

# UNIVERSITY



## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA

**January 19, 2020**  
**Second Sunday after Epiphany**  
**8:30 and 11:00 a.m.**

### THE GATHERING

#### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

“Mind the gap,” the electronic voice says on ‘the Tube’ –  
London’s metro rail system.  
It’s asking you to mind the gap between the platform and the train,  
but there are gaps far wider than that.  
There is the person that I could be or perhaps should be,  
the person that God calls me to be.  
And then there is the person that I am.  
“Mind the gap,” God says to me,  
“do not forget that it’s there lest you stumble and fall.”

#### THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Ralph Vaughan Williams  
1872-1958

Rhosymedre  
*(Welsh for ‘Lovely’)*

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

#### \*OPENING SENTENCES

Whether at home or far from it,  
**God’s steadfast love endures forever.**

Whether fast asleep in our faith or wide awake with wonder,  
**God’s steadfast love endures forever.**

Whether rigidly obedient or increasingly  
compromised with each passing day,  
**God’s steadfast love endures forever.**

If even with imperfect faith  
**Let us worship God.**

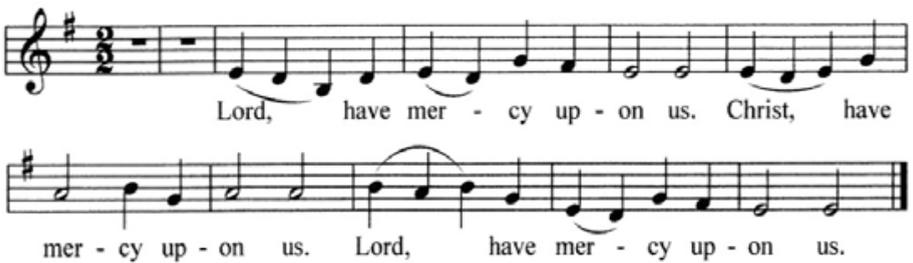
\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**You say ‘if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also.’  
But our puffed up pride insists on getting in the last hit.  
You say ‘love your enemies, pray for those who persecute you.’  
But you will find us plotting their destruction instead.**

**We want to follow your path, God,  
but we are chronically out of step with the Gospel.  
We want to contribute,  
but our every breath feels like a compromise.  
Do not give up on us.  
Bend us in the direction of your justice. *(silence)***

\*Kyrie Eleison

Arr. David N. Johnson



\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

\*THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

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

\*Response of Praise

(*Hymnal*, 750)

**Goodness is stronger than evil;  
love is stronger than hate;  
light is stronger than darkness;  
life is stronger than death.  
Victory is ours; victory is ours,  
through God who loves us.  
Victory is ours, victory is ours,  
through God who loves us.**

**THE WORD**

TIME WITH CHILDREN

*Children, three-years old through third-graders, are invited to come to the front of the Sanctuary for Time with Children. Children under three are invited to come forward with a parent.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Kings 5:9-19, p. 336  
(Children’s Bible, pp. 434-435)

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Polarize or Compromise?”

Jarrett McLaughlin

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

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Belhar Confession

**We believe that God wishes to teach the church to do what is good and to seek the right; that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need; that the church must stand where the Lord stands, namely against injustice and with the wronged.**

\*HYMN 19

“God of Great and God of Small”

*God of Great and Small*

**THE THANKSGIVING**

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Allein Gott in der Höh’ sei Ehr’ BWV 675 (8:30)  
*(All Glory be to God on High)*

Johann Sebastian Bach  
1685-1750

A Carol (11:00)

Herbert Howells  
1892-1983

Here is the little door.  
Lift up the latch; O lift!  
We need not wander more,  
but enter with our gift.  
Our gift of finest Gold,  
Gold that was never bought nor sold;  
Myrrh to be strewn about his bed;  
Incense in clouds about his head;  
all for the Child that stirs not in His sleep,  
but holy slumber holds with ass and sheep.

Bend low about His bed: for each he has a gift!  
See how his eyes awake, lift up your hands! O lift!  
For Gold, he gives a keen-edged sword  
(defend with it Thy little Lord)!  
For incense, smoke of battle red.  
Myrrh for the honoured happy dead.  
Gifts for His children, terrible and sweet,  
Touched by such tiny hands and oh! such tiny feet.

~ Words, Frances Chesterton, 1869-1938

\*DOXOLOGY

*Old Hundredth*

**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

**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 314 “Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness”

*Christ, Be Our Light*

\*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

*\*You are invited to stand, as able.*

## 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 join us on the journey.

OUR WORSHIPING FAMILY OF FAITH INCLUDES CHILDREN of all ages. Sunday morning childcare is available during both worship services for infants, toddlers, and preschool children, who will be welcomed by our nursery staff. Infants are welcome in the Sanctuary; however, the parlor (located alongside the narthex) is a wonderful place for parents to calm an anxious baby. A special part of our service is the Time with Children, when they are invited to come to the front of the Sanctuary for a message that connects the worship of the day with their unique understanding. 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). Nursery child check-in is downstairs in room 134. Please contact the Staff Associate for Children's Ministries, Nancy Myer, at (919) 929-2102 or [nancy@upcch.org](mailto:nancy@upcch.org) 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, wondering, 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.

### 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:* Jarrett McLaughlin, Co-Pastor. *Liturgists:* Kate Fiedler, Associate Pastor of Adult Ministries; Meg Peery McLaughlin, Co-Pastor. *Choir Director and Organist:* Thomas Brown, Minister of Music.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY: **At 8:30:** *Greeters:* John and Helen Brantley. *Ushers:* Eric and Annette Munson (captains) Nancy Avery, Nancy Pfaltzgraff. **At 11:00:** *Greeters:* Bill and Lynnette Campbell. *Ushers:* Lawrence Sizemore (captain), Bob Johnson, Deborah Jones. *Godly Play Leaders:* Ann Henschel, Laura Horrigan. *Handicapped Parking Assistant:* Aaron Shah.

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY TODAY are given in loving memory of Guy Sickmond, following his memorial service yesterday, by his family.

FLOWERS IN THE NARTHEX TODAY are given in loving memory of Dr. Jeffrey L. Houpt by the UNC School of Medicine.

HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES are set aside on Sunday directly in front of the church on Franklin Street, and four spaces are available in the church parking lot off Robertson Lane. Additional spaces in the parking lot are designated between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. 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. For your convenience, UPC deacons have provided individual seat cushions that are available in a basket in the narthex. Please return cushions to the basket after using. If you need assistance or have questions, please ask an usher on Sunday morning.

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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

THIS MORNING'S MUSIC offers works from three of England's most significant twentieth-century composers. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), a great-great grandson of Josiah Wedgwood, founder of the famous pottery firm, and a great-nephew of Charles Darwin, led the Twentieth-Century revival of English music along with Gustav Holst and others: a movement that encouraged English composers of the time away from the considerable influence of "European music" (e.g., the music of Brahms and others) toward the use of English melodies and folksongs as the basis of a distinctive *English School* of composition. This morning's Organ Voluntary uses the Welsh hymn tune *Rhosymedre* (the Welsh word for 'lovey') as its thematic basis, and is a superb example of the *Englishness* of Vaughan Williams' music. This morning's 11:00 Carol is the first choral work of Herbert Howells (1892-1983) ever published. Frances Chesterson, the wife of the poet and writer G.K. Chesterson, created the text in 1918 as a song sung by the mysterious Magi who visit the Christ-child with their strange gifts. In the second verse, the words make oblique reference to World War One, which ended in November of that year. The printed score says that the setting was made in September, 1918, but Howells' friend Harold Darke claimed that it was composed "...in the kitchen of a friend's house one Christmas Eve [1918?] amid the bustle and excitement of preparing a Christmas dinner." Finally, the 11:00 Choral Response is from the pen of John Rutter (b.1948), a music director of Claire College, Cambridge, and best known for his *oeuvre* of Choral Christmas carols.



### Ministers—All Followers of Christ University Presbyterian Church Program Staff

Meg Peery McLaughlin, *Co-Pastor*

Jarrett McLaughlin, *Co-Pastor*

John Rogers, *Associate Pastor  
for Campus Ministry*

Kate Fiedler, *Associate Pastor  
for Adult Ministries*

Thomas Brown, *Minister of Music*

Kim McNeill, *Staff Associate  
for Youth Ministries*

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

Kathleen Jasinskas, *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  
January 19, 2020

## **NC Interfaith Power & Light – Earth Care Class**

UPC's "Living into our Earth Care Pledge" Sunday School series continues through February 23 in Vance Barron Hall. Today, January 19, Sarah Ogletree of NC Interfaith Power & Light (NCIPL) discusses the response of faith communities to the climate and environmental crises. A program of the NC Council of Churches, NCIPL is the only statewide organization addressing the ecological and justice issues of climate change as a faith-based initiative. NCIPL's programs promote a variety of solutions to mitigate climate change, including energy efficiency and conservation, increased renewable energy use, and collective low-carbon lifestyle changes. NCIPL programs foster awareness of the moral dimensions of climate change and environmental justice issues from a faith perspective. Visit [ncipl.org](http://ncipl.org) for more information.

Next Sunday, January 26, William J. Barber III of the NC Poor People's Campaign and The Climate Reality Project continues the series with "Environmental and Climate Justice for the Poor and Marginalized." For more information, visit [poorpeoplescampaign.org](http://poorpeoplescampaign.org) and [climaterealityproject.org](http://climaterealityproject.org).

## **Montreat Worship and Music: Register TODAY**

Have you had "Register for Montreat Worship and Music" on your to-do list for a while? Cross that off today, as we finalize our housing plans for the conference this week and want to have room for everyone who wants to spend time with us in this sacred space! For more information, please go to [upch.org/montreat-music](http://upch.org/montreat-music).

## **You're Invited!**

The Youth Choir extends a warm invitation to all UPC members to attend this year's winter Showcase, featuring music from "Children of Eden," by the legendary Stephen Schwartz. Please join us on Friday, January 31, at 7:30 p.m. at the Carol Woods Auditorium or Saturday, February 1, at 7:30 p.m. in the UPC Sanctuary for an evening of entertainment and worship. A freewill offering will be taken at the Saturday performance for the Montreat Worship and Music Scholarship Fund, and we hope to see many of you there!

## **Presbyterian Youth Connection**

All 6th-12th graders are invited to join in for "When God Interrupts: The story of Ann Atwater and CP Ellis." We'll learn more about Ann's faith and how she was able to work with a known member of the KKK to restructure Durham schools. Her inspiring story will teach us more about our own faith and racism. Meet in the Youth Center at 6:00 p.m. Pick up is at 7:30 in the UPC parking lot. Bring \$5 for dinner! Contact Kim McNeill, Staff Associate for Youth Ministries, at [kim@upch.org](mailto:kim@upch.org).

## **Meal Train: Let Us Know**

As we enter the new year, the Deacon Meal Train Team would like to update our member email list. If you are not on the list and wish to participate, or if you no longer want to be on the list, contact Bill Sanford ([billsanford95@gmail.com](mailto:billsanford95@gmail.com)) or Ron Adams ([adams.ron@gmail.com](mailto:adams.ron@gmail.com)), and we will update your name.

## **Composting Bathroom Paper Towels**

Thank you for a great first week of composting paper towels in our most heavily used bathrooms. Please remember to throw only used paper towels—and nothing else—into any bathroom bins marked "Paper Towels Only (to compost!)" Everything else goes into a trash or recycling bin.

## Help the Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee seeks your input for nominations of church members to serve in the office of Elder and Deacon for the Class of 2023. You can find information on each office, what is required of each individual, and what is needed collectively in the class, both online and in the Narthex. Nominations will be accepted by the committee through Sunday, February 9. You can nominate a church member by filling out the form in the Narthex or filling out the form online at [www.upcch.org/nominating](http://www.upcch.org/nominating). Contact Kim McNeill, Staff Associate for Youth Ministries, at [kim@upcch.org](mailto:kim@upcch.org) with any questions.

## Earth Care Events

**“Solar Options for Faith Communities” - Tuesday, January 21, 6:30 p.m.** Orange-Chatham Interfaith Care for Creation (OCICC), which UPC’s Earth Care Team helped found, will host a special event offering information and inspiration to faith communities and individuals considering adding solar energy capacity to their buildings. The event will be at United Church of Chapel Hill (1321 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd) and is open to the public. For more information, follow OCICC on Facebook at [facebook.com/OrangeChathamICC](https://facebook.com/OrangeChathamICC).

**Paris to Pittsburgh documentary screening (free) - Thursday, January 23, 7:00 p.m.** The Creation Care Committee of The Chapel of the Cross (304 E. Franklin Street, Chapel Hill) invites you to a free showing of National Geographic’s *Paris to Pittsburgh* documentary. As grim realities of climate destabilization emerge more clearly by the day, this 77-minute film portrays significant, sustainable, job-producing actions to inspire concerned and climate-skeptic folks, alike. Screening in the Parish Hall, with hot apple cider and popcorn provided! Please RSVP to [ecole@thechapelofthecross.org](mailto:ecole@thechapelofthecross.org).

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

Bible study: *Evil and the Justice of God* – Join the conversation about this book by N.T. Wright, one of the world’s leading Biblical scholars. Join the discussion about powerful and pressing themes that N. T. Wright addresses in this book. Facilitators: Robert Owen and Ed Preston. Location: Stephen Ministry Room.

Connections: *“Living into Our Earth Care Pledge” – Faithful Response to the Climate and Environmental Crises Sarah Ogletree, N.C. Interfaith Power & Light*: A program of the North Carolina Council of Churches, N.C. Interfaith Power & Light (NCIPL) is the only statewide organization addressing the ecological and justice issues of climate change as a faith-based initiative. Sarah Ogletree of NCIPL will discuss the response of faith communities to the climate and environmental crises. NCIPL programs foster awareness of the moral dimensions of climate change and environmental justice issues from a faith perspective. For more information, visit [www.ncipl.org](http://www.ncipl.org). Next week, join William Barber, III, from The Climate Reality Project, speak about environmental and climate justice for the poor and marginalized. Facilitators: Ashley and John Wilson. Location: Vance Barron Hall.

Crossroads class: *The Spirit of the Disciplines* – All are welcome to join the conversation about living out our faith while balancing busy lives. This term, discussions will be inspired by *The Spirit of the Disciplines*. Facilitators: John and Trina Rogers, Juli Kim, and Reid Chisholm. Location: Dunham Hall.

Faith and the Arts: *A Celestial Omnibus* – Come enjoy the engaging discussions with each short story. Luminous fiction on themes of faith and meaning from favorite writers. This week, join the discussion about the story, “Act of Faith” by Irwin Shaw. Facilitators: Nancy Benjamin and Don Kennedy. Location: Terrace Room.

## University Presbyterian Preschool Enrollment

UPPS is accepting applications for enrollment for the 2020-2021 school year. UPC members have priority for enrollment, but applications must be received by January 21, in order to be given Priority Status. For more information, contact Ellen Parker at [preschool@upcch.org](mailto:preschool@upcch.org) or Caroline Jones at [admin@upps-ch.com](mailto:admin@upps-ch.com).

### Thank You!

*Report from the Diaper Collection Project Benefiting the Refugee Support Center (RSC):* The Presbyterian Women (PW) appreciate the generous support of the congregation and the PW circles for this year's diaper collection project for the RSC. Through your kindness, UPC will donate more than 5,000 diapers, as well as a check for \$500.

### Kids' Pop-up Exercise Class

Children in kindergarten through 5th grade are welcome to join us in the Fellowship Hall for an exercise class on Sunday, January 26, from 3:00-3:40 p.m., led by UPC's own Katie Corley! Children should wear sneakers and comfortable clothes they can move in and are asked to bring a water bottle. Parents: please remain in the building. There is always coffee on the landing and fellowship to be found. RSVP to [nancy@upcch.org](mailto:nancy@upcch.org) or on the Evite.

### PYP Squeaks Music Event

Toddlers and pre-K children are invited to come make some music together! There will be instruments, singing, fellowship, and fun. We will gather in the lower level of Dunham Hall on Sunday, January 26, from 3:45-4:30 p.m. RSVP to [nancy@upcch.org](mailto:nancy@upcch.org) or on the Evite.

### Upcoming PYPs Events

Parents of Young Presbyterians (PYPs) is a group for parents and families of children who are infants through fifth grade. PYPs sponsors a variety of events throughout the year; some are family-oriented and some are intended specifically for parents. Certain events will be labeled as "PYP Squeaks" events, and those are intended for children age four and under.

- February – Bowling
- March – Movie Night, PYP Squeaks Farm Visit
- April – Easter Egg Hunt, Potluck, & Game Night
- May – Service Event

Please contact Nancy Myer, Staff Associate for Children's Ministries, at [nancy@upcch.org](mailto:nancy@upcch.org) with questions.

### Announcements from the Larger Community

Volunteer with the Compass Center, helping people navigate their journey to self-sufficiency, safety, and health since 1979. Volunteer application forms can be found on their website [compassctr.org](http://compassctr.org), or contact Erica Brierley at [clientservices@compassctr.org](mailto:clientservices@compassctr.org). Learn more about the various volunteer positions at [upcch.org/volunteer-compass-center](http://upcch.org/volunteer-compass-center).

Interfaith Service: Join neighbors to gather in honor of the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. tomorrow, January 20. A rally begins at 9:00 a.m. at Peace and Justice Plaza, followed by a march along Franklin St. to First Baptist Church (106 N. Roberson Street) for conversation. The worship service will begin at 11:00 a.m. All are welcome!

Orange UMC's Women's Retreat 2020, "Rising Strong by Grace," will be February 7 from 6:30-9:00 p.m. and February 8 from 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Childcare is available both days. Best-selling author Brené Brown's curriculum *Rising Strong*<sup>TM</sup> woven with aspects of our Christian faith will create the tapestry for this retreat. The weekend will be led by Certified Daring Way<sup>TM</sup> Facilitator the Rev. Caroline Vogel with time for small group conversations and breakout sessions on Saturday. We hope to nourish your faith, mind, body, and spirit. Join us! Register at [bit.ly/2N2Mmvt](https://bit.ly/2N2Mmvt).

# This Week and Next at University Presbyterian Church

## Sunday, January 19

- 8:30 & 11:00      Worship Services (Nursery: Room 130/134)  
9:30                  Coffee on the Landing  
9:45-10:45        Sunday School for all ages  
3:45-4:10         Children's Choir:  
Priscilla D. Bevin Memorial Choir Suite  
4:00-5:00         UPC worship service: Carol Woods  
4:15-4:50         Junior Choir:  
Priscilla D. Bevin Memorial Choir Suite  
5:00-6:00         Youth Choir:  
Priscilla D. Bevin Memorial Choir Suite  
6:00-7:30         PYC: Fellowship Hall, Youth Center,  
Youth Room (136)

## Monday, January 20

- UPC office & UPPS closed: MLK Day  
7:00-8:00         Men's Breakfast: Terrace Room

## Tuesday, January 21

- 10:00              Bulletin announcement deadline  
7:30-8:30         Young Adults: Room 136

## Wednesday, January 22

- 9:30-11:30        Spiritual Formation: Room 215  
11:00-12:30      Woman to Woman: Vance Barron Hall  
3:45-4:45         Kirk Club: Youth Center  
7:15-9:15         Chancel Choir:  
Priscilla D. Bevin Memorial Choir Suite

## Thursday, January 23

- 5:30-8:30         PCM Dinner and Program: Terrace Room  
7:30-8:30         UPPS Committee: Youth Center

## Saturday, January 25

- 3:00-6:00         Youth Choir Musical Rehearsal: Sanctuary

## Sunday, January 26

- 8:30 & 11:00      Worship Services (Nursery: Room 130/134)  
9:30                  Coffee on the Landing  
9:45-10:45        Sunday School  
2:30-5:00         PYC Small Groups  
3:00-3:40         PYPs Kids' Pop-up Exercise Class:  
Fellowship Hall  
3:45-4:30         PYP Squeaks Music Event: Dunham Hall  
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**Remember, there is FREE parking at the  
Rosemary Street parking deck on Sundays.**

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