

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.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

April 11, 2021



Sunday (4/11) 2nd Sunday of Easter

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

Monday (4/12)

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Zoom (*for more info dwalters@upcbr.org*)

Tuesday (4/13)

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting - Zoom/UPC

7:00 p.m. Mission & Peacemaking Committee - Zoom

Wednesday (4/14)

11:00 a.m. "God's Promise I Am With You" Small Group - 1545 Patrick Dr.

7:00 p.m. Choir Recording - UPC Sanctuary

Thursday (4/15)

11:00 a.m. "Soul Feast" Small Group - Zoom

12:30 p.m. "Visio Divina" Small Group - Zoom

Sunday (4/18) 3rd Sunday of Easter

9:30 a.m. "Feasting on the Word" Bible Study - Zoom

9:30 a.m. "Violence and Politics in US History" - Zoom

11:00 a.m. Worship - Facebook (*Live*)

11:45 a.m. Called Congregational Meeting/Post Service Fellowship - Zoom

1:30 p.m. Youth Gathering - Mamie's house

Office Hours

The church office is physically open on Wednesdays 9-3 and Thursdays 9-noon. If you need to reach the office, phones are forwarded to Caralyn's cell phone, however, the connection isn't always great. The fastest and easiest way is to email cdurham@upcbr.org which is monitored M-F 8:30 - 3:30.

IDENTIFIED GIVING STATUS 2021 (*as of 4/9/2021*)

Received Pledged giving: **\$191,338**

Received Unpledged giving \$12,044

TOTAL GIVING RECEIVED: **\$203,382**

*It's not too late to make a pledge to UPC for 2021!
You can pledge online through your Realm account under GIVING
or by contacting the church office for a pledge card.
Thank you for your prayerful consideration and donation.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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?pwd=RkhvS2FrbVFOMWJmdHZFemx2UEtJZz09>

Meeting ID: 824 9554 0943 Passcode: welcome

Called Congregational Meeting April 18

A congregational meeting has been called for the purpose of hearing the report of the Congregational Nominating Committee and for the election of Elders and Deacons for **Sunday, April 18**, immediately following worship. The meeting will be held via zoom (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82495540943?pwd=bGhEOFQ0YmY1VGtldGNKTVo4TWJodz09> Meeting ID: 824 9554 0943 Passcode: welcome). Your Congregational Nominating Committee has prayerfully considered future leadership for the church and diligently sought a willingness to serve from their nominees. The nominees for the class of 2024 unless otherwise noted are:

Elder: Rick Bowles, Griff Campbell, Melanie Driscoll, Jerry Kennedy (*class of 2023*), Gary Meise, Diana Reynolds, Lynne Wallace, Rosa Campbell (*youth elder, class of 2022*)

Deacon: Margaret Bach, Ellen Morgan, Karen Paterson, Carolin Purser, Linda Walker, Mary Wardlaw

Day School Registration Now Open!

Registration for the Summer 2021 and Fall 2021/Spring 2022 is open now to present students, siblings of present students, University Presbyterian Church members, and the public on a first come, first served basis. Application and registration information can be found on our website. www.upcbr.org

Flower Brigade

UPC Nurture Committee's has a newly formed "Flower Brigade" to bring flowers to cheer/offer well wishes to church members. If you would like to serve on the Flower Brigade or would like more information, please contact Jane Smith at (225)315-4946 or jmvsmith51@gmail.com

BIRTHDAYS *This Week (April 11-17)*

12 Braden Stoker, 13 Alicia Lewis, 15 Barbara Hoffman, 17 Kathy Rossman

FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

Violence and Politics in US History

Aaron Sheehan-Dean - leader

Sundays at 9:30 a.m. on Zoom, March 21 - April 18 (No class 4/11)

*Aaron Sheehan-Dean, Fred C. Frey Professor and Chair of the LSU Department History, will be offering a series of presentations on the history of political violence in the United States from the post-Civil War era to the present day. He is a specialist in the history of the Civil War and recently published *The Calculus of Violence: How Americans Fought the Civil War* (2019). Topics will include Reconstruction, Jim Crow, Civil Rights and modern domestic terrorism.*

<https://lsu.zoom.us/j/2765203639>

Feasting on the Word - Adult Bible Study

Rotating leaders

Sundays at 9:30 a.m. on Zoom (ongoing)

For each lectionary text, participants will find brief essays and discussions concerning the biblical texts. One review states, "A very helpful resource for those who use the lectionary in their weekly church services. I love that each passage is broken into theological perspective, pastoral perspective, exegetical perspective and homiletical perspectives. Having each perspective side by side discussing the passage for the week is very helpful."

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81701086436?pwd=Y255a0dwK0NkSVhseEhzaWVwMWRFdz09>

Meeting ID: 817 0108 6436 Passcode: 369663

Bible Study - God's Promise I Am With You

Peggy Carroll, leader

Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m.

"God's Promise I Am With You", takes us on a journey through old and new scripture to consider circumstances in which God articulated God's most frequent promise of presence. Held in-person and led by Peggy Carroll at 1545 Patrick Drive on Wednesday mornings at 11:00. For information contact Peggy: 225-726-7856 or peggoc@yahoo.com.

Soul Feast

Mary Mikell and Betsy Irvine

Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. on Zoom

Readings from various writers in spirituality. The group reads essays, books, and poems from a wide variety of authors.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83644003582?pwd=OGJGMlJqOUtJWHMxbjBoK0tTclpOdz09> Meeting ID: 836 4400 3582 Passcode: 100887

Visio Divina

Facilitator: Patti Snyder

Thursdays, 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. on Zoom

Latin for "divine seeing," this small group will use resources in the Sanctified Art: Again and Again series to explore - through meditation on visual art, artist's statements, bible study, and group discussion around the theme of Covenant.

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.

**Lois Liggett • Gary Meise • Ruth Bivins • Dean Kerr • Tabitha Lewis
John Earle • Bettye Burford • Gerard Klein • Melanie Driscoll
Alan Williams • Our Cuba Partners • Dolores Ingraham
James and Jeanette Hanifen**

- **Liz Chapman and her family**, upon the death of her mother, Thelma Berry
- **Del Horan**, recovering from a fractured pelvis and tail bone
- **Garrett White**, friend of Matt McGraw, is in the hospital in Houston fighting cancer and a second bout of Covid-19
- **Steven Hartmann and his family**, upon the death of his grandfather, Rogers Moreland
- **Viki Guillot** upon the death of her son, Cherif
- **Mark Bolner**, brother of Susan Seifert, and his friend **Kelly Williams** who both have Covid
- **Orland Britton**, father of Ed Britton, in rehabilitation after a compression fracture in his back
- **John Johnson**, Mary Steven's father, as he faces difficult decisions about next steps after learning that his cancer has spread
- **Richard**, the partner of Virginia Davis' cousin, Leslie, who is in ICU with COVID
- **The family of Debra Dupree**, John Earle's caregiver: her daughter, Meaghan, is pregnant and hospitalized. Prayers for baby (Rhett) and father, Todd.
- **James and Gloria Snowden**, parents of Ethel Felder (Day School Assistant Director)
- **Ron Rossi**, friend of Susan Seifert, recovering from surgery to repair a broken hip
- **Jimmy Topper**, grandson of Mary Jane Kerr, in ICU as he battles COVID19
- **Mitchel Bartolo**, friend of Frances Sullivan-Gonzalez, undergoing chemotherapy prior to chest surgery to remove a thymoma tumor
- **Linda Clark's family** who are going through difficult times
- **Michael Lee Terry** in Saudi Arabia
- **Nan Patt**, undergoing chemotherapy
- **Mary Steven's father**, undergoing treatment for colorectal cancer
- **Judith Gooch**, friend of Pat Ho, **and her daughter Jennifer and granddaughter Evelyn** who are going through some very difficult times
- **Misha Gottesman**, two-year-old nephew of Peggy Carroll, with leukemia
- **RJ LeBlanc**, father of Kathie Pohlman's 'Bonus Daughter,' Nikki, with lung cancer
- **Kaley Hall**, ten year old niece of John Grubb, undergoing chemotherapy for a pineoblastoma at St. Jude's
- **Anne Bender**, friend of Pat Ho, undergoing cancer treatment
- **Ginger Zipperer**, friend of Darla O'Connor, 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
- **Mike and Chip**, friends of Robbie Phillabaum, undergoing difficult cancer treatments
- **Ralph Simone**, friend of Darla O'Connor, undergoing treatment for bladder cancer
- **Joellen Hawkins**, Aunt of Emily Cogburn, with Alzheimer'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**