



November 11, 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
Bienvenida | Noticias de Familias Francisco Becerra

Call to Worship (Psalm 24)

*I Will Call upon the Lord / A Jehová invocaré
Blest be the Tie / Sagrado es el Amor*

Prayer | Oración Gustavo Villanueva

Standing on the Promises/Todas las Promesas

Joy to the World / Al Mundo Gozo

Communion | Comunión Ted Presley

1 Corinthians / 1 Corintios 10:14-17

Bread / Pan

Cup / Copa

Offering / Ofrenda

Children's Church

A Common Love / El Mismo Amor

Matthew | Mateo 24:14-28

Nathan and Rosario Gibbs

Sermon | Sermón Vini Montesdeoca

Yo Volaré / I'll Fly Away

Benediction (Numbers/Números 6:24-26)

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 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
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Good morning! Welcome to University Church. Today is a special day here at UCC. We call this **Unity Sunday**, and we try to do these periodically. Our bilingual brothers and sisters will join us for worship—in both English and Spanish—and we believe praising God together is a great way to show how we are ONE PEOPLE in Jesus Christ! **Vini Montesdeoca** is preaching, and our worship leader is **Steve Austin**. I look forward to a wonderful time together around God's Table today!

Speaking of tables, after worship, we will go out to the MAC to share an **All-Church Potluck Lunch**. The meat (brisket and ham) is provided, and the rest of us will be supplying the vegetables/salads/sides (A-M) and desserts (N-Z). Eating together is another outstanding—and biblical—way to express our unity. Find someone you don't know well, sit together, and get to know each other a little better!

Adult Education Minute: Today, our 9 a.m. adult classes are in Week 12 of our fall church-wide study called **God's Holy Fire**. Our focus today is *Reading and Hermeneutics*. Next week we conclude with: *What Does it Mean to Be a Bible People?* On November 25, we begin a short series through the season of Advent.

There is no 5 p.m. service in the Chapel today. Next Sunday evening, Steve Austin will be the speaker.

UCC Wednesdays. This week is the final week (#4) of our series with **Steve Ridgell**. Steve has been teaching us about **Story-Telling Evangelism**. Join us at 7 p.m. in the Family Room. **Our Wednesday Night Supper** at 5:45 p.m. features Chinese food. **Note:** On Nov. 21 there will be **no classes or Wednesday night activities**.

Did You Know our **Funeral Food Teams** are always needing more helpers? If you are interested, contact **Angela Estes** or let us know at the UCC Office (673-6497), and we will get you started!

Feed the Hungry is next week. The Sunday before Thanksgiving is when we help our partners at the Christian Service Center restock the pantry. Get a grocery sack. Go shop. Bring your bags back next Sunday, and our kids can **Pack the Pulpit!** Money is also very helpful. Envelopes will be available, or you can mark your check "FTH." There will only be **one collection**. Feed the Hungry is a great and long-time UCC tradition that helps many of our neighbors here in Abilene.

WELCOME

Tomas, Heidi and Emma Carmichael

CLASS TIMES:

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

WORSHIP TIMES:

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

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NURSERY FACILITIES

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

ATTENDANCE: Nov. 4 2018

Worship - 276 Northern Oaks - 26
Coronado - 64 Chisholm Place - 13
Bilingual - 65

OFFERING:

Nov. 4 \$19,475.90

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Jennifer Welch, Children's Minister
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Children's Church: Karla Ciriaco, Nathan Bryce.

Feed the Hungry Bible Class Contest: The children's Bible classes (kindergarten through fifth grade) are having a contest to see who can bring the most canned goods for **"Feed the Hungry"**; on Sunday, November 18. Baskets for the food will be located in each classroom. *Children can bring their canned goods, Wednesday, Nov. 7, Sunday, Nov. 11, Wednesday, Nov. 14 and Sunday, Nov. 18.* The class who donates the most food will be recognized on Sunday, November 18 during our time together in worship.

Here is a list of canned goods requested by the Christian Service Center that they are unable to purchase from a food bank. You are free to purchase other non-perishable food items this is just a suggestion.

- Fruit Cocktail/mixed fruit, Pears, Ranch
- Style Beans, Refried Beans, Canned Carrots,
- Canned mixed vegetables, Cream of
- Chicken Soup, Cream of Mushroom Soup,
- Tomato Soup and Chunky Beef Soup.

"Oh, give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his steadfast love endures forever." **Psalm 107:1**

CAMPUS MINISTRY

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

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

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

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

Lock-In: We will be having a lock-in on November 16-17 from 7pm-7am in the main church building. Make plans to join us for food, games, and fun all night long!

20's & 30's

Bradley Steele, Associate Minister
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Tonight, check Facebook for more details.

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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Today, we will join the church wide potluck after service. There will be no small group this evening.

Our next small group will be November 25th.

BILINGUAL MINISTRY

Vini Montesdeoca, Bilingual Minister
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Ladies prayer group will meet on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. **All ladies** are invited to join us for dinner and prayer time. **(Even if you don't speak Spanish).** Call the Church office for more information.

LTC INTEREST MEETING

There will be a Leadership Training for Christ interest meeting for parents of children 3rd-12th grade after service on Sunday, **November 18th in the Family Room.** LTC is a fantastic program that helps "young Christians to develop their knowledge of the Bible and biblical principles, enhance their communication and leadership skills, and orient their energies and abilities to areas of Christian service." For more information, see Eric Lemmons or email him at eric.lemmons@acu.edu

YOUTH MINISTRY

Jason Craddock, Youth Minister
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Deep & Wide Today: Join us today for **Deep & Wide** from 4-7 p.m. in the Youth Center. We will go **Deep** (our no-frills Bible study and discussion over the Gospel of John) from 4-5 p.m. and then move **Wide** at 5 p.m. with a time of worship, food and fun. We will have sandwiches for dinner so please bring \$3 to help cover the cost of food.

Encounter LE at LCU, Next Weekend, 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 registration fee is now \$55 and shirts cannot be provided. We will cover the hotel and travel cost out of budget. We will be staying in the super 8 (6510 Interstate 27) in Lubbock again, a hotel that has served us well over the years. *So, go ahead and sign up as soon as you can, and let Jason know you are going, so we can plan accordingly.* We will leave at 5 p.m. on Friday from the UCC west parking lot at the portico. We will return at 3 p.m. on Sunday.

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

Ladies Bible Class will be meeting this Wednesday at 10 a.m., **in the Family Room.**

Wednesday Night Class with **Steve Ridgell** will be back in the Family Room at 7 p.m.

Tuesday Night Lights, a ministry for young women, will meet next on **November 13 at 6:30 p.m. in our Family Room.** **Joy and Thankfulness** will be our theme, and women will enjoy a delicious meal together and a presentation by one of our own, **Dr. Lorraine Wilson.** You won't want to miss this evening of food and encouragement!

Save-the-Date for the **Baby Shower** honoring **Daniel and Yukari Garcia's Baby Boy** in the Family Room on Sunday, December 2 from 2:30-4:30 p.m. *They are registered at Target and Amazon.*

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