

**UNIVERSITY
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

*Newsletter for church members
and friends*

October 2015

CONTACT



There's an old saying about putting first things first.

Even though my plate is full here in Baton Rouge, I'm about to head to Tallahassee to meet my brother, who's flying in from Denver, and to see my mom. She's been having some health problems, and it's time for the three of us to be together and to figure out the best way to assure her continuing care. Surely not an easy task but clearly important.

This week lots of administrative things have gotten put on hold, in some cases yet again, because of numerous requests for pastoral care. I'm sorry if there's an email or a committee meeting follow up that I've missed, or if that last sermon wasn't up to par, but I'm a pastor first.

What are your first things?

Of course there are lots of ways to look at it. Some priorities are set for us, for others we have more flexibility. In the small group that Melody Joachim and I have been facilitating, we've been talking about making a daily spiritual practice a priority even though all sorts of factors seem to work against it. Perhaps you have a commitment to dinner with your family or reading to your kids at bedtime. Perhaps calling your aging father, a cup of coffee with your spouse, or meeting a friend at the gym are your first thing in the morning priorities. We have financial priorities, personal priorities, spiritual priorities, family priorities, work priorities, and surely others.

What are your first things? What's important to you and are you putting those things first?

I have a friend in Memphis who is a financial planner. I remember years ago the first time I heard her say that as she works with her clients they begin by talking about what's important. Not just things like retirement, buying a house, or college, but the values underneath those and other financial decisions. Indeed, what are the values underneath our priorities?

For me I guess it all comes down to relationships, lots of types of relationships...family, church, community...but first and foremost a relationship with God that calls me to certain behaviors and priorities.

What about you? What are your first things? What's important to you and are you putting those things first?

May God guide us all in putting first things first,

OCTOBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 1 5:30 p.m. Bible Brews Small Group - Corporate Brew and Draft House
 6:00 p.m. NAMI Family 2 Family Class - Conference Room
 7:30 p.m. New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal - Choir Room
- 3 6:00 p.m. LSU vs. Eastern Michigan @ LSU (*PARKING*)
- 4 **27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Patti Snyder preaching, Peacemaking Offering, Communion
 8:30 a.m. Worship
 9:45 a.m. Church School
 10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
 11:00 a.m. Worship
 Noon Visitor Drop In - Parks Wilson Room
 Noon Wayside Altars Small Group - Conference Room
 12:30 p.m. Morgan/Ourso Wedding & Reception
 4:00 p.m. High School Youth Group
 4:30 p.m. Overeaters Anonymous - Library
- 5 5:15 p.m. Worship Committee - Conference Room
- 6 8:30 a.m. Nurture Committee - Conference Room
 10:00 a.m. Day Circle - Conference Room
 Noon Al-Anon - Library
 Noon Holy Grill
 2:30 p.m. Directory Photos - Parks Wilson Room & Classroom (*'till 8:30 p.m.*)
 7:30 p.m. UPC Book Group - 2285 Cedardale
- 7 9:30 a.m. Day School Chapel
 Noon UPC Fun Club - BJ's Restaurant - Mall of Louisiana
 Noon Staff Meeting
 2:30 p.m. Directory Photos - Parks Wilson Room & Classroom (*'till 8:30 p.m.*)
 5:00 p.m. Property Committee - Conference Room
 6:00 p.m. Taizé - Sanctuary
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
 7:30 p.m. Practice in Spiritual Practice Small Group - TBA
- 8 2:30 p.m. Directory Photos - Parks Wilson Room & Classroom (*'till 8:30 p.m.*)
 5:30 p.m. Bible Brews Small Group - Corporate Brew and Draft House
 5:30 p.m. The Gathering - Bistro Byronz on Government
 7:30 p.m. New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal - Choir Room
- 9 2:30 p.m. Directory Photos - Parks Wilson Room & Classroom (*'till 8:30 p.m.*)
- 10 9:00 a.m. Sign Language Training - Conference Room
 10:00 a.m. Directory Photos - Parks Wilson Room & Classroom (*'till 5:00 p.m.*)
- 11 **28th Sunday in Ordinary Time** - *Patti Snyder preaching*
 8:30 a.m. Worship
 9:45 a.m. Church School
 10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
 11:00 a.m. Worship
 Noon Wayside Altars Small Group - Parks Wilson Room
 4:30 p.m. Overeaters Anonymous - Library
 6:00 p.m. Take Back the Night
- 12 7:00 p.m. Huntington's Support Group - Conference Room
- 13 Noon Al-Anon - Parks Wilson Room
 2:30 p.m. Directory Photos - Parks Wilson Room & Classroom (*'till 8:30 p.m.*)
 6:00 p.m. Mental Health Assoc. of BR Art Show - Fellowship Hall
 7:00 p.m. Mission & Peacemaking - 213 University Highlands Court
 7:00 p.m. NAMI - Conference Room & Library
- 14 9:30 a.m. Day School Chapel
 Noon UPC Fun Club - BJ's Restaurant - Mall of Louisiana
 Noon Staff Lunch
 4:00 p.m. Cuba Partner's Gathering - Archdiocese of New Orleans
 Retreat Center (*thru 10/17*)
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
 7:30 p.m. Practice in Spiritual Practice Small Group - Parks Wilson Rm.
- 15 5:30 p.m. Bible Brews Small Group - Corporate Brew and Draft House
 6:00 p.m. NAMI Family 2 Family Class - Conference Room
 7:30 p.m. New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal - Choir Room
- 16 TBA
 Presbytery Meeting - 1st Presbyterian, New Orleans (*thru 10/17*)



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OFFICE NOTES



PRAYER LIST.....

Please contact the church office if you have a prayer request you would like printed in the Sunday bulletin. Also, please remember to update your prayer concerns.

WHAT'S THAT YOU SAID?.....

Hearing assistance devices are available in the hall outside the Sanctuary. Please feel free to borrow one if you have a difficult time hearing in church and return the device to the table when the service is over.

VISITORS DROP IN.....

Have you been visiting UPC and want to have a chance to meet a few more people and perhaps ask a few questions about the church? Stop by the Parks Wilson Room (the living room type space near the entrance to the sanctuary) Sunday, October 4, immediately following worship and chat it up with our pastors and a few church members.

S'MORES AND SNORES

CANCELLED!.....
 Due to lack of interest, the S'mores and Snores camp-out retreat has been cancelled.

SUPPORT STAFF OFFICE HOURS

Bookkeeper: Donna Thrasher
 M-F 11:00 - 1:00
 (*Starting October 1*)

Admin. Secretary: Caralyn Durham
 M-F 8:30 - 2:30

NOVEMBER CONTACT DEADLINE OCTOBER 20

- 17 TBA LSU vs. Florida @ LSU (*PARKING*)
- 18 **29th Sunday in Ordinary Time** - *Daniel Izquierdo preaching*
 8:30 a.m. Worship
 9:45 a.m. Church School
 10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
 11:00 a.m. Worship
 Noon Luncheon - Fellowship Hall
 Noon Wayside Altars Small Group - Parks Wilson Room
 12:15 p.m. Stewardship & Finance Meeting - Conference Room
 4:00 p.m. High School Youth Group
 4:30 p.m. Overeaters Anonymous - Library
 6:30 p.m. Session Meeting - Conference Room
 7:30 p.m. Common Tables - TBA
- 20 10:00 a.m. Helping Hands - Conference Room
 Noon AlAnon - Parks Wilson Room
- 21 9:30 a.m. Day School Chapel
 Noon UPC Fun Club - BJ's Restaurant - Mall of Louisiana
 Noon Staff Meeting
 6:00 p.m. University Outreach Committee - Library
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
 7:30 p.m. Practice in Spiritual Practice Small Group - Parks Wilson Rm.
- 22 5:30 p.m. Bible Brews Small Group - Corporate Brew and Draft House
 6:00 p.m. NAMI Family 2 Family Class - Conference Room
 6:00 p.m. Together BR Delegate's Assembly - Shiloh Baptist Church
 7:30 p.m. New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal - Choir Room
- 23 6:00 p.m. Presbyterian Women Fall Retreat - Feliciana Retreat Ctr. (*thru 10/24*)
 7:00 p.m. UPC Choir Retreat - Feliciana Retreat Center (*thru 10/24*)
- 24 TBA
 LSU vs. Western Kentucky @ LSU (*PARKING*)
- 25 **Reformation Sunday** - *Patti Snyder preaching*
 8:30 a.m. Worship
 9:45 a.m. Church School
 10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
 11:00 a.m. Worship
 Noon Called Congregational Meeting - Sanctuary
 12:15 p.m. Caregivers Support Group - Parks Wilson Room
 12:15 p.m. Wayside Altars - Fellowship Hall
 12:45 p.m. Membership Committee - Conference Room
 4:00 p.m. High School Youth Group - Conference Room
 4:30 p.m. Overeaters Anonymous - Library
- 27 Noon AlAnon - Parks Wilson Room
 7:00 p.m. NAMI - Conference Room and Library
- 28 9:30 a.m. Day School Chapel
 Noon Staff Meeting
 Noon UPC Fun Club - BJ's Restaurant - Mall of Louisiana
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
- 29 6:00 p.m. NAMI Family 2 Family Class - Conference Room
 7:30 p.m. New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal - Choir Room
- 30 8:00 a.m. Keep Baton Rouge Beautiful Workshop - Fellowship Hall

NOVEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 1 **All Saint's Day** - *Mike Watson preaching*
 8:30 a.m. Worship
 9:45 a.m. Pancake Breakfast - Fellowship Hall
 10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
 11:00 a.m. Worship
 Noon Visitor Drop In - Parks Wilson Room
 12:30 p.m. Youth Photo Scavenger Hunt
 1:30 p.m. Music Club of BR Rehearsal - Choir Room
 4:30 p.m. Overeaters Anonymous - Library

YOU ARE INVITED

ELLEN MORGAN
AND
SUSAN OURSO
ARE GETTING MARRIED!

OCTOBER 4, 2015
12:30PM
IN THE UPC SANCTUARY

A RECEPTION WILL FOLLOW IN
THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
ALL ARE INVITED!!
(no gifts please)

the gathering
YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY AT UPC

The Gathering meets every other Thursday for some post-work wind down time from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The Gathering is a social group generally for mid-twenties through forty-somethings, married, single, with kids, work out of the home, stay at home parent, grad students, or regular ol' worker bees, yet feel free to self identify! There aren't any age, professional, marital, or offspring restrictions. Babysitting is offered at the church when our wonderful volunteer sitters are available. Our meeting spots usually have food, so bring along an appetite! Feel free to drop in at any point during our time frame. If you would like more information, contact Jill Clemmons at jclemm1@lsu.edu.

Our next gatherings...

October 8
Bistro Byronz
5412 Government St.

October 22
Zippy's
3155 Perkins Rd.

November 5
City Pork
7327 Jefferson Hwy.

November 19
Annual Friendsgiving Dinner
location TBD

Presbyterian Women Update.....

All are invited to the PW Day Circle meeting on Tuesday, October 6, 10:00 a.m., in the Parks Wilson Room. Peggy Carroll will lead the discussion of the Bible study, Lesson 1, "Birthing Waters." Julie Launey and Pat Wright are providing refreshments. Please make plans to attend and enjoy fellowship, Bible study, and mission.

PW of the PSL received an offering of \$1,173 at the three recent fall rallies. These funds are designated for the purchase of Spanish language versions of the HORIZONS Bible Study books, COME TO THE WATER. These books will be given to PW groups in our partner churches in Cuba.

Registration is open for the PW fall retreat, The Power and Peace of Prayer, October 23-24. See Jan Boydston or Barbara Hoffman for details.



SPECIAL OFFERINGS
PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS
Sunday, October 4

Fall Blood Drive.....

The Fall Blood Drive at UPC will be on Sunday, November 8, from 8:30 to noon. Each donation can help up to three recipients. If you can donate that day, please email Beth Paskoff at bpaskoff@lsu.edu. Include your preferred time to donate so she can add you to the schedule.

If you cannot give on November 16, you can also donate at United Blood Service, 1 Calais, Baton Rouge. Call them at 225-769-7233 to schedule an appointment. Please be sure to tell them that you want your blood donation credited to University Presbyterian Church.

Their website has lots of information about why you should donate and what the process is like.

<http://www.unitedbloodservices.org>



GAME DAY PARKING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Once again UPC will open its parking lot for LSU Football Game parking. For several years we have provided this service, which doubles as a fund raising event with proceeds going to support youth, education, and mission projects. The home game schedule is:

October	3	Eastern Michigan
	17	Florida
	24	Western Kentucky
November	14	Arkansas
	28	Texas A&M

Game times are subject to change due to television. Typically, volunteers arrive four or five hours before game time, and we are done an hour before kickoff. To volunteer, contact Randy Nichols at 241-6374 or rknichols@homelessinbr.org.



Christian Education at UPC 2015-2016

Pre-K and Kindergarten (Ages 4 - Kindergarten) Room 105

Curriculum: Grace and Gratitude, "Ages 3-5," a quarterly curriculum that will help transform the lives of children and those who love them, shaped by grace and gratitude. Each session shares a Bible story that reveals God's grace for us. Through fun, age-appropriate activities, and prayer, children and their leaders will celebrate the meaning of this grace in their lives as they encounter a living God.

Teachers: Pat Strain, Barbara Gray, Griffin Campbell

Elementary (Grades 1-5) Room 213

Curriculum: Grace and Gratitude, "Multi-age 5-10," a quarterly curriculum that will help transform the lives of children and those who love them, shaped by grace and gratitude. Each session shares a Bible story that reveals God's grace for us. Each class begins with a time of singing together before moving to a time of exploring a Bible story, doing crafts, and praying together.

Teachers: Betsy Wilks, Christine Russell, Lynne Wallace, Linda Walker, Robbie Phillipbaum

Middle School (Grades 6-8) Room 203

Curriculum: Feasting on the Word, a lectionary-based curriculum that provides intentional connections between education and worship. Youth are figuring out who they are as they search for whose they are. Feasting on the Word materials provide opportunities for this age group to explore their personal and communal identity in Jesus Christ through meaningful community-building experiences, engaging Bible study, and relevant learning activities.

Teachers: Kelly Kerr, Jill Clemmons

Senior High (Grades 9-12) Room 206 (gathering location)

The Senior High church school class continues its tradition of faith walks to a caffeinated holy place (Highland Coffees).

Curriculum: Contemporary Issues: Living Your Faith and Moral Questions, "The Thoughtful Christian" downloadable studies created by church leaders. Remember Jesus' call to love God with our minds as well as our hearts and souls (Matt. 22:37).

Teachers: Amy Braymer, Jennifer Bravinder, Melody Joachim, Stephanie Launey

Adult Bible Study Class Conference Room (122)

The adult Bible Study class will be continuing its study of "Dwelling with Philippians, a conversation with Scripture through image and word" into the Fall. Through a rich and inviting curriculum, we will explore Paul's letter to the Philippians through evocative juxtapositions of visual images, poetry, and other worship-related arts with theological meditations, prayers, and more. This class takes a multidimensional approach leaving space for contemplation, reflection, and discussion. Together we will slow down and be drawn into the deeper message of Paul's letter.

Adult Parks Wilson Class Parks Wilson Room (108)

"Psalms as History and Poetry." Stuart Irvine and Ava Haymon together lead discussions of selected Psalms with the purpose of exploring what they teach us about the ancient world as well as what they continue to communicate to us today.

Starting Mid-October: "Meeting the Old Testament Again for the First Time" with Meredith Veldman and Randy Nichols

Youth Group Happenings

Senior High Youth Group

October is a fantastic month for so many reasons. The weather is starting to turn cooler, there are tons of festivals, and of course, pumpkin spice everywhere you turn! We hope to make the most of this wonderful season with opportunities for service outdoors, parking for game days, and of course, our annual fall festival/pumpkin carving event in the courtyard!

- October
- 3 Parking – E. Michigan (time TBA)
 - 4 Service Activity (4-6pm)
Meet at UPC
 - 11 NO YOUTH
 - 17 Parking – Florida (time TBA)
 - 18 CUBA –Daniel Izquierdo
Conversation (4-6pm at UPC)
 - 24 Parking – W. Kentucky
 - 25 Fall Festival/Pumpkin Carving
(4-6pm at UPC)

Middle School Youth Group

Middle School students are invited to join us for the fall festival/pumpkin carving event on October 25th. Stay tuned for other middle school specific events that will be planned in the upcoming months.



The **UPC Book Club** meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m.
2285 Cedardale.

Oct. 6: The Wives of Los Alamos
by Tarashea Nesbit

UPC Directory Update We want you!

It's coming! Photography for our new pictorial directory begins on Tuesday, October 6 and continues on October 7, 8, 9, 10, and 13. Photography session times are from 2:30 to 8:30 during the week and from 10 to 5 on Saturday. There are still some excellent appointment times available.

Why do a pictorial directory? Do you know how hard it is to know who all these "new" or "been here forever people" are? Remember, you are one of them. The way to help everyone know is to get your picture taken. There is no charge, and every person/group being photographed gets a free directory, an 8x10 photo, and a \$10 certificate toward purchase, if you wish to purchase, but no purchase is necessary. Other discounts will be available to seniors, members of the military, firefighters, and police. If you bring an item for the food bank, you will receive a \$5 certificate. These certificates will be available to you when you check in the day of your photo session.

How can you sign up? You can schedule your appointment online at our web site, www.upcbr.org; (scroll down to upcoming events; select October 6, click on "more info," and follow the instructions on the web site. Prefer to talk to a person? Call Caralyn at the church office (383-0345) during church hours, 8:30 to 2:30 during the week, and she will sign you up. We invite our long-time visitors and potential members to be a part of the directory.

A listing on our church bulletin cover says "Ministers: the people of this church." The directory is part of our ministry. We hope that you can be a part of it.



For all events RSVP online at www.ifedgbr.com or call 225-267-5600

HOWARD THURMAN LEADERSHIP SEMINAR: DEEP IS THE HUNGER

The late Howard Thurman was a preacher, writer, civil rights leader, and one who encouraged people to come alive by first identifying the deep hunger within and intersecting that awareness with the needs of the community. Where dare we go from this juncture?

Date: Thursday, October 1, 2015, 8:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Location: McKinley Alumni Center, 1520 Thomas Delpit

Admission: \$20.00 (*Suggested Donation*)

HUNGER WALK

Join the Greater Baton Rouge community in a walk to fight local hunger. Proceeds benefits the Holy Grill of the Interfaith Federation and the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank.

Date: Sunday, October 18, 2015, 1:30 p.m. registration and activities, 2:15 p.m. kick off rally

Location: Catholic Life Center, 1800 S. Acadian Thruway

Izquierdo to preach October 18th.....

Articulate, fully fluent in English, and thoroughly entertaining, Pastor Daniel Izquierdo (Hernandez) will offer insights into Cuba and our shared experiences as children of God when he fills the pulpit Sunday, October 18th. Izquierdo is General Secretary of the National Synod of the Presbytery in Cuba and pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Luyanó.

The grandson of a Presbyterian minister and son of a lay leader, Izquierdo started life as an architect, a career which he loved. While caring for his grandfather in his last days, Izquierdo heard a calling and followed it to seminary, the pastorate, and leadership within the Cuban Presbyterian church.

Recently Izquierdo met with our UPC Cuban travelers in Luyanó, providing them with an excellent history of the Presbyterian Church in Cuba.

Following the 11:00 a.m. service there will be a catered lunch for all, providing a chance to meet and talk with Daniel. Later in the afternoon, he will meet with our youth as they plan for their summer trip to Cuba.

The Gift that keeps giving.....

We all know that shopping local is preferable, but every now and then we find ourselves searching Amazon. When that happens, please consider accessing Amazon through www.livingwatersfortheworld.org.

When you go to their website and access Amazon from their home page (about halfway down on the right) any orders will automatically provide a 5% donation based on your purchase price to Living Waters for the World. It costs you nothing, and you are helping provide clean water to people in countries where clean water is not readily available. Living Waters is the organization our UPC water team uses when installing systems in Cuba.

Please be aware that this is not the Amazon Smile program. You must access through the Living Waters web site in order for them to receive a percentage of your purchase.

FALL 2015 Courtyard Collage.....

Its time again for the Courtyard Collage! The date for the fall Courtyard Collage is Friday, November 13, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. If you are interested in participating, please e-mail Skeeter Cedars at henry_cedars@yahoo.com. We are looking for talent of all kinds. Of course music, drama, poetry, art, etc...but also other talents! Maybe you're a juggler, a stilt walker, a unicyclist, or a tap dancer? If you have a special talent you'd like to share, please e-mail us. And don't forget children and teenagers are welcome to participate too!

IN MEMORIAM

Lynda Perry, who died September 18, 2015



Day School Annual Book Fair

Our Scholastic Book Fair is coming soon and will transform the Fellowship Hall into our very own book store. There you will find hundreds of books from new and favorite authors, popular series, cool posters and school supplies, and fun for everyone! The Scholastic Book Fair will be here from October 20th to October 23th and October 25th for our church family. Everyone is invited!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

- Monday, October 19 - Breakfast on the Go. Family members are invited to enjoy a light breakfast as they shop the Fair.
- Tuesday, October 20 - BLT (Books & Lunch Together) Parents are invited - noon
- Thursday, October 22 - KISS (Kids Inviting Someone Special) Someone special or family members are invited to classrooms and to shop the Fair. (9:00 - 9:30 a.m.)

2015 Baton Rouge Take Back the Night Sunday, October 11 • 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Join over thirty campus and community organizations at LSU's Memorial Tower for the 29th annual Take Back the Night vigil and march. We will honor and recognize those who have lost their lives to gender-based violence, engage our community in culture change, and encourage active bystander intervention.

The event will include:
Resource fair
Live entertainment
Food and drinks
Candlelight vigil
Survivor Speak-out
Community march



The Session has called a
CONGREGATIONAL MEETING,
following worship on Sunday, October 25,
for the purpose of hearing the report of the Nominating
Committee and the election of church officers.

IDENTIFIED GIVING STATUS as of September 28, 2015

Year-to-Date Giving: amount actually received \$379,814
Budget amount needed - \$382,100

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PHASE 2 GIVING STATUS

Total amount pledged - \$900,455
Year-to-Date Giving: amount actually received - \$296,784
Inception-to-Date Giving: amount actually received - \$669,825

HELP WANTED

Men, women, and senior high youth (service hours are available) to act as hosts at the UPC Directory photography sessions on October 6,7,8,9,10, and 13. Duties are welcoming and checking in those coming to be photographed. Hosts are asked to come 20 minutes prior to their shifts so that they can be trained by the photographers. Shifts are usually three hours (2:30 to 5:30; 5:30 to 8:30) but if you are interested and able to help, we could arrange for shorter shifts. To volunteer: Call or email Peggy Carroll, 225-695-6661 or peggoc@eatel.net.



Common Table

LSU students connected to UPC joined with several other students for the first Common Table event on September 13th. There was a shared energy and desire in the room to present a positive and inclusive message of Christianity on LSU's campus. The next event will be held on Sunday, October 18, at 7:30pm. Contact Mike if you would like more information.



Mark your calendars now for the Annual Stewardship Campaign Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, **November 1, at 9:30.** No church school classes that day. Come to the Fellowship Hall for warm food, warm fellowship, and a chance to see a presentation that shows what your annual pledges make possible.



The UPC Women's Retreat is scheduled for January 15-17, 2016 (MLK Weekend) at Feliciana Retreat Center.

TOGETHER LOUISIANA

REGISTRATION FORM



3-DAY IAF TRAINING – DECEMBER 2015

*Begins: Thursday, December 10th, 12pm
Ends: Saturday, December 12th, 12pm*

**Woodworth United Methodist Conference Center
2350 Methodist Parkway
Woodworth, LA 71485 (near Alexandria)**

The training will be conducted by organizers with the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF). The focus of the training is developing the skills and practices to lead and organize effectively, especially in the context of a local institutions.

We will attempt to accommodate requests for single occupancy where possible, but most rooms are double occupancy.

The exact cost for the training is still to be determined, but it likely will be between \$200 and \$300, including room and board.

Deadline for registration: November 10th, 2015

Deadline for payment: December 1, 2015

Name: _____ Institution: _____

Phone #: _____ Email address: _____

Dietary or accommodation needs: _____

Registration info can be emailed to togetherlouisiana@gmail.com.
For questions, please contact Edgar Cage at (225) 274-5808.

COVENANT NETWORK NATIONAL CONFERENCE



unity MATTERS

**November 5-7, 2015
Central Presbyterian Church
Denver, Colorado**

It's a new day in the church. LGBTQ people are able to be ordained. Same-gender marriages are permitted. But we are not all together.

Lines of race, ethnicity, gender, economic status and more separate us, even—especially?—in the church. Theological differences define and divide us. And even with the progress we have seen, there is still much work to do to ensure LGBTQ people are fully welcomed in every part of our denomination.

The 2015 Covenant Conference will explore the fullness of the unity of the church. Inspired by the Confession of Belhar—which has been approved by the presbyteries and will likely become part of the Book of Confessions next year—we consider how the church can fulfill its call to justice and reconciliation. How can we understand our mission and ministry differently and live differently to become the truly inclusive church God is calling us to be? Challenging keynotes, powerful preaching, and the warm fellowship of partners in this journey will all be part of this biennial event.

The conference will take place at the historic Central Presbyterian Church, a welcoming and inclusive congregation serving Denver's downtown community for more than 150 years. Worship and plenary sessions will happen in its historic sanctuary, with workshops and meals elsewhere in the fully accessible building.

UPC has a fund to provide some scholarships for events such as this one. Contact Patti Snyder if you are interested.

Pray For . . .

Gerri Ward • Dorothy Bankston • Cecil Jarreau • Ralph Brewer • Helen Fant
Dan & Ruth Bivins • Pat Kennedy • Tristyn Bemis • Tabitha Lewis
Betty Campbell • Jim Johnson • Gerard Klein • Kent Walker • Joyce Kuyper
Nancy McCracken • Sue Candler

- Marion Boyd, grandfather of Cheri Strain, in ailing health
- Nita Rossman, OLOL recovering from a stroke
- Midge Reed, mother of Barbara Hoffman, recovering from hip surgery
- Roberta Robson, with ovarian cancer
- Ike Guthrie, recovering from surgery
- Ruth Walker (Kent's wife), recovering from gallbladder surgery
- Charley Fisher, facing spine surgery October 20
- Brandon Reeves, son of Kyle Reeves, recovering at home
- Amy Braymer, recovering from thyroid surgery
- Danny Farris and his family, friends of Robbie Phillabaum. Danny is recovering from extensive reconstructive surgery at home.
- Mike and Gwen McDaniel, friends of Diana Reynolds. Gwen has been diagnosed with leiomyosarcoma, a rather rare and aggressive cancer.
- Ann, Betty Armstrong's office mate, in hospice care
- Kay Collier, friend of Betty Armstrong, being treated for cancer
- Linda Hubchen, undergoing chemo for Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma
- Paige Christian, cousin of Mike Watson, recovering after a double mastectomy
- Lisa Stoddard, wife of Linda Walker's nephew, healing from 3rd degree burns
- Becky Tucker, sister of Lori Tucker, with a broken leg
- George Clark, Betty Silvey's brother-in-law, recovering from a stroke
- Kyle Craig, cousin of Melody Joachim
- Alan Williams, brother of Virginia Davis, diagnosed with Parkinson's
- Michelle Sager, friend of Katie Watson, in Rocky Mount, NC
- Marcia Campbell, friend of Robbie Phillabaum, with lung cancer
- Peggy Ourso, sister of Susan Ourso
- Charles Grenier, friend of Jerry Kennedy, in rehab following a stroke
- Lois Liggett, mother of Sarah Kennedy, undergoing chemotherapy
- Rev. John Bade, husband of Rev. Robin McCollough-Bade
- Molly Kennedy, our seminary student
- Marla Kerr-Lawson, Kelly Kerr's sister
- Felicia Lewis, sister-in-law of Donna Thrasher, diagnosed with lupus
- Bill Galbreath, Lois Kuyper-Rushing's brother-in-law, with a recurrence of lymphoma, and his wife Ellen, who cares for him
- Matthew Shipe, nephew of Kathy Perry, recovering in a facility in PA
- Edna Faust and her son Gregory, friends of Kay Lindsey
- Kelly Kerr's aunts, Mary Jane and Carolyn
- Rayne Nelson, friend of Donna Thrasher, with an aggressive malignant brain tumor
- Katie and Henry Nelson, parents of Bizza Britton
- Cathy Paterson, who has Huntington's Disease; Karen Paterson, her mother; and all H.D. families
- Brandon Dove, grandson of Ben Payne, with thyroid cancer
- Anne Stewart, mother of Kathleen Richey, diagnosed with stage three cancer
- Val and Dan Johns, friends of Patti Snyder. Dan is undergoing chemotherapy.
- Kristi Hammatt, friend of Katie Watson, and her 18-month-old daughter dealing with serious heart and lung problems
- Beth Whelen, friend of Debbie Abernathy
- Nic and Rachel Ciraldo, friends of Griff Campbell, and their 5-year-old son, Luca, who has kidney cancer
- Broadmoor, Scotlandville, and Highland Presbyterian, as they move through pastoral transitions
- All those who suffer with mental illness and emotional disorders
- Oncology patients of Debbie Abernathy
- Men and women serving in the armed forces
- Those who are going through separation or divorce
- Those who are affected by domestic violence
- Those who are affected by alcoholism and addiction
- Our partner church, La Iglesia Presbiteriana, in San José de los Ramos, Cuba, and its pastor, Armando Guedes

HOSPITAL VISITS BY UPC OFFICERS

- 1 Chris Whittington
- 2 Marissa Baham
- 3 Meredith Veldman
- 4 Ed Green
- 5 Juliana Sheffield
- 6 Barbara Hoffman
- 7 Lori Tucker
- 8 Jeff Perry
- 9 Gus Rowland
- 10 Griff Campbell
- 11 Pat Ho
- 12 Adam Knapp
- 13 Henry "Skeeter" Cedars
- 14 Doug Walker
- 15 Kay Lindsey
- 16 Katie Watson
- 17 Beth Paskoff
- 18 Brannon Costello
- 19 Joe Skillen
- 20 Susan Ourso
- 21 Robin Patty & David Hall
- 22 Ann Miller
- 23 Kelley Massengale
- 24 Kelly Kerr
- 25 John Cogburn
- 26 Mary Wardlaw
- 27 Linda Babin
- 28 Johan Skillen
- 29 Jerry Kennedy
- 30 Tom Shelton
- 31 Kathy Poché

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OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 | Talia Daigre
Anthony Kniffen | 10 | Brittany Brown | 21 | Jane Wallace |
| 3 | Pamela Bistany
Miranda Church
Jon Cogburn | 12 | Linda Walker | 22 | John Miller
Joseph Tyler |
| 4 | Ross Baringer
Cullen Phillips | 13 | Drew Bartlett | 23 | Pat Wright |
| 5 | Peggy Carroll
Thomas Cogburn | 14 | Carter Stone | 24 | Cathy Paterson |
| 6 | Drew Patty
Scott Phillabaum
Lizzie Redman | 15 | Barbara Behrmann
Keith Carruth | 25 | Ed Britton
Larry Reynolds |
| 7 | Betty Armstrong
Sharon Kelly | 16 | Judith Schiebout | 27 | Hannah Armstrong
Becca Bartlett |
| 9 | Linda Green
Mel Mathes | 17 | Ann Miller | 30 | Jasper Teboh |
| | | 18 | Katherine Carroll | 31 | Cecil Eubanks
Claire Shihadeh |
| | | 19 | Sadie Knapp | | |
| | | 20 | Rick Bowles
Lori Tucker
Doug Walker | | |

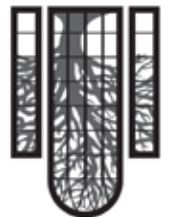
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Mission Statement
In response to God's grace, University Presbyterian Church of Baton Rouge seeks creatively – through nurture, education, worship and community outreach – to sustain an inclusive, compassionate family of faith; it seeks to promote spiritual growth by awakening souls to God's infinite mercy embodied in the reconciling love of Christ.
--Adopted by the Session December 1995

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