

# 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 1.19

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 & 11AM

Early Childhood 9:30 & 11AM | 4mo-2yrs | Nursery • 3's-K | Room 113

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

ISRAEL INFO MTG 12:15PM | Fellowship Hall

### MONDAY 1.20

UPPC CLOSED IN OBSERVATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

### WEDNESDAY 1.22

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 | Youth Room

CORNERSTONE (Grades 10-12) | 7:30-9PM | Youth Room

### THURSDAY 1.23

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

### FRIDAY 1.24

ROBERT DEVINE MEMORIAL 11:30AM | Sanctuary

### SATURDAY 1.25

ESSENTIALS 9AM-1PM | Fellowship Hall

# ORDER OF SERVICE

\*please stand if you are able

GATHERING MUSIC | *Adagio* | Gilbert Martin  
Art Peterson, Organ

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP | Rev. Mike Moffitt

\*HYMN OF PRAISE | *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

PRAYER OF PRAISE & CONFESSION

**Living God, full of grace and mercy, we praise your name because you have been our guide and light throughout our lives. We confess we sometimes ignore your guidance, we sometimes close our eyes to your light, limiting our perspective on your Word, and our ability to experience and express your love. Restore to us, merciful God, the posture of learners, so we can follow you faithfully today and always.** *(silent confession)*

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

SCRIPTURE READING | Luke 15:11-20 | Greg Pubols

Prayer for Illumination

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and the Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

MINISTRY OF MUSIC | *Order My Steps* | Schrader  
Sanctuary Choir | Rev. Dr. Diana Greene, Minister of Worship

LOST IN TRANSLATION(S): **The \$70 Million Mistake**  
Hebrews 1:1-4 (NIV) | Rev. Aaron Stewart, Senior Pastor

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE | *Thy Word*

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS  
*Melody in A* | Gilbert Martin

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*SENDING HYMN | *Break Thou the Bread of Life*

\*THE BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE | *Toccata* | Gordon Young



January 19, 2020

I read this week that the average person with a cellphone has taken and stores 630 photos and 24 videos on their device. As anyone who has taken a photograph or video knows, what you see on the screen depends upon where your camera is aimed. Your camera "sees" through the lens, and what you see on the screen is the result.

So it is with reading the Bible. We all tend to "see" the Bible through our own lens. We may adamantly deny this and say we just read what's there, but the fact is we see through our own particular perspective. We see through our family of origin, education, church experience, life journey. This is one of the reasons there are so many different interpretations of the Bible and particular passages within it. As we will learn today, there is no such thing as merely reading the Bible. To read the Bible is, by nature, to interpret the Bible. So, the question is not whether a person who reads the Bible will interpret the Bible or not, the question is whether that person will interpret the Bible well or poorly.

We live in a time and culture where poor interpretation and blind spots on our own lenses are rampant. Harm is done and the Word of God is twisted, manipulated and abused. May the four things I'm sharing with you this morning help us all read the Bible with greater and truer understanding.

Glad to be with you this morning!

  
Pastor Aaron Stewart

## 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)

## Holy Land Info Session

Today | 12:15PM | Fellowship Hall

Hear about Pastor Aaron's trip to Israel, and learn about UPPC's 2021 trip to Israel.

## Essentials

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

Explore what it means to belong to the UPPC community by learning more about the mission, theology and ministry of UPPC. Info and registration 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

This free event for families with toddlers through 5th grade will be fun for the whole family. Everyone will have a good time with bouncy houses, carnival games, face painting and a FREE lunch! Volunteer sign ups are in the Lobby - we need 30 more!

## Financial Q&A

Sunday February 2 | 10:40-11:10 | Gym

Learn more about UPPC's budget and finances at a Finance Q&A meeting with the Finance Elders and Mike Bates. If you know your questions ahead of time, submit them to Randi Downs, [rdowns@uppc.org](mailto:rdowns@uppc.org), so we may be better prepared to answer.

## Divorce Recovery

February 6-March 12 | Thursdays 6:15-8:30PM | Fellowship Hall

The Divorce Recovery experience at UPPC is a place to gain healthy insight and courage to begin to move ahead. Now can be the beginning of a new way of living and hoping! Learn more at [UPPC.org/care](http://UPPC.org/care).

## Insights

Saturday February 15 | 9AM-2PM | Fellowship Hall

Everyone who follows Jesus should learn or review the Discipleship Fundamentals: Scripture, Prayer, Community & Service. Join this interactive workshop to gain INSIGHTS into your role in God's kingdom. Info and registration at [UPPC.org/events](http://UPPC.org/events).

## "Caring for the Immigrant" Lunch

Sunday February 9 | 12:15-2PM | Fellowship Hall

Learn how volunteers have been able to come alongside immigrants from the Northwest Immigration Detention Center in Tacoma in their time of need, and how you, too, can pray and care for detainees. Info and registration at [UPPC.org/events](http://UPPC.org/events).

## IF:Gathering 2020

March 13-14 | UPPC

Women, join us for two days of fellowship as we step into faith and the hope Jesus provides. Info and registration at [UPPC.org/events](http://UPPC.org/events)!

## New Students in Meru, Kenya

There are 15 new students who need sponsors in order to attend school. Visit [cherishmeru.org](http://cherishmeru.org) and click on *Waiting for a Sponsor* to find a child for whom you can make a difference.

# COUPLE CHECKUP

*for couples across all ages & stages of life*

Relationships are challenging. We want to support you and help you be stronger and healthier as a couple - that's why we've invested in Couple Checkup, an online customized assessment tool for married, dating, and engaged couples.

Couple Checkup is a fun, easy way to take a closer look at your relationship, increase relationship strengths, spark meaningful conversation, and to help you grow together in your spiritual relationship.

This assessment will be available to you from January 12-February 8.

Here's how to access it:

### Partner 1

1. Type into your browser: [www.CoupleCheckup.com](http://www.CoupleCheckup.com).
2. Click on **Create Couple Account** in upper right corner.
3. Enter the 3-part voucher code: **UPPC-COUPLE-CHECKUP**, and click **Submit Voucher**.
4. Enter your name and email, as well as your partner's.
5. Create a password and click **Continue** to create your account (you will be given an account number).

### Partner 2

1. Type into your browser: [www.CoupleCheckup.com](http://www.CoupleCheckup.com).
2. Click **Couple Login** in the upper right corner.
3. Enter the account number and password Partner 1 used.
4. Click Your Name to take your portion of the assessment.

**Once you and your partner have completed the assessment, you'll be able to access your report.** Click **View Results** to open the PDF and save it to your computer. You can review your results on your own, as well as make the most of them by attending the Couples Group where Pastor Mike, as a certified facilitator, will help you interpret your results and give you tools to become a stronger, healthier couple!

**The Couples Group will be Sundays Feb 16-Mar 8, 12:15-1:30PM in Fellowship Hall. Sign up at [UPPC.org/events](http://UPPC.org/events).**



# 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

- Lauren Hart, 22 year old niece of Denny and Christi Glenn, has been diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (B cell ALL). Prayers for her treatment process and her family (parents Patty and Dave) as they support her.
- Don McClain is now receiving 24 hour care in his apartment at Narrows Glen. Prayers for the winding down of his life and for his family as they are on the journey with him.
- Larry Turnbull begins radiation treatment for prostate cancer tomorrow. Prayers for protection and 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, Bob Gunderson, Marty Heavenlo, Amy Hunter, 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

## 2019 Giving Statements

Your 2019 Giving Statement will be emailed out this year, unless you have previously requested that it be snail mailed, or we don't have an email address for you.

## 2020 Per Capita

Per capita is what UPPC pays the Presbytery of Olympia per member every year. It is one way UPPC is connected to, and participates in, the work of the wider church. Per capita for 2020 is \$40.50. If you would like to contribute toward this expense, please place your contribution in a giving envelope (in the pew pocket), *note it is for per capita*, and place it in the offering any Sunday of this calendar year. Online per capita giving is available at [UPPC.org/giving](http://UPPC.org/giving) or on our app.

# 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.