

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 June 29, 2025

Meetings times/locations are subject to change after printing. Please check with your group leader for confirmation and information on how to log into Zoom meetings.

Sunday (6/29) 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study - Conference Room

10:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary (*Live Streamed via Facebook & upcbr.org*)

Monday (6/30)

10:45 a.m. Staff Meeting - Library

Tuesday (7/1)

7:00 p.m. Book Group - 1725 Eugene

Wednesday (7/2)

10:00 a.m. Day Circle II - 1545 Patrick Dr.

Thursday (7/3)

11:00 a.m. Soul Feast Small Group - Zoom & Parks Wilson Room

Friday (7/4) - Independence Day

Day School and Church Office Closed

Sunday (7/6) 4th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study - Conference Room

10:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary (*Live Streamed via Facebook & upcbr.org*)

SUNDAY NURSERY OPPORTUNITY

At the back of the church or using the link below you can sign up to help our nursery worker one Sunday this summer. From 9:45-11:15 you can be a part of caring for our kids, keeping them safe, and demonstrating what God's love looks like. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0444ABAA2DA5FF2-sunday1>

IDENTIFIED GIVING STATUS 2025 (as of 6/25/2025)

Received Pledged Giving: \$281,104 (48% of \$586,337 pledged)

Received Unpledged Giving: \$9,281

TOTAL GIVING RECEIVED: \$290,385

Thank you for your generous contributions!

Important Reminder: For cash donations to count toward your pledge or taxes, use an envelope with your name on it. Checks should be payable to University Presbyterian Church (not UPC). Thank you for your support!

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>)

BIRTHDAYS (June 29 - July 5)

29 Linda Law Clark and Michael Strain; 30 Connor Terry; 2 Jason Carroll, Isabella Fontenot Stafford, and Liam Fontenot Stafford; 3 Marien Richardson and Cheryl Whitting; 4 José Gaona; 5 Michelle Ourso

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS!

We still need volunteers to perform a musical offering during worship in July and August. This could be a song, piano piece, a gospel quartet, a clarinet solo, a banjo duet. Please talk to Ross if you are interested.

YARN YARN YARN!!

Helping Hands has reorganized our fabric closet and YOU can be a recipient of our extra yarn! Come and choose your colors from our Yarn Tower located in a corner in the conference room. Please help yourself!

WE HAVE CALLED A NEW ASSOCIATE PASTOR!

Rev. Erin Tolar will join us on August 1 to be our new Associate Pastor. She will be joining us after leaving her residency with Myers Park Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, NC and having the chance to visit with her family in Ohio. A brief biography was sent out by email last week along with Erin's statement of faith, but we are looking forward to having you meet her in person very soon! On August 3 there will be a cookies and lemonade reception to greet Erin (and start giving her all your restaurant recommendations). You will hear more from the Fellowship Committee about how to contribute to the reception as we near August.



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.

COMMUNITY CLEAN DAY WITH YAV

The New Orleans Young Adult Volunteers (YAVs) invite you to join them for a Community Clean Day at the YAV House, located at 4225 Franklin Ave on Saturday, July 12, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. This is a wonderful opportunity to help prepare the home for next year's volunteers and to engage in fellowship with the community as well as to thank the current YAVs for their year of service. Let Mamie know if you are interested in going down so we can carpool. For more information: <https://www.facebook.com/share/1Hb1rNa2aD/>

The YAV Program also wishes to thank the Presbyterian community across South Louisiana for your generous support and warm welcome, which have been instrumental in the success of the YAV program. Your encouragement and hospitality have been a blessing to our volunteers and the communities they have touched.

Art Guild

Did you appreciate the Easter installation in the sanctuary this year? Do you think it sounds interesting to wonder together about how we can add to/transform/alter the sanctuary (in temporary ways) to enhance people's experience of worship through visual art? Have you always wanted to try your hand at making a banner? Is there a new craft project that has captured your imagination? Do you just like hanging out with people and getting to put ideas into motion? Contact Mamie or Caralyn and let them know this has piqued your curiosity, and we'll see what happens from there!

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.

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 • Ruth Bivins • Cody Lucero • Gerard Klein • Gary Meise
Alan Williams • Kathy Poché • Kathy Rossman
Fay Coco • Melanie Driscoll • Our Cuba Partners • Lynn Nichols Dull**

- **Carl Stoddard**, brother of Linda Walker, recovering from sarcopenia
- **Warren Goodman**, friend of Mary Stevens, restarting chemotherapy
- **Ross Cawthon and family**, upon the death of his aunt Edwinna
- **Elijah Morrow**, former student of Ross Cawthon, who has been called to serve as a campus ministry leader at Jacksonville University
- **Brianna Gaytan**, former student of Ross Cawthon, recovering from a successful bone marrow transplant. Diagnosed with leukemia three years ago as a high school senior.
- **Cheryl Whitting**, as she prepares for heart valve surgery in July
- **Edwinna**, aunt of Ross Cawthon, diagnosed with lung cancer
- **Ethel Felder**, recovering from knee surgery
- **Kenneth Dyson**, Kenishia Brumfeld's father, recovering after receiving a pacemaker
- **Gretchen Goodrich**, mother-in-law of Kathie Pohlman
- **Ron Veldman**, Meredith's brother, with pancreatic cancer
- **Edith Veldman**, Meredith's 95-year-old mother, struggling with the loss of her eyesight
- **Will**, neighbor to the Walkers, taking chemo for bladder cancer and recovering from blood infection
- **Holly Palughi**, family friend of Darlene Rowland, with recurrent breast cancer
- **Becky**, friend of Patti Snyder, facing surgery for a malignant tumor in her eye
- **George Gullett**, friend of the Hoffmans, undergoing cancer treatment
- **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
- **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
- **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
- **Hugh Huffman**, friend of Rosemary John, undergoing treatment for cancer
- **The United States of America** during this uncertain time
- **Those who are suddenly unemployed or experiencing significant job insecurity**
- **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**