers, powerful worship experiences and entertainment. Each person will need to register on their own at: LCUcamps.com/Encounter-LE. The early registration fee is \$50 (before Nov. 2), covering meals, entertainment and a t-shirt. If you register after that, it will be \$55 but without a t-shirt. We will cover the hotel and travel cost out of budget. So, go ahead and sign up as soon as you can, and let Jason know you are going, so we can plan accordingly.

Huddles Continue Wednesday Night: We will continue our normal small-group Huddles Wednesday night from 7-8 p.m. The **HS Huddle** will meet at the home of James and Mandy Scudder just a half-mile down Campus Ct. Lance and Bicky Tolar will also be leading this group. The **MS Huddle** will meet in the Youth Center, being led by Jason and Karla Craddock, Jacob and Marisol Groves and Alan Caffey. Our new youth ministry intern, Morgan DeBoer will be spending a few weeks at each Huddle before rotating. Everyone is asked to think of someone whom they can invite each week to join them for this time of sharing, prayer, study and fun. This is where we want our group to grow from as we relax in the middle of our week to share, pray, study and grow together. Did I mention there will always be snacks too?

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.

Sign up for a CRADtalk: CRADtalks are "Conversations Worth Having" with Jason and/or Karla Craddock. During these conversations there will be a little small talk but we want to dive into our students' spiritual lives, offering some coaching and strategies for spiritual growth and just focus on building students up. Our goal is to leave with a plan for growing deeper in relationship with God and praying over anything for which you may want prayer. Guys will generally just go out with Jason and girls will go out with either Jason and Karla or just Karla. So, please let us know when you can get together and we will set up for some time at Sonic, over coffee, or somewhere else.

NEWS AND NOTES

Family Room class will meet in the **Chapel on Wednesday, October 24 at 7 p.m.**

Homeless Care Packages. Join us on **today** at 4 p.m. in the Family Room as we assemble care packages for our brothers and sisters in need.

Join the quilting ladies on Monday, **October 22 at 9 a.m.** in room 208.

On Monday, October 22 at 7 p.m. in the MAC, we will have **sports night for men.** Come and invite a friend or neighbor to have fun together. Hope to see you there!

Tailgates-N-Treats helpers: We are needing helpers to serve and work at the event on October, 28. If you want to help, please contact **Liz Rotenberry**

If you want to **host a decorated tailgate for T-N-T** (hatch or trunk) and pass some candy, please let **Bradley** know at bradley@uccabilene.org or 325-673-6497

Candy donations: Please bring a bag of candy and drop it off in the festive fall boxes located near the entrances. This candy will be used for our "Tailgates-N-Treats" on Oct. 28. Thank you!

Informative Presentation Regarding The 2018 AISD Bond Election, Dr. David Young will be holding a public meeting at UCC to provide information about the current AISD bond proposal. This presentation will occur on Wednesday, **October 24 2018 from 5:45 p.m. until 6:45 p.m.,** classroom 501. A time for question and answers will follow. All UCC members are welcomed to attend.

UCC ELDERS

Tim Archer
Steve Austin
Mark Hamilton
Ted Presley
Paul Rotenberry
Kris Southward
David Swearingen
Mark Tate (Sabbatical)
James Thompson
Rusty Towell

Chair

Gustavo Villanueva

Please submit your bulletin items to Marisol Groves before noon on Wednesday, marisol@uccabilene.org