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 10.13

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

CHERISH PRAYER GATHERING 4-5:30PM | Chapel

MONDAY 10.14

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY 6:30-8AM | Rm 124

WEDNESDAY 10.16

ESL/FRIENDSHIP GROUP 9AM-12PM | Fellowship Hall

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

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

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

THE ROCK 7:30-9PM | Grades 8-9 | The Lodge

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

THURSDAY 10.17

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 10.18

KEITH IDLER MEMORIAL 10:30AM | Sanctuary

SATURDAY 10.19

INSIGHTS 9AM-2PM | Fellowship Hall

ORDER OF SERVICE

*Please stand if you are able

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

GATHERING MUSIC | Prelude in E Minor | Gerald Bales | Art Peterson, Organ

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP | Rev. Mike Moffitt

*GREETING ONE ANOTHER

*HYMN OF PRAISE | Come, Christians, Join to Sing

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Awesome and compassionate Father, Our Creator, Lord, and Friend, you have loved us without unfail and given us yourself. But whether in thought, word, or deed, we have not loved you in return. You call us, but we do not listen. You tell us to love, but we walk away from our neighbors. You teach us, but we repeat our mistakes. God of mercy, we choose to turn away from all that separates us from you, and we choose to turn back to your Holy Spirit, asking for your forgiveness, in which we have faith, through Jesus Christ. Amen. (silent confession)

SCRIPTURE READING | Matthew 7:1-5 (NIV) | LouAnn Crabbe

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

DOXOLOGY

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

MINISTRY OF MUSIC | The Heavens Are Telling | Haydn/Thompson Chancel Bells | Rev. Dr. Diana Greene, Minister of Worship

DEAR YOUNGER ME: "Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin" and other Lies I've Loved Deuteronomy 23:12-14 (NIV) | Rev. Aaron Stewart, Senior Pastor

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE | Take Time to Be Holy

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

Total Praise | Richard Smallwood, arr. Doreen Rao | Sanctuary Choir

SEALING THE WORD

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 | Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing
- *THE BLESSING
- *POSTLUDE | Toccata | Leon Boellmann

UNIVERSITY PLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Aaron Stewart | Senior Pastor Rev. Mike Moffitt | Associate Pastor WAYS TO GIVE AT UPPC:

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



October 13, 2019

I'll venture a guess that you have never heard a sermon preached on Deuteronomy 23:12-14. If you happened to be 140 years old, you'd no doubt have heard many sermons on this text. But it's a prime example of when we resort to reductionist reading of scripture, picking and choosing passages to meet an agenda.

This week I want to talk about several more pervasively destructive beliefs I call half-truths. If I could, I'd tell my younger self to beware of these half-truths. Most of us have things we believe, and we tell others, and even count on these beliefs. Some of these sound so true and we've believed them so long, that they become embedded into our theology. As we'll discover this week, a few have fundamentally altered our ability to truly understand the Bible and how it functions in our lives.

I've been wanting to talk about this subject for so long and it's finally here. Pray with me that we can all grow, and learn what is a more holistic, life-giving gospel. I'm glad to be with you today!

Pastor Aaron Stewart









ALL CHURCH

Info and registrations at UPPC.org/events and on our app!

Insights

Saturday October 19 | 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 greater INSIGHTS into your role in God's kingdom! Learn more/register at UPPC.org/events.

Financial Q & A

Sunday October 20 | 10:40-11:15AM | Gym

If you are interested in learning more about UPPC's budget and finances, you are invited to a Finance Q&A meeting with the Finance Elders and Mike Bates. If you know your questions ahead of time, please submit them to Randi Downs, rdowns@uppc.org, so we can be better prepared to answer your questions.

CARE

Tacoma Prostate Cancer Support Group

4th Tuesdays | 6-9PM | Fellowship Hall

The meeting is devoted to interactive discussion among attendees to share information and ask questions. Meetings provide a non-threatening environment for newly diagnosed as well as those with recurring disease to openly discuss their concerns. Wives and significant others are especially encouraged to attend. Contact Bob Freeborn for more info, raf0444@comcast.net.

Women's Cancer Support Group

2nd Tuesdays | 1-2PM | Fellowship Hall

Women touched by cancer or caring for a cancer patient are invited to attend for a time of mutual sharing and listening, support and prayer. Questions? Contact Jill McMullen at jmcmullen@uppc.org or 253.564.2522 x139

YOUNG ADULTS

SPARK

Thursday October 17 | 7PM | 7 Seas

We've been carefully discerning how to serve our young adult community, and we want to get to know you better! Invite a friend and join us at 7 Seas on the 17th. First round of apps are on us! Follow on Insta @sparkUPPC for days/times/details.

SENIORS

Friendship Lunch (55+)

Wednesday October 23 | 12PM | Fellowship Hall

Join us for our first Friendship Lunch of the program year! We will have wonderful fellowship, a delicious lunch made by Steve King, listen to musical entertainment and hear from Harlan Shoop, Pastor Emeritus. RSVP to Diane Schultz, 253.565.2348 or jimndiane@nventure.com by Sunday October 20. Invite a guest or just sign up and meet some new friends. Cost: \$7.50 at the door.

OUTREACH

Prayer and Praise Gathering for Meru, Kenya

Today | 4-5PM | Chapel

In partnership with Hope International Ministry Trust, UPPC's Cherish ministry educates, equips, and empowers children in Meru, Kenya. Many of these children will be taking national exams this fall in order to graduate from school at the end of the school year. Join us as we pray for these children and their caregivers and write notes of encouragement.

Sew & Reap

1st & 3rd Tuesdays | 10AM | Room 121

Do you like to quilt? UPPC women gather twice a month for fellowship and to provide quilts for the TG Neonatal ICU, UP Care Center and Family Renewal Shelter. Last year they donated dozens of quilts! Bring your lunch, sewing machine, and basic sewing supplies. Fabric is donated and included. Basic sewing skills required. Join us!

Women's English & Friendship Group

Wednesdays | 9:30-11:15AM | Sept-Nov and Jan-May | Fellowship Hall Join our weekly Wednesday class where women learning English and women fluent in English are able to come together, practice English and build new friendships. Contact Fran Royston for more info, fran-lynn@msn.com; 253.212.9955.

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!)

PRAYERS

Jill McMullen, Minister of Care | 253.564.2522 ext. 139, 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; 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

- Evelyn O'Brien, 3 year old granddaughter of Colette and Greg Lease and niece of Graham and Anne O'Brien, is being treated for a brain bleed. Prayers for healing and for answers to what caused it.
- Rich Knoll is recovering from pneumonia at Tacoma Lutheran Home. Prayers for healing.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR: Jim Anderson, Debbie Bates, Laurie Bauer, Ruth Brones, Billie Brown, Virginia Davies, Richard DeVine, Nick Glenn, Jung Gumsook, Olivia Harkcom, Phillip Hjembo, Rick Jackson, Bill Kelley, Pat Kling, Rich Knoll, Harold Koenig, Kellyn Kohler, Kevin Kozakowski, Jeannie Mann, Kara McDaniels, Nick McKenty, Noelle Nelson, Bob Parker, Kris Rantalla, Elizabeth Spitler, Sharon Storey, Ann Swalander, Pat Van Mason, BJ Wiebusch, Jean Whitney, Gloria Wing

THOSE BEING TREATED FOR CANCER: Jack Baker, Sally Bolton, Matt Cushman, Cirilo DelCarmen, Bob Dippert, Gayle Fowler, Jean Graves, Marty Heaverlo, Paul Jackson, Harold Jantz, Pam Judson, Scott Lillibridge, Diane Martin, Marion Massey, Pauline May, Dan McDaniels, Guy McInelly, Bob Mitchell, Chris Olson, Marge Ritchie

CONDOLENCES

Our sympathy to Barbara Sharon, Peggy (Steve) Thorndill, Lori Sharon and Jacob Sharon at the loss of their mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Lois Beckman, who passed away on October 3, 2019.

UPCOMING MEMORIAL:

Keith Idler: Friday, October 18 at 10:30AM

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.