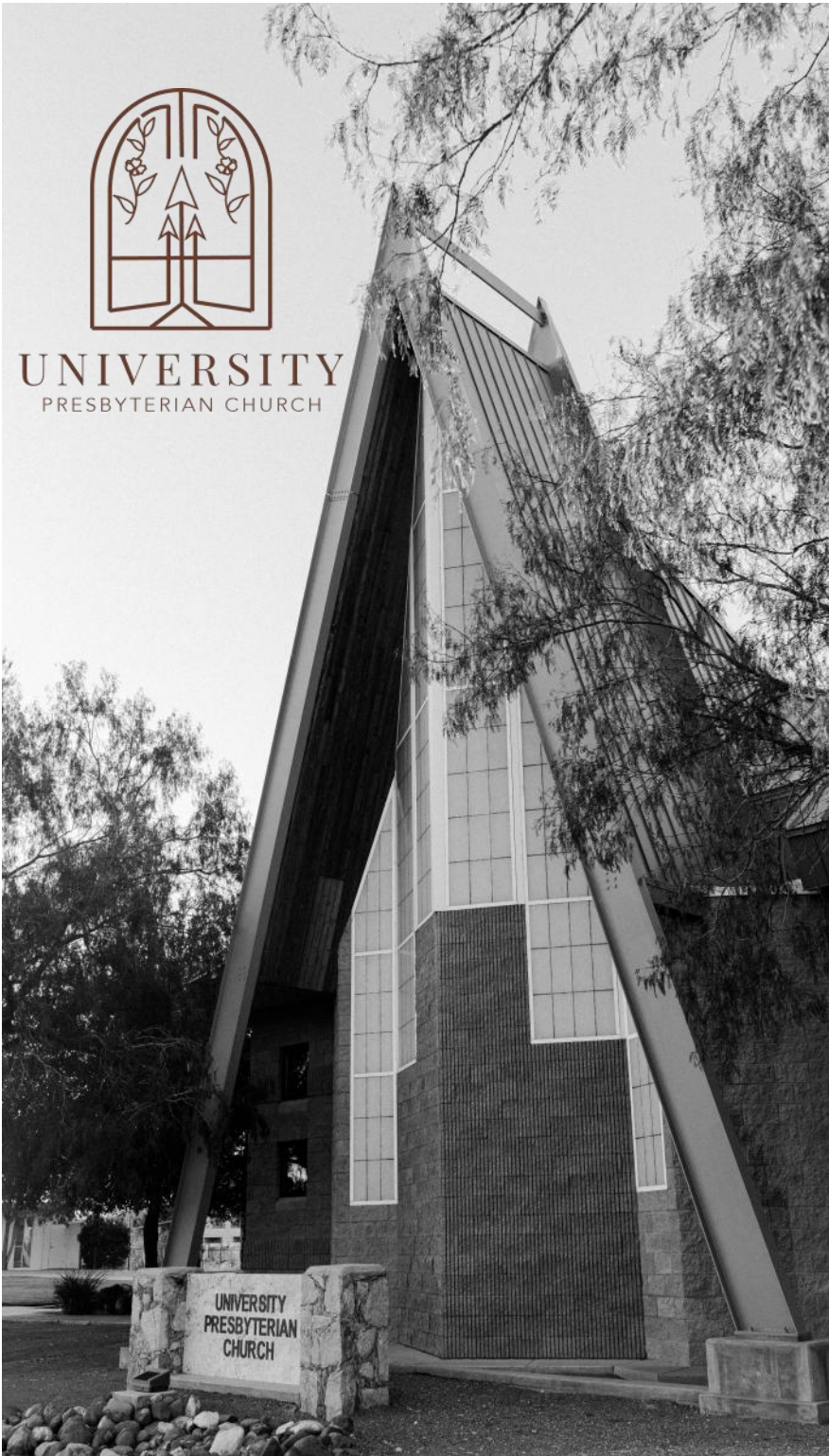




UNIVERSITY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



SUNDAY

WORSHIP

August 2, 2026

Rooted in the Gospel

Shaped in Community

Cultivating Disciples

Deliver us, when we draw near to you, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship you in spirit and in truth, through Jesus Christ Our Lord.
Amen.

Welcome

We are so glad you're here today! Whether it's your first time at UPC or your first time at church altogether, we just want you to know that you're welcome here.

If you have any questions about what you are seeing today, becoming members, or life at UPC, we invite you to reach out. We invite you to connect with our Deacons at UPCdeacons@upclc.com.



Scan here to visit our website at www.upclc.com. Connect, watch live, and learn more about the life of UPC.

Preparing for worship

Jesus invites us to come as we are, knowing He will not leave us there. So, we invite you to take a few moments of quiet reflection before the service to prepare your heart for worship.

Parents with small children

We understand parenting is challenging! In an effort to support you, we offer a staffed nursery for our youngest ones (ages 0-3) during each worship service. Our hope, however, is for our children to participate in corporate worship as soon as they are able.

Sharing a prayer request

Prayer is the communication of our desires to God our Father. Prayer is not simply thinking about God or having concerns. Rather, prayer is expressing need from the heart to God.



Scan to share a prayer request.

Order of Worship

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 98

Leader:

Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for He has done marvelous things! His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him. The LORD has made known His salvation; He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations. He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Congregation:

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises! Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody! With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!

Leader:

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it!

All:

Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together before the LORD, for He comes to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

*PRAYER OF ADORATION



Call to Worship

A formal invitation to the congregation to enter corporate worship. It is drawn from Scripture and unites the congregation in acknowledging God's presence and preparing their hearts for worship.

* Please stand if you're able.

***“And Can It Be That I Should Gain”**

Trinity 455

And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love!
How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

[Chorus]

Amazing love! How can it be?
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

'Tis myst'ry all!
Th'Immortal dies: who can explore His strange design?
In vain the first born seraph tries
To sound the depths of love divine!
'Tis mercy all!
Let earth adore, let angel minds inquire no more.

He left His Father's throne above,
(So free, so infinite His grace!),
Humbled Himself (so great his love!),
And bled for all His chosen race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free!
For, O my God it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray,
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free;

* Please stand
if you're able.

I rose, went forth and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold, I approach th'eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

Trinity 455 Charles Wesley, Thomas Campbell
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CALL TO CONFESSION

The words of our Lord Jesus Christ:

“Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?”
And He said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. “

Matthew 22:36–40

SILENT CONFESSION

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Who am I? What kind of person am I? What evil have I not done?
Or if there is evil that I have not done, what evil is there that I have not spoken?

If there is any that I have not spoken, what evil is there that I have not willed to do?

But you, O Lord, are good. You are merciful.



Call to Confession

An invitation to bring our sins before The LORD. Because of Christ's work on the cross, we can confess freely, knowing that in Him, there is no condemnation, only grace and restoration.

You saw how deep I was sunk in death, and it was Your power that drained dry the well of corruption in the depths of my heart. Lord, I am your servant. You have broken the chains that bound me; I will sacrifice in Your honor.

Let me praise You in my heart, let me praise You with my tongue. Let this be the cry of my whole being: Lord, there is none like You. Amen.

Augustine

*** ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord:
though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be as white as snow;
though they are red like crimson,
they shall become like wool.

Isaiah 1:18

Congregation: Amen.

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Congregation: The Maker of heaven and earth.

Leader: O Lord, open our lips,

Congregation: and our mouths will sing Your praise.

***“God of Grace and Mercy”**

Almeroth

God of grace and mercy,
God of steadfast love.
God of truth and justice,



Assurance of Pardon

These words are an invitation to rest in God's grace. He declares that all who repent and believe in Jesus are completely forgiven from all of their sins, and their guilt wiped clean.

* Please stand if you're able.

There is none above.
You heal the brokenhearted,
You set the captive free.
God of grace and mercy, ever over me.

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***“Laden With Guilt”**

Watts/McCracken

Laden with guilt and full of fears,
I fly to Thee, my Lord;
And not a glimpse of hope appears,
But in Thy written Word.
The volumes of
My Father's grace
Does all my griefs assuage.
Here I behold my Savior's face
In every page.

This is the field
Where hidden lies
The pearl of price unknown.
That merchant is divinely wise
Who makes the pearl his own.
Here, consecrated water flows
To quench my thirst of sin.
Here, the fair tree of knowledge grows,
No danger dwells within.

This is the judge
That ends the strife,
Where wit and reason fail.

* Please stand
if you're able.

My guide to everlasting life
Through all this gloomy vale.
Oh may Thy counsels, Mighty God,
My roving feet command,
Nor I forsake the happy road
That leads to Thy right hand.

Isaac Watts | Sandra McCracken
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TITHES AND OFFERINGS

“Come and Adore Our God (Psalm 8)”

Chamberlin/Goodall/Canterbury/McLouth

Oh Lord, how majestic Your name,
All of the earth gives You praise.
Your glory is lifted on high,
With all of creation in praise.

We look on the heavens above,
The moon and the stars that You placed.
Amazed by Your care and Your love,
All of the earth gives You praise.
My heart shall give you praise.

[Chorus]

Come and adore our God,
Awesome in all of His ways.
Come and adore our God,
The Name above all other names.

You placed the earth under our feet,



Tithes and Offerings

We give back to God the portion of our wealth and talents that he calls his in recognition that they all come from him. These gifts help support the mission and ministries of the church. Some of us choose to put an offering in the plate, while others give online.



Scan to Give

To care for the world that You made.
The land, sky, mountains, and sea,
All of the earth gives You praise.
So my heart shall give you praise.

Our pride, O God, the curse of our sin,
With groaning the world seeks the day.
Through Jesus when all life is restored
And all of the earth gives You praise.
Yes, my heart shall give You praise.

*Come and adore our God
Awesome in all of His ways
Come and adore our God
The Name above all other names
Worthy of all of our praise,
Awesome in all of His ways,
The Name above all other names.*

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***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

* Please stand
if you're able.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be Your name;
Your kingdom come;
Your 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 Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.

*SCRIPTURE READING

John Pummell
Galatians 3:15-26

Leader: If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear.

SERMON: “You Can’t Graduate Into God’s Family” Dan Smith

CONFESSION OF FAITH

I believe that the Son of God, through His Spirit and Word, out of
the entire human race, from the beginning of the world to its
end,
Gathers, protects, and preserves for Himself a community chosen
for eternal life and united in true faith.
And of this community I am and always will be a living member.
Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A, 54

THE LORD’S SUPPER

All those who have publicly professed their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, are
repentant of their sins, and are baptized members of a church where the
gospel is loved and proclaimed are warmly invited to participate in the Lord’s



The Lord’s
Supper

We invite those
seated closest to
the pulpit to
come to the
table first. Please
file through
outer aisles and
back up middle
aisle.

Wine is in the
clear cups;
juice is in the
purple cups.

Please take the
bread as you
receive it.
Hold onto the
cup, as we will
drink it together
signifying our
unity in the body
of Christ.

* Please stand
if you’re able.

Supper with us. For those of you who have not yet trusted in Jesus, please let these elements pass by you. We would love to talk to you about your relationship with the Lord after the service.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND WINE

“Come Ye Sinners”

Hart/Smith

Come Ye sinners poor and wretched,
Weak and wounded, sick and sore.
Jesus ready stands to save you,
Full of pity joined with power,
He is able, He is able,
He is willing doubt no more.

Come ye needy,
Come and welcome;
God's free bounty glorify:
True belief and true repentance,
Every grace that brings you nigh.
Without money, without money,
Come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come ye weary, heavy laden,
Bruised and broken by the fall.
If you tarry till you're better,
You will never come at all.
Not the righteous, not the righteous,
Sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger,
Nor of fitness fondly dream.
All the fitness He requireth
Is to feel your need of Him.
This He gives you, this He gives you,
'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! th' Incarnate God ascended;
Pleads the merit of His blood.
Venture on Him; venture wholly,
Let no other trust intrude.
None but Jesus, none but Jesus,
Can do helpless sinners good.

Joseph Hart | Matthew S. Smith
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*** MYSTERY OF OUR FAITH**

Congregation: Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again! Hallelujah!

*** PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***“The Lord is My Salvation”**

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The grace of God has reached for me,
And pulled me from the raging sea.
And I am safe on this solid ground:
The Lord is my salvation.

I will not fear when darkness falls,
His strength will help me scale these walls.
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun:

* Please stand
if you're able.

The Lord is my salvation.

[Chorus]

Who is like the Lord our God?

Strong to save, faithful in love.

My debt is paid and the victory won:

The Lord is my salvation.

My hope is hidden in the Lord,

He flow'rs each promise of His Word.

When winter fades, I know spring will come:

The Lord is my salvation.

In times of waiting, times of need,

When I know loss, when I am weak.

I know His grace will renew these days:

The Lord is my salvation.

And when I reach my final day,

He will not leave me in the grave.

But I will rise, He will call me home:

The Lord is my salvation.

Glory be to God, the Father,

Glory be to God, the Son,

Glory be to God, the Spirit;

The Lord is our salvation.

The Lord is our salvation.

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Benediction

A pronouncement of God's blessing and commission upon His people as they are sent into the world.

It is more than a closing prayer—

it is a declaration of God's grace, peace, and presence.

We depart with this "good Word" as a reassurance of His faithfulness and a charge to walk in obedience and faith throughout the week.

*** BENEDICTION**

* Please stand if you're able.

Sermon Notes



Things to think about while listening to the sermon.

-What are the main points?

-What is the context of this passage?

-What are some repeated words and themes?

-How does this message point to Christ?

-How do we see God's grace, justice, mercy, or sovereignty in the text?

-How does this passage stir us to action?

Announcements

- RUF Worship Night - On Tuesday, August 4th, and Tuesday, August 11th, please join RUF in the A-Frame for a night of worship and fellowship. Both worship nights will start at 6:30pm and last about 1 hour.
- Family Dinner Cookout and Water Day - Everyone is invited to come to the Wednesday Family Dinner, 5 August, at 5:00pm, wearing swim trunks and swimsuits. We'll have a cookout on the lawn and set up a couple water slides. Water guns and other water games are welcome!
- Congregational Meeting - There will be a congregational meeting after the worship service on Sunday, 16 August. Please join us for updates!
- RUF Support for Edgar Galvan - Edgar is raising support for his internship with RUF at NMSU. If you would like to talk to him, please reach out at (575) 339-4274.
- A/V Tech Help Needed - UPC is looking for a volunteer to help with audio/visual and live-streaming tech assistance for special events. If you are interested, and would like to volunteer, please contact LeeAnn Phillips at (575) 202-8842.

This Week at UPC

Sun (08/02) •Prayers from the Boiler Room, 8:15am
•Breakfast Potluck, 9:00 am
•Worship, 10:00 am

Mon (08/03): •Elder Stated Meeting, 7:00pm

Tues (08/04): •Women's Prayer Group, 10:00am
•Women's Book Study, 6:30pm
•RUF Worship, 6:30pm

Wed (08/05): •Family Dinner Cookout & Water Day, 5:00pm
•Men's Bible Study, 6:30pm

Thurs (08/06): •Worship Team Practice, 6:00pm

Sun (08/09): •Prayers from the Boiler Room, 8:15am
•Adult Education/Youth-Children Sunday School, 9:00am
•Worship Service, 10:00am
•All Church Prayer, 6:00pm



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