

UNIVERSITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Newsletter for church members
and friends

April 2017

CONTACT

RICK'S REFLECTIONS

Deuteronomy 26:5 says, "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor." An earlier translation rendered it, "A wandering Aramean was my father." I can relate to that sentiment because a wandering Petroleum Engineer was my father. In my younger days, my father was frequently transferred. In fact I lived in five different communities before my fourteenth birthday. When Exxon wanted to transfer my father to Perth, Australia, during my senior year of high school in New Orleans, my father (probably with some strong "encouragement" from my mother) finally declined.

My parents had been lifelong members of First Methodist Church in Tulsa, Oklahoma, but after they married and settled in Seminole, Oklahoma, they said they felt at home in the Presbyterian church there. In my childhood memories there were two constants no matter where we moved: Dad's co-workers and their families who moved to the same locations and a Presbyterian congregation that welcomed us and nurtured us in the faith.

When Debbie, Greg, and I first visited UPC, we felt that same hospitality that I remembered receiving as a newcomer during my childhood. We have always felt at home here. Debbie and Greg were both ordained as church officers, and UPC youth groups and college group were a second family for Greg. Over the years, when I have not been preaching elsewhere on Sundays, UPC has been a place where my soul has been fed through worship and pastoral care and by the wonderful opportunity I have had to lift my voice in song with the UPC choir.

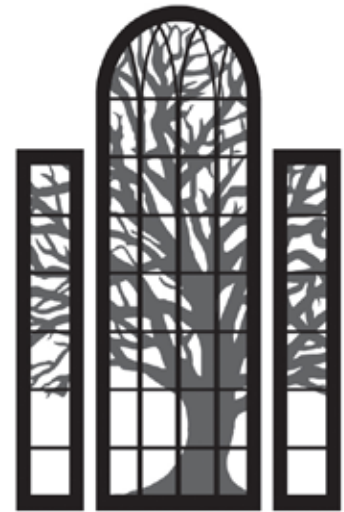
During these four months of Patti's sabbatical, you have been gracious enough to ask me to assist Mike in preaching, worship leadership, and pastoral care. It's been a while since I've preached and led worship in the same place every Sunday, since I've been in specialized ministry for the last 25 years as a hospital and hospice chaplain and as a counselor. A few things have also changed since my first pastorate began in Jennings, Louisiana, in 1976. For example, I go back to the days when bulletins were typed on mimeograph stencils and the office telephone had a rotary dial. Your hospitality, though, has remained constant, and I greatly appreciate the kind words so many of you have expressed as we begin this journey of reflection and learning together.

Rick



APRIL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 2 5th Sunday in Lent** - Rick Pitcher preaching, Communion, New Members
 8:30 a.m. Worship
 9:45 a.m. Church School
 10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
 11:00 a.m. Worship
 Noon Small Group - Library
 Noon VBS Planning - Conference Room
- 3** 11:30 a.m. Membership Committee - Conference Room
 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Small Group - 1724 Myrtle Dale
- 4** 8:30 a.m. Nurture Committee - Conference Room
 10:00 a.m. Day Circle - Parks Wilson Room
 Noon AIAnon - Dorm Living Area
 6:30 p.m. LSU Baseball - Alex Box Stadium
 7:00 p.m. UPC Book Group - 2285 Cedardale
- 5** 9:30 a.m. Day School Chapel
 Noon Staff Meeting
 Noon UPC Fun Club - BJ's Restaurant - Mall of Louisiana
 6:00 p.m. Taizé - Sanctuary
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
- 8** 8:00 a.m. Church Clean Up Day - UPC Facility
- 9 Passion/Palm Sunday** - Rick Pitcher preaching
 8:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
 8:30 a.m. Worship
 9:45 a.m. Church School
 10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
 11:00 a.m. Worship
 Noon Small Group - Library
 4:00 p.m. Middle & High School Youth Groups
- 10** 7:00 p.m. Huntington's Disease Support Group - Conference Room
- 11** Noon AI-Anon - Sr. High Room
 5:30 p.m. University Outreach Committee - Conference Room
 6:00 p.m. Mission & Peacemaking Com. - City Club, 355 North Blvd.
 6:30 p.m. Fellowship Committee - Welcome Center
 7:00 p.m. NAMI - Conference Room & Library
- 12** 9:30 a.m. Day School Chapel
 Noon UPC Fun Club - BJ's Restaurant - Mall of Louisiana
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
- 13 Maundy Thursday**
 Noon Widows Support Group - Parks Wilson Room
 7:30 p.m. Worship
- 14 Good Friday**
DAY SCHOOL AND CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
 7:30 p.m. Worship
- 16 Easter Sunday** - Mike Watson preaching
 8:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
 8:30 a.m. Worship
 9:45 a.m. Easter Brunch - Fellowship Hall
 10:20 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt - Playground
 10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 18** 9:30 a.m. Helping Hands - Conference Room
 Noon AI-Anon - Parks Wilson Room
 12:30 p.m. Sabbatical Planning Meeting - Library
- 19** 9:30 a.m. Day School Chapel
 Noon Staff Meeting
 Noon UPC Fun Club - BJ's Restaurant - Mall of Louisiana
 5:00 p.m. Christian Ed. Adult Ed. Subcommittee - Library
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room



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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.

SUNDAY FLOWER DONATIONS

Memorial Flower Donation envelopes for 2017 are available in the pews for you to fill out to reserve flowers for 2017 Sunday Services. Available dates for donation can be found in the Sunday bulletins or by contacting the church office. Place your completed envelope in the offering plate, and we will take care of the rest. Thank you for making Sunday services so beautiful.

PICNIC IN THE COURTYARD!

You are invited to join PW at the Spring Picnic in the UPC courtyard, Tuesday, April 4. We will gather in the Parks Wilson Room at 11:00 a.m. to learn about the recipients of the upcoming PW Birthday Offering (to be collected in May). Lunch will be served in the courtyard at 11:30. We hope you will be able to join us for food and fellowship.



MAY CONTACT DEADLINE APRIL 20

APRIL CALENDAR *continued*

23 2nd Sunday of Easter - Rick Pitcher preaching

8:30 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Church School
10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
11:00 a.m. Worship
12:15 p.m. Middle & High School Youth Groups - Earth Day
2:30 p.m. New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal/Board Meeting
6:30 p.m. Session Meeting - Conference Room

25 Noon Al-Anon - Parks Wilson Room
7:00 p.m. NAMI - Conference Room & Library

26 Noon Staff Meeting
Noon UPC Fun Club - BJ's Restaurant - Mall of Louisiana
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

29 8:00 a.m. Middle & High School Youth Groups Bags of Hope
9:00 a.m. Huntington's Walk - Highland Rd. Park

30 3rd Sunday of Easter - Tina DeYoe preaching

8:30 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Church School
10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
11:00 a.m. Worship
Noon Caregivers Support Group - Parks Wilson Room

This Month in Hospitality Hall...

April 2-27 AMERICORPS groups from Pacific Northwest
April 29 - May 5 Elmhurst Presbyterian, Elmhurst, IL

Due to Taizé services being held on Wednesday, May 3, and the Day School Art Show being held on Thursday, May 4, the Hospitality Community Dinner for the Elmhurst group is TBA. Please watch your bulletin for announcements about the dinner.

Team Hope Walk for Huntingtons Disease

The Team Hope Walk for HD is back! Join us Saturday, April 30, at Highland Road Park. Registration starts at 9:00 a.m. to participate is a gentle walk in the park with refreshments and prizes. Easy sign up at: www.hdsa.org/thwbatonrouge. UPC members Anne and Cathy Paterson were diagnosed with this degenerative brain disease. "It is a devastating disease because it robs you of who you are." There is no treatment yet, but all are optimistic about research breakthroughs thanks to your support. The HD support group meets at UPC at 7:00 p.m. the second Monday of every month. For information or questions, please contact Ed or Linda Green or Karen Paterson.

Courtyard Collage

Got a secret talent? Been waiting for your time to shine? This could be your moment! Join us for a lovely sunset evening in the UPC Courtyard on Friday, May 5 from 6-8 p.m. for a night of art, music, spoken word, and more! Bring a chair and enjoy some beverages and food while you watch the entertainment. Interested in performing? Contact Patti Meredith: pfmeredith@aol.com.



Welcome! Interim Pastor, Rick Pitcher

Rick is a retired PC(USA) Teaching Elder who has been a member of the Presbytery of South Louisiana since his ordination in June 1976. A native of Oklahoma, he grew up in New Orleans, graduated from LSU and Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, VA, and served as pastor of churches in Jennings, New Orleans, and Baton Rouge. After returning to New Orleans in 1985, he met his wife, Debbie Abernathy, who was finishing her post-residency fellowship at Tulane Medical School. Following the birth of their son Greg, Rick began clinical training as a chaplain and counselor and received a master's degree in Marriage and Family Counseling from Our Lady of Holy Cross College in New Orleans in 1996. Following their move to Baton Rouge in 1993, Rick served as chaplain at The Medical Center of Baton Rouge, stated supply pastor at Trinity Presbyterian Church, and chaplain and grief counselor at The Hospice of Baton Rouge. He is also a Licensed Professional Counselor. Rick and his family have been active in the life of UPC since the 1990s. When not preaching elsewhere on Sundays, Rick sings in the choir and occasionally teaches in the Parks Wilson class. In retirement he has taught OLLI classes for LSU on *A History of New Orleans Jazz and Louisiana Music and the Artists Who Created It* in addition to pursuing his passions for LSU sports, travel, photography, music, and trains and railroad history.

Youth Group

Our Senior High and Middle School youth worked hard this past month on youth Sunday! We are very proud of their hard work and creativity. We continue with a few traditions this week including helping with the Easter Egg hunt and our field trip to the Baton Rouge Earth Day festival.

Upcoming Events

- Apr. 9 Easter Egg Hunt Prep. (4-6pm)
- Apr. 16 Easter Egg Hunt (church school hour)
- Apr. 23 Earth Day Festival (12:15-3pm)
- Apr. 29 (Sat. 8-11am) Bags of Hope with St. Paul Church

Christian Education at UPC

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

Godly Play helps our children to explore their faith through story, to gain religious language, and to enhance their spiritual experience through wonder and play. Join us on Sundays as we play together.

Teachers: Pat Strain, Griff Campbell, Betty Shelton, Linda Green

Elementary (Grades 1-5) Room 208

Feasting on the Word for children is a lectionary-based curriculum that connects with the church's lectionary cycle. Once a month, this class will focus directly on worship and music. This class will help connect the worship experience in a meaningful way with what is going on in church school. *Teacher: Betsy Wilks*

Shepherds: Linda Walker, Mary Mikell, Maggie Richardson

Middle School (Grades 6-8) Room 206

We will be using a new service-learning-based approach that will combine lessons from church school into youth group activities, which will occur monthly. The Middle School offering will be used in conjunction with the service learning projects. We will use the Faith Practices curriculum produced by the United Church of Christ.

Teachers: Kelly Kerr, Jill Clemmons

Senior High (Grades 9-12) Gather in Welcome Center

The Senior High church school class continues its tradition of faith conversation walks to a caffeinated holy place (Highland Coffees). We will be following the Feasting on the Word lectionary cycle Bible studies along with periodical topical conversations.

Teachers: Kurt Ozier, Kelley Massengale, Ed Peterson, Cynthia Peterson

Adult Bible Study Class Conference Room (122)

During Lent, this group will be exploring Making Room: Recovering Hospitality as a Christian Tradition by Christine D. Pohl. Breakfast will be provided as we dive in to our conversations about hospitality.

Adult Parks Wilson Class Parks Wilson Room (108)

"Making Room" in action (March through May)

The final series for the Parks Wilson class this year will be discussions related to Patti's sabbatical theme. We will unpack the depth of hospitality through narratives of people whose vocations are involved with making room for others. Themes will include monasticism, urban farming, homeless services, refugees, border policy, and more!

- April 2 Lauren Aronson - Immigration Law Clinic at LSU
- April 9 Angela Davis - Project Ishmael and Hagar's House in NOLA
- April 16 UPC Easter Brunch
- April 23 Rick Pitcher - The pastoral role of hospitality
- April 30 Tina DeYoe - Radical Hospitality



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

PALM SUNDAY

Sunday, April 9, 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

We enter holy week marching into the streets of Jerusalem alongside Christ, proclaiming God's sovereign love for the world. Come wave palm fronds with us as we proclaim "Hosanna!"

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Thursday, April 13, 7:30 p.m.

Gathered for one final meal, the disciples were certainly caught in a web of emotion as Christ washed their feet and proclaimed he would no longer be with them. Join us for a contemplative worship service which will include prayer stations for us to join in prayer and reflection on our journey with Christ.

GOOD FRIDAY

Friday, April 14, 7:30 p.m.

Our Good Friday Service will be a traditional service of Tenebrae (extinguishing of lights) as we meditate on Christ's service and sacrifice of love.

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 16, 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

The choir will sing at both services, communion will be celebrated, and the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering will be collected.

Everyone is encouraged to bring flowers to add to the Easter cross.

Fellowship/Easter Brunch and Egg Hunt

Our annual Easter Potluck Brunch will be held in the Fellowship Hall on Easter Sunday between the 8:30 and 11:00 services. Members of the congregation are encouraged to bring their favorite brunch items to share.

During the Easter Brunch, the children will gather for our annual Easter Egg hunt in the playground. Older children and youth will gather around 10:00 to hide the eggs and the hunt will officially start around 10:20.

A nursery will be provided for all events.

GUEST PREACHER APRIL 30

On April 30 please join us as guest preacher Tina DeYoe leads us in worship and leads our Parks Wilson Class, *Radical Hospitality: Seeing Beyond Labels, Welcoming the Stranger, Breaking Bread, and Transformation.*

Tina DeYoe, MDiv, is Director of Lifespan Religious Education at the Unitarian Church of Los Alamos, past Young Adult Volunteer in Guatemala and Borderlinks student. She will be joined by Stevie Demarest, past Young Adult Volunteer in Tucson, AZ with Borderlinks.



The **UPC Book Club** meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.
2285 Cedardale

April 4

Dead Wake by Erik Larsen

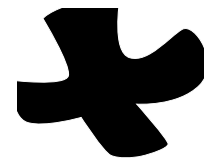
May 2

Great Things by Jodi Picoult

EXPERIENCE

the stillness
the music
the prayer

for a whole new season



Taizé

Sung Prayers

in the form of the ecumenical prayer community in Taizé, France

Taizé services are held every Wednesday during Lent and the first Wednesday of every month at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Make Taizé a part of your Lenten preparation.



The next UPC Work Day will be Saturday, April 8, from 8 - 11 a.m., to prepare the church and its grounds for Easter. Bring your favorite cleaning supplies and yard equipment and pitch in to help UPC shine! For specific questions or information please contact Ed Green at edgree3@yahoo.com.

STAFF INFORMATION WHILE PATTI IS AWAY

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For pastoral emergencies outside office hours, please contact Mike Watson or Rick Pitcher via their cell phones. Please respect designated days off by not calling that particular pastor.



WELCOME! Lydia Givins

Hospitality Hall Volunteer Coordinator

Lydia Hudson Givins will be serving as Volunteer Coordinator under AmeriCorps. She is married to Marvin Givins, who also works with AmeriCorps as a site supervisor. They have a combination of five wonderful children and five beautiful great grandchildren as well as four foster children whom they have raised for eight years. Lydia and her family were affected by the flood of August 2016 and lost everything except for the love and memories they shared in their home. In order to get away from their devastation while waiting for their home to be repaired, Lydia and her husband looked into disaster aid that would allow them to help them focus their time and energy on rebuilding their community. They read about AmeriCorps and decided to give it a try. Lydia has always been involved in community activities for youth as well as serving on several youth related boards in her church. She has organized camps, basketball teams, and several structured activities for the youth in the Baton Rouge community. Being our Hospitality Hall Volunteer Coordinator is just her way of giving back to the community she lives in and is surrounded by. Lydia's email address is lydia@pbysouthla.org and cell number is 225-810-6146.

Day School News!

Greetings to all! Registration is going well and classes are filling up. March started with a bang with the children celebrating Dr. Seuss's birthday celebrations. Many of the children and teachers dressed up as their favorite Dr. Seuss character. The teachers and parents prepared many fun crafts and food activities from several Dr. Seuss books for the children. They also talked to the children, stressing the importance of taking care of books and reading. The children also enjoyed a visit from the Tooth Fairy, who came out to share the importance of keeping and maintaining healthy teeth. On the seventeenth of March, the children wore green in honor of St. Patrick's Day and engaged in lots of exciting craft activities, snacks, and books.

Applications for Day School Floaters are being taken to help out with Staff Summer Vacations and Sick leave. Please see Mary or Terry in the Day School office.

Upcoming Day School activities:

- Spring Picture Days-April 5th and April 6th



UPC Day School Art Show

May 4, 2017 • 7:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

One Great Hour of Sharing Special Offering

April 16

Started in 1949, One Great Hour of Sharing is a long-standing ecumenical effort aimed at raising the funds necessary to provide relief and reconstruction for communities in the aftermath of disaster. What started as an hour-long radio appeal has evolved over the years, varying from eight to 29 participating denominations, and has become the most participated-in Offering in the PC(USA). Today, projects supported by One Great Hour of Sharing are underway in more than 100 countries.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA)

- Works within communities as they recover and find hope after the devastation of natural or human-caused disasters
- Receives 32% of funds raised

Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP)

- Takes action to alleviate hunger and its systemic causes and helps create access to healthy food for entire communities
- Receives 36% of funds raised

Self-Development of People (SDOP)

- Partners with people and communities with tools for development and education to alleviate poverty, oppression, and injustice
- Receives 32% of funds raised

There are three ways you can give:

- through your congregation
- text OGHS to 20222 to give \$10
- presbyterianmission.org/give-oghs

DONATIONS FOR CUBA

Donations are being collected for churches in the Presbytery of Matanzas, including our sister church, La Iglesia Presbiteriana Getsemaní, in San José de los Ramos. **The deadline for donations is Sunday, April 23.** Please contact Julie Launey with questions!

Needed medical supplies:

- Feminine hygiene products
- Eye drops—gel are especially appreciated
- OTC antacids & pain relievers
- Allergy relief for children and adults
- Multi-vitamins for all ages
- Sunscreen

Craft items:

- Fabric, needles & thread
- Knitting & crochet supplies

Educational & office supplies:

- Adhesive tape of any kind
- Pens, pencils, crayons, markers, light-weight writing paper, and envelopes

Very much appreciated are:

- photos, small Louisiana souvenirs, personal messages (especially art from children)
- Souvenir-sized Cajun seasoning!



The Back Fence

Paul Hoffman was inducted into the Order of Isabel the Catholic by Ambassador Enric Panes, Consul General of Spain, on March 15, 2017, at a ceremony at LSU, in recognition of Paul's lifetime achievements in research and writing about the Spanish in the southeastern part of the U.S., and the Caribbean.



The Pastor's Discretionary Account is currently low on funds. Please consider a donation.

Pastor's Discretionary funds, when available, will be disbursed by Mike during Patti's sabbatical.

CE SUNDAY Sunday, May 21

Our first Sunday of one service (10:00 a.m.) will also be our annual Christian Education Sunday. Portions of the worship service will be led by youth and children's church school classes. We will also be acknowledging the amazing teachers and youth group advisors, who volunteered so much of their time this year to Christian Education. We will also present Bibles to rising 1st graders, hymnals to rising 6th graders, mugs to rising 9th graders, and Bibles to graduating seniors.

IDENTIFIED GIVING STATUS *(as of 3/23/2017)*

Amount received this week - \$18,199 Budget amount needed - \$10,005

Year-to-Date Giving: amount actually received - \$130,952

Budget amount needed - \$120,059

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COUNTDOWN GIVING STATUS

Amount received this week - \$3,225 Total amount pledged - \$143,086

Year-to-Date Giving: amount actually received - \$67,485

Remaining loan payable - \$270,125



SAVE THE DATE!!

Blood Drive

The Spring Blood drive will be on Sunday, May 14, from 8:30 a.m. to noon. Our goal is 13 donors. If you can donate that day, please let Beth Paskoff know your preferred time and she will add you to the list. If you cannot donate on May 14, another option is to go to the United Blood Services offices at 8234 One Calais Avenue (it is off Essen). Be sure to tell them you are donating for University Presbyterian Church. Call 769-7233 to make an appointment.

Holy Grill

Once again we will be serving lunch at the Holy Grill the week of June 12-16. Please watch your bulletins and the June/July edition of Contact for information on how to sign up to volunteer.

Celebrate the Gift of the Holy Spirit to Christ's followers

Pentecost Sunday June 4

Pentecost Offering will be collected Wear Red!

UPC Vacation Bible School 2017 presents an intergenerational experience for all ages!

Espionage! Heroism! Heartbreak! A People in Peril! And Even a Beauty Contest! Join Wonder Woman and the Not-Ready-For-Presbytery Players on an amazing spiritual journey.

WONDER WOMEN OF THE BIBLE THE COURAGE TO LEAD

IT'S WICKED GOOD!

Sunday, June 11 - Tuesday, June 13, 5:00-8:00 p.m.

All-Age Vacation Bible School--It doesn't matter whether you're 5, 15, or 55; or if you're part of a family unit, a pair, or a singleton; or if you're an Old Testament scholar (hi, Stu!) or someone who confuses Eve with Esther --we promise entertainment, enlightenment, and dinner, too. Nursery for the littlest ones provided.

INTERFAITH FEDERATION
of GREATER BATON ROUGE

RSVP online at www.ifedgbr.com or call 225-267-5600 for more information.

Sounds of COMMUNITY Conversations

Date: April 5, 12, 19, 26, 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Location: East Baton Rouge Main Library, 7711 Goodwood

Information: Race Relations: The Journey to Right Relationships is a pilot program written for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) by Rev. Robin McCullough-Bade.

Prayer Requests

To add a name, remove a name, or update information on our prayer list, please contact the church office by noon on Thursday at cdurham@upcbr.org.

**Ruth Bivins • Tristyn Bemis • Tabitha Lewis • Don Snyder
Gerri Ward • Val and Dan Johns • Betty Campbell • Gerard Klein
Kent Walker • Joyce Kuyper • Cathy Laufer • Pat Kennedy
Dorothy Bankston • Judy Eubanks • Charles Granier • Bettye Burford**

- **Nick Paubel, Donna Schlotzhauer and family**, upon the death of Nick's son Gabriel on March 13
- **Chip Barber**, son of friends of Robbie Phillabaum, following colon surgery
- **Candace Wright**, on bed rest with pregnancy complications
- **Gus Rowland**, undergoing treatment for colon cancer
- **Ronnie Fenasci**, husband of Betty Armstrong, recovering from rotator cuff surgery
- **The parents of former UPC member Patricia Brown** as they experience declining health
- **Lee Wirth**, brother of Karen Paterson, in Florida with returning lymphoma
- **Barbara Gant**, friend of Dianne Garton, with bone cancer
- **John Harrison Doucet**, 20-year-old distant cousin of Anne Miller, who was electrocuted and is in the burn hospital in Augusta, GA
- **Joellen Hawkins**, Aunt of Emily Cogburn, with Alzheimer's
- **Jitte Vanhaelen**, cousin of Christine Kooi, with bone cancer
- **Talia Daigre**, struggling with mental health issues
- **Melanie Driscoll**, with chronic Lyme Disease
- **Bill Mathews**, friend of Robbie Phillabaum
- **Alan Williams**, brother of Virginia Davis, with Parkinson's
- **Lois Liggett**, mother of Sarah Kennedy
- **Marla Kerr-Lawson**, Kelly Kerr's sister
- **Edna Faust and her son Gregory**, friends of Kay Lindsey
- **Beth Whelen**, friend of Debbie Abernathy
- **Nic and Rachel Ciraldo**, friends of Griff Campbell, and their son, **Luca**, who has kidney cancer
- **Danny Farris and his family**, friends of Robbie Phillabaum. Danny continues to recover from extensive reconstructive surgery.
- **Paige Christian**, cousin of Mike Watson
- **Kyle Craig**, cousin of Melody Watson
- **Cathy Paterson**, who has Huntington's Disease; Karen Paterson, her mother; and all H.D. families
- **Kristi Hammatt**, friend of Katie New, and her daughter dealing with serious heart and lung problems
- **All hospice patients and their families**
- **All those who suffer with mental illness and emotional disorders**
- **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 La Pastora, Leticia Ramos Portieles, serving as its interim pastor**
- **Rebuilding Together Baton Rouge (www.RTBR), The Ginger Ford Northshore Fuller Center for Housing (gingerfordnorthshore.org), First Presbyterian Church Hammond, and First Presbyterian Church of Lafayette - the other hosts sites and work site coordinators rebuilding our cities after Flood 2016**



HOSPITAL VISITS BY UPC OFFICERS

- 1 Chris Whittington
- 2 Marissa Baham
- 3 Meredith Veldman
- 4 Ed Green
- 5 OPEN
- 6 OPEN
- 7 Jerry Trahan
- 8 OPEN
- 9 Gus Rowland
- 10 Jane Smith
- 11 Pat Ho
- 12 Carl Motsenbocker
- 13 Alicia Lewis
- 14 Andreas Giger
- 15 Nan Patt
- 16 Daniel Burch
- 17 Michael Strain
- 18 Cordell Haymon
- 19 June Klimash
- 20 Susan Ourso
- 21 Robin Patty & David Hall
- 22 Lee Jenkins
- 23 Kelley Massengale
- 24 Kelly Kerr
- 25 Patti Meredith
- 26 Barbara Gray
- 27 Edward Peterson
- 28 Bizza Britton
- 29 Leslie Green
- 30 Bunny Heroman
- 31 Kathy Poché

On your chosen date, please remember to contact the church office to check for people to visit!



Check out UPC on Facebook!

www.facebook.com/universitypresbyterian

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

2 Maggie Richardson
 3 Rebecca Clegorne
 Anna Snyder Kelly
 4 Bizza Britton
 5 Sean Bowles
 Nora Costello
 Paul Hoffman
 7 Jill Clemmons
 Diana Wickman
 9 Daniel Burch
 Stephanie Launey
 10 Elliott Baringer
 Max Skillen

15 Barbara Hoffman
 16 Brianna Hasten
 17 Nancy Doxey
 Kathy Rossman
 18 Cheryl Hedlund
 19 Mary Anne Sheffield
 Gerri Ward
 21 Juliana Sheffield
 Patti Snyder
 22 Beck Hogewood
 23 Samuel Irvine

24 Gray Carruth
 Jim Hanifen
 25 Geraldine Champagne
 26 Betsy Irvine
 26 Jerry Kennedy
 27 Lois Kuyper-Rushing
 Dylan Watson

****Please remember to
 contact the church office
 if your contact
 information changes.****

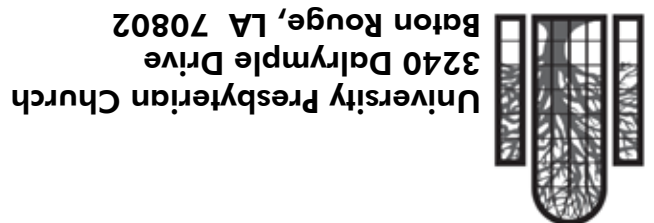
The Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank needs your help!

Please place your contribution in any of the orange barrels located around UPC or bring it to the front of the sanctuary during service.



Please remember that the parking spaces in front of the education building and behind the Parks Wilson Room are for persons who are handicapped. If you are dropping something off, please do so quickly; then move your vehicle so those who need the space can park.

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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