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April 28, 2019

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 / News Jason Craddock

Communal Reading (Psalm 118)

74 Praise the Lord (1-2, 4)

3 Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah (1-2)

Shepherd's Prayer Ted Presley

123 The Steadfast Love of the Lord (x2)

129 Amazing Grace (1-2, 4)

Communion Bradley Steele

Matthew 26:26-29

Bread

315 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (1-2)

Cup

315 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (3-4)

Offering

902 Nothing But the Blood (1, 3)

Philippians 1:3-11 Marnie Fangio

Sermon James Thompson

535 The Glory-Land Way

LTC Awards Eric Lemmons

Benediction Eric Lemmons

2 Corinthians 13:11 - Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice. Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Amen.

Worship Leader: Mark Tate

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 elders waiting just for you.

Our Sunday morning service is broadcast live at [www.uccabilene.org](http://www.uccabilene.org).

### REFLECTIONS

Brent Isbell, Preaching Minister  
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**Welcome to UCC!** If you are visiting today, we are glad you have joined us for worship. Please take a minute to fill out a Connections Card (on the backs of the seats). Put your completed card in the collection plate when it comes around. Thank you for choosing University Church today. We look forward to meeting you in person. Come back soon!

I am out of town today, so **James Thompson** is in the pulpit this morning. Our worship leader is **Mark Tate**.

**Adult Education Minute:** Today, our adult classes are in Week 14 of our series **Pilgrim Heart: The Way of Jesus in Everyday Life**. Today's lesson is Feasting. Next week's lesson is Reading/Story.

**Chapel Tonight.** Join us in the chapel at 5 p.m. **Lou Seckler** will be speaking, and **Gene Linder** will lead singing.

**Wednesdays.** This week, we continue a series led by our elders in the Family Room called **Leaning Into Our Future**. We're inviting all our adult classes to combine with us through May 22.

**Note:** On Wednesday, May 8 we will host a concert by **Hillcrest Singers** in the Family Room. Bring a friend!

### NEWS AND NOTES

**Congratulations to Jacob and Marisol Groves** on the birth of their son, **Salvador Terry Groves** on April 19. He weighed 7lbs 9oz and 21 inches. Mother and baby are doing well.

**Teacher Shower:** Kim and Galanell Pamplin will be hosting a "Teacher" Shower for their daughter, Madison, to prepare her for her first year of teaching. It will be come and go from 2:30-4:30 p.m. on May 5 in the Family Room. Madison will be certified to teach elementary and graduates May 11. Please contact Galanell at 325-864-0183.

**Ian Williams** has been moved to Encompass Rehab. Please keep the Williams family in your prayers.

#### Wednesday Night Suppers:

May 1 Chinese  
May 8 Chicken

### NURSERY FACILITIES

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

**ATTENDANCE: April 21, 2019**  
Worship - 345 Coronado - 61  
Chisholm Place - 15 Silver Springs- 33  
Bight Pointe - 21

**OFFERING:**  
**April 21** \$11,647.27

**CLASS TIMES:**  
Sunday - 9 a.m.  
Wednesday - 7 p.m.

**WORSHIP TIMES:**  
Sunday - 10 a.m., 5 p.m.

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## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

**Jennifer Welch**, Children's Minister  
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**VBS Meeting:** If you would like to help in VBS this year, please make plans to join me today at 4:15 p.m. in room 101! **"Plunge"** is our theme this year. Be ready to dive in to God's word and the hearts of our children.

**Family Night:** Families are invited to meet on Sunday evening, May 5 at 5 p.m. in the MAC. Pizza will be provided, and families can bring a salad, fruit or a dessert to share. During our time together, we will conclude our discussion of our plans for Wednesday nights this summer. As we previously discussed in our April time together, we will concentrate this summer on spiritual disciplines for our family, and then our children will study this same topic this fall.

*"They will proclaim his righteousness, declaring to a people yet unborn: He has done it!" Psalm 22:31*

## CAMPUS MINISTRY

**Pablo Sanabria**, Campus Intern  
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**Class:** Join us for class every Sunday morning at **9 a.m.** in our regular classroom (MAC 503) as we go through a book about spiritual communal practices.

**Tonight from 5-7 p.m.** we will be sharing a meal with the Transitions group and playing volleyball! Join us for a time of fellowship, food and fun!

**Community Group:** Our *last* small group gathering is meeting tonight at the Gibbs' house (901 Washington Blvd.) at **7 p.m.** Join us for a time of fellowship and growth while we conclude studying the Sermon on the Mount!

**Next Sunday, May 5,** we will be having a graduation lunch in the **Family Room right after service.** If you are graduating, please join us to celebrate this moment. If you are a family member, a friend or if you just want to show support to our graduates, please join us to share this time together!

## 20's & 30's

**Bradley Steele**, Associate Minister  
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Don't forget to join us for class on **Sunday** mornings at 9 a.m. in MAC 504.

**Today** at 5 p.m. we'll meet for Small Group at the Steeles' house (1725 Lincoln). Make sure and join us!

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

## TRANSITIONS

**Andrew Huddleston**  
[huddleston\\_andrew@yahoo.com](mailto:huddleston_andrew@yahoo.com)

**Tonight, 5-7 p.m.** we will combine with the college group for another round of volleyball. Please bring a dessert to share.

**Hosts are needed for the summer.** The small group calendar is available on our Facebook page.

## BILINGUAL MINISTRY

**Vini Montesdeoca**, Bilingual Minister

**Welcome** Salvador Terry Groves! Jacob and Marisol's baby is healthy and strong. Mom is doing well! Please keep them in your prayers.

**May 10** Mother's Day Special Potluck

## YOUTH MINISTRY

**Jason Craddock**, Youth Minister  
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**Special UYM REEL Faith Tonight:** Before our retreat, we will have a **retreat-themed REEL Faith tonight from 5-8 p.m.** using the amazing documentary film *Free Solo* (PG-13 but edited for content). While not mandatory, it is important for you to try to attend if you are planning to go on the retreat with us and even if you are unable to attend. I can't do the film justice with a short description, so go watch the trailer for a sense of the movie. It is about a man who is preparing for one of the most difficult climbs, but without any rope or other climbing gear. The documentary shows why he wants to do this; how he trains and prepares for it; the dangers and fears he faces; the people he consults with along the way; and the progression of his journey as a climber from a young age. It is a powerful and tense film that we all need to see. All are welcome, so let's fill up our theater inviting guests too. We will have pizza for dinner.

**Spring Youth Retreat:** Our Spring Youth Retreat is **next weekend, May 3-5**, and our theme is **CLIMB**. The cost is only \$25. While paperwork will now be due by Friday, **I need to know exactly who will be joining us (and t-shirt sizes)** by the end of today (Sunday) so we can make all the necessary arrangements. I have been so busy and have been behind on my communication, so we will have paperwork due before departure on Friday. Paperwork has finally been emailed and is also now available for pickup in the Youth Center. We are trying something new this year and will be staying in tents (most of us) and "roughing it" at the Southward ranch in Glen Rose for the weekend. I know some of you have ended up having activities on Saturday morning, so we have moved our amazing climbing activity at Siloville in Hico to Saturday night to hopefully accommodate most of your schedules. If you have to come on Saturday instead of Friday night, please let me know today so we can make adjustments to food and transportation. We might even be able to get a vehicle to help transport everyone from Abilene. At Siloville, besides having options to climb to the top of a 60+ foot converted silo, there will be other fun activities available for those who don't want to climb high or medium or low. We just want you to come with us! The idea behind **CLIMB** is simply learning how to make a spiritual ascent to God. It takes effort on our part and great intention, but He is waiting for each of us to join him on the mountain.

**Senior Sunday Volunteer Meeting:** Today at 4 p.m. in the Youth Center we will have a meeting for anyone (especially junior parents) who is willing to help organize our Senior Sunday festivities on **May 19**. We will discuss the day's plans and divvy up responsibilities for making this a special day for our graduating high school students. This meeting is not for seniors or their parents.

**HS Mission Trip:** Is set for **July 12-20** in Nashville, Tennessee. We will be working with the Nashville Inner City Ministry for the week. Total trip cost and more details will be coming soon but, as usual, the cost will be quite reasonable, so that everyone will be able to attend. If you are an adult who would be interested in attending with us (and maybe even helping drive a van), please let Jason know as soon as possible.

## PRAYER LIST

### Immediate Concerns

Bob Phillips  
Carol Alford  
Cathy Chisholm  
Jack Currey  
Cheryl Ballard  
Charlie Meeks  
Alex Shead  
Nancy Witt  
Ian Williams

### Health Concerns

Ellis Anderson  
Gay Barton  
Mary Barthelemy  
Vicki Blair  
Carl Brecheen  
Marion Bush  
Joel Cartwright  
Glenda Chandler  
Evie Clovis  
Marie Coker  
Mary Ann Garrett  
Phyllis Gilbreth  
Ina Green  
Myra Holmans  
Exa Fay Hooten  
Ann Hulett  
Mary Johnson  
Michael Jimenez  
Mary Leija  
Jeannette Lipford  
Eddie Mahanay  
Dale McAnulty  
Imogene McAnulty  
Martha Morris  
Virginia Mosier  
Patricia Perryman  
Marianna Rasco  
Marilyn Reyes  
Ginna Sadler  
Reford Schmittou  
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Please submit your  
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