

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 to let you know more about ministries and opportunities available for you and your family.

We hope this morning is meaningful and rejuvenating for you!

MINISTRY MOMENT

SAFE HAVEN WELCOME TEAM | DAVE & BRENDA RICKER

Every year, thousands of people pass through the ICE Detention Center in Tacoma, WA, one of the largest in the country. These men and women are sent to Tacoma from all over the country. Some stay in the detention center for only a few weeks, others up to several years. Most are waiting to be reunited with family members already living in the US and have come to provide a better life for their family.

As volunteers on UPPC's Safe Haven Welcome Team, we meet these individuals outside the detention center gates, host them in our homes, provide a warm meal, take them to SeaTac, and help them navigate the airport. We have hosted asylees from Cuba, South America, India, and Africa. We are so often astounded to hear the incredible stories these men and women bring. All have left very difficult situations in their home country, and most have endured tremendous hardship to get to the US - often traveling by foot from thousands of miles away, crossing rivers, climbing mountains, and seeing others die on the journey.

Yoriel, a 45-year-old glass worker from Cuba, explained how he had met God on the long trek. We recently hosted Pedro, a young man from Nicaragua. He had left his family's rural farm (he explained that it was a full day's horse ride away from electric power) to be able to send home money to his parents. He had ridden in a car only a few times in his life. When we took him to the airport it was apparent, by the astonished look on his face, that he had never before seen an elevator or an escalator.

In this ministry we have often experienced being 'blessed to be a blessing' (Genesis 12). More than once after we have prayed over these recently released detainees, they have asked if they could pray a blessing over us in their own language. While the stories of each person we have hosted have varied, all remind us that we are called to be citizens of both heaven and the entire world.

Learn how you can join the Welcome Team at uppc.org/safehaven.



SERVICE INFORMATION

Mark: The Nagging Problem of Making Jesus in our Own Image
Mark 11:1-11
Rev. Dr. Martha Greene, Parish Associate
Rob Clark, Minister of Youth & Children

9:30AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE

**Please stand if able*

Worship Leaders: Rev. Dr. Diana Greene, Minister of Worship;
Margie Dickerson, Piano

Prelude: "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" arr. Raney

Welcome & Call to Worship

***Hymn of Praise:** "Praise to the Lord the Almighty"

Prayer of Praise and Confession

Ministry of Music: "Fairest Lord Jesus" arr. Hayes

Prayer for the Children & Greet One Another

Message

***Hymn of Response** "O Christ Surround Me"

God's Tithes & Our Offerings

Prayers of the People

***Sending Hymn:** "Be Thou My Vision"

The Blessing

Postlude: "When We All Get to Heaven" by Craig Curry

11AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

Worship Leaders: Craig Carter and Lisa Priestley

"Here for You" by Matt Redman

"Hosanna (Praise is Rising)" by Paul Baloche

"Resurrender" by Hillsong

"How Great Is Our God" by Chris Tomlin

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

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WAYS TO GIVE AT UPPC:

- Offering baskets in lobby
- Online: UPPC.org/give
- UPPC app



UNIVERSITY PLACE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday January 15, 2023

Employment Opportunity at UPPC

Director of Communications

We are seeking an experienced, full-time Director of Communications. This position manages UPPC’s digital and printed communications. If you are interested, or know someone who might be, please send a letter of interest and a resume to Mike Bates at mbates@uppc.org.

Friendship in The Wayside (55+)

Thursday January 19 | 11:30am-1:15pm

Bring a friend for a light lunch and time to catch up with friends! The Wayside café will be open to support UPPC youth ministries. It’s a great time of fellowship! No registration required.

Meet The Pastors

Sunday January 22 | 12:15pm | Family Worship Room

New to UPPC? We’d love to get to know you! Meet the pastors, staff and others looking for community. Coffee is on us! Questions? Contact Kathy Goertz, 253.564.2522 ext.147 or kgoertz@uppc.org.

Alpha

Sundays from 5:30-7:30pm starting February 5th

Get acquainted with the landscape of Christianity at Alpha.

People need a space to ask the big questions of life in a place where they will be accepted and belong. Alpha is that place. Enjoy dinner, and explore meaning, faith, and the basics of Christianity among new friends for eleven weeks this winter and spring. Childcare is available. Sign up at UPPC.org/alpha.

Rooted

Sundays from 5:30-7:30pm starting February 5th

Rooted is a small group experience that will teach you how to practice rhythms essential to a healthy and active relationship with Jesus. Enjoy daily reading and journaling in your new book, then come together weekly to share and listen in a safe space. Childcare available with registration. (Recommended prerequisites: Alpha, Equipping). Sign up at UPPC.org/rooted.

Flourishing

Sundays from 5:30-7:30pm starting February 5th

Discern your role in God’s invitation to flourish! Flourishing is a community experience that seeks to bring clarity to two primary questions: what is God’s invitation for human flourishing, and how can we seek it for ourselves and others? During this 10-week experience you will explore God’s vision for human flourishing, the challenges that hinder flourishing within our community, and how God is inviting you to bring healing, hope, and transformation for others. Sign up at UPPC.org/ outreach.

FUN FAIR

Saturday January 28

11am-2pm

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This **FREE** event for families with toddlers through fifth grade includes bounce houses, carnival games, face painting, and a FREE lunch. Invite friends to join the fun! Sunset Christian Preschool tours available during the fair.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

We are looking for congregation members to help with hospitality, crafts, or games. Stop by the table in the lobby to sign up or go to UPPC.org/ events.

Safe Haven Volunteer Opportunity

Info Session February 5 | 11 am | Room 342

The Safe Haven Welcome Team is looking for volunteers to help them provide a meal and/or transportation one weekend a month to 1-2 immigrants leaving Tacoma’s ICE processing center. Learn how you can provide a warm welcome to the strangers in our midst at uppc.org/safehaven.

Pathways

The winter Pathways is now available!

Following Jesus is an active, intentional journey that transforms us each step of the way. These Discipleship “Pathways” are available for you to take intentional steps toward spiritual maturity in Jesus. Pick up your copy in the lobby.

Worship anywhere with our *Mark* series playlist on Spotify!

Here’s how to find it on Spotify:

1. Open Spotify, search for “The Wayside” and scroll down to find them under ‘Profiles.’

2. Follow the account to have access to all our playlists.

3. Click the heart icon for any playlists you like and they’ll show up in your Spotify library.

Jill McMullen, Minister of Care | 253.564.2522 ext. 139, jmcmullen@uppc.org

- If you would like to share a prayer request or praise, email prayerrequests@uppc.org.
- If you would like info on support groups, or for a deacon to pray with you during the week, contact Jill McMullen.

PRAYERS

- Kelley Carter is having knee surgery at the end of the month. Prayers for a successful surgery and recovery.
- Tammy McKay is recovering from hip surgery this past Thursday (rescheduled from the previous week). Prayers for a successful recovery.
- Marge Ritchie is dealing with an obstruction in her bile duct and is facing a procedure to put a stent through it. Prayers for relief and successful surgery.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR

Sheila Bennett, Steve Berntson, John Brooks, Billie Brown, Gary Christman, Dave Ernst, Llew Ernst, Janet Fry, Bert Hill, Sharon Knoll, Mark Koch, Kellyn Kohler, Clarine Kvamme, Ginny Lease, Buck Mann, James Matthaei, Kara McDaniels, Nick McKenty, Robin Miller, Don Moffitt, Noelle Nelson, Bob Parker, Dave Robert, Shirley Romanovich, Emil Schlenker, Ginny Siegle, Elizabeth Spitler, Dick Stender, John Sutton, Jeri Witmer

THOSE BEING TREATED FOR CANCER

Mark Baldridge, Sally Bolton, Kristy Burnette, Kathryn Castle, Jane Chantler, Ron Coleman, Matt Cushman, Bob Dippert, Chris Field, Tiana Graves, Bob Gunderson, Kathy Horst-Smith, Amy Hunter, Julie Judy, Brittni Kelleher, Peter MacDonald, Susan Perong, Sarah Rauen, Marge Ritchie, Mario Silva, Ralph Storey, Fred Turshman, Jan Vick, Gaylord Warren

CONDOLENCES

- Our sympathy to the family of Keith Chambers, who passed away on January 5, 2023 after a brief battle with cancer. Memorial details to come.
- Our sympathy to the family of Jim Seidel, who passed away on January 6, 2023 after a battle with cancer. Memorial details to come.
- Our sympathy to the family of John Warner, who passed away on January 10, 2023. Memorial details to come.

UPCOMING MEMORIAL

Jeremy Livengood: Sunday, January 22 at 3PM

<div>DO LIFE TOGETHER</div> <div>We comfort and care for each other, both here and around the world.</div>	<div>MAKE ROOM</div> <div>We value sacred space - our gatherings are a place of Holy Spirit moments and great healing.</div>	<div>LOVE KIDS</div> <div>We honor children and youth - through spiritual growth and general nurture - as a foundation for all we do.</div>	<div>CREATE</div> <div>We encourage music and the arts to enhance our worship and celebrate God’s goodness with others.</div>	<div>EMBRACE MESSINESS</div> <div>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.</div>	<div>SHARE</div> <div>We share our abundant blessings generously - through service and mission, God-given talents and wealth.</div>
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