

# University Presbyterian Church

Welcome! May you find strength, joy, and a new challenge here. If you would like more information about membership or the program, mission, and fellowship of the church, speak to the pastor as you leave worship today or visit our website, [www.upcbr.org](http://www.upcbr.org).

## LIFE OF THE CHURCH September 20, 2020



### Sunday (9/20) 16th Sunday after Pentecost

*Patti Snyder preaching*

- 9:30 a.m. "Feasting on the Word" Bible Study - Zoom
- 9:30 a.m. "Murder, Marches, and Monuments" Small Group - Zoom
- 11:00 a.m. Worship - Facebook (*Live*)
- 11:45 a.m. Post Service Fellowship - Zoom

### Monday (9/21) - CONTACT ARTICLES DUE

- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting - UPC Courtyard

### Tuesday (9/22)

- 3:30 p.m. "Visio Divina" Small Group - Zoom

### Wednesday (9/23)

- 9:30 a.m. "Into the Light" Small Group - 1545 Patrick Dr.
- 12:30 p.m. Day School Committee - Zoom
- 1:30 p.m. Taizé - Facebook
- 3:30 p.m. Stewardship & Finance Committee - Zoom
- 7:00 p.m. CUBA Small Group - Zoom

### Thursday (9/24)

- 11:00 a.m. "Soul Feast" Small Group - Zoom
- 5:30 p.m. "Into the Light" Small Group - Zoom

### Sunday (9/27) 17th Sunday after Pentecost

*Betsy Irvine preaching*

- 9:30 a.m. "Feasting on the Word" Bible Study - Zoom
- 11:00 a.m. Worship - Facebook (*Live*)
- 11:45 a.m. Post Service Fellowship - Zoom
- 1:00 p.m. Session Meeting - Zoom

## IN MEMORIAM

Charley Fisher who died on September 14

### **IDENTIFIED GIVING STATUS 2020** (as of 09/17/2020)

Received Pledged giving: **\$355,015**

Received Unpledged giving \$17,886

TOTAL GIVING RECEIVED: \$372,901

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*For meetings, classes, and events, Zoom links may be found on our website ([www.upcbr.org](http://www.upcbr.org)), on Realm ([onrealm.org](http://onrealm.org)), or by contacting a group leader.*

## **HINTS FOR PARTICIPATING IN Facebook live worship:**

You may or may not have realized there is both a UPC Facebook Page (Note, Banner will be the message for the month, this month it is “PEACE”) and a UPC Facebook Group (Note, the picture of the congregation as the banner). The Page is public. The Group is private, but you can request to join and I assure you that one of our administrators will accept your request! This Group is a good place to share joys and concerns that you might not wish to be available to everyone on the internet. When you go to Facebook, in order to join in our Sunday morning worship, **MAKE SURE YOU GO TO OUR FACEBOOK PAGE**, not the Group. This month look for “PEACE” at the top of the page. And, don’t join a watch party but **WAIT UNTIL THE LIVE FEED APPEARS ON THE FACEBOOK PAGE**. Another tip would be to go to the UPC Facebook page and click on **VIDEOS**. All of our videos appear there!

## **POST SERVICE FELLOWSHIP**

The Fellowship Committee is hosting a post worship Zoom gathering on Sundays at 11:45 a.m. until further notice. All are invited to attend and you do not have to have a Zoom account to participate. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82495540943> Meeting ID: 824 9554 0943

On October 4th (which is World Wide Communion Sunday), everyone is encouraged to bring their lunch to the fellowship zoom and be prepared to tell everyone what they are eating, how delectable it is, who made it, etc. It’s your turn to shine as a UPC Cooking Reality Star.

## **SMALL GROUPS AT UPC**

Small groups and ongoing classes are in full swing at UPC! For more information or to participate in these small groups see the September edition of Contact or go to our website <https://upcbr.org/ministries/adult-education/>

## **BIRTHDAYS** *This Week (September 20-26)*

21 Kate Freeman, 22 Edward Peterson, 23 Tabitha Lewis, 24 Suzie Hand, 25 Allison ElKoubi, 26 John Richardson

## **T-SHIRT CONTEST**

The UPC Fashion Committee a.k.a. the Fellowship Committee requests your assistance in selecting a new church T-shirt. Round 1 of voting will begin soon. Design submissions will be emailed to the congregation soon! Pick your top three and email your votes to [mattmcgraw@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mattmcgraw@sbcglobal.net) by October 5th. The top three designs will move on to round two. If you do not get an email with the designs by October 1, please inform the committee co-chair Matt McGraw.

## **PENCILS AND MORE FOR PARK ELEMENTARY**

UPC's public education partners at Park Elementary are collecting the following supplies for their students: marble composition books, pens, pencils, erasers, crayons, earbuds. Please drop off supplies at UPC on Wednesdays between 9:00 a.m. and noon or contact Karen Foote at [olfo@aol.com](mailto:olfo@aol.com).

## **NONPERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS NEEDED!**

The LSU Food Pantry offers prepackaged bags of food for students to pick up (students will not be allowed to enter the pantry). To do so, the LSU Food Pantry needs your help. We'll collect non-perishable food items at the church every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. until further notice. There is a bin inside the door closest to the church office where you can leave your donations. Especially needed are protein items (beans, tuna, chicken, and meat sauce), vegetables, and cereals. Please no sweets and no pet food!

## **HURRICANE LAURA... UPC IN ACTION**

UPC's Mission & Peacemaking has contributed \$1000 to Hurricane Laura relief through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA). This is in addition to the \$2000 annual benevolence budgeted to PDA. UPC has supplied WalMart gift cards to be used towards the purchase of personal and clean up items, gasoline, and other necessities. We participated in securing and delivering items to augment personal hygiene kits to be distributed by DeRidder Presbyterian church and will continue to work in partnership with the Presbytery, Nechama Relief, PDA, and with other recovery groups. More information about how to help will be forthcoming.

What you can do right now: Assemble items needed for evacuees from hurricane Laura now residing in Baton Rouge:

In a gallon sized Ziploc bag, please consider the following personal items:

- Regular sized tube of toothpaste
- Regular sized bar of soap
- Band aids
- Pain reliever and/or Benadryl
- Individually wrapped energy or granola bars
- FACIAL MASKS!
- Toothbrushes
- Deodorant
- Hand sanitizer
- Wash rags
- Shampoo

Please consider that many people will be away from their homes for quite a long while and need more than a days' worth of toiletries. Whatever you can give will be appreciated! You can bring bags to UPC on Wednesday mornings from 9:00 -12:00 and Thursday mornings from 9:00 - 11:00.

Other ways to support Hurricane Laura relief:

Presbytery of South Louisiana [www.pbysouthla.org](http://www.pbysouthla.org) Click on the Donate button  
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance [www.pda.pcususa.org](http://www.pda.pcususa.org) Click on Donate and indicate "Hurricane Laura" as recipient.

Donate through the State of Louisiana Hurricane Laura Updates website at [www.hurricanelaura.la.gov](http://www.hurricanelaura.la.gov) Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click on how to donate.

# Prayer Requests

To add a name, remove a name, or update information on our prayer list, please contact the church office by noon on Wednesday at [cdurham@upcbr.org](mailto:cdurham@upcbr.org).

**Lois Liggett • Gary Meise • Ruth Bivins • Dean Kerr • Tabitha Lewis  
Don Snyder • Bettye Burford • Gerard Klein • Melanie Driscoll • Kim Kirby**

- **Jill Scherrer**, recovering from knee replacement surgery
- **Dave Scherrer**, recovering from gallbladder surgery
- **Linda Clark**, recovering from chemo and preparing for her next phase of treatment
- **Mona Truluck**, recovering from surgery on September 15
- **Phyllis Morgan**, sister of Ellen, who evacuated from Lake Charles to Baton Rouge following hurricane Laura
- **Misha Gottesman**, two-year-old nephew of Peggy Carroll, diagnosed with leukemia
- **Judith Schiebout**, at BR Gen mid city recovering from Covid19
- **Mary Timmons**, at Old Hammond Skilled Nursing for rehab
- **RJ LeBlanc**, father of Kathie Pohlman's 'Bonus Daughter,' Nikki, with lung cancer
- **Bob Wilks**, son of Bunny Heroman and brother of Betsy Wilks, at home continuing to recover from Covid19
- **Kaley Hall**, ten year old niece of John Grubb, undergoing chemotherapy for a pineoblastoma at St. Jude's
- **Barbara Hoffman**, who recently broke her wrist
- **Anne Dardis**, friend of Pat Strain, recovering from back surgery
- **Donna Crumpler**, mother of Tavia Crumpler, undergoing treatment for colon cancer
- **Anne Bender**, friend of Pat Ho, undergoing cancer treatment
- **Margaret Lewis**, friend of Pat Ho, and her children and grandchildren. Margaret has entered hospice care
- **Mickey Zaitoon**, wife of Samear, in Magnolia Assisted Living Facility in Burnside
- **Frances Sullivan-González's family in Nicaragua and the country deeply affected by the Covid-19 pandemic**
- **Leewood Oakley**, daughter of college friends of Doug and Linda Walker, undergoing treatment for breast cancer
- **Ginger Zipperer**, friend of Darla O'Connor, diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer
- **Marla Kerr-Lawson**, Kelly Kerr's sister, undergoing chemotherapy
- **Gina Tharp**, friend of Ann Miller, undergoing treatment for Stage IV colorectal cancer
- **Terry Calendar**, friend of Wes Mainord, seriously ill following a stroke and with advanced cancer
- **Mary**, Kelly Kerr's cousin, recovering from a mastectomy and infection
- Ben Stoker's **Uncle Jody**, with advanced stage cancer
- **Mike and Chip**, friends of Robbie Phillabaum, facing difficult cancer treatments
- **Betty Crawford**, friend of Robbie Phillabaum, recovering from a stroke
- **Ralph Simone**, friend of Darla O'Connor, undergoing treatment for bladder cancer
- **Joellen Hawkins**, Aunt of Emily Cogburn, with Alzheimer's
- **Alan Williams**, brother of Virginia Davis, with Parkinson's
- **Edna Faust and her son Gregory**, friends of Kay Lindsey
- **All families affected by Huntington's Disease**
- **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 Cuba church partners, Pastor Josué Montejo, and others in Cuba facing widespread shortages.**