

Thank you to those serving today:

Elders: Linda Bock, cup; Sara Hindsley, bread
Deacons: Barbara Dunn, Patty Rhule, Chris Poell, Treedy Chapa
Fellowship Hour Host: Ramona Crawford, Treedy Chapa, Marie Pichaske

This Week In the Life of the Church

Monday, October 20 @ 1pm - In Person Bible Study
Tuesday, October 21 @ 7pm - Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, October 22 @ 6:30pm - Ballroom Dance Lessons
Thursday October 23 @ 7pm - Bible Study on Zoom
(<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/85031436417> Meeting ID: 850 3143 6417 Passcode: bible)
Friday, October 24 @ 7pm 2os/3os/4os Potluck

Coming Soon

Sunday, October 26 - Youth Group after service
Sunday, November 2 - All Saints Sunday
Saturday, November 8 @ 9:45am - Rain Garden Maintenance Day

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, October 19, 2025
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.**

Order of Worship

Welcome/ Announcements	Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher
*Congregational Song	“O Worship the King/ Matchless King”
Call to Worship	Judith Walter
ONE: O let us give thanks to the Lord, MANY: For the love of God will never end. ONE: Let we who love God be unashamed to declare it, MANY: Because God has answered our cries for help. ONE: The Lord our God has met our every need, ALL: We will therefore proclaim the love of the Lord!	
	<i>*Please be seated</i>
Opening Prayer/Lord's Prayer	Judith Walter
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	“Sweet, Sweet Spirit” Chalice Hymnal 261
<i>During the song of celebration, all children elementary age and younger are invited to meet in the back for Worship and Wonder.</i>	
Anthem	“Ave Maris Stella” by Edvard Grieg, UCC Choir
Scripture - Luke 18:1-8	Judith Walter
Sermon Preparation Hymn	“We Are Living, We Are Dwelling “ Chalice Hymnal 472
Sermon	Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher
*Congregational Song	“Firm Foundation (He Won’t)”
	<i>* Please stand as you are comfortable and able</i>

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Sara Nave-Fisher

Special Music

“The Lord's Prayer” Donald Sanders, Tenor
Donald, uncle of Cindy Farley, recently passed on September 19. His wife Mary Sanders passed one week later. Cindy, John, and Brandon attended their memorial service this past Friday. The family wants to share Donald's gift of singing today.

Offering

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.



Celebrating Communion

*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

“Blessed Assurance” Chalice Hymnal 543

Benediction

*Everyone is invited to stay following worship for Fellowship Hour!
Food can be taken into the sanctuary or outside.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Salt & Light Conference: Saturday, October 25, 9:30 am - 5:30 pm @ Rockville Christian Church
Registration and lunch are free, but you must RSVP by October 22 to get lunch. This year’s conference is going GREEN, so please bring your own reusable bottle/mug. Stay after the conference for a special benefit performance by the Wilson Boulevard Choir!

Next Sunday - What do Biblical prophecies about Israel mean for us today? Does the church replace Israel? Is everything Israel does ordained by God? How does the Bible inform - or not inform - how we as Christians should think about Israel today? That will be the topic of next week’s sermon. You won’t want to miss it!

Youth Group: Sunday, October 26 Youth group (for those in grades 6-12) will meet following worship for lunch and fellowship! Bring something from home that describes your personality. Please RSVP to Pat or Beth (bdspteach@yahoo.com).

All Saints Sunday: November 2 This is a reflective yet hopeful time in the church year, when we remember those who have died, and everyone will have the opportunity to name out loud and light a candle to remember those who have died since last November. You are welcome to bring a photo of your loved one, and place it on the communion table when you arrive on November 2.

Rain Garden Maintenance Makeup Date: Saturday, November 8 9:45 am - noon

John Rudenko Preaching: Sunday, November 9