

## Welcome to UPPC!

If this is your first visit, we are so glad you are here. In fact, we believe God brought you here today! Take a few minutes to read this bulletin to find out about some of the ministries going on at the church - getting involved is the best way to meet people and connect. We'd also love to have you stop by the Welcome Center (just outside the Sanctuary doors) after service. There is someone available to answer questions about the church as well as let you know more about ministries and opportunities available for you and your family.

We hope this morning is meaningful and rejuvenating for you!

## THIS WEEK

OFFICE HOURS  
MONDAY - THURSDAY | 8AM-4:30PM  
FRIDAY | 8AM-12:30PM

### TODAY 1.5

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 & 11AM

Early Childhood 9:30 & 11AM | 4mo-2yrs | Nursery • 3's-K | Room 111

Elementary 9:30 & 11AM | Grades 1-4 | The Lodge

Solid Ground 9:30AM | Grades 5-12 | Youth Room

Solid Ground 11AM | Grades 5-7 | Youth Room

CONNEXIONS 9:30-10:30AM | Fellowship Hall

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP 12:30-1:45PM | Room 121

### MONDAY 1.6

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY 6AM | Room 121

### WEDNESDAY 1.8

ESL/FRIENDSHIP GROUP 9:30-11:15AM | Fellowship Hall

BIBLE STUDY FOR ALL 10AM | Rm 121 | Gwenn Robertson, 253.564.0608

CAMPFIRE (Grades 1-4) | 6:30-7:30PM | The Lodge

FOUNDATION (Grades 5-7) | 6:30-7:30PM | Youth Room

THE ROCK (Grades 8-9) | 7:30-9PM | Moctezuma's Restaurant

CORNERSTONE (Grades 10-12) | 7:30-9PM | Moctezuma's Restaurant

### THURSDAY 1.9

THURSDAY MORNING PRAYER 9-10AM | Family Worship Room

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY 9:30-11AM | Fellowship Hall

BIBLE STUDY FOR ALL 7PM | Rm 121 | Gwenn Robertson, 253.564.0608

## ORDER OF SERVICE

\*please stand if you are able

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

GATHERING MUSIC | *Andantino* | Theodore, Dubois  
Art Peterson, Organ

*I Saw Three Ships* | arr. Henderson  
Chancel Brass | Keith Loftis, Director of Worship Operations

### WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Lisa Woicik, Minister of Outreach & Mission

\*HYMN OF PRAISE | *From A Distant Home*

### PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

*"Concerto in D," Movements 1 & 2* | Telemann  
Michael Leavens, Piccolo Trumpet

### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

**CHRISTMAS ON LOCATION: The Temple Courts** | Luke 2:22-40 (NIV)

Rev. Aaron Stewart, Senior Pastor

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE | *What Child Is This?*

### SEALING THE WORD

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION | *At This Table* | Allen Pote  
Sanctuary Choir

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

\*SENDING HYMN | *The Lord's Prayer* | Malotte

\*THE BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE | *Allegro* | Georg Philipp Telemann

## TODAY IS COMMUNION SUNDAY

COMMUNION IS DISMISSED BY ROWS: All who call Jesus Christ their Lord and Savior are welcome. Take a piece of bread and dip it into the cup. A gluten-free station is available on the front left. If you are in need of prayer for yourself or someone else, or would like to be anointed with oil, Deacons are available to pray with you in the back of the Sanctuary during Communion.



January 5, 2020

*"The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told." - Luke 2:20 (NIV)*


We celebrate the birth of Jesus, and then we return to the office, to school, to the things we normally do. Does it feel like Christmas was just last week? Life moves quickly, doesn't it?

Luke tells us the shepherds of Bethlehem returned to their fields. God had sent them to find the baby Jesus in a manger. They marveled at God and knew they'd been blessed to see the Messiah's arrival, and then they returned to their flocks. They returned with an energized faith, glorifying and praising God. But, still, they returned to their routine.

You may have returned to your routine, but God wants you to know this:  
**He's with you every day... seek him.**  
**You have a purpose!**

I'm excited to be with you in worship and start the new year off with this important message.

Happy New Year, UPPC!

  
Pastor Aaron Stewart  
Senior Pastor

## UNIVERSITY PLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Aaron Stewart | Senior Pastor  
Rev. Mike Moffitt | Associate Pastor

Wifi: UPPC Guest | Password: welcome2

### WAYS TO GIVE AT UPPC:

- Giving plates at offering
- Online: UPPC.org "Give"
- UPPC app



## ALL CHURCH Info & sign ups at [UPPC.org/events](http://UPPC.org/events)

### Parent Support Group (PSG)

Today | 12:30-1:45PM | Room 121

PSG is for those with children of any age living with special needs, different abilities, or sensory issues. In January, we will reflect on the holidays with our children - what worked well and what are some things to try differently next year.

### Poinsettias are Available

Please feel free to take a poinsettia home with you after service today.

### English & Friendship Group Volunteers Needed

Wednesdays beginning January 8 | 9:30-11:15AM | Fellowship Hall

Join our weekly Wednesday class where men and women learning English and those fluent in English come together to practice speaking English and build new friendships. Childcare is available. If you are interested in volunteering as a fluent English speaker, contact Marion Tilley, [davemannie@comcast.net](mailto:davemannie@comcast.net); (253) 564-9117).

### Welcome Lunch

Sunday January 12 | 12:15-2PM | Fellowship Hall

New to UPPC? We'd love to get to know you! Meet the pastors, staff and others looking for community. Lunch is on us! Register at the Welcome Center or online at [UPPC.org/events](http://UPPC.org/events). Childcare is available with registration. Contact Kathy Goertz, 253.564.2522 ext.147 or [kgoertz@uppc.org](mailto:kgoertz@uppc.org).

### Essentials

Saturday January 25 | 9AM-1:30PM | Fellowship Hall

There's a place for you at UPPC. Explore what that means at our next Essentials class. You will learn about what it means to belong to the UPPC community by learning more about the mission, theology and ministry of UPPC, as well as be prepared to participate in our Insights class, the follow-up to Essentials. Lunch is provided and childcare is available for ages 4 months and up. Register online at [UPPC.org/events](http://UPPC.org/events) or contact Kathy Goertz, [kgoertz@uppc.org](mailto:kgoertz@uppc.org).

### Fun Fair

Saturday February 1 | 11AM-2PM | UPPC

Mark your calendar! This free event for families with toddlers through 5th grade will be fun for the whole family. Learn about Sunset Christian Preschool & UPPC Kids, meet the staff, and tour preschool classrooms. Everyone will have a good time with bouncy houses, carnival games, face painting and a FREE lunch!

### Divorce Recovery

February 6-March 12 | Thursdays 6:15-9PM | Fellowship Hall

Divorce is hard. The Divorce Recovery experience at UPPC is a place to gain healthy insight and courage to begin to move ahead. While it is difficult when your life and world have been cast into turmoil and chaos, now can be the beginning of a new way of living and hoping! Learn more at [UPPC.org/care](http://UPPC.org/care).



## YOUTH MISSION FUNDRAISER

Help our high school students raise money for Mexico Mission 2020!  
Bring the whole family - a portion of your bill will benefit Mission 2020 when you show them this card or mention the UPPC Youth Mission Fundraiser.

Wednesday January 8 | all day  
**Moctezuma's Mexican Restaurant**  
4102 S 56th Street | Tacoma, WA 98409



## PRAYERS

Jill McMullen, Minister of Care | 253.564.2522 ext. 139, [jmcmullen@uppc.org](mailto:jmcmullen@uppc.org)

- If you would like to share a prayer request or praise, please fill out a Prayer Request on the back of a CONNECT card located in a pew; email [prayerrequests@uppc.org](mailto:prayerrequests@uppc.org); or contact Jill McMullen.
- Deacons are available during the week to pray with you. If this is something you'd like, contact Jill McMullen.
- For info on support groups, contact Jill McMullen.

### PRAYERS & PRAISES

- Mohammed Qader passed away on January 2. Prayers for his wife Huda, their children and the many friends they have made since moving to University Place.
- Peter Stewart had clear scans... which means he is remission! Prayers for continued healing and praises to God for his healing!

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR: Jim Anderson, Ruth Brones, Billie Brown, Virginia Davies, Nick Glenn, Jung Gumsook, Phillip Hjembo, Adam Holmes, Bill Kelley, Maya Kelly, Rich Knoll, Kellyn Kohler, Kevin Kozakowski, Rod Livengood, Jeannie Mann, Ross May, Kara McDaniels, Nick McKenty, Robin Miller, Mike Moline, Noelle Nelson, Evelyn O'Brien, Bob Parker, Dave Robert, Lynn Royston, Mitch Sagers, Elizabeth Spitler, Ann Swalander, Pat Van Mason, BJ Wiebusch, Jean Whitney

THOSE BEING TREATED FOR CANCER: Jack Baker, Diane Banks, Sally Bolton, Ron Coleman, Matt Cushman, Bob Dippert, Gayle Fowler, Jean Graves, Marty Heavenlo, Paul Jackson, Toby Jackson, Harold Jantz, Pam Judson, Scott Lillibridge, Peter MacDonald, Diane Martin, Marion Massey, Pauline May, Dan McDaniels, Guy McInelly, Chris Olson, Marge Ritchie, Peter Stewart

## THE WAYSIDE



Sun-Thurs 8:30AM-1PM  
Stop by mid-week! Grab your morning coffee, meet up with friends, or try us out as a place to work (yup, we have free wifi!)

# AS A FAMILY OF FAITH, WE...

### DO LIFE TOGETHER

We comfort and care for each other, both here and around the world.

### MAKE ROOM

We value sacred space - our gatherings are a place of Holy Spirit moments and great healing.

### LOVE KIDS

We honor children and youth - through spiritual growth and general nurture - as a foundation for all we do.

### CREATE

We encourage music and the arts to enhance our worship and celebrate God's goodness with others.

### EMBRACE MESSINESS

We are guided by the Bible, embracing both spiritual truth and God's grace, as we share life's journey in all its messiness and all its glory, together.

### SHARE

We share our abundant blessings generously - through service and outreach, God-given talents and wealth.