

Order of Worship

We livestream worship on Facebook and YouTube each week, so people at home are able to worship along with us. While we strongly encourage everyone to move up to fill in the front of the sanctuary, please know that you might be visible on the screen if seated in the first few rows. If you prefer not to be on camera, we recommend sitting toward the back.

***Congregational Song** "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!" - Chalice Hymnal #233

Welcome/ Announcements John Rudenko

Call to Worship Ashley Ramirez

One: We are pulled in many directions.

ALL: Many duties and tasks seek to lay claim on our lives.

One: This day, in this place, let service to God be your choice.

ALL: This day, in this place, we open our hearts and spirits to God.

One: Blessed be the God of creation who has called us here.

ALL: Praise be to God who sustains and nurtures our lives. Amen.

**Please be seated*

Opening Prayer/Lord's Prayer Ashley Ramirez

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kin-dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kin-dom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Anthem "This Little Light of Mine" by Robert W. Thygerson - UCC Choir

Scripture - Job 14: 7-17 (NRSVUE) Ashley Ramirez

Sermon John Rudenko

** Please stand as you are comfortable and able*

***Sermon Response Song** "Pass It On" - Chalice Hymnal #477

Pastoral Prayer John Rudenko

Invitation to Offering John Rudenko

Offering "A Composition" - Pete Pichaske, piano solo
Thank you for your generosity! Offerings/donations, written prayer requests, and contact cards can be placed in the plates as they are passed. If you prefer to give online, you may do so using this QR code.



Communion Song "Here Is Bread" - Chalice Praise #161

Celebrating Communion John Rudenko

We practice an Open Table, meaning everyone is invited. Please take a kit from the tray, and serve the person next to you. We partake together once everyone is served.

Each kit contains gluten-free wafers and grape juice.

***Congregational Song** "O Christians, Haste" - Chalice Hymnal #482

If you would like to like to receive prayer from one of our elders, please come forward during the song or following the benediction.

Benediction John Rudenko

*Everyone is invited to stay following worship for Fellowship Hour!
Food can be taken into the sanctuary or outside.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

20s/30s/40s Potluck Dinner - On Friday, April 17 at 6:30pm, UCC's 20s/30s/40s Group will be holding a Potluck Dinner and Workshopping Session to plan Summer and Fall activities.

Disciples Women Study - Join us on Saturday, April 18 at 2:00 p.m. for a Disciples Women study gathering. Come for a time of learning, reflection, and fellowship. For more information, please see Ramona Crawford.

Thank you to those serving today:

Elders: Lorel Morrison, cup; Cathy Libbee, bread

Deacons: Treedy Chapa, Lin Orrin, Chris Poell, Patty Rhule

Fellowship Hour Hosts: Prince & Bhamini Prem, Jim & Amparo Duff

This Week In the Life of the Church

Tuesday, April 14, 7:00pm - Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, April 15, 12:00pm - In Person Bible Study

Thursday, April 16, 7:00pm - Online Bible Study

Friday, April 17, 6:30pm - 20s/30s/40s Potluck Dinner

Saturday, April 18, 2:00pm - Disciples Women Study

Coming Soon

Sunday, April 26 - Congregational Meeting

Wednesday, April 29, 10:15am - Silver Chalice April Outing

Sunday, June 14 - Congregational Budget Meeting

Mission & Welcome Statement

Our congregation believes we are called by God to reflect and celebrate the love and teachings of Jesus Christ.

All people are invited to share in the life and leadership of our church, and to participate in the joys and challenges of Christian Discipleship. Our diversity is treasured. Individual differences are embraced, such as age, race, economic status, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, nationality, and physical and mental ability.

We feel empowered by the Holy Spirit to change, grow, and learn,

as we listen carefully to what God is calling us to do and be.

Especially, we hear God's call to reach out in love and service to others, promoting justice and compassion for all God's children and all God's creation.



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UCC is LGBTQIA+ Open & Affirming and a Green Chalice Congregation

Sunday, April 12, 2026

10:45am



Welcome to
University Christian Church

We are glad you're here!

An all-gender/ family accessible restroom is located toward the beginning of the hallway off the narthex; men's and women's rooms are at the end of the hall.

Nursery is available for infants & toddlers; a children's quiet play area is available in the back of the sanctuary.

If this is your first time, please fill out the contact card and place it in the offering plate or hand it to a greeter.