

**University  
Presbyterian  
Church**  
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

**January 8, 2017**

**Epiphany Sunday/ Ordination and Installation of Officers  
8:30 and 11:00 a.m.**

**THE GATHERING**

*The congregation is asked to use the time of the Voluntary  
as a period of silent prayer and preparation.*

**THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY**

*Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern  
How Brightly Shines the MorningStar*

**Johann Pachelbel**  
1653-1706

**SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION**

Lord Jesus  
may Your light shine our way,  
as once it guided the steps of the magi,  
that we too may be led into Your presence  
and worship You,  
child of Mary,  
eternal Word,  
ruler of the nations,  
Savior of all humankind;  
to whom be glory forever. Amen.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please sign the Worship Register and pass it on to your neighbor.)

### \*OPENING SENTENCES

based on Isaiah 60:1

**One:** Arise, shine; for your light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

**All:** **The light of Christ illumines our way.  
Come, let us walk in the light of God.**

### \*HYMN 151 “We Three Kings of Orient Are”

*Kings of Orient*

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of light, in whom no darkness can abide:  
we come to You in joy, but also trembling,  
for we know what darkness abides in us.  
We cannot conceal from You  
our cowardice, our shallowness,  
the resentments we harbor against others.**

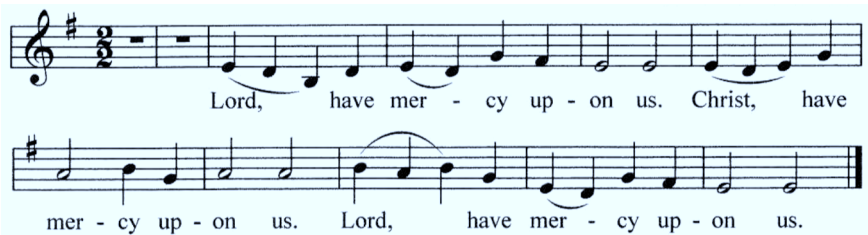
**We confess to You  
our capacity to deceive, our willfulness,  
our avoidance of others’ pain and suffering.**

**O Wonderful Counselor, illuminate what bears revealing.  
Cast out our sin, as light casts out darkness.  
Live in us, that we might live for You. Amen.**

### \*Silent Confession

### \*Kyrie Eleison

Arr. David N. Johnson



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have  
mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

### \*Declaration of Pardon

### \*The Peace

**Leader:** The peace of Christ be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

(The congregation is invited to exchange the peace of Christ with one another, greeting each other with the words,

“The peace of Christ be with you,” or simply, “Peace.”

The response is, “And also with you.”)

### \*Response of Praise

*(Hymnal, 145)*

**This, this is Christ the King,  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;  
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,  
the Babe, the Son of Mary.**

## THE WORD

An Anthem (11:00)  
The Children's Choir

Lynn Bailey  
and Becki Mayo  
John H. Hopkins, Jr  
1820-1891

Rachel Vandersea, Zane Buckner,  
Sarah Bozymski and Ella Kavanaugh, *bar chimes*

May my light shine like the star of Bethlehem.  
May the world see God's love through me.  
May my light shine for my Jesus and my King.  
May I shine so others see.

Star of wonder, star of light, shining down for all to see.  
Star of wonder, star of light, shine your light through me.

### TIME WITH CHILDREN

(Children, three-years old through third-graders, are invited to join the minister on the steps for Time With Children.)

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 2:1-12

p. 2

(Children's Bible, p. 1111)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

#### SERMON

"A Sign to Whom?"

Robert E. Dunham

(Time is provided following the sermon for a few moments of personal reflection and prayer.)

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical)

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and will come again to judge the living  
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

#### \*HYMN 152

"What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright"

*Puer nobis nascitur*

## THE THANKSGIVING

### OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

Offertory Sentence

At the Offering,

Das alte Jahr vergangen ist BWV 614 (8:30) J.S. Bach  
1685-1750

*The old year now hath passed away,  
We thank Thee, O our God today,  
That Thou hast kept us through the year,  
When danger and distress were near.*

~ Jakob Tapp, 1588

Three Excerpts from *Christus, Op. 97* (11:00) Felix Mendelssohn  
1809-1847

Betsy Buchanan, *soprano*

Philip Hughes, *tenor*, Jim Baxley and Charlie Hyland, *baritones*

When Jesus, our Lord, was born in Bethlehem, in the land of Judaea;  
Behold, from the east to the city of Jerusalem there came wise men and said:

Say, where is He born, the king of Judaea? For we have seen his  
Star, and are come to adore Him.

~ Matthew 2:1-2

There shall a star come out of Jacob, and a scepter shall rise out of Israel;  
With might destroying princes and cities!

As bright the star of morning gleams,  
So Jesus sheddeth glorious beams  
Of light and consolation.  
Thy Word, O Lord,  
Radiance darting, Truth imparting, Gives salvation;  
Thine be praise and adoration!

~ Numbers 24:17

and Christian Karl Josiah von Bunsen  
1791-1860

\*Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Statement of Purpose

Constitutional Questions

Laying on of Hands

Ordination Prayer

Charge

### CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(closing with the Lord's Prayer, Traditional, *Hymnal*, p. 35)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## THE SENDING

\*HYMN 691 “Lord, When I Came into This Life” *Land of Rest*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE (11:00)

John Rutter  
b. 1945

God be in my head and in my understanding.  
God be in mine eyes and in my looking.  
God be in my mouth and in my speaking.  
God be in mine heart and in my thinking.  
God be at my end and in my departing.

*~ from The Sarum Psalter, 1514*

\*ORGAN POSTLUDE

\*Those who are able, please stand.

### **Welcome to the Fellowship of University Presbyterian Church**

IN GRATEFUL RESPONSE to the grace of God, this community of Christ's Church gathers regularly for worship, study and discernment, and then disperses to carry the love of Jesus Christ into the community and the world beyond these walls. We invite you to lend your own gifts and abilities to our journey of faith together at University Presbyterian Church.

OUR WORSHIPPING FAMILY OF FAITH INCLUDES CHILDREN of all ages. Through our excellent childcare program, Sunday morning childcare is available during both worship services for infants, toddlers and preschool children, who will be welcomed by our trained nursery staff and parent volunteers. We strive to provide skilled caregivers to accommodate any special needs. Infants are welcome to remain in the Sanctuary with parents; however, the parlor (located alongside the narthex) is a wonderful place for parents to calm an anxious baby. A special part of our morning service is the Time with Children, when they are invited to join the pastor on the chancel steps for a message that connects the worship of the day with their unique understanding. If children are new to this experience of coming forward, parents can join them. After the Time with Children, parents of those four years and younger are invited to take their children downstairs to the nurseries (through the door nearest the baptismal font). Please contact the Staff Associate for Children's Ministries, Nancy Myer, at [nancy@upcch.org](mailto:nancy@upcch.org) or (919) 929-2102 if there is anything we can do to enhance the Sunday morning experience for your family.

DURING THE 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE, UPC offers Godly Play for kindergarteners and children who are age four (as of September 1). Godly Play is designed for worship education and faith formation and is a time of storytelling and creative play. Following the Time with Children, kindergarteners and four-year-olds go with the Godly Play Assistant through the door to the left of the pulpit to the Godly Play room on the first floor. Younger children exit through the door near the parking lot and baptismal font.

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THE WORSHIP BULLETIN, the weekly calendar, the announcements and UPC's newsletter are posted on the church Website at [www.upcch.org](http://www.upcch.org).

## Worship Notes

AS A COURTESY TO OTHERS, please turn off or silence all cellular phones, pagers, and other electronic devices for the duration of worship.

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP TODAY: *Preacher:* Bob Dunham, Pastor. *Liturgists:* Kate Fiedler, Associate Pastor for Adult Ministries; Elizabeth Michael, Interim Associate Pastor. *Choir Director and Organist:* Thomas Brown, Minister of Music. *Children's Choir Director:* Beth Auman Visser. *Children's Choir Accompanist:* Betsy Carmichael.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY: **At 8:30:** *Greeter:* Jim Snapper. *Ushers:* Walter and Linda Plunkett (captains), Len and Susan Strobel. **At 11:00:** *Deacon in the Narthex:* Ted Richardson. *Greeters:* Chip and Shannon Sudderth. *Ushers:* Tom and Betty Bouldin (captains), Bob Johnson, Kelly Ross and Bill Whisenant. *Handicapped Parking Assistant:* Jesse Basnight, Jr.

ELDERS, SESSION FOLDERS ARE AVAILABLE in the church mailboxes. The Session will meet on Thursday, January 12, at 7 p.m. in the Youth Center.

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are in honor of the wedding yesterday of Michael (Chip) Rotolo and Olivia Hall.

TODAY WE ORDAIN AND INSTALL the following Elders and Deacons for the Class of 2019: Elders: Katie Billings, Mark Bozymski, Jamie Bryan, Mark Moshier, Bart Phillips, Lee Scott, Kelli Smith, Jackie Soderling, Ashley Wilson; Deacons: Barbara Hedgepeth, Leslie Hicks, June Kendall, Sarah Lineberry, Keith Minton, Mike Olson, CC Owen, Edwin Preston, Susan Swafford, Cass Swon.

THIS MORNING'S 11:00 CHORAL MUSIC offers the three surviving excerpts from Felix Mendelssohn's (1809-1847) unfinished oratorio *Christus*. Begun in the last year of his life (and on the heels of his hugely popular oratorio *Elijah* written the year before), *Christus*, *Op. 97*, was to have been Mendelssohn's third oratorio, and planned along the lines of Handel's *Messiah*. A Recitative and a Trio for three male voices (the Wise Men) precede one of Mendelssohn's most beloved choruses which concludes with a quote from the Epiphany hymn *Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern* (How brightly shines the Morningstar).

HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES are set aside on Sunday directly in front of the church on Franklin Street. Please reserve these spaces for those with handicap parking permits.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS and portable hearing devices are available every Sunday in the narthex.

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-11; I Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42.





# Welcome to University Presbyterian Church

News and Opportunities

January 8, 2017

## Second Sunday Lunch

THE CONGREGATION IS INVITED to Second Sunday Lunch today in the Fellowship Hall, following the 11:00 a.m. worship service. The Children's and Youth Ministries Committee and the Personnel Committee will co-host the event and provide the main course and drinks.

## PYPs Thank You Note Writing/Board Games

CHILDRENS AND PARENTS: Join PYPs FOR A thank-you-note-writing party and board games today, 3:30-4:45, in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a list of the gifts received and from whom you received each and any special stationery you'd like to use. We'll provide plain paper, stickers, crayons and markers, as well as age-appropriate instruction. Join us before or after choir.

## Montreat Information Meeting

MONTREAT WORSHIP AND MUSIC Family Information Meeting will be today, 4:30-4:55, in Vance Barron Hall. Parents and singers active in the Youth and Junior Choirs are invited to learn about this Montreat conference that our choirs have the opportunity to attend from June 18-24. Schedule Montreat time this summer! Contact Beth Visser ([visser@upcch.org](mailto:visser@upcch.org)).

## Register for Montreat

MONTREAT WORSHIP AND MUSIC CONFERENCE: June 18-24, 2017: Please visit <https://goo.gl/nzUFxc> to register now for classes and pay online! Scholarships are available. Contact Beth Visser ([visser@upcch.org](mailto:visser@upcch.org)).

## Youth Choir Musical Tickets

TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE Sundays, January 15, 22 and 29 from 9:30-9:45 a.m. (before Sunday School) and following 11 a.m. worship in the church office. Reserve your seats and pick up your tickets. We'll serve desserts and beverages (no meals) at the Friday and Saturday night performances (Feb. 3 and 4). The Thursday night performance on Feb. 2 will be FREE; no dessert will be served, and no ticket is needed. Contact Kate Fiedler ([kate@upcch.org](mailto:kate@upcch.org)).

## Mental Health First Aid: January 21

THE MENTAL HEALTH TASK FORCE is sponsoring a day-long program for Mental Health First Aid on Jan. 21, 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., in Vance Barron Hall (break for lunch). The cost is \$10. Visit <https://goo.gl/lXiuBb> to register! Space is limited. **The deadline to register is Jan. 18.** Contact Kate Fiedler ([kate@upcch.org](mailto:kate@upcch.org)).

## Presbyterian Women

ALL WOMEN OF UPC are invited to attend PW Circles:

**Circle 1:** Wed., Jan. 11, at 6:45 p.m. Hostess: Tracy Woody, 217 Lancaster Drive, (828-713-6251)

**Circle 2:** Mon., Jan. 9, at 9:45 a.m. Hostess: Ann Merklein and Margaret Rook, Cedars Clubhouse

**Circle 3:** Tues., Jan. 10, at 10 a.m. Hostess: Marian Johnson, 217 Mill Race Drive, (919-942-4752)

## A New Year—Or Is It?

WHAT SHOULD I DO WITH MY LIFE? What does God want me to do? Confused? Undecided? A Stephen Minister can serve as a listening ear while you explore these questions. Contact Elizabeth Michael ([elizabeth@upcch.org](mailto:elizabeth@upcch.org)), or visit [upcch.org/stephen-ministry](http://upcch.org/stephen-ministry).

## Children's, Junior and Youth Choirs

THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR (grades K-2) will have their first 2017 rehearsal today in Vance Barron Hall, 3:45-4:10. Now is a great time to join! Today choir families have the opportunity to buy tickets for *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. Tickets will be on sale in the church office from 4-5:15 and are \$5 for everyone. Contact Beth Auman Visser at [visser@upcch.org](mailto:visser@upcch.org) or (919) 929-2102.

THE JUNIOR CHOIR (grades 2-6) will have their first 2017 rehearsal today in Vance Barron Hall, 4:15-4:55. Now is a great time to join! The Junior Choir sings in worship on Jan. 29. Today choir families have the opportunity to buy tickets for *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. Tickets will be on sale in the church office from 4-5:15 and are \$5 for everyone. Contact Beth Auman Visser at [visser@upcch.org](mailto:visser@upcch.org) or (919) 929-2102.

PICTURE DAY FOR the Cast and Crew of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* is today, 4-5, in the Sanctuary and Robing Room (group picture at 5). Bring homework; there will be free time during this hour. Rehearsal will be from 5-6 in Vance Barron Hall. The Cast and Technical Crew will receive their T-shirts today for pictures. Bring a cash or check for \$25 made payable to UPC for musical expenses (costumes, set, T-shirts, party, etc.). Write "Musical" in the memo. If you received a CD from Beth, bring a check for an additional \$10 (total \$35). Today choir families have the opportunity to buy tickets for *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. Tickets will be on sale in the church office from 4-5:15 and are \$5 for everyone. Weekday rehearsals this week will be on Tuesday, Jan. 10, and Thursday, Jan. 12, 7-9. Check your email to see who is called for these rehearsals. The full cast and crew are called Saturday, Jan. 14, 3-6. Contact Beth Auman Visser at [visser@upcch.org](mailto:visser@upcch.org) or (919) 929-2102.

## Woman to Woman Discussion Group

WOMAN TO WOMAN will return Thursday, January 19, in Vance Baron Hall from 12:30-2:00 p.m. Childcare is provided; email Kaitlin Dunn ([kdunn@upcch.org](mailto:kdunn@upcch.org)) to make sure we're ready for your child(ren). Please email Kate Fiedler ([kate@upcch.org](mailto:kate@upcch.org)) with questions.

## Adult Education Classes: Today, 9:45-10:45

**Faith Practices: Testimony: Sharing Our Faith Journey:** How has your faith been shaped by influential people, places and events? What are poignant memories of your faith journey? When have you sensed the presence of God? This class listens to the testimonies of members of our staff and church family. Participants will be invited to craft and share their own faith testimonies. **Today:** Overview: Stories of Influential People. Facilitators: Bob Dunham and Randy Kabrick. Location: Stephen Ministry Room.

**Connections: Historical Perspectives of the New Testament:** Through the lecture series offered by *The Great Courses*, Professor Bart D. Ehrman develops a carefully reasoned understanding of the New Testament—and the individuals and communities who created its texts. This course draws on modern biblical scholarship, recent archaeological discoveries and literary analysis to trace the history of the New Testament and of the early Christian faith community. Location: Vance Barron Hall.

**Mental Health Task Force: Dealing with Transitions, Stress and Trauma:** The UPC Mental Health Task Force works to increase awareness and reduce stigma of mental health issues. Each session features a mix of professional expertise and personal experiences and includes discussion. We'll reflect on the reverberations of traumatic life experiences and how our faith calls us to respond as individuals and as a community. **Today:** Secondary Trauma. Facilitators: Jan and Mel Williams. Location: Terrace Room.



## From the Finance Office

THE CHURCH RECEIVED a check from Wells Fargo Advisors with no donor name. If this donation came from you, please contact Katharine Yager, Controller, at (919) 929-2102 or [finance@upcch.org](mailto:finance@upcch.org).

## Presbyterian Youth Connection

ALL 6TH-12TH GRADERS AND their families are invite to the PYC Family Dinner in the Fellowship Hall tonight from 6-8 p.m. Our meal will be catered by Mediterranean Deli. The cost is \$8 per person or \$30 per family. After dinner stay for programs! High schoolers and Parents: College Talk with Kristin Hiemstra in Vance Barron Hall; Middle schooler and parents: Covenant Meeting in the Fellowship Hall. Email Kim ([kim@upcch.org](mailto:kim@upcch.org)) by January 10 to sign up for Table Volunteering on MLK Day, January 16, 10:30-12:00.

**Sign up in January** for PYC Summer Trips at [upcch.org/presbyterian-youth-connection](http://upcch.org/presbyterian-youth-connection). Read about all the summer trips we have in store for UPC members and active participants of PYC. For scholarship information and questions about the trips, email Kim McNeill at [kim@upcch.org](mailto:kim@upcch.org).

**Middle School DC Service Trip**, March 29-April 1: Register By Jan. 15 (total cost: \$210). This trip helps middle schoolers open their eyes to many of the root causes of poverty and homelessness in the U.S. We work directly with the homeless population of DC, serving in shelters and soup kitchens, getting to know the individuals behind the statistics. Registration priority given to 8th graders.

**High School Beach Retreat**, February 17-19: Register by Jan. 15 (total cost: \$210). All High Schoolers are invited to attend the retreat at Ocean Isle Beach. This weekend will be half planning retreat and half Sabbath retreat.

**Massanetta Middle School Conference**, July 12-15: Register by Jan. 29 (total cost: \$375). This is a place where middle schoolers can experience faith in new ways through music, recreation, keynote and worship. Youth will enjoy their first opportunity to meet hundreds of other Presbyterians their age as they explore their faith.

**Montreat Youth Conference**, June 11-17: Register now while space is available (total cost: \$360). MYC is a life changing week in the mountains of NC for current 8th-12th graders. Worship, keynotes, recreation and small groups will all contribute to a faith formative experience that will be unforgettable!

**Appalachia Service Project**, July 9-15: Register now while space is available (total cost: \$385). ASP is a home repair ministry to make homes warmer, safer and drier in rural Appalachia. We spend a week working hard to serve others and will grow to appreciate how service can change lives. This is an intergenerational trip. Youth must be 14 years old by July.

## UPPS Registration

UPPS REGISTRATION has begun! Children who turn two years old before August 31 are eligible for our Twos class. We offer a Threes class, a Fours class and a "Transitional Fives" class for kindergarten-aged children who could benefit from an extra year. Church members can submit applications for our Twos class during our "**priority registration period,**" **January 1-17**. Applications for other classes are accepted on a rolling basis. For an application, visit [www.upps-ch.com](http://www.upps-ch.com). To schedule a tour, contact Director Ellen Parker or Assistant to the Director Caroline Jones at (919) 929-8658 or [preschool@upcch.org](mailto:preschool@upcch.org).

# This Week and Next at University Presbyterian Church

## Sunday, January 8

- 8:30 & 11:00 Worship Services  
(nursery care provided in Room 134)
- 9:30 & 12:00 Coffee on the Landing
- 9:45-10:45 Sunday School for all ages
- 12:00-1:00 Second Sunday Lunch: Fellowship Hall
- 12:00-2:00 Encore Campaign Team: Vance Barron Hall
- 3:30-4:45 PYPs Thank You Note Writing  
and Board Games: Fellowship Hall
- 3:45-4:10 Children's Choir: Vance Barron Hall
- 4:00-6:00 Youth Choir Musical Cast and Crew:  
Pictures in the Sanctuary and Robing Room  
Rehearsal in Vance Barron Hall
- 4:00-5:00 UPC worship service: Carolina Meadows
- 4:15-4:55 Junior Choir: Vance Barron Hall
- 4:30-5:30 Montreat Information meeting:  
Vance Barron Hall
- 6:00-8:00 PYC: Fellowship Hall, Youth Center

## Monday, January 9

- 4:30-6:00 Local Outreach: Vance Barron Hall
- 6:00-7:00 Outreach: Vance Barron Hall
- 6:00-7:00 Administration Committee: Youth Center
- 6:00-8:30 Deacons meeting:  
Lee and Myrah Scott's home

## Tuesday, January 10

- 10:00 Bulletin content deadline
- 7:00-9:00 Musical Rehearsal: Fellowship Hall

## Wednesday, January 11

- 9:00-12:00 Spiritual Formation: Stephen Ministry Room
- 7:15-9:15 Chancel Choir: Vance Barron Hall

## Thursday, January 12

- 5:30-7:00 Congregational Life Committee:  
Youth Center
- 6:00-8:00 PCM Dinner and Program: Terrace Room
- 7:00-9:00 Musical Rehearsal: Fellowship Hall
- 7:00-9:00 Session meeting: Youth Center

## Saturday, January 14

- 3:00-6:00 Musical Rehearsal and Technical Team:  
Fellowship Hall

## Sunday, January 15

- 8:30 & 11:00 Worship Services  
(no nursery care this morning)
- 9:30 & 12:00 Coffee on the Landing
- 9:45-10:45 Sunday School for all ages
- 12:00 *The Chimes* deadline
- 3:45-4:10 Children's Choir: Vance Barron Hall
- 4:00-5:00 UPC worship service: Carol Woods
- 4:15-4:55 Junior Choir: Vance Barron Hall
- 5:00-6:00 Youth Choir: Vance Barron Hall
- 6:00-8:00 PYC: Fellowship Hall, Youth Center

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**Remember, there is FREE parking at the  
Rosemary Street parking deck on Sundays.**