

APRIL 22, 2018

Welcome to UALC! We're glad you're here.

We invite you to take this home as a prayer guide.
Please stop by the Connect Center in the lobby if you have any questions or want to learn more about our church.

Additional information and announcements can be found in *The Cornerstone*, available from ushers, or online at ualc.org/announcements.

Join Us As We Pray For:

Our Heart

Read Acts 10:1-48: This is the amazing story of the conversion of Cornelius, a Roman Centurion and his household. God is at work in every step of the process. He gives visions to bring Cornelius and Peter together and visibly pours out His Spirit bringing the entire gathering to faith. "God does not show favoritism but accepts from every nation the one who fears Him." Today, the Church globally is thriving. God is at work to make disciples of all nations. And we can join Him in it!

Our People

In the hospital: Anna Mae Bruns (Riverside), Darlene Rankin (Riverside), Julie Wall (Dublin Methodist)

Home from the hospital or in short-term care: Don Sternisha (Heartland Dublin)

Homebound or in care facilities: Nancy Crist, Nancy Hess, Marilyn Mooney, Harold Ruff, Dottie Wharton

We offer Christian sympathy to Gwendolyn, Abby, and Natalie Porter at the death of husband and father, Alex

Our World

Maggie Apel: Pray for Maggie as she works to support families serving in the Middle East and North Africa, especially in the challenging task of raising their children in a cross-cultural setting.

Announcement Updates:

VBS - Register Today

Vacation Bible School is first come, first served, so register you kids today at ualc.org/vbs.

Volunteer Opportunities

If you have any interest in investing in young people and their families, then this is the ideal time to get involved. There are many upcoming opportunities to make a difference. Come check out Kids' Church before the end of May, and Family, Youth and Children is in full swing this summer with ample opportunities to work with kids at Vacation Bible School or at one of our camps. If any of these volunteer opportunities interest you, please stop by the Connect Center for more info.



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Nominees for Council Vice-Chair and Council Members-at-Large

To be voted on by the UALC Congregation, April 29, 2018

John Ness Council Vice-Chair Three-Year Term

Spouse: Emily
Children: Jackson (17),
Carly (15), Natalie (11),
Ellie (10)
Years Attending UALC: 44
Community: Mill Run Xalt



My prayer for UALC: It's not about us... it's about God being glorified. God is on the move in our midst. With the power of the Holy Spirit we will join Him!

I'd like you to know this about me: I've served in many ways at UALC over the years. I am humbled, honored and excited to serve again and covet your prayers.

Amy Adams Council Three-Year Term

Spouse: Greg
Children: Josh (18),
Isaac (16), Nathan (13)
Years Attending UALC: 37
Community: Lytham Road Xalt



My prayer for UALC: I pray that everyone entering UALC encounters the saving love, grace, and freedom of Christ Jesus. I pray we will hear His voice and stand firmly on the Truth of His Word as He gives us the courage, willingness and ability to do and to be all He has planned for us.

I'd like you to know this about me: Since 1979, participating and serving in various ministries at UALC has blessed me beyond measure. I am humbly grateful to serve His church and reassured by His promise to be with us always and to strengthen us to complete the work He sets before us.

Craig Lindberg Council Three-Year Term

Spouse: Sally
Children: Three adult
children, seven grandchildren
Years Attending UALC: 29
Community: Mill Run Sanctuary



My prayer for UALC: Continue to remind us of who we are and where we are going. Also to quote Philippians 2:5 "In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus."

I'd like you to know this about me: I am retired and involved in Kairos and Kindway Embark where I serve as a navigator and mentor for men who are incarcerated at Marion Correctional. I also make Kindware jewelry with six inmates at Marion. Presently, I am teaching "Experiencing God" every Thursday at the prison. I am also in a Monday evening M2M group at Mill Run and previously served on council.

Paul Nordman Council Three-Year Term

Spouse: Peggy
Children: Matthew (adult)
Years Attending UALC: 20
Community: Mill Run Sanctuary



My prayer for UALC: That we would grow in our faith in Christ and thrive in obedience to His calling.

I'd like you to know this about me: My passion is reading the Word and, primarily through a weekly blog post, sharing what it has taught me.

Andrew Geistfeld Council One-Year Term

Spouse: Jen
Children: Claire (12),
Christian (10), Joshua (8)
Years Attending UALC: 35+
Community: Mill Run Xalt



My prayer for UALC: I believe God has been preparing UALC during this time of transition. I pray our eyes and ears are open and we are willing to follow God's direction this next year as He continues to use us for His plans within our community and throughout the world.

I'd like you to know this about me: I love UALC. This church and many of its members have impacted my life over the last 35 years and are partly responsible for who I am today. As my children begin their paths in life, I hope this church and its members impact my children in similar ways.

Spring Congregational Meeting

On Sunday, April 29, 12:00 pm at Lytham Road, we will hold our regular spring congregational business meeting. This meeting is required by our Constitution to elect these nominees: for the Nominating Committee 2018-20, Jim Moats and Marcie Seidel; for Council 2018-21, John Ness (Vice-Chair), Amy Adams, Craig Lindberg, Paul Nordman and Andy Geistfeld (one year term). Call Committee, Hilltop, the summer worship plan, and financial reports will also be presented. Nursery care will be available and a light lunch will be served.

Nominees for Nominating Committee

To be voted on by the UALC Congregation, April 29, 2018

Jim Moats Nominating Committee Two-Year Term

Spouse: Pat
Children: Two adult daughters,
six grandchildren
Years Attending UALC: 44
Community: Mill Run Sanctuary



My prayer for UALC: Thanksgiving for our Transition Team and this season of change and that we not miss anything we are supposed to be learning from the Lord as we wait on Him to lead us to our next Senior Pastor.

I'd like you to know this about me: I am a retired lawyer who is enjoying hands-on ministry including the Bed Brigade, and volunteering at the legal clinic held at Mill Run. I have previously served as Council Chair, on two call committees, renewal team, communion server, lector and greeter and Pat and I are members of a SALT group. I enjoy hunting and most outdoor activities.

Marcie Seidel Nominating Committee Two-Year Term

Spouse: Edward
Children: Two adult children,
four grandchildren
Years Attending UALC: 30+
Community: Lytham Road Traditional



My prayer for UALC: I pray that our mission "To be and to make disciples of Jesus Christ" is a longing in every heart and as the Body of Christ, we can find creative ways to nurture, care and love those outside of our walls to know Jesus.

I'd like you to know this about me: I am the Executive Director of Prevention Action Alliance, which is statewide certified prevention nonprofit with a mission to lead health communities in the prevention of substance misuse and the promotion of mental health wellness. I have volunteered in many capacities at UALC including leading a SALT group for twenty-five years.

Council Report

April, 2018

Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Easter was a wonderful time of celebrating Jesus' resurrection and His victory over sin, death and the Devil. Over 3100 persons gathered on Easter Sunday to worship. Thanks to all who were involved in making the day possible.

We are excited about several initiatives that will help us become more effective at living into our vision - "Responding to the real needs in our community, we will serve children and youth to engage their families for the Kingdom."

- O₂ Conference on May 12 - Pastor David White is leading a talented team to launch this event. Check out the web site: www.o2conference.org, buy a ticket and see how God might use us to meet real needs in the community.
- International Friendships – watch for news about training opportunities coming soon. International students will begin arriving in the next few months and we want to greatly increase the number of UALC volunteers serving in this important ministry to make Christ known among the nations.
- The Family ESL program, operated in conjunction with SON Ministries, has served hundreds of members of our immigrant community this past year. As ESL winds down, SON Ministries will be gearing up for the Summer Lunch Camp. We want to greatly increase the number of UALC volunteers serving with SON. Visit the web site: www.son-ministries.org/volunteer to see how you might help meet real needs among the poor in our community.

Please come to the Congregational Meeting next Sunday, 12:00 pm at Lytham Road. A light lunch will be served. We will hear exciting ministry reports, elect new members of Council and Nominating Committee and receive the latest update from the Senior Pastor Call Committee.

In Christ,
Bill Wulf, *Council Chair*

March 2018 Financial Update

March 31, 2018 marked the end of the seventh month of UALC's 2018 fiscal year. We thank God for His generous provision of our financial needs through your faithful stewardship.

Income Statement

Fiscal year-to-date March 2018

\$, thousands

	Actual	Budget	Better/(Worse) than Budget
Offering Income	\$ 2,746.6	\$ 2,798.5	\$ (51.9)
All Other Income	<u>482.6</u>	<u>398.9</u>	<u>83.7</u>
Total Revenue	<u>\$ 3,229.2</u>	<u>\$ 3,197.4</u>	<u>\$ 31.8</u>
General Operating Expense	\$ 186.3	\$ 190.9	\$ 4.7
Ministry Expense	72.7	68.0	(4.6)
Worship Expense	44.6	50.7	6.1
Facility Expense	299.8	296.8	(3.1)
Missions Expense	549.3	559.7	10.4
Staff Expense	1,684.0	1,736.1	52.2
All Other Expense (net)	<u>103.6</u>	<u>103.8</u>	<u>0.3</u>
Total Expense	<u>\$ 2,940.2</u>	<u>\$ 3,006.0</u>	<u>\$ 65.8</u>
Net Operating Income	<u>\$ 289.0</u>	<u>\$ 191.3</u>	<u>\$ 97.7</u>

For the fiscal year to date period, offering **income** totaled \$2.747 million and was \$51.9 thousand (1.9%) worse than budget for the period and \$8.4 thousand worse than the same period in fiscal year 2017. All other income (VBS, preschool, activity fees, etc.) totaled \$482.6 thousand and was \$83.7 thousand better than budget due to restricted gifts and expanded programs. Revenue from all sources totaled \$3.229 million and was \$31.8 thousand better than budget.

Expenses, in total, were \$65.8 thousand better than budget for the fiscal year to date period. Results for some of the significant expense categories were as follows:

- General Operating expense totaled \$186.3 thousand and was \$4.7 thousand better than budget.
- Ministry expense totaled \$72.7 thousand and was \$4.6 thousand worse than budget.
- Worship expense totaled \$44.6 thousand and was \$6.1 thousand better than budget.
- The cost of operating our Facilities totaled \$299.8 thousand and was \$3.1 thousand worse than budget due to the cost of treating the frequent snowfalls experienced in this extended winter.
- Support for Missions (set at 20% of offering income) totaled \$549.3 thousand.
- Staff expense totaled \$1.684 million and was \$52.2 thousand better than budget due to temporarily unfilled budgeted positions.

Net operating income for the seven-month period was \$289.0 thousand and was \$97.7 thousand better than budget. These funds will be used for capital expenditures other future cash needs.

Please direct your questions or feedback to Dave Bowersox by regular mail to the church or by email to finance@ualc.org.