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 25, 2026

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

Sunday (10/25) 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. Church School
New Member Class - Fellowship Hall
11:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary *(Live Streamed via Facebook & upcbr.org)*
1:00 p.m. Stated Session Meeting - Conference Room
4:30 p.m. Youth Group

Tuesday (10/27)

5:30 p.m. Tiny Tables - Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. NAMI - Conference Room & Library

Wednesday (10/28)

9:00 a.m. Faith & Community Small Group - Parks Wilson Room
10:00 a.m. Day Circle II - 1545 Patrick Drive
6:00 p.m. College/Young Adult Bible Study - LSU Women's Center
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Thursday (10/29)

11:00 a.m. "Soul Feast" Small Group - Conference Room
7:30 p.m. New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal - Choir Room

Sunday (11/1) All Saints' Sunday

9:30 a.m. Church School
New Member Class - Fellowship Hall
11:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary *(Live Streamed via Facebook & upcbr.org)*
4:30 p.m. Confirmation Retreat - Fellowship Hall
No Youth Group

The flowers this morning
are presented to the glory of God
by the Britton Family
in loving memory of
Katie Nelson & Phine Britton

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 the Contact on our web site, www.upcbr.org. Check us out on Facebook, too! (https://www.facebook.com/universitypresbyterian)

As of October 21 we have 47 pledges totaling $337,302.

Thank you to everyone who has already contributed to our annual giving campaign! If you have questions about how to give online or are in need of a pledge card, don't hesitate to ask. All contributions of whatever amount are welcomed and needed. May each of us give with gratitude to God for all we have been given.

How to Pledge in Realm

Log into your Realm account at onrealm.org. If you don't have a Realm account, contact the church office. In your profile go to **GIVING** then **+PLEDGE**; a new window appears. Choose **GENERAL FUND** for 2027, enter frequency and amount. Realm calculates the yearly total. Click **SAVE PLEDGE** when done. It's that easy! Please remember to adjust your giving amount if you give automatically through your financial institution. Contact Caralyn if you have problems with Realm.

Sunday Nursery Sign Up

What a gift to help kids at UPC know they are loved and belong. Please sign up in the back of the sanctuary or with the link below to serve as a "second" in the nursery (10:45-12:15) this fall.
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0444ABAA2DA5FF2-sunday1

Birthdays *(October 25-31)*

25 Ed Britton and Larry Reynolds; 26 Elliot Purser;
27 Becca Bartlett and Michael O'Donnell; 31 Cecil Eubanks

Together Baton Rouge Get Out the Vote Campaign

Here is a list of planned GOTV Shifts. Sign up here for a shift(s):
https://www.togetherbr.org/26gotvteam

Election Week Shifts

- Thursday Oct. 29th 7:00 @ Broadmoor Senior High School
- Saturday Oct. 31st 9:00pm - 5:00pm, 8220 Goodwood Blvd

Election Day Sign Waving

- Tuesday, Nov. 3rd 9:00pm - 5:00pm, 1520 Thomas H. Delpit Dr.

Faith Formation

Digging Deeper (Parks Wilson room) is a flexible adult class featuring speakers from within and beyond our church. Spaces remain this fall—contact Betsy Wilks or Jan Risher if you'd like to share your expertise.

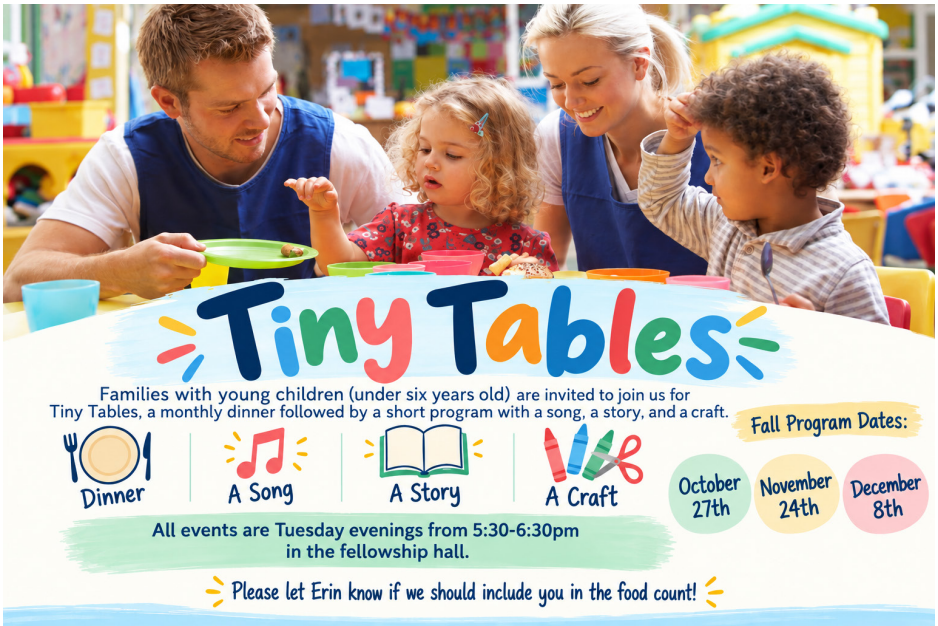
- **Nov 1** - Trish Quarles: ADHD Awareness: ADHD affects 1 in 9 children and 1 in 16 adults in the U.S. Trish Quarles will talk about spotting the symptoms and how you can support others with it because chances are ADHD affects someone you know, work with, and even love.
- **Nov 8** – Adam Knapp: Understanding the Church's Stewardship (Giving Analysis). The Presbyterian Foundation's 2025 report about UPC giving tracks participation, gifts, ages, and donors to highlight strengths, risks, and mission-aligned decisions. Stewardship & Finance invites you to learn and discuss.

Coat Drive

The Louisiana Organization for Refugees and Immigrants (LORI) is having a drive for new and gently used jackets and coats for children and adults. Please put your donation in the box labeled Coats for LORI, located in the Conference Room no later than noon, Sunday, November 15. Thank you!

Volunteers Needed

LORI needs help in the Food Pantry during the second week of each month to sort and shelve groceries on that Wednesday and Thursday, and with food distribution on that Friday. If you are interested, send a text to Lorinda Sealey at 225-252-1596 and she will add you to the Food Pantry mailing list.



UPC
Fall Picnic
and
Fourth Annual
KICKBALL
GRUDGE MATCH!!!

The UPC Society for Seeing How Long Hubchen's Knees Can Hold Out (SoSHoLHuKCHO, AKA the Fellowship Committee) invites the congregation to attend the Fall Picnic at BREC's Kenilworth Park, Pavilion 1 (7122 Perkins Rd, Baton Rouge, LA 70808).

Sunday, November 15 at 12:30 PM

POTLUCK PICNIC

This will be a potluck picnic; SoSHoLHuKCHO will provide drinks, cups, plates, plastic-ware and similar items.

RECREATION AND ENTERTAINMENT

SoSHoLHuKCHO also will provide recreation and entertainment, namely the UPC Fourth Annual Kickball Grudge Match between the Saints and the Sinners.

GAME DAY DETAILS

- Draft picks will be held at the park.
- After the draft, participants will sign medical waivers.
- Then the action will begin!
- Don't forget to enter your time for the **Knee Blow-out Pool...**

LSU GAME DAY PARKING AT UPC!

Parking season is underway! UPC opens its lot for LSU home games to raise money for youth, education, and mission projects.

Remaining Home Games:

Nov. 7 – Alabama

Nov. 14 – Texas

Volunteers are needed! To help, contact John Ward at 225-505-4418.

All Saints Day Service of Worship and Remembrance

All are invited to a special Service of Worship and Remembrance on Sunday, November 1, at 11:00 a.m. The service will feature the premiere of "A Service of Remembrance" for choir and organ, composed by the Rev. Dr. Julius R. Tipton. Communion will be served, and all are welcome to participate as we gather to remember and give thanks for the lives of those who have gone before us.

Little Food Pantry

The little food pantry is in need of non-perishable dry goods. Please drop off your contribution in the pantry located outside the church office.

Scholastic Book Fair - Final Day!

Today is the final day of the Day School Scholastic Book Fair in Fellowship Hall! Come shop before and after the 11:00 worship service for a wonderful selection of books perfect for Christmas gifts, birthday presents, and more. Whether you're looking for children's favorites, inspiring reads, or something special for every age, you'll find it here. Don't miss this last chance to support the Day School while discovering great books for your family and friends!

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 2026 *(as of 10/20/2026)*

Received Pledged Giving: $488,708 *(77% of $632,512 pledged)*

Received Unpledged Giving: $18,086

TOTAL GIVING RECEIVED: $506,794

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!

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 • Pat Phelps • Gerard Klein
Pat Wright • Alan Williams • Kathy Poché • Lynn Nichols Dull • David Strain
Hal Horan • Melanie Driscoll • Cheryl Whitting • Faye Coco • Dawn Dominy
Mickey Brown • Members of our sister church in Cuba, San Jose de los Ramos

- **Jill Kerr**, undergoing a total hysterectomy on Monday
- **Donnie Wiltshire**, Baptist preacher for the Deaf and friend of Daniel and Priscilla Burch
- **Tom Stanley**, brother-in-law of Lois Kuyper-Rushing, who has Stage 4 pancreatic cancer, and his wife, **Susan Kuyper**. He has moved to an in-house, end of life facility
- **Jo Lynn Raetzsch,** mother of Alvin Raetzsch, recovering from spinal surgery and upcoming radiation treatment
- **Bill Bell**, grandfather of Christopher Cunningham, and family upon the death of Bill's sister, Barbara Traylor
- **Gabriela Werries**, harp instructor at LSU, undergoing treatment for brain cancer
- **Karen Dart**, step-cousin of Paul Foster, diagnosed with endometrial cancer
- **Pastora Susana Arevalo**, in Cuba, undergoing cancer treatment
- **Ray and Martha Adams**, Darlene Adams Rowland's parents with continuing health challenges
- **Misha** (age 8), nephew of Peggy Carroll, with a relapse of leukemia
- **Earlena Campbell,** friend of the Tiptons, with ALS in hospice care
- **Olivia** (age 5), grand-niece of friends of the Trahans, undergoing chemo
- **Jana Walker**, niece-in-law of Doug and Linda, undergoing radiation
- **Linda Howard**, family friend of Virginia Davis, diagnosed with inoperable brain cancer
- **Gustavo Rodriguez**, friend of George Strain from Cuba, being treated for lymphoma
- **Deana Henry**, niece of Peggy Carroll, in the hospital in TX
- **Elvia Williams**, friend of Lorinda Sealey, recovering from surgery due to a broken hip
- **Randy Marks**, friend of Anita Melon, receiving radiation and chemo for lung cancer
- **Judy Crow,** friends of the Brittons, dealing with a newly diagnosed chronic condition
- **CJ Veldman**, Meredith's brother, who is going through a hard time right now
- **Randy Williams**, brother of Michael and brother-in-law of Jonathan Hubchen, with back problems arising from sickle cell
- **Messiah Hammond**, grandson of Susan Seifert, dealing with mental health issues
- **Susan Comeaux,** diagnosed with Parkinson's and her daughter, **Carrie Comeaux,** diagnosed with stage three breast cancer and is undergoing treatment
- **Terry Miller Jr.**, son of Ann and Terry Miller Sr., with health issues in Virginia
- **Sherri Wilson**, friend of Darla O'Connor and Tavia Crumpler, with brain cancer
- **Amy Heller,** mother of the Hoffman's granddaughters, with a recurrence of cancer
- **David Pohlman**, dealing with liver disease
- **Warren Goodman**, friend of Mary Stevens, undergoing chemotherapy
- **Gretchen Goodrich**, mother-in-law of Kathie Pohlman
- **Doug Toothman**, brother-in-law of Jerry and Sarah Kennedy, with liver cancer
- **Corrie Hale's Dad, Conrad**, with inoperable cancer on his spine
- **The children and adults in ICE detention**
- **The United States of America** during these uncertain times
- **All those affected by war - Ukraine, Middle East, and beyond**
- **All those affected by gun violence**
- **All families affected by Huntington's Disease**