



December 30, 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 8)

144 O Worship the King

Days of Elijah

Prayer Steve Austin

153 Come Let us Worship and Bow Down

488 Into the Heart of Jesus

Communion Mark Hamilton

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Bread

488 Into the Heart of Jesus

Cup

488 Into the Heart of Jesus

Offering

509 I Will Sing the Wondrous Story

Colossians 3:12-17 Landon Morris

Wearing the Faith Brent Isbell

932 O Heart Bowed Down with Sorrow

Benediction (1 Thessalonians 5:23-24)

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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Welcome to University Church! Today is the final Lord's Day of 2018. Finishing up a calendar year is the perfect time to pause and think about putting away old things and picking up new ones. Let's spend a few minutes in Colossians 3:12-17, where Paul says Jesus Christ brings us all a much-needed wardrobe upgrade: **Wearing the Faith**. Our worship leader today is **Steve Austin**.

Adult Education Minute: Today our 9 a.m. adult classes do not meet. We are taking a short holiday break right now, giving our teachers and class members opportunity to travel, be with family, and refresh. Next week, on January 6, we pick up our **Feasting on the Word** series with a lesson on Matthew 2:1-12. The next Sunday, January 13, we begin a new series—**Pilgrim Heart: The Way of Jesus in Everyday Life**. We will have a combined adult class kickoff at 9 a.m. that week in the auditorium, featuring guest teacher **Darryl Tippens**.

Wednesdays. This week (Jan. 2) our regular Wednesday classes do not meet. On January 9, we begin two brand-new studies: **Mac Ice** in the Family Room on **Surveying the Wondrous Cross**, and **Bradley Steele** in *Conversations* (MAC 501) on **Creation Care**.

Calendar Notes:

- No 9 a.m. Classes / 10 a.m. Worship only** - Today
- UCC Office Closed** - Tuesday, Jan. 1
- No Wednesday PM classes or activities** - Jan. 2
- Combined 9 a.m. Class Series Kickoff** - Jan. 13 (Auditorium)
- New Sermons Begin (Mark 8-16)** - Jan. 13, 10 a.m.

CLASS TIMES:

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

WORSHIP TIMES:

Sunday - 10 a.m.

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NURSERY FACILITIES

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

ATTENDANCE: Dec. 23 2018

Worship - Silver Springs -
Bilingual - Chisholm Place -
Coronado -

OFFERING:

Dec. 23 \$50,174.72

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Jennifer Welch, Children's Minister
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Thank you: As 2019 is right around the corner, I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to our UCC families. I am truly blessed to work with your children. I can't wait to see how the Lord will work in the children's ministry and in your family in this new year. God Bless!

Children's Church: Children's church will resume on January 13.

Wednesday Night: Teachers are still needed on Wednesday evening. If you would be willing to teach, please visit with Jennifer Welch.

"Fire tests the purity of silver and gold, but the Lord tests the heart."
Proverbs 17:3

CAMPUS MINISTRY

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

Class: No college class this morning. If you're in town, we encourage you to join another group for class.

No Sanctuary or community group this week. Enjoy your Christmas break!

20's & 30's

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

Today, there will be no 9 a.m. class.

We won't have class this **Wednesday, Jan. 2.**

TRANSITIONS

Andrew Huddleston
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There is no small group tonight.

Next week, we will meet at the Bowmans'.

Hosts are needed for the spring, sign-ups are available on the calendar on the Facebook page.

YOUTH MINISTRY

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

No Activity Today: We will not have evening activities tonight because of the holidays. Have a great time with family and friends.

Service and Fun Wednesday: Since everyone is out of school, let's get together on Thursday from Noon-6 p.m. to participate in a service project followed by a movie at the theater. We will meet in the Youth Center. You will need to eat lunch before arriving and bring money for the movie and any snacks. You may be picked up at the theater or a little later at the Youth Center.

Winterfest Update: Some have asked, but we have decided to try something different this year instead of Winterfest. Winterfest has always been so difficult since it is so close to Christmas break and money is often tight for families too. So, instead we are planning guys' and girls' mini-retreat getaways at a ranch house in February and a full group retreat later in the Spring. We talked with the teens about this on Sunday and overall they were excited about trying something different. We will have dates soon for the mini-retreats and Spring retreat too.

Huddles Resume January 9: Our small-group Huddles will be on a brief hiatus during the holiday break but will resume, Wednesday, January 9 at the same time and locations.

New Year's CRADtalk: All of us have things we want to change at the beginning of each new year, so let's start off your new year with a CRADtalk to talk about your's. 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 focus on building students up. 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.

BILINGUAL MINISTRY

Vini Montesdeoca, Bilingual Minister
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Join us on Dec. 31 in the Family Room for New Year's Eve and a New Year's Party.

NEWS AND NOTES

Jana Davis needs help on January 5 moving out of University Place to an apartment. If you are able to offer assistance, please call her at (325) 514-4946.

Austin Britten's Eagle Scout Court of Honor will be on Sunday afternoon, **January 13.** More details to come!

5 p.m. Chapel and 7 p.m. Sanctuary will resume on **January 6.**

Wednesday Night Supper will resume January 16 with a chicken strip meal.

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