

## Order of Worship

### Welcome/ Announcements

Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher

### \*Congregational Song

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" - Chalice Hymnal#25

### Call to Worship

Ray Smith

One: Come to me and wait. I will give you instructions and commandments in written form.

**ALL: We come to you and we wait, to see and hear what you will say.**

One: In days past, I wrote on stone tablets, but now I write my words upon you heart that you may teach them.

**ALL: We offer our hearts to receive your words and what we learn, we'll teach others.**

One: Heaven is open above you and the kin-dom is within you.

**ALL: Wherever we go, the kin-dom comes.**

*\*Please be seated*

### Opening Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Ray Smith

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.

### Monthly Mission Focus: Week of Compassion (video)

### Anthem

"Deep River" by Moses Hogan, UCC Choir

### Scripture - Exodus 24:12-18

Ray Smith

### Sermon

Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher

### \*Sermon Response Song

"Down by the Riverside" - Chalice Hymnal#673

*\* Please stand as you are comfortable and able*

## Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher

### Offering

"Rivers of Babylon" by Boney M. - Lorel Morrison and Pete Pichaske, drummers

*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

"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly" - Chalice Hymnal#419

### Celebrating Communion

Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher

*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

"God of Justice"

*If you would 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

**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.

**Online Bible Study** - 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, every Wednesday at noon in UCC Room 5. Facilitated by John Rudenko

**Disciples Women Event** - On February 21 at 2:00 p.m. join UCC Disciples Women as we recognize World Day of Social Justice. Participate in person in the UCC Sanctuary, Narthex, and Room 5, or online via Zoom. For more information, please see Ramona Crawford.

Thank you to those serving today:

Elders: Bob Hindsley, cup; Sara Hindsley, bread  
Deacons: Treedy Chapa, Lin Orrin, Pete Pichaske, Bill Wallace  
Fellowship Hour Hosts: Ricardo & Treedy Chapa

This Week In the Life of the Church

Sunday, February 15, 12:00pm - Nominating Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, February 17, 7:00pm - Choir Rehearsal  
Wednesday, February 18, 12:00pm - In-Person Bible Study  
Wednesday, February 18, 7:00pm - Ash Wednesday Service  
Thursday, February 19, 7:00pm - Online Bible Study  
Friday, February 20, 11:00am - Courtney Shaw Memorial Service  
Saturday, February 21, 2:00pm - Disciples Women Event

Coming Soon

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 15, 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.