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 November 3, 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 (11/3) All Saints' Sunday

Communion, Requiem, Necrology 9:30 a.m. Church School

11:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary (*Live Streamed via Facebook & upcbr.org*)

Noon Diaconate Meeting - Conference Room

Noon Church Clean Up Day - UPC

Noon Youth Group @ Church Clean Up Day (lunch)

Monday (11/4)

10:45 a.m. Staff Meeting - Library

5:00 p.m. APNC - TBA

Tuesday (11/5)

8:30 a.m. Nurture Committee - Zoom 10:00 a.m. Day Circle - Parks Wilson Room

Wednesday (11/6)

9:30 a.m. Day School Chapel - Sanctuary
10:00 a.m. Day Circle II - 1545 Patrick Dr.
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Thursday (11/7)

11:00 a.m. Soul Feast - Parks Wilson Room

7:30 p.m. New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal - Choir Room

Saturday (11/9)

6:30 p.m. LSU vs. Alabama @ LSU (*PARKING*) Sunday (11/10) 25th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. Church School

11:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary (Live Streamed via Facebook & upcbr.org)

1:30 p.m. Music Club of Baton Rouge - Choir Room

4:30 p.m. Youth Group

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)

SANCTUARY

On Election Day this year we will have the sanctuary open from 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. for prayer. You can light a candle, sit a while, and pray in whatever way you choose about whatever you choose. Spread the word. All are welcome.

UPC BOOK GROUP

The UPC Book Group will NOT meet, November 5. Instead, the group will discuss the classic <u>The House of the Seven Gables</u> by Nathaniel Hawthorne at their December meeting.

BIRTHDAYS (November 3-9)

3 Ethel Felder; 5 Thelma Berg; 9 Cynthia Peterson and Leah Raetzsch

WE'RE GROWING!

The Day School is adding another infant room in January and you can help fill it. Please visit their Amazon wish list:

https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/2EROLVYTKEPMV

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

We are so grateful for the 83 pledges we have received as of October 30. This includes 9 new pledges, 32 increased pledges. The total pledged is \$490,382. The budget for 2025 can only be composed with the pledges we have already received, so if you have not yet made your pledge please do so soon. The budget committee will begin its work this month, using these numbers to plan for 2025. You may contact Caralyn in the church office (225-383-0345 OR cdurham@upcbr.org), or complete the pledge form in the pews, or access your account through REALM.

DECK THE UPC HALLS

Advent begins December 1 and it will be here before we know it. This year we will decorate with both white poinsettias and the amaryllis bulbs that support Huntington Disease Research. Please designate whether you would like an amaryllis or poinsettia for your gift. The cost of either is \$22.00. Donation cards are in the bulletin or email Caralyn with your order. Payments may be made by check or in REALM (Sanctuary Flowers). The deadline to order will be November 15.

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.

Transitions

Linda Melancon with Legacy Estate & Elder Law of Louisiana LLC will return to Transitions on Saturday, Nov. 16, with Part 2 of How to Protect Your Family and Leave a Lasting Legacy: A Primer on Basic Estate Planning in Louisiana. The meeting will be from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room at UPC. All are welcome even if they missed her first presentation. Contact: Lori Tucker at littocker70@gmail.com or Beth Paskoff at Bpaskoff@lsu.edu.

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

November 3: Gaines Foster continues his series on "The History of Religion in American Public Life"

LSU GAME DAY PARKING

Only three more home games to go!

November 9th LSU/Alabama November 23rd LSU/Vanderbilt November 30th LSU/Oklahoma

Parking starts about 4 hours before kickoff. Youth should work at least 3 home games per season to qualify for the scholarship funds it raises for youth trips. It's a fun and easy way to raise money, so come join in the fun! Contact our parking organizers Peggy Carroll (225-485-8485) or Griff Campbell (225-571-4054) for information or to add your name to the list of helpers.



The flowers this morning are presented to the glory of God by the Walker family in loving memory of Doug's siblings

Tamara and Brett











CHURCH WORK DAY

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



Online giving is available...

- via the GIVE tab on our website (<u>www.upcbr.org</u>)
- 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.

IDENTIFIED GIVING STATUS 2024 (as of 10/30/2024)

Received Pledged giving: \$461,587 (80% of \$573,558 pledged)

Received Unpledged giving \$20,832 TOTAL GIVING RECEIVED: \$482,419 Thank you for your generous contributions!



The UPC Society for the Promotion of "Sportsmanlike" Conduct (SPSC, AKA the Fellowship Committee) dares you to attend the Fall Picnic at BREC's Perkins Road/Kennilworth Park, Pavillion 1 (7122 Perkins Rd, Baton Rouge, LA 70808, although we'll be meeting at the parking lot at Kennilworth) on Sunday, November 17 at 12:30 PM. This will be a potluck picnic; SPSC will provide drinks, cups, plates, plastic-ware and similar items. SPSC also will provide the recreation and entertainment, namely the UPC Third Annual Kickball Grudge Match between the Saints and the Sinners. Draft picks will be held at the park, after which participants will sign medical waivers and the action will begin.



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

- Vanessa Harris, sister-in-law of Jonathan Hubchen, undergoing chemotherapy for liver cancer
- Doug Toothman, brother-in-law of Jerry and Sarah Kennedy, with liver cancer
- 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, at home recovering from a stroke
- Frances McGraw (95), grandmother of Matthew McGraw, in the hospital with gallstones and possible onset of dementia
- •Brian Babin, recovering at home from back surgery
- 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