

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.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Week of October 20, 2024

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.

Sunday (10/20) 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

- 9:30 a.m. Church School
- 11:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary (*Live Streamed via Facebook & upcbr.org*)
- 12:30 p.m. Stewardship & Finance Committee - Conference Room
- 2:00 p.m. New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal - Choir Room
- 4:30 p.m. Youth Group

Monday (10/21) - CONTACT ARTICLES DUE

- 10:45 a.m. Staff Meeting - Library
- 5:00 p.m. APNC - Zoom

Tuesday (10/22)

- 5:00 p.m. TBR Unity Event - F.G. Clark Activity Center, Southern University
- 7:00 p.m. NAMI - Conference Room & Library

Wednesday (10/23)

- 9:30 a.m. Faith & Community Small Group - Parks Wilson Room
- 10:00 a.m. Day Circle II - 1545 Patrick Dr.
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Thursday (10/24)

- 11:00 a.m. Soul Feast - Parks Wilson Room
- 7:30 p.m. New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal - Choir Room

Saturday (10/26)

- 8:30 a.m. Westdale/Woodlawn Middle Orchestra Rehearsal - Sanctuary
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Group Night Maze

Sunday (10/27) 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

- 9:30 a.m. Church School
- 11:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary (*Live Streamed via Facebook & upcbr.org*)
- 1:00 p.m. NAJAMA Food - Fellowship Hall
- 1:00 p.m. Stated Session Meeting - Conference Room
- 4:30 p.m. Halloween Event - UPC Parking Lot (*set up starts at 4:00*)

SUNDAY NURSERY OPPORTUNITY

We've almost filled up the spots for the rest of the year. Please push us over the top! You can sign up in the back of the sanctuary or with the link below to serve as a "second" in the nursery!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0444ABAA2DA5FF2-sunday1>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Learn more about us by reading our monthly church newsletter, the Contact.

Copies are available in the back of the church and Welcome Center,

or you can find Contact on our web site, www.upcbr.org.

Check us out on Facebook, too! (<https://www.facebook.com/universitypresbyterian>)

CHOIR FOR KIDS

Beginning today we will have a portion of Sunday school (2nd-5th graders) devoted to music. Ross Cawthon, UPCs Choir Director, will teach this from 9:30-9:45. Be on time so you can sing and have fun!

BIRTHDAYS (October 20-26)

20 Rick Bowles, Lori Tucker. and Doug Walker; 21 Jane Wallace;

22 Joseph Tyler; 23 Pat Wright; 25 Ed Britton and Larry Reynolds

TOGETHER BATON ROUGE'S UNITY 2024 EVENT

Come show the power of the people at TBR's Unity 2024 event. We'll be asking candidates to commit to meet with us regularly, welcoming new institutions joining us in our work, and celebrating our historic role in building relationships and solving problems in Baton Rouge. Let Rick Moreland or Mary Mikell know you will join our delegation on Tuesday, October 22, 5:00 p.m, at F.G. Clark Activity Center, Southern University.

DEDICATION SUNDAY

Sunday, October 27

Please join us as we pledge our time, talents, and financial support for 2025!

(Additional pledge cards are available in the sanctuary and Welcome Center)

How to Pledge in Realm

Log into your Realm account at onrealm.org. *If you don't have a realm account, please contact the church office.* Once you are in your profile go to **GIVING** then **+PLEDGE** and a new pledge window will appear. Choose the **GENERAL FUND** for 2025, fill in how often you would like to pledge, from dates **1/1/2025** to **12/31/2025**, and how much you would like to pledge. Realm will calculate the yearly total for you. When you are done make sure you click **SAVE PLEDGE**. It's that easy!



Online giving is available...

- via the GIVE tab on our website (www.upcbr.org)
- by texting "upcbr (space) and then the number of dollars" to 73256
- by scanning the QR code

Messages and data rates may apply. Message frequency varies.

Text HELP to 73256 for help. Text STOP to 73256 to cancel.

Small Groups

Faith and Community

2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. (*ongoing*)

We explore a wide range of topics concerning faith and community, and look forward to sharing ideas and conversation. Everyone is welcome. This group currently meets in the Parks Wilson Room.

Soul Feast

Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. in the Parks Wilson Room

Readings from various writers in spirituality.

FAITH FORMATION FALL 2024 *Sundays at 9:30 a.m.*

For Adults:

Bible Study

This group uses the "Living the Word" curriculum which follows the Narrative Lectionary used in worship. Themes for this fall include: "Promises Made, Promises Broken", "God Sightings", and "The Hope of the Messiah". Several participants of the class share the weekly facilitating. Everyone is encouraged to weigh in on the class discussion. Meet in the Conference Room.

Bless This Mess

This adult discussion class is aimed at parents of babies through college-age kids, but of course is open to anyone. We'll be using podcasts and book chapters to spark discussion of what it means for Christians to parent in 2024. This class meets in the "Room of Requirement" (opposite Mamie's office).

Digging Deeper

October 20: Jerry Kennedy on "Anglo-Saxon Protestantism and Manifest Destiny"

October 27: Niles Haymer, Deputy Director of Baton Rouge's Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC), will bring us a closer look at the new Pretrial Services Unit and how it will benefit those entangled in the justice system while also better ensuring public safety. He will discuss the existing bond monitoring processes and how they can lead to unfair and inequitable circumstances, and he will bring us examples of other initiatives from around the country that have helped to create a more fair and equitable system. This class is sponsored by the Mission and Peacemaking Committee.

November 3: Jerry Kennedy on "Nationalism and Religion in the 19th Century"

November 10: Gaines Foster continues his series on "The History of Religion in American Public Life"

IDENTIFIED GIVING STATUS 2024 (*as of 10/16/2024*)

Received Pledged giving: \$450,905 (*79% of \$570,558 pledged*)

Received Unpledged giving \$20,196

TOTAL GIVING RECEIVED: \$471,101

Thank you for your generous contributions!

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.

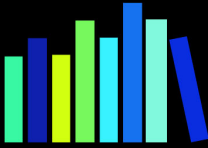
**Lois Liggett • Gary Meise • Ruth Bivins • Gerard Klein
Alan Williams • Kathy Poché • Cheryl Whitting • Kathy Rossman
Mickey Rose Braud Zaitoon • Fay Coco • Melanie Driscoll
Our Cuba Partners • Lynn Nichols Dull**

- **Lee Wirth**, brother of Karen Paterson, as he continues treatment for lymphoma
- **Victoria Robertson and family**, upon the death of her brother, Mark Brami
- **Cecil Eubanks and family**, upon the death of his son, Christopher, on October 8
- **Suzanne E.**, friend of Kathie Pohlman, recovering from a stroke at BR Rehab
- **Frances McGraw** (95), grandmother of Matthew McGraw, in the hospital with gallstones and possible onset of dementia
- **Brian Babin**, recovering from back surgery at BR Rehab
- **Wes Mainord**, recovering from hip replacement surgery at home
- **Lillian McGruder**, aunt of Leslie Green, in hospice, and Leslie's cousin, Tad, her caretaker
- **Patti Aldrich**, neighbor of Patti Snyder, diagnosed with cancer
- **Gabrielle Clune**, friend of Barbara and Paul Hoffman
- **Kathy Barry and her daughters**, as Kathy is cared for by hospice
- **Betty Nelson**, aunt of Bizza Britton, with congestive heart failure and a move at age 96
- **Faye Beroth**, Bizza Britton's aunt with Alzheimer's, and her son, Tom, her sole caretaker
- **Josh Rosenberg and Angelle Bradford** as Josh undergoes radiation and chemotherapy
- **Bill Benton**, uncle of Mamie Broadhurst, in hospice
- **Kathy Kennedy**, Jerry's sister, undergoing chemotherapy
- **Julio Piña**, nephew of Jan Risher and Julio Naudin, with multiple brain tumors
- **Corrie Hale's Dad, Conrad**, with inoperable cancer on his spine
- **Joellen Hawkins**, Aunt of Emily Cogburn, with Alzheimer's
- **Craig Fisher**, Anita Melon's brother in law, with Lewy-Body dementia
- **Hugh Huffman**, friend of Rosemary John, undergoing treatment for cancer
- **Rev. Adelaida Jiménez and the efforts toward peace in Colombia**
- **All those affected by war - Ukraine, Middle East, and beyond**
- **All those affected by gun violence**
- **All families affected by Huntington's Disease**
- **All hospice patients and their families**
- **All those who suffer with mental illness and emotional disorders**
- **Those who are affected by alcoholism and addiction**
- **Men and women serving in the armed forces**
- **Those who are going through separation or divorce**
- **Those who are affected by domestic violence**
- **The United States as we prepare for the upcoming election**
- **All those recovering from hurricanes Helene and Milton**



The flowers this morning are
presented to the glory of God
and in loving memory of their mothers,
Laura Simmons and Alice Roberts,
by Faimon and Elizabeth Simmons Roberts





**Book Fair Hours 8-11 AM and 3-6 PM
Monday - Friday**

The book fair will be held in Fellowship Hall
and will be available to church members on
Sunday, October 27 until 12:30 p.m.

Day School Book Fair October 21-27



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

4:30-6:00 PM

UPC PARKING LOT

FUN • GAMES • COSTUMES ENCOURAGED



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3 months - 4 years

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CHURCH WORK DAY

NOVEMBER 3 • FOLLOWING 11:00 a.m. WORSHIP • ALL AGES WELCOME