



## Welcome to University Christian 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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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.

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Welcome/ Announcements

Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher

Children's Moment

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\*Congregational Song

CH 288 - O God of Vision (v 1, 2, 4, 5)

Baptism of Lennox Fisher

Baptism Response

CH 369

Opening Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Beth Hindsley

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.

Scripture - John 7:37-39

Beth Hindsley

\*Congregational Song

CH 375 - In Water We Grow

Sermon

Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher

Prayer

Offering

Sara Hindsley, Waterlife

Thank you for your generosity! Offerings/donations, as well as 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

CH 409 - I Hunger and I Thirst

Celebrating Communion

We practice an Open Table, meaning everyone is invited. Please take a kit from the tray, and serve the person next to you. We will partake together once everyone has been served.  
In the kits, the wafers are gluten-free and the cups contain grape juice.

\*Congregational Song

CH 16 - Come, Thou Fount

Benediction

\* Please stand as you are comfortable and able

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

**Congregational Retreat Registration is now open!** The retreat will begin after dinner on Friday, September 5 (people who arrive early often have dinner together at a restaurant) and end around 10am on Sunday, September 7. The registration fee is \$160/adult, and includes 2 nights of lodging, all meals on Saturday, and Sunday breakfast. See Pastor Sara for more information, and register today at this QR code! If you are unable to register online, paper forms are available on the Welcome Table.



**Disciples Women is collecting school supplies** for Church World Service supply kits. Please see the Weekly News or the shopping list on the Welcome Table for the complete list of specific needs.

**Keep in touch with UCC!** If you are not receiving Pastor Sara's Tuesday Letter or the Thursday Church Weekly News, please let Pastor Sara know ([sara@uccmd.org](mailto:sara@uccmd.org)) so she can update our mailing list!

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**Thank you to those serving today:**

Elders: Marcia Mityga, cup; Cathy Libbee, bread  
Deacons: Treedy Chapa, Sophia Fisher, Beth Hindsley, Bill Wallace  
Fellowship Hour Host: Kitty Williams

**This Week's Calendar**

August 13 - Ballroom Dancing Lessons

**This Month & Beyond**

August 18 @ 7pm - Blessing of the Animals Planning Meeting  
August 20 - Congregational Retreat Registration Deadline  
August 26 @ 7pm - Board Meeting  
August 31 @ 12:15pm - Elders Meeting  
September 5-7 - Congregational Retreat @ Bethany Beach  
September 27 - Blessing of the Animals  
October 1 @ 10am - Midweek Fellowship



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