

## Worship Resources

*Feel free to pick and choose, or adapt, from these offerings as best fits your congregation's worship plans and style. They're written with campus ministry in mind, so could be used with a variety of Scripture texts.*

### **Call to Worship**

One: We gather in this place as people who have traveled life's path for while, and as people who are just starting out.

**All: Together, we worship God.**

One: For some, the way has seemed smooth, while others see more than their fair share of twists and turns.

**All: Together, we worship God.**

One: Wherever we are on the road, God calls us to gather so we are reminded that we don't walk alone.

**All: Together, we worship God.**

One: Whoever we are today, and whoever we will be tomorrow,

**All: Together, let us worship God!**

### **Call to Confession**

Part of being people of faith is admitting to God and each other when we don't quite get things right. The proof of God's love is that even though we do fall short, Christ died for us; and through the hope of resurrection Christ reminds us that there is another way. Let us join together in confessing as a community:

### **Prayer of Confession**

**God who calls us to care for one another, forgive us when we don't do enough. When we see a neighbor in need, and instead only look out for ourselves, forgive us. When we meet a sister or brother who feels alone, and we when we would rather stay in our own comfort zone than extend a welcoming hand, have mercy on us. When our uncertainty in the midst of change holds us stuck where we are, meet us there, and open our hearts to the ways we might faithfully love all people. Amen.**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

One: Friends, there is good news for us this morning and every morning. God's mercy is from everlasting to everlasting, and by it may we be inspired to love each other more deeply.

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

### **A Litany for Campus Ministry**

One: For the campus ministries in our own backyards and beyond,

**All: O Lord, we pray.**

One: That they might all at once be spaces for rest and renewal, for comfort, but also for the challenge of personal growth:

**All: O Lord, we pray.**

One: For students of varied experiences, drawn together by the movement of your Spirit, that they might have confidence to continue becoming the people of God you created them to be, supporting each other and being supported:

**All: O Lord, we pray.**

One: For the leaders who guide these communities, discerning the most faithful way to meet young adults where they are in the midst of a sometimes overwhelming world,

**All: O Lord, we pray.**

One: For the siblings of faith that have nurtured each of us along our way, and the ways we might share that care with the ones who come after us:

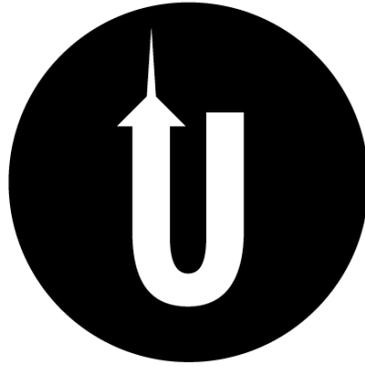
**All: O Lord, we give you thanks. Amen.**

### **Minute for Mission**

*Consider having someone make a brief presentation or announcement about the presbytery's campus ministries, or the one that is closest to your congregation. If you need additional information for that presentation, get in touch with the specific ministry's campus minister, or Associate Executive Presbyter for Campus Ministry Allison Wehrung (whose contact information included in the sample bulletin blurb below).*

### **Offering**

*Consider receiving your morning offering (or part of it) to benefit campus ministries in our presbytery -- either campus ministry as a whole, or one ministry in particular. Make checks out to Presbytery of St. Andrew, with either "Campus Ministry" or the specific ministry's name in the memo line. Then send them to the presbytery office attn: Kim Nix (24 CR 231, Oxford, MS 38655).*



## Communication Resources

### **Bulletin Announcement (Promotion)**

Join us on Sunday, April 22 as we celebrate UKirk Sunday! “Kirk” is the Scottish word for church, and so this shortened version of “University Church” has become the primary name used nationally to designate Presbyterian Church (USA) student faith groups. On this day, congregations across our presbytery will together lift up these important communities. [Optional: Add details about the particulars of your congregation’s plans.]

### **Bulletin Announcement (Day Of)**

Today we join with other Presbytery of St. Andrew congregations in celebrating UKirk Sunday. College and young adulthood are formative, sometimes complicated times, and our presbytery’s student faith communities help make sure people don’t have to navigate those spaces alone. For more information about getting involved, contact [ministry name] campus minister [campus minister’s name] at [contact information], or find Rev. Allison Wehrung (Associate Executive Presbyter for Campus Ministry) at ukirk.olemiss@gmail.com and (704) 996-8142. [Optional: Add details about specific campus ministries or your congregations UKirk Sunday plans. Or direct them to a bulletin insert.]

### **Bulletin Insert**

*See separate attachment for the insert itself, which includes contact information for each of the presbytery’s campus ministries. The PDF is designed to be printed with .5” margins.*