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 10, 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 (11/10) 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

Monday (11/11)

11:30 a.m. Membership Committee - Library

5:00 p.m. APNC - Zoom

7:00 p.m. Huntington's Disease Support Group - Conference Room

Tuesday (11/12)

7:00 p.m. NAMI - Conference Room & Library

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

Wednesday (11/13)

9:00 a.m. Faith & Community Small Group - Parks Wilson Room

10:00 a.m. Day Circle II - 1545 Patrick Dr.
5:00 p.m. Property Committee - Zoom
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Thursday (11/14)

11:00 a.m. Soul Feast - Parks Wilson Room
6:00 p.m. Bella Voce Rehearsal - Sanctuary
6:30 p.m. Day School Committee - Zoom

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

Friday (11/15)

6:30 p.m. Bella Voce Recital - Sanctuary

Saturday (11/16)

10:00 a.m. Transitions Small Group - Conference Room

Sunday (11/17) 26th 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. Church Picnic @ BREC Kenilworth Park Pavilion 1

12:30 p.m. Youth Group @ Church Picnic

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

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)

OFFICE NOTES

Caralyn will be away from the office November 8 - 15. During this time the office will be staffed by volunteers. Mamie will be away from the office after Monday for a planning retreat. She can be reached by phone or email, but she will only be checking messages twice a day. Please call her if you have an emergency.

SUNDAY NURSERY OPPORTUNITY

December 22 and 29 - who can help us care for kiddos in our nursery for the last two Sundays of the year? 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

BIRTHDAYS (November 10-16)

10 Eugene Berg; 11 Pat Phelps and Gus Rowland; 12 Jerry Trahan; 16 Nicholas Knapp

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 99 pledges we have received as of November 6. This includes 12 new pledges, 39 increased pledges. The total pledged is \$553,102. 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 <a href="https://linkings.com/linkings/link

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

Gaines Foster continues his series on "The History of Religion in American Public Life" through December 3rd.

LSU GAME DAY PARKING

Only two more home games to go!

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 Ann and Terry Miller in loving memory of Margaret and Archie Dickson



Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Spy, Assassin

The Faith Formation Committee invites you to join with fellow UPCers to view this new film about one of the Christian heroes of the 20th century. We're planning to attend the 3:45 showing at Perkins Rowe on Sunday, Nov. 24--and if we book in groups of ten, we can get 50% off the ticket price! Sign up at the table in the Welcome Center or contact Meredith Veldman at hyveld@gmail.com. We need to order the tickets early next week, so sign up now! High schoolers are warmly welcome.



Online giving is available...

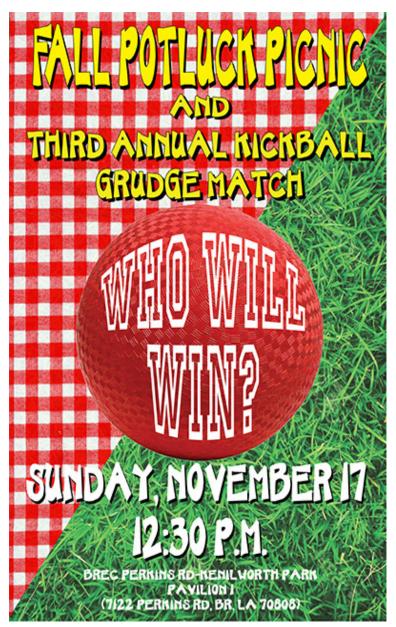
- •via the GIVE tab on our website (www.upcbr.org)
- by texting "upcbr (space) and then the number of dollars" to 73256
- •by scanning the QR code

Messages and data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. Text HELP to 73256 for help. Text STOP to 73256 to cancel.

IDENTIFIED GIVING STATUS 2024 (as of 11/06/2024)

Received Pledged giving: \$478,879 (83% of \$573,738 pledged)

Received Unpledged giving \$20,947 TOTAL GIVING RECEIVED: \$499,826 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

- Cody Lucero, as he recovers from surgery
- Jan Risher and family, upon the death of her uncle, Mac Greer
- Judy Dedrick and Carol Barry, upon the death of their mother, Kathy Barry
- Jennifer Bravinder and family, upon the death of her father, Robert (Bob) Bravinder
- •The United States of America as we transition after the election
- 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
- •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
- •All those recovering from hurricanes Helene and Milton