

# 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](http://www.upcbr.org).

## CHURCH CALENDAR

### Week of July 20, 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 (7/20) 6th Sunday after Pentecost**

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

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

11:30 a.m. Lunch at Zippy's - *see announcement*

#### **Tuesday (7/21) - CONTACT ARTICLES DUE**

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

#### **Wednesday (7/22)**

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

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

#### **Thursday (7/23)**

11:00 a.m. Soul Feast Small Group - Library

#### **Sunday (7/27) 8th Sunday after Pentecost**

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

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

11:00 a.m. Stewardship & Finance Committee - Conference Room

*OFFICE NOTE: Rick Pitcher will be on call for pastoral emergencies from July 20-31 while Mamie is away. Rick may be contacted at (225)938-0679.*

## 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 7/16/2025)

**Received Pledged Giving: \$304,645** (52% of \$586,337 pledged)

Received Unpledged Giving: \$10,182

**TOTAL GIVING RECEIVED: \$314,828**

*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](http://www.upcbr.org).*

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

## **JOIN US FOR A FAMILY GATHERING AT ZIPPY'S!**

We warmly invite all families with children and youth to a fun mid-summer gathering at Zippy's after church today (11:30-ish). Come connect, catch up, and enjoy some quality time together! No RSVP needed—just come eat if you're in town. We look forward to seeing you there!

## **BIRTHDAYS** (*July 20-26*)

20 Connor Strain; 22 June Klimash and Meredith Veldman; 23 Julianne Barron, Lea O'Donnell, and Imogene Sabin; 24 Margaret Feierabend and Kathie Pohlman; 26 Nan Patt and Nora Watson

## **DID YOU NOTICE?**

The new green paraments are up in the sanctuary. They were made by the master weavers at Local Hope in Guatemala. Notice how well they match the handwork on the chairs.

## **WELCOME ERIN!!!**

The UPC Welcome Wagon (Fellowship Committee) warmly invites the congregation to greet our new Associate Pastor, Rev. Erin Tolar. Join us for a cookies and lemonade reception following the Sunday service on August 3 at 11:00 AM. If you can bring a plate of your favorite cookies, please contact Bizza Britton (225-456-4568, [bizza.britton@gmail.com](mailto:bizza.britton@gmail.com)) to let her know. We look forward to seeing you there!

## **FLOWER DONATIONS 2025**

The following Sundays are available to reserve celebratory or memorial flowers. Fill out a flower donation envelope found in the pew and place in the offering plate. Payments may also be made on-line in Realm (*please note date in the memo line*).

August 10	September 7, 21
October 12	November 9, 23



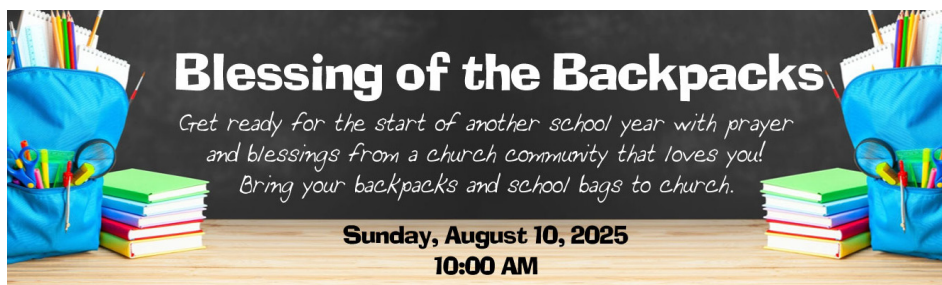
### **Online giving is available...**

- via the GIVE tab on our website ([www.upcbr.org](http://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.*

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



### Kickoff Sunday

Is summer over already?? Just about... In one month, on August 17th, we will start our new program year and kickoff with 9:30 a.m. church school, 11:00 a.m. worship, and a fish fry lunch to celebrate. The choir will begin singing again (join them for practice on August 13th at 7:00 p.m.) and youth group will get the gang back together again. If you were thinking about helping the church with its mission and ministry, this is a great time to get involved with a committee (though it's never too late). Come join the fun!



The UPC Pescatarian Society (Fellowship Committee) warmly invites you to join us for our annual UPC Fish Fry on Kickoff Sunday, August 17, following the 11:00 a.m. service. Savor a delicious plate for just \$3.00, with free meals for children five and under. Indulge in ice cream for dessert, included with your meal. Secure and pay for your plates in advance through Realm under EVENTS so we can purchase appropriately. (We'll be sure to have a little extra too so you can come if your plans change, don't worry.) Come enjoy great food and fellowship with our community. We look forward to seeing you 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](mailto: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**

- **Friends and family of Ruth Riner**, who died this week
- **Milly O'Donnell**, daughter of Lea and Ryan, with undiagnosed gastrointestinal issues and challenges with growth and development
- **Christine Kooi**, upon the sudden death of her long time friend, Erik Ledbetter
- **Survivors and the families of those affected by the flooding in Texas and Arizona**
- **Cheryl Whitting**, recovering from heart valve surgery
- **Josh Rosenberg and Angelle Bradford** as Josh undergoes radiation and chemotherapy
- **Carl Stoddard**, brother of Linda Walker, recovering from sarcopenia
- **Warren Goodman**, friend of Mary Stevens, restarting chemotherapy
- **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
- **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**



The flowers this morning are presented  
to the glory of God  
by John & Ruby Ward  
in loving memory of  
John Ward Jr.

