

WE BELIEVE THE LORD BROUGHT YOU HERE!

Welcome to UPPC! We are so glad you are here, and we would love to meet you. Visit the Welcome Center near the front doors to learn more about the ministry of UPPC, our community and opportunities to connect.

We hope your time with us today creates a meaningful encounter with Jesus.

We SHARE & MAKE ROOM...

by Rev. Lisa Woicik

In Flourishing, on the Discipleship Journey we learn how making room and sharing our time, talents and relational energy with others can lead to human flourishing. Represented in the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, God's very nature is relational, and as human beings created in God's image, so are we. Yet, so much of the brokenness in the world stems from broken relationships and a failure to see our connection to one another.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu often used the African concept of Ubuntu to describe the relational nature of God and humanity – *my existence is intertwined with your existence; my well-being is intertwined your well-being.* Or as the Apostle Paul said in reference to the Church: *If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it.* (1 Cor 12:26 NIV).

We flourish when our relationships with God, our neighbor, our community, and the world are healthy, just, and thriving, and we suffer when these relationships are broken at some level. God does not intend for each of us as individuals to solve all the world's problems. The beauty of being intertwined with each other is that individually we only need to worry about the small piece that God has set aside for us to do, while others focus on the pieces God has for them. But knowing where God wishes us to focus requires discernment and discernment is always best done in community.

Being of a part of *Flourishing* at UPPC can help you discern where God is inviting you in this season of your life to make room to focus your time, talents, and relational energy to help others flourish.

Maybe it is something new God is inviting you into, or maybe it is going deeper into areas where you are already serving, but regardless of what specific piece God has set aside for you, imagine what could happen if we all served as Christ's ambassadors helping each other become reconciled with God and one another. (2 Cor 5:18-20). What a beautiful place that will be!

SERVICE INFORMATION

Let My People Grow: Courage
Romans 1: 16-17
Rev. Aaron Stewart, Senior Pastor
Rev. Dr. Martha Greene, Parish Associate

9:30AM CLASSIC SERVICE

**Please stand if able*

Worship Leaders: Rev. Dr. Diana Greene, Minister of Worship; Sanctuary Choir; Chancel Brass; Art Peterson, Organist

Prelude: *Melody* | Samuel Coleridge-Taylor
Break Thou The Bread Of Life | Bob McNally Jr.

Welcome & Call to Worship

***Hymn of Praise:** *Old Hundredth Psalm Tune* | Ralph Vaughan Williams

God's Tithes & Our Offerings

Ministry of Music: *Send Us Lord To Every Nation* | Joseph Martin

Prayer for the Children & Greet One Another

Message

***Hymn of Response:** *Take My Life and Let It Be*

Communion: *One Bread, One Body* | John Foley/Keith Loftis

Prayers of the People

***Sending Hymn:** *The Lord's Prayer* | Malotte

The Blessing

Postlude: *Allegro* | Domenico Zipoli

11AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

Worship Leaders: Loren & Melinda Tucker and Lisa Priestley;
Contemporary Worship Band

We Praise You | Brandon Lake
Everything That Has Breath (Praise) | Jesus Culture
For The Sake Of The World | Bethel Music
Send Me | Bethel Music

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

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WAYS TO GIVE AT UPPC:

- Giving Box in lobby
- Online: UPPC.org/give



UNIVERSITY PLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 4, 2024

CONNECT

 in person - online - get the app!

Special Needs Parent Support Group (SNPSG)

February 11 | 1:45 - 2:45pm | Zoom

SNPSG is for parents with special needs children of all ages and abilities. At this meeting, Rev. Martha Greene will speak briefly on "Seasonal Affective Disorder in Children on the Autism Spectrum." Come share and support one another on our parenting journey. Please contact Martha Greene at mgreene@uppc.org for the Zoom information or visit UPPC.org/events for more information.

Ash Wednesday

February 14 | 7pm

"Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit with me." The ashes of this day remind us of our mortality and need of a Savior. Join us for this service which introduces the season of Lent, 40 days before Easter.

Divorce Recovery

Thursdays | Starting February 15 | 6:15 - 8:45pm

Have you or a loved one experienced divorce? It happens for a variety of reasons, and when it does, Divorce Recovery will help answer some of the most difficult questions: How deeply has this affected me? How will I ever recover? It takes courage and humility to confront our deepest fears. Divorce Recovery at UPPC is a safe place to share your thoughts, feelings and emotions and to begin the process of healing through faith, hope and love. Registration includes dinner and a safe space for kids experiencing divorce. More information at UPPC.org/events.

Friendship in The Wayside (55+)

February 15 | 11:15am -1:00pm

Bring a friend for a light lunch and to catch up with others! The Wayside café will be open and purchases will support UPPC youth ministries. It's a great time of fellowship! Contact Jill McMullen with questions. jmcmullen@uppc.org | 253.564-2522 ext139

Sunset Christian Preschool Auction

March 1 | 7 -10pm | Fircrest Golf Club

You are invited... to attend the 2024 Sunset Christian Preschool Auction, *From Little Seeds to Mighty Trees!* Join SCP families, teachers and the greater community for appetizers and then bid on some of the amazing items procured. Come and experience a great time of fellowship plus support this important ministry of UPPC. For more information and to purchase your tickets visit UPPC.org/events.



New Sermon Series

The Story of God's work isn't over yet.
There is so much more to come.
A future with Our Great Hope!

Jesus came to save us from sin and death but what is he saving us for? Jesus will return to establish his kingdom, bringing restoration to the world. Join us in this season of Lent as we explore that restoration, and what we are being saved FROM so that we can be saved FOR Our Great Hope!

Register for Hope Inspired

March 16 | 9am - 5pm

UPPC Women's Ministry invites you to Hope Inspired 2024!

Have you ever found yourself in an unexpected season? Are you struggling with fear, uncertainty and an unknown future? Do you think to yourself (and say to God) this is not what I signed up for?!

We are thrilled to welcome counselor and Bible teacher Nicole Unice this year to talk about how we can feel scared, helpless, and in over our heads. In her newest book, *Not What I Signed Up For*, Nicole takes us on a journey through the biblical story of Joseph to help us see how God uses life's hard times, twists, turns and in-between spaces to grow something essential in our souls.

Join us for a rejuvenating time of worship, fellowship, teaching and fun. Registration is NOW OPEN at UPPC.org/events! Early registration (by March 1) is \$40 and includes a copy of Nicole's new book absolutely FREE. If you would like to serve on our volunteer team for Hope Inspired, contact Lisa Priestley. lpriestley@uppc.org.

PRAYERS

Jill McMullen, Minister of Care

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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.

- James Burkenbuel is recovering from open heart surgery this past Friday. Prayers for healing and good recovery.
- Prayers for Lisa Woicik and Peter and Josephine Mburugu as they travel to Meru, Kenya to connect with our Cherish Meru ministry.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR

Taekme Benedict, Steve Berntson, Michael Bishop, John Brooks, Billie Brown, Jackie Burk, Betty Ellsworth, Llew Ernst, Art Forbes, Janet Fry, Ralph and Gloria Hjembo, Pat Kling, Sharon Knoll, Mark Koch, Kellyn Kohler, Sue LaFraugh, Buck Mann, James Matthaei, Regina Mattoni, Kara McDaniels, Nick McKenty, Robin Miller, Don Moffitt, Noelle Nelson, Shari Painter, Bobby Reed, Dave Robert, Shirley Romanovich, Carolyn Rzesutek, Ben Sanbeck, Emil Schlenker, Bobbi Sloan, Ginny Siegle, Susan Scott, Ed Srsn, Dick Stender, John Sutton, Doug Wing

THOSE BEING TREATED FOR CANCER

Mark Baldrige, Kristy Burnette, Margo Campbell, Jane Chantler, Sharon Clegg, Gerry Cravens, Matt Cushman, Bob Dippert, Tiana Graves, Bob Gunderson, Kathy Hamilton, Kathy Horst-Smith, Julie Judy, Brittni Kelleher, Mary Loovis, Susan Perong, Sarah Rauen, Mario Silva, Ralph Storey, Fred Turshman, Louana Tyson

THE WAYSIDE



Sunday-Thursday 8:30am-1pm

Stop by The Wayside on your way to work, after kid dropoff, or for a meetup with friends. Enjoy great coffee in an uplifting, comfortable atmosphere. Free wifi!

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 mission, God-given talents and wealth.