

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.

Welcome/ Announcements

Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher

*Congregational Song

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” - Chalice Hymnal #2

Call to Worship

Lin Orrin

One: In a world where many feel helpless,
We gather to be reminded that our help is in the name of the Lord.

All: In a world where many think that there is no hope,

We gather to be reminded that our hope is in Christ.

One: Together we lift our voices to God, our maker and sustainer;
The One in whom we hope, the One in whom we trust.

**All: Together we serve our church and our world
sharing God’s love with everyone we meet.**

One: Together we lift our hearts in joyful praise.
Come, let us worship God.

**Please be seated*

Opening Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Lin Orrin

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.

Celebration of Stewardship

Anthem

“Psalm 100” by Heinz Werner Zimmermann - UCC Choir

Scripture - 2 Corinthians 9:1-15 CEB

Lin Orrin

All children elementary age and younger are invited to gather in the back for Worship and Wonder in Room 3

Sermon

Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher

** Please stand as you are comfortable and able*

*Sermon Response Song

“For the Fruit of All Creation” - Chalice Hymnal # 714

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher

Offering

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

“Table of Plenty”

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

“Called as Partners In Christ's Service” - Chalice Hymnal #453

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

Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher

Everyone is invited to stay following worship for Fellowship Hour!

Food can be taken into the sanctuary or outside.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fellowship for Middle Ages – May 13 (Evening, Time TBD) If you aren’t quite a “young adult” but also not quite “Silver Chalice,” this group is for you. RSVP to Pastor Sara at saranavefisherucc@gmail.com for more details!

Fellowship Hosts Needed! If you are willing to provide food for fellowship hour, please talk to Marie Pichaske. You do not have to provide all the food, but we could use some more help with dishes in the coming months.

Thank you to those serving today:

Elders: John Farley, cup; Marcia Mityga, bread

Deacons: Sophia Fisher, Beth Hindsley, Chris Poell, Patty Rhule

Fellowship Hour Hosts: Kitty Williams, Leah Williams

This Week In the Life of the Church

Tuesday, May 5, 7:00pm - Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, May 6, 11:am - Celebration of Life Service for Cindy Johnson

Thursday, May 7, 7:00pm - Online Bible Study

Coming Soon

Wednesday, May 13, evening (Time TBD) - Fellowship for Middle Ages

Thursday, May 28 - Silver Chalice Boat Tour

Sunday, June 14 - Congregational Budget Meeting

Wednesday, June 17 - Silver Chalice Potluck at church

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, May 3, 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.