



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

**March 19, 2017**  
**Third Sunday in Lent/Youth Sunday**  
**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.*

PRELUDE

Spiritual

“Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”  
Ryan Lanford, *alto saxophone*

**SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION**

God of mercy,  
grant that the Word You speak this day  
may take root in our hearts,  
and bear fruit to Your honor and glory,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

## CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

### \*OPENING SENTENCES

Reid Barker (8:30)

Psalm 95:1-2

Ethan Merklein (11:00)

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord;

**All: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!**

One: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving;

**All: let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!**

### \*HYMN 475 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

*Nettleton*

### \*PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Bess Pridgen (8:30)

McIver Mann (11:00)

**Holy God, creator of all,**

**we come to You with gratitude for this community  
and for this chance to worship together.**

**O Lord God, You led Your people through the wilderness  
and brought them to the promised land.**

**So guide us, that, following our Savior,**

**we may walk through the wilderness of this world  
toward the glory of the world to come.**

**You confound the world's wisdom in giving Your kingdom  
to the lowly and the pure in heart.**

**Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice**

**and perseverance in striving for peace,**

**that by our words and deeds the world may see the promise  
of Your kingdom, revealed in Jesus Christ.**

**Help us to hear Your Word and obey it,**

**that we may become instruments of Your saving love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

## THE WORD

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Chad Osborne (8:30)

Exodus 17:1-7

p. 64

Anna Blythe (11:00)

(Children's Bible, p. 84)

One: The Word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### MEDITATIONS

Collins Alexander

Grace Nanney

### \*HYMN 65 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

*Cwm Rhondda*

### TIME WITH CHILDREN

Eleanor Wilson, Evan Aycock

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

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 5:1-11

p. 155

(Children's Bible, p. 1306)

Catherine Bryan (8:30)

CC Owen (11:00)

**One:** The Word of the Lord.

**All:** **Thanks be to God.**

MEDITATIONS

Will Owen

Ben Soderling

Julia Sisk

Weston Barker

\*HYMN 716 "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" *Beach Spring*

GOSPEL READING

John 4: selected verses

p. 95

(Children's Bible, pp. 1230-1231)

Emma Lanford (8:30)

Katie Billings (11:00)

**One:** The Word of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**All:** **Thanks be to God.**

MEDITATIONS

Sam Merklein

Matt Singleton

**THE THANKSGIVING**

OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

Offertory Sentence

Ann McAllister Alexander (8:30)

Josh Singleton (11:00)

At the Offering,

An Anthem

Mark Miller

b. 1967

Julia Sisk, Weston Barker, Ben Soderling,

Matt Singleton, Emma Lanford, Zane Buckner, *soloists*

The Youth Choir

Draw the Circle, draw the circle wide.

No one stands alone, we'll stand side by side.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

*Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.*

*Let this be our song: no one stands alone.*

*Standing side by side, draw the circle, draw the circle wide.*

In your sadness and in your grief,

all the pain it seems there's no relief.

We will hold you until the storm subsides.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

\*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.**

PSALTER READING

Anna Soderling

Psalms 95

p. 550

(Children's Bible, pp. 694-695)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

MEDITATIONS

Hunter Pearce

Sam Billings

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sam Billings

(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 748

"Go with Us, Lord"

*Tallis' Canon*

(The congregation will sing through the hymn once in unison and a second time as a round with the pulpit side of the congregation starting the hymn and the baptismal font side entering later as directed.)

\*BENEDICTION

\*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.

### 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: *Worship Leaders:* Presbyterian Youth Connection (PYC) Students and UPC Youth Choir (6th-12th Graders); Kim McNeill, Staff Associate for Youth Ministries. *Organist:* Thomas Brown, Minister of Music. *Youth Choir Director:* Beth Auman Visser. *Youth Choir Accompanist:* Betsy Carmichael.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY: **At 8:30:** *Elder in the Narthex:* Kirsten Barker. *Greeter:* Aaron Shah. *Ushers:* Gus Conley (captain), Brooke Shoup, David White, Charlie White. **At 11:00:** *Deacon in the Narthex:* Laura Kirk. *Greeter:* Will Sudderth. *Ushers:* Mike Olson (captain), Will Corley, Jack Corley, Lily Herrin, Ava Herrin, Lauren Baker, Mick Herrin. *Handicapped Parking Assistant:* Aaron Shah.

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: 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41.

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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

THE SESSION HAS CALLED A Congregational Meeting next Sunday, March 26, after the 11:00 a.m. worship service to receive the *2016 Annual Report to the Congregation*, to hear a report on the State of the Church and to act on proposed changes in the pastors' terms of call. The annual report is available on the UPC website at [upcch.org/2016-annual-report](http://upcch.org/2016-annual-report). Printed copies are available in the narthex. If you would like a copy mailed to you, please call the church office at (919) 929-2102.

BOB DUNHAM AND JOHN ROGERS are returning today from a Presbyterian Campus Ministry trip to Greece.



### 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*

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# Welcome to University Presbyterian Church

News and Opportunities

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## Congregational Retreat

**REGISTER NOW FOR** UPC's second annual Congregational Retreat (September 8-10 in Montreat). All are invited to join the UPC Family as we explore the theme *Good Soil* and take time to worship, play, and pray together. Register and learn more at [upcch.org/retreat](http://upcch.org/retreat).

## Transition Team

THE TRANSITION TEAM is continuing its work to support and lead the church through the upcoming transition from the ministry of Bob Dunham. While such a transition simultaneously evokes happiness for Bob and Marla, grief at the loss of their presence, and anxiety about the changes, we believe that the Word of God is present and active in our midst, making all things new in and through Jesus Christ. In that spirit, the team is planning a party (see below) to celebrate with Bob and Marla and is organizing a special opportunity to honor and thank them. The team is also working with Presbytery, Session, and the staff to develop a process to select an interim pastor. Members of the team are available by phone, email, or in person in the narthex before and after worship and at Coffee on the Landing. For more information about the transition process, celebration, and interim pastor search, see the March edition of *The Chimes* and <http://upcch.org/transition>.

**SAVE THE DATE:** To celebrate Bob and Marla Dunham's Ministry to UPC, we are planning a party for Saturday, May 20, from 2:00-5:00 p.m. in the Great Hall of the Carolina Union on the UNC campus. Parking will be free and accessible. More information is on the way via a formal invitation to be sent to all UPC members and friends of the church in early April. Save the date for this joyous occasion!

## We Choose Welcome Initiative

AS PART OF THE WE CHOOSE WELCOME initiative, the Adult Education Committee will offer discussions on Sundays in March about how UPC will join the PC (USA) movement. In February, the Session engaged in a thoughtful discussion about how we can reach out with hospitality to the refugees in our community. One part of this initiative invites the congregation to join the ongoing discussion, each a stand-alone session, as we discern as a church family how to respond. **Today:** Neighbors and Natives, Foreigners and Friends, Strangers and Sojourners...Come explore some of the scriptures' witness to how the people of God are called to be in relationship across nationalities and boundaries. Facilitator: Elizabeth Michael. Location: Stephen Ministry Room. To learn more, visit [upcch.org/choose-welcome-discussion](http://upcch.org/choose-welcome-discussion).

## Vision Awareness Gathering: Legacy Campaign

UPC MEMBERS ARE INVITED to a Vision Awareness Gathering to hear details about The Legacy Campaign, share good food and drink, and celebrate our faith. (This gathering is for the purpose of information and inspiration. You will not be asked to make any financial commitments at this meeting.) The gathering will be held today from 12:00-1:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Childcare will be provided. We encourage you to join us.

## Kirk Club

KIRK CLUB, FOR 4TH AND 5TH GRADERS, meets tomorrow, March 20, from 3:30-4:30 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.

## Women's Retreat

REGISTER NOW AT <https://goo.gl/nlDjW1>. Join us from Friday, April 21-Sunday, April 23. The Rev. Carrie Tuttle will lead us in *The Fine Art of Forgiveness* while we enjoy the rolling hills and beauty of the Catholic Conference Center near Hickory. All women of the church are welcome! Email Kate Fiedler at [kate@upcch.org](mailto:kate@upcch.org).

## Children's, Junior and Youth Choirs

THE YOUTH CHOIR (grades 6-12) will not rehearse this afternoon. See you next Sunday, March 26, at our regular rehearsal time, 5-6 p.m. in Vance Barron Hall. Contact Beth Auman Visser at [visser@upcch.org](mailto:visser@upcch.org) or (919) 929-2102.

THE JUNIOR CHOIR (grades 2-6) will have an extended rehearsal this afternoon from 4:15-5:30 p.m. in Vance Barron Hall. This choir is preparing to sing on Palm Sunday, April 9, at both worship services, and we're working on the spring musical, *The Tale of Three Trees* by Allen Pote and Tom Long. Performance dates are April 28 at 7 p.m. and April 30 at 8:30 a.m. worship. Contact Beth Auman Visser at [visser@upcch.org](mailto:visser@upcch.org) or (919) 929-2102.

THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR (grades K-2) will rehearse this afternoon from 3:45-4:10 p.m. in Vance Barron Hall. This choir is preparing to sing on Palm Sunday, April 9, at both worship services, and we're working on the spring musical, *The Tale of Three Trees* by Allen Pote and Tom Long. Performance dates are April 28 at 7 p.m. and April 30 at 8:30 a.m. worship. 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 meet next on Thursday, March 30, in Vance Barron Hall, 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. Join us!

## Donation Needed

DO YOU HAVE AN OLD TRUNK at home that you no longer need? The planning team for Vacation Bible School is looking for a large trunk to be donated for use in the opening and closing gatherings each day at Camp New Hope. If you have a trunk at home with which you are willing to part, please email a picture to Nancy Myer at [nancy@upcch.org](mailto:nancy@upcch.org). Thank you!

## Lenten Bible Study

THERE WILL BE A LENTEN BIBLE STUDY at Carol Woods in the Audubon Room each Thursday in Lent from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Our pastors will lead a study of the Gospel of Mark. All are welcome! Please contact Elizabeth Michael at [elizabeth@upcch.org](mailto:elizabeth@upcch.org) or (919) 929-2102.

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

**The Historical Jesus:** Who was Jesus of Nazareth? What was he like? For more than 2,000 years, people and groups of varying convictions have pondered these questions and done their best to answer them. Professor Bart Ehrman offers a series of lectures through *The Great Courses*, addressing these questions and others in this companion series to his lectures on the New Testament. **Today:** "Jesus the Apocalyptic Prophet." Facilitators: Joe Jenkins and Diane McGrath. Location: Vance Barron Hall.

**Living Out Our Faith: Raising an Adult:** In *How to Raise an Adult*, Julie Lythcott-Haims draws on research, conversations with admissions officers, educators, and employers, and her own insights as a mother and as a student dean to highlight the ways in which over-parenting harms children, their stressed-out parents, and society. (Purchase the book during class or from Kate Fiedler for \$10.) Facilitators: Panel of UPC Parents. Location: Terrace Room.



## Gifts of Beauty and Bounty

JOIN US THIS YEAR as we honor and memorialize the special people in our lives with Gifts of Beauty and Bounty. You may give an Easter Lily to decorate the chancel for Easter, make a contribution to the Inter-Faith Council or both. The names of those we honor or remember will appear in the Easter Sunday Worship Bulletin on April 16. Visit [upcch.org/beauty-bounty](http://upcch.org/beauty-bounty) to print an order form. Forms must be received by noon on Monday, April 10.

## No One Wants to Talk about It

WHERE DO YOU GO WITH YOUR faith questions when you have a miscarriage? So much is involved with a perinatal loss, and yet it is like a silent death. The pain is exacerbated by well-meaning friends or by those who simply do not know the need for care. A Stephen Minister doesn't have the answers, but they do have the time to listen and to help find resources during this difficult time. If you or someone you love has experienced this loss, contact Elizabeth Michael, Interim Associate Pastor, at 919-929-2102 or [elizabeth@upcch.org](mailto:elizabeth@upcch.org), or visit [upcch.org/stephen-ministry](http://upcch.org/stephen-ministry).

## Presbyterian Youth Connection

PYC WILL MEET AGAIN on Sunday, March 26, for Dinner on Franklin Street. Bring money to pay for your meal (\$10) and join your youth advisors at table for conversation and good food. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 6 p.m. as usual, and we will head out to Franklin Street by 6:15 p.m. Be on time so you don't miss out! Email Kim McNeill at [kim@upcch.org](mailto:kim@upcch.org) with questions.

**Sign up now** for PYC Summer Trips at [upcch.org/presbyterian-youth-connection](http://upcch.org/presbyterian-youth-connection). For questions and scholarship information, email Kim McNeill ([kim@upcch.org](mailto:kim@upcch.org)).

**Massanetta Middle School Conference**, July 11-14: **Register now!** (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!** (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 an unforgettable faith formative experience.

## Register for VBS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL registration now open for UPC members and non-members. This year's theme for VBS (June 26-29) will be *Digging for Treasure: Parables Revealed*. You may register and pay online ([www.upcch.org](http://www.upcch.org)). Click the "Education" tab and then "Vacation Bible School." VBS is open to all children ages 3 years (by 9/1/17) - rising 5th grade and is held at New Hope Camp and Conference Center. Cost is \$45 per child (\$90 maximum per family). Scholarships are available. If you have questions, please contact Nancy Myer at [nancy@upcch.org](mailto:nancy@upcch.org), Megan Crunkleton at [meganwolf@mac.com](mailto:meganwolf@mac.com) or Stephanie Duncan at [seduncan1@hotmail.com](mailto:seduncan1@hotmail.com). If you would like to volunteer, register at <http://bit.ly/2logLUN>.

## Men's Breakfast

MEN'S BREAKFAST MEETINGS take place every third Monday of the month through the program year. Bruegger's bagels, cream cheese, and coffee will be served. The goal of the men's breakfast is to create fellowship opportunities for the male members of UPC. Join us tomorrow, March 20, from 7-8 a.m. in the Terrace Room, for an engaging hour of fellowship and meaningful conversation. The discussion theme is "Divided States of America: What is our Christian Response—and Responsibility?" For questions, contact Kirk Owen at [rkirkowen@gmail.com](mailto:rkirkowen@gmail.com).

# This Week and Next at University Presbyterian Church

## Sunday, March 19: Youth Sunday

- 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
- 9:45-10:45 Youth Sunday Brunch: Fellowship Hall
- 9:45-10:45 We Choose Welcome Discussion:  
Stephen Ministry Room
- 12:00-1:15 Vision Awareness Gathering:  
Fellowship Hall
- 12:00-4:00 Legacy Campaign Team:  
Stephen Ministry Room
- 3:45-4:10 Children's Choir: Vance Barron Hall
- 4:00-5:00 UPC worship service: Carol Woods
- 4:15-5:30 Junior Choir: Vance Barron Hall

## Monday, March 20

- 7:00-8:00 Men's Breakfast: Terrace Room
- 3:30-4:30 Kirk Club: Youth Center
- 5:15-6:00 Junior Choir student Directing Team:  
Sanctuary

## Tuesday, March 21

- 10:00 Bulletin content deadline
- 6:00-7:00 Transition Team: Vance Barron Hall

## Wednesday, March 22

- 9:00-12:00 Spiritual Formation:  
Stephen Ministry Room
- 7:00-8:00 Nominating Committee:  
Stephen Ministry Room
- 7:15-9:15 Chancel Choir: Vance Barron Hall

## Thursday, March 23

- 6:00-8:00 PCM Dinner and Program: Terrace Room
- 7:30-8:30 UPPS Committee: Youth Center

## Friday, March 24

Endowment Proposals due

## Sunday, March 26

- 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
- 9:45-10:45 We Choose Welcome Discussion:  
Stephen Ministry Room
- 12:00-12:30 Congregational Meeting: Sanctuary
- 3:45-4:10 Children's Choir: Vance Barron Hall
- 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.**