

## Ladies .....



Join us for dinner  
Tuesday, January 16th  
at Tres Hombres  
6:00 pm

Join us for a meal and  
conversation. Get to  
know the ladies of UBC.

# KEYS

## Game Day



Tuesday, January  
4th at 11:30 a.m.  
in the pink room

Join us for lunch  
and stay for fun  
games and  
fellowship



UBCSM

Back to School Bash  
Friday, January 26th

More details to follow.....



*Poinsettias were purchased in  
memory of*  
*Marilyn Annable*  
*Parents of Dick & Rita Cannon*  
*Bill & Jean Cauble*  
*Don Corzine*  
*Mary Davis*  
*Parents of Marilyn Hughes*  
*Marsha Hughes*  
*Wesley Karraker*  
*Marwin Tucker*  
*Parents of Mike & Karen Zelten*  
*(Flowers may be taken home)*

“Our purpose at University Baptist Church is to show Christ’s love to the local and global community through worship, fellowship & ministry.”

# The Builder



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You will be reading this after Christmas so I will say I hope you had a great Christmas. But more than that I hope you continue to sing “Joy to the world, the Lord has come!” in the days that follow our celebration of Christmas. It is a message that came to us when our Christ was born in Bethlehem, in the city of David and it was the Good News for all times. We are not even sure that it all happened on December 25—but we are certain God came to us to be “God with us!”

God came to rescue us, to be our God of new beginnings, of hope when there seems to be no hope, for a way when there seems to be no way, for peace when there is no peace. And it was not a gift for one day of the year, it was God being with us all the time.

It is good for us to have this annual reminder of this truth so that those who have never heard it—really heard it—might be open to its truth this time. They might not just see it as a reminder of celebrations that will be different because of circumstances we currently face, or losses that will make it forever different, but they might find it to be a source of new life and a way of coping with what has been so we can live in the current moment with hope and peace.

Too many times in my ministry I have had people who did not grasp this truth so when the church they always worshipped at with a parent or other loved one died and the service of celebration was held in that church they did not want to go back into that church. The same is true with Christmas celebrations. But, my friends, it is at such a time as this that faith is what still gives us reason for celebration. Joy to the world the Lord has come!

It is at times like these that I recall the carol, “I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day.” Two verses stand out.

*And in despair I bowed my head: “There is no peace on earth,” I said,  
“For hate is strong and mocks the song Of peace on earth, good will to men.”  
Then pealed the bells more loud and deep: “God is not dead nor doth He sleep;  
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail, With peace on earth, good will to men.”*

God has come to be our Light! Yes even in these discouraging days.

Pastor John

## Sunday Morning Worship @ 10:45 a.m.

Lively but traditional! Join us in person or on facebook

[www.facebook.com/UBC.Carbondale](http://www.facebook.com/UBC.Carbondale)

### Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. service

January 7th, 2024

Dick Cannon –Greeter  
Karen Zelten -Invocation & Scripture  
Harry Treece - Sound  
Harry Treece - Building Lock-up

January 14, 2024

Dick Cannon –Greeter  
Suzanne Corzine -Invocation & Scripture  
Mike Morgan - Sound  
Mike Morgan - Building Lock-up

January 21, 2024

Dick Cannon –Greeter  
Dick Cannon -Invocation & Scripture  
Harry Treece - Sound  
Harry Treece - Building Lock-up

January 28, 2024

Dick Cannon –Greeter  
Jan & Harry Treece -Invocation & Scripture  
Mike Morgan - Sound  
Dick Cannon - Building Lock-up

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Wednesday night Bible study led  
by Pastor Annable  
will be taking a short holiday.  
Check out our website for updated  
information.

[Www.ubccarbondale.org](http://Www.ubccarbondale.org)



*What goes up.....must come down....*

*Volunteers needed*

*As beautiful as the sanctuary looks at  
Christmas time, it is time to start a new  
year. This means that the decorations  
need to come down and be put away  
safely for next year.*

*Please let Karen know if you have some  
free time to help re-set the sanctuary.*

### This Month at University Baptist

Monday, January 8th

Food Pantry  
9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Friday, January 5th

Food Pantry/ Clothes Closet  
9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Thursday, January 4th

KEYS Lunch and Games  
11:30 a.m. in the pink room

Monday, January 8th

Food Pantry/ Clothes Closet  
9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Friday, January 12th

Food Pantry/ Clothes Closet  
9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Monday, January 15th

MLK Day

Food Pantry/ Clothes Closet  
9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday, January 16th

SIU Spring Semester Begins  
Friday, January 19th

Food Pantry/ Clothes Closet  
9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Monday, January 22nd

Food Pantry/ Clothes Closet  
9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, January 24th

Bible Study @ 6:00 p.m

Friday, January 26th

Food Pantry/ Clothes Closet  
9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

UBCSM Back to School Bash

7:00 p.m.

Monday, January 29th

Food Pantry/ Clothes Closet  
9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, January 31st

Bible Study @ 6:00 p.m

Deacon on Call the month  
of January is Harry Treece

### News of our people.....

#### Our Prayer List...

Sandy Karraker, Elsie Speck, Bobby Edmond, Patricia Tucker, Pastor Myron Dillow, Karen Zelten, Kay Purcell, Chesney Gholson. Our shut ins, those with continuing health problems and our world.

#### Interfaith Council:

Week of January 1st: Church of the Good Shepherd  
Week of January 7th: Church Women United, C'dale  
Week of January 14th: Congregation Beth Jacob  
Week of January 21st: Dayemi Tariqat/For Kids Sake  
Week of January 28th: Epiphany Lutheran

**"Give all your worries to Him because  
He cares about you." 1 Peter 5:7**

#### A note from the office.....

**2023 Statements** will be sent out the first week of January. While they will be double checked by Karen, please let her know if your records indicate a difference.

**2024 Offering envelopes** are available on the table outside of sanctuary. Remember, these are just for your convenience as we do not require anyone to contribute in any specific way. However, if you want your contribution to go to a specific fund, (ex. UBC only, food pantry, missions, etc.) you can use the envelopes to indicate where you want your dollars to go.

Also, Karen will be out for surgery some time in late January or early February and will have limited time in the office for a couple of weeks. Please keep her in your prayers and be patient.





# January



| Sunday                                                     | Monday                                                                   | Tuesday                                                                    | Wednesday                   | Thursday                                                | Friday                                                                                                                      | Saturday                           |
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| Deacon on Call for the Month is Harry Treece               | 1<br>Food Pantry open<br>9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.                         | 2                                                                          | 3                           | 4<br>KEYS Soup and Games in the Pink Room at 11:30 a.m. | 5<br>Food Pantry & Clothes Closet<br>9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.                                                                | 6<br>Happy Birthday Amilia Estrada |
| 7<br>Worship at 10:45 a.m.                                 | 8<br>Food Pantry & Clothes Closet<br>9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.             | 9                                                                          | 10                          | 11<br>Happy Birthday Jan Treece                         | 12<br>Food Pantry & Clothes Closet<br>9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.                                                               | 13                                 |
| 14<br>Worship at 10:45 a.m.                                | 15<br>MLK Day<br>Food Pantry & Clothes Closet<br>9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. | 16<br>Soup 'r' Supper Dinner Tres Hombres 6:00 p.m.<br>Spring Semester SIU | 17                          | 18                                                      | 19<br>Food Pantry & Clothes Closet<br>9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.                                                               | 20                                 |
| 21<br>Worship at 10:45 a.m.                                | 22<br>Food Pantry & Clothes Closet<br>9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.            | 23                                                                         | 24<br>Bible Study 6:00 p.m. | 25                                                      | 26<br>Food Pantry & Clothes Closet<br>9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.<br>UBCSM Back to School Bash<br>Happy Birthday Callie Bennett | 27                                 |
| 28<br>Worship at 10:45 a.m.<br>Happy Birthday Yahri Edmond | 29<br>Food Pantry & Clothes Closet<br>9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.            | 30                                                                         | 31<br>Bible Study 6:00 p.m. |                                                         |                                                                                                                             |                                    |