



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

**January 15, 2017**  
**Second Sunday after Epiphany**  
**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**

Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr (8:30)  
*All Glory be to God on High*

Georg Böhm  
1661-1733

**SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION**

God, You are greater than the most powerful forces in this world.  
You answer out of the whirlwind of everyday life.  
Breathe in us Your Holy Spirit to strengthen, comfort,  
and guide us in the midst life.

O still, small voice, speak to us this hour,  
that we might become laborers for Your peace  
and good news in our homes, in our communities, in our world.  
Amen.

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

\*OPENING SENTENCES

based on Hebrews 1:1-3

One: Long ago, God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets;

**All: now God has spoken to us by a Son.**

One: God made the world through the Son,  
who has been appointed heir of all things  
and the perfect reflection of God's glory.

**All: The Son is the exact representation of God's being,  
sustaining all things by his powerful Word.**

One: Praise God for the gift of the Son.

**All: We welcome the light of the world!**

\*HYMN 321 "The Church's One Foundation"

*Aurelia*

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of eternal hope,**

**You shine a light in every darkness and a star in every sky,  
and yet we sometimes choose to walk in the darkness  
of despair and worry.**

**Sometimes we forget that there is never a moment  
that You are not with us,**

**but You are our Immanuel—our God with us!**

**Shine Your light upon our path and walk with us  
through all the valleys of our lives.**

**Hear our confession of those times**

**when we try to forge ahead  
and handle life in our own strength.**

**Lord, have mercy.**

**Christ, have mercy. 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*, 321)

**Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,  
her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth.  
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.**

## THE WORD

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

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

Sarah Bozymski, Caroline Vandersea,  
Rachel Vandersea, 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

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON     Isaiah 49:1-7     p. 679  
(Children's Bible, p. 842)

GOSPEL LESSON     John 1:29-42     p. 92  
(Children's Bible, pp. 1226-1227)

One:     The Word of the Lord.

All:     **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON     "A Time to Testify"     John Rogers

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

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH     The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,  
dead and buried; he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*HYMN 163     "Wild and Lone the Prophet's Voice"     *Aberystwyth*

## THE THANKSGIVING

### OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

Offertory Sentence

At the Offering,

Noël: Josef est bien marié (8:30) Claude Balbastre  
*Joseph is well married* 1724-1799

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

### 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 735

“I Need Thee Every Hour”

*Need*

\*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:* John Rogers, Associate Pastor for Campus Ministry. *Liturgists:* Kim McNeill, Staff Associate for Youth Ministries; Kate Fiedler, Associate Pastor for Adult Ministries. *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:** *Greeters:* Mark and Nan Van Der Puy. *Ushers:* Len and Susan Strobel (captains), Nancy Robinson, George Campbell. **At 11:00:** *Deacon in the Narthex:* Lyn Billings. *Greeters:* Bruce, Sharon, Coco, Rhett and Lois Stevens. *Ushers:* Tom and Betty Bouldin (captains), Bob Johnson, Anna and Ben Soderling, Jessime and Laura Kirk. *Handicapped Parking Assistant:* Aaron Shah.

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 9:1-4; Psalm 27:1, 4-9; 1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23.



### University Presbyterian Church Program Staff

Robert E. Dunham, *Pastor*

Thomas Brown, *Minister of Music*

Elizabeth Michael, *Interim Associate Pastor*

Kim McNeill, *Staff Associate for Youth Ministries*

John Rogers, *Associate Pastor for Campus Ministry*

Nancy Myer, *Staff Associate for Children's Ministries*

Kate Fiedler, *Associate Pastor for Adult Ministries*

Beth Auman Visser, *Director of Children's and Youth Choirs*

### Missionaries

The Rev. Dr. Karla Koll, *Costa Rica*

The Rev. Jo Ella Holman, *The Caribbean*

Two mission co-workers, *The Middle East*

University Presbyterian Church is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and is a Stephen Ministry Congregation.



# Welcome to University Presbyterian Church

News and Opportunities

January 15, 2017

## Stewardship Campaign Update

THE SESSION IS WORKING on a budget for 2017, but at the present time lacks sufficient pledges to do so. If you have not yet made a pledge for 2017, please do so as soon as possible. You may fill out a pledge card located in the pews and worship registers and place it in the offering plate, make a pledge online at [upcch.org/stewardship](http://upcch.org/stewardship) or contact the church's finance office at [finance@upcch.org](mailto:finance@upcch.org) or (919) 929-2102. Thank you.

## Leftover Serving Dishes

THERE ARE SEVERAL LEFTOVER serving dishes and utensils from the Christmas season in the Fellowship Hall kitchen. If you left anything behind, please pick them up by the end of the month. As a reminder when bringing serving dishes and utensils to church, always mark them with your name so they can be returned to you.

## 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. The registration deadline is February 12. Contact Beth Visser ([visser@upcch.org](mailto:visser@upcch.org)).

## Montreat Information Meeting

ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, youth, children and parents are invited to a brief information meeting in Vance Barron Hall at 4:15 p.m. Parents, singers, past Montreat leaders and Beth Visser will lead the meeting and answer any questions you may have about the conference. We'll share stories and enjoy last year's slideshow.

## Youth Choir Musical Tickets

TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE TODAY AND Sundays, January 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 at [kate@upcch.org](mailto:kate@upcch.org) with questions.

## 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. - 5 p.m., in Vance Barron Hall (break for lunch). The cost is \$10. Visit <https://goo.gl/lXiuBb> to register! Space is limited. **Registration deadline is Jan. 18.** Contact Kate Fiedler at [kate@upcch.org](mailto:kate@upcch.org) with questions.

## Why God?

EVERY CHRISTIAN STRUGGLES at times with questions about faith. Companionship in these times of confusion and disorientation is one of the gifts of Christ's church. A Stephen Minister can be a welcome sojourner through the places of spiritual wilderness. Contact Elizabeth Michael, Interim Associate Pastor, at [elizabeth@upcch.org](mailto:elizabeth@upcch.org) or (919) 929-2102, or visit [upcch.org/stephen-ministry](http://upcch.org/stephen-ministry) to learn more about Stephen Ministers at UPC.

## 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,**” through **January 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).

### Children’s, Junior and Youth Choirs

THE CHILDREN’S CHOIR (grades K-2) will rehearse this afternoon from 3:45-4:10 in Vance Barron Hall. Now is a great time to join this group of singers! Contact Beth Auman Visser at [visser@upcch.org](mailto:visser@upcch.org) or (919) 929-2102.

THE JUNIOR CHOIR (grades 2-6) will rehearse this afternoon from 4:15-4:55 in Vance Barron Hall. This choir will be singing next on January 29 at 11:00 worship. Now is a great time to join this group of singers! Contact Beth Auman Visser at [visser@upcch.org](mailto:visser@upcch.org) or (919) 929-2102.

THE YOUTH CHOIR (grades 6-12) will rehearse this afternoon from 5-6 in Vance Barron Hall. The next full cast rehearsal will be Monday, January 16, from 3-6. Check your emails for more detailed rehearsal information. Picture Day will be January 22 from 4-5 right before the 5-6 choir rehearsal. Contact Beth Auman Visser at [visser@upcch.org](mailto:visser@upcch.org) or (919) 929-2102 ext. 118.

### Woman to Woman Discussion Group

WOMAN TO WOMAN will return this 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:** Stories of Influential People. Facilitator: 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:** Immigrants and Refugees. Facilitators: Flicka Bateman, Barbie Garayúa-Tudryn and Laura Garlock. 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 are encouraged to attend PYC tonight from 6-8 in the Fellowship Hall. UPC had a big baby boom this fall which means baptisms are not far behind. PYC youth will finish the greeting, "Dear baby about to be baptized..." as we explore what our newest members in our family of faith should know as they become part of this faith community. We'll compile it in a letter and be sure our youngest UPC friends get one this spring. Be sure to enter in the doors at 110 Henderson St. between 5:45 and 6:00 and bring \$5 for dinner. Email Kim McNeill, Staff Associate for Youth Ministries, at [kim@upcch.org](mailto:kim@upcch.org) with any questions.

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

**Middle School DC Service Trip**, March 29-April 1: **Register by TODAY** (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. Registration priority given to 8th graders.

**High School Beach Retreat**, Feb. 17-19: **Register by TODAY** (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.

**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. This is an intergenerational trip. Youth must be 14 years old by July.

## Kirk Club

KIRK CLUB, FOR 4TH AND 5TH GRADERS, meets tomorrow, January 16, from 3:30-5:00 p.m. in the Youth Center. Contact Kim McNeill at [kim@upcch.org](mailto:kim@upcch.org) or Nancy Myer at [nancy@upcch.org](mailto:nancy@upcch.org) with questions.

## General Announcement

THIRD THURSDAY TABLE: January 19: UPC members assist in preparing and serving lunch and dinner at the IFC Community Kitchen (100 W. Rosemary Street) on the third Thursday of each month. Circle 2 of Presbyterian Women is responsible for sandwiches and helpers on January 19. If you can help with this local outreach opportunity, we would like to have a list of people willing to make sandwiches or help at the shelter. To help at lunch sometime on a third Thursday, please call Maureen Braun at (919) 490-1704; to help with an evening meal, please call Jane Darter at (919) 929-9820.

# This Week and Next at University Presbyterian Church

## 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

## Monday, January 16

- 3:30-5:00 Kirk Club: Youth Center
- 3:00-6:00 Musical Rehearsal: Fellowship Hall

## Tuesday, January 17

- 10:00 Bulletin content deadline

## Wednesday, January 18

- 9:00-12:00 Spiritual Formation:  
Stephen Ministry Room
- 7:15-9:15 Chancel Choir: Vance Barron Hall
- 7:30-9:00 Young Adult Gathering: Kate's home

## Thursday, January 19

- 12:30-2:00 Woman to Woman: Vance Barron Hall  
(childcare in Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00-8:00 PCM Dinner and Program: Terrace Room
- 7:00-8:00 Adult Education Committee:  
Vance Barron Hall
- 7:00-9:00 Musical Rehearsal: Fellowship Hall
- 7:30-8:30 UPPC Committee: Youth Center

## Saturday, January 21

- 8:00-5:00 Mental Health First Aid:  
Vance Barron Hall (12-2: Terrace Room)
- 3:00-6:00 Musical Rehearsal and Technical Team:  
Fellowship Hall

## Sunday, January 22

- 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
- 12:30-2:30 Congregational Retreat Planning Team:  
Youth Center
- 12:30-2:30 Older Adult Ministry: Vance Barron Hall
- 3:45-4:10 Children's Choir: Vance Barron Hall
- 4:00-6:00 Youth Choir Musical Cast and Crew:  
Pictures on the Landing and in the Garden  
Rehearsal in Vance Barron Hall
- 4:15-4:55 Junior 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.**