

WELCOME TO UPPC!

We believe God brought you here today! We are so glad, and we would love to meet you. Visit the Welcome Center just outside the Sanctuary 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.

Rooted

By Katie Baker

Although I have been a member of UPPC for nearly 20 years, in recent years I have been feeling disconnected and was looking for a way to re-engage in the church. I had also realized that my faith, though very real, was lacking the deep and consistent relationship with Jesus that I wanted.

I thought about participating in previous sessions of Rooted but, not wanting to try something new alone, was nervous to commit. Finally, in February of this year I asked my best friend if she would sign up with me. Her yes meant my yes as well.

Being a part of the Rooted small group experience prompted a level of vulnerability that does not come easily to me. The daily readings and weekly discussions were not a typical Bible study, but rather a chance to establish a daily practice, reflect on my faith, and share how God was working in my life. Over the 10 weeks of committing to this group, I experienced the benefits and strength that come from opening myself to others.



Rooted gave me a way to connect with new (to me) people, this church, and myself in a safe and deeply meaningful way.

Register for Rooted at UPPC.org/events

SERVICE INFORMATION

Seeking The Good Life: Wealth Is For Worship
Proverbs 3: 9-10
Rev. Aaron Stewart, Senior Pastor
Jill McMullen, Minister of Care and Welcome & Connect

9:30AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE

**Please stand if able*

Worship Leaders: Rev. Dr. Diana Greene, Minister of Worship; Lisa Priestley & Melinda Tucker, Vocalists Art Peterson, Organist

Prelude: *Sicilienne* | Maria Theresia Von Paradis

Welcome & Call to Worship

***Hymn of Praise:** *For the Beauty of the Earth*

God's Tithes & Our Offerings

***Hymn of Dedication:** *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Prayer for the Children & Greet One Another

Message

Communion: *New Wine* | Brooke Ligertwood

Prayers of the People

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

The Blessing

Postlude: *Toccata* | Gaston Bélier

11AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

Worship Leaders: Loren Tucker, Melinda Tucker and Lisa Priestley

Awake My Soul | Hillsong Worship

Bless God | Cody Carnes

God I Look To You | Bethel Music

Send Me | Bethel Music

New Wine | Hillsong Worship

Rev. Aaron Stewart | Senior Pastor

Rev. Mike Moffitt | Associate Pastor

Wifi: UPPC Guest | Password: welcome2

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WAYS TO GIVE AT UPPC:

- Baskets in lobby
- Online: UPPC.org/give



UNIVERSITY PLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday September 3, 2023

CONNECT in person - online - get the app!

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP at UPPC

Sundays | September 17 - November 26 | 5:30 - 7:30pm

ALPHA

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 fall. Childcare is available. UPPC.org/events

ROOTED

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. Includes dinner! Childcare available with registration. UPPC.org/events

FLOURISHING

Explore God's vision for human flourishing, the challenges that hinder flourishing within our local community, and how God is inviting us to bring healing, hope, and transformation for others. Hear from guest speakers, examine your own gifts and context, and reflect upon how God has uniquely prepared you to help others flourish. Includes dinner! Childcare available with registration. UPPC.org/events

YOUTH & KIDS KICK-OFF

Wednesday | September 13

It will be a fun filled night with soccer darts and an inflatable obstacle course to kick off the school year! Connect with youth ministries at UPPC.org/connect.

Campfire | Grades 1-4 | 6:30-7:30pm

Foundation | Grades 5-7 | 6:30-7:30pm

The Rock | Grades 8 and 9 | 8-9pm

Cornerstone | Grades 10-12 | 8-9pm

Divorce Recovery

Thursdays | September 14 - October 26 | 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+)

Thursday September 14 | 11:15am -1:00pm

Welcome back! 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. No registration required. jmcullen@uppc.org | 253.564-2522 ext.139



Join us for a transformative journey through the book of Revelation as we dive deep into the intriguing messages sent to the seven churches. In this sermon series, we will explore the timeless truths and prophetic visions revealed by John, uncovering their profound relevance for our lives today.

Throughout history, the seven churches mentioned in Revelation have symbolized not only specific congregations but they also represent various spiritual conditions and attitudes found within the Church as a whole. Each church received a unique message from Christ, with commendations, warnings, and exhortations tailored to their circumstances.

In this series, we will examine the distinctive characteristics of each church and discover how their challenges and triumphs mirror our own spiritual journeys. From the lukewarmness of Laodicea to the faithfulness of Smyrna, we will explore the timeless themes of perseverance, repentance, love, and overcoming.

Together, we will navigate the symbolic language and vivid imagery of Revelation, seeking to understand its message of hope, judgment and ultimate victory. We will uncover practical insights for navigating the trials and tribulations of our present world, all while keeping our focus on the glorious promise of Christ's return.

Whether you are a seasoned student of the Bible or a newcomer to the book of Revelation, this sermon series will provide a fresh perspective, deepening your understanding of God's plan for His Church!

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!

PRAYERS

Jill McMullen, Minister of Care | 253.564.2522 ext 139 | jmcullen@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.
- Bob and Marty Peterson are both recovering from falls recently. Prayers for healing.
- James Pike, brother of Liz Martin, is in critical condition with multiple health issues in Tucson, Arizona. Prayers for healing and his family as they support him.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR

Taekme Benedict, Sheila Bennett, Steve Berntson, John Brooks, Billie Brown, Gary Christman, Dick Daubert, Clare DeVine, Betty Ellsworth, Llew Ernst, Art Forbes, Janet Fry, PJ and Caroline Jackson, Josh Jacobsen, Pat Kling, Sharon Knoll, Mark Koch, Kellyn Kohler, Buck Mann, James Matthaei, Kara McDaniels, Nick McKenty, Robin Miller, Don Moffitt, Noelle Nelson, Mary Peterson, Dave Robert, Shirley Romanovich, Kate Romero, Ben Sanbeck, Emil Schlenker, Bobbi Sloan, Ginny Siegle, Ed Srsn, Dick Stender, John Sutton, Len Talbott, Doug Wing

THOSE BEING TREATED FOR CANCER

Mark Baldrige, JoBeth Berry, Kristy Burnette, Margo Campbell, Jane Chantler, 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

CONDOLENCES

Our sympathy to Marjorie Lovrak at the loss of her sister, Sylvia Larson, who passed away on August 30, 2023.

Our sympathy to the family of Helen Whitney, who passed away on August 25, 2023.

CELEBRATING NEW LIFE

Tucker Gordon Pellow, son of Brock and Hannah Pellow, was born August 23, 2023. His proud family includes grandparents Walt and Sandy Scamehorn, uncle and aunt Steve and Lexi Barnett and cousins Hazel and Juniper Barnett.

FALL KICKOFF

Sunday September 10

after both services

DONUTS | YOUTH & KIDS PROGRAMS | WORSHIP | ADULT DISCIPLESHIP | GAMES

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.