

Order of Worship

Welcome/ Announcements	Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher
*Congregational Song	“How Firm a Foundation” - Chalice Hymnal#618
Call to Worship	Ramona Crawford
One: From God comes the wonder of creation. ALL: We will worship God the Creator.	
One: From God comes healing for the brokenness we see. ALL: We will worship God our Redeemer.	
One: From God comes the strength to face the new day. ALL: We worship God our Sustainer.	
*Please be seated	
Opening Prayer/Lord's Prayer	Ramona Crawford
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kin-dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kin-dom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.	
Song of Celebration	“Lead Me, Guide Me” - Chalice Hymnal#583 All children elementary age and younger are invited to gather in the back for Worship and Wonder in Room 3
Anthem	“There Is A Balm In Gilead” by William L. Dawson, UCC Choir
Monthly Mission Focus: Week of Compassion	Jim Duff
Scripture - Matthew 7:24-29	Ramona Crawford
Sermon	Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher
*Sermon Response Song	Firm Foundation (He Won't)
* Please stand as you are comfortable and able	

Pastoral Prayer	Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher
Offering	“Up to the Mountain” by Patty Griffin - Lauren Calve, Mezzo Soprano Thank you for your generosity! Offerings/donations, written prayer requests, and contact cards can be placed in the plates as they are passed. If you prefer to give online, you may do so using this QR code.
Communion Song	“Let Us Break Bread Together” - Chalice Hymnal#425
Celebrating Communion	John Rudenko We practice an Open Table, meaning everyone is invited. Please take a kit from the tray, and serve the person next to you. We partake together once everyone is served. Each kit contains gluten-free wafers and grape juice.
*Congregational Song	“Alleluia! Hear God's Story” - Chalice Hymnal#330 If you would like to like to receive prayer from one of our elders, please come forward during the song or following the benediction.
Benediction	Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher Everyone is invited to stay following worship for Fellowship Hour! Food can be taken into the sanctuary or outside.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Online Bible Study Resumes! - Everyone is invited to join our weekly Thursday Bible Study on Zoom as we explore the Psalms. The group meets on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. For more information, please see Jim Duff. Check our weekly eNews for the Zoom link!

In-Person Bible Study - Join our in-person Bible Study, facilitated by John Rudenko, resumes on February 11, every Wednesday at noon in UCC Room 5.

20s/30s/40s Event: Super Bowl Party! - On Sunday, February 8 we'll gather for fun and to watch the big game. If you're in this age group and want to attend, see John Rudenko for more details.

Ash Wednesday Service - On February 18 at 7:00 p.m. join us for a meaningful service of personal reflection, music, and the imposition of ashes. Everyone is welcome.

Thank you to those serving today:

Elders: Jesse Brande, cup; Ramona Crawford, bread

Deacons: Diana Brande, Beth Hindsley, Chris Poell, Patty Rhule

Fellowship Hour Hosts: Patty Rhule, Lauren Calve, Sara Hindsley

This Week In the Life of the Church

Sunday, February 8 - 20s/30s/40s Super Bowl Party

Tuesday, February 10, 7:00pm - Choir Rehearsal

Monday-Wednesday - Pastor Sara in Texas at Ministry Conference

Coming Soon

Wednesday, February 18, 7:00pm - Ash Wednesday Service

Friday, February 20, 11am - Courtney Shaw Memorial Service

Saturday, February 21, 2:00pm - Disciples Women Event

Wednesday, February 25, 7:00pm - Leadership Conference

(Board, Elders, Deacons, Ministry Team Leaders)

Mission & Welcome Statement

Our congregation believes we are called by God to reflect and celebrate the love and teachings of Jesus Christ.

All people are invited to share in the life and leadership of our church, and to participate in the joys and challenges of Christian Discipleship. Our diversity is treasured. Individual differences are embraced, such as age, race, economic status, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, nationality, and physical and mental ability.

We feel empowered by the Holy Spirit to change, grow, and learn,

as we listen carefully to what God is calling us to do and be.

Especially, we hear God's call to reach out in love and service to others, promoting justice and compassion for all God's children and all God's creation.



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UCC is LGBTQIA+ Open & Affirming and a Green Chalice Congregation

Sunday, February 8, 2026

10:45am



Welcome to
University Christian Church

We are glad you're here!

An all-gender/ family accessible restroom is located toward the beginning of the hallway off the narthex; men's and women's rooms are at the end of the hall.

Nursery is available for infants & toddlers; a children's quiet play area is available in the back of the sanctuary.

If this is your first time, please fill out the contact card and place it in the offering plate or hand it to a greeter.