

THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE

LOVE DOES: Love Breaks Through

Message Notes

1 Corinthians 13:4-8, 13

⁴Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end.

¹³And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.



THIS WEEK:
Sunday, 2/22 9:15am Life Groups/Sun School; 10:30am worship; 4pm Board Meetings
Wednesday, 2/25 5:45pm Supper; 6:30pm Ash Wednesday Service
Sunday, 3/1 9:15am Life Groups/Sunday School; 10:30am worship with Communion

THIS MONTH:
2/22 Board Meetings
2/28 Family Bowling Night

MENU this Wednesday
Cheeseburger Soup, Marmalade Muffins, Fruit, Ice Cream

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WHO WE ARE

If you've been wondering if there's a place where people are more important than dogma, where people are warm and welcoming, thoughtful, and gentle, and where grace is a verb, University Heights Baptist Church might just be the place for you.

We are a church that believes worship doesn't end with a benediction, but spills out into classrooms, neighborhoods, shelters, hospital rooms, dinner tables, and streets, right here in Springfield.

UHBC is a faith community that is going to encourage deep thinking, generous grace and compassion, and encourage everyone, men and women, to lead and to serve.

There's room at the table for you.

UHBC is affiliated with both Cooperative Baptist Fellowship & American Baptist Churches.

ORDER OF SERVICE

February 22, 2026



Shine Like Stars

Welcome Joe Miller

Thanks and Praise

Scripture Reading Alicyn Jennings
1 Corinthians 13:4-8, 13

Same God

Offertory Prayer Michael Olmsted

Offertory Chancel Choir
Love Like a Winter Rose

Children's Message Chris Brammer
**After the children's message, children K-5th grade will be escorted to the 3rd floor Treehouse Room to participate & enjoy children's church the rest of morning worship. Parents, please pick up your children there after worship.

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Message Nolan Porter
LOVE DOES: Love Breaks Through

Song of Response
Same God

Closing Thoughts
Doxology

University Heights Baptist Church

A Church of Thoughtful, Gentle Grace

Let's go bowling!

February 28, 2026

Enterprise Lanes
6:30-8:00 pm

Bring the whole family!
RSVP to Alicyn (417)838-8230
Lane rental is covered,
Shoe rental is \$4 per bowler

Bring the whole family and go bowling with us!

Thank You!

Thank you so much for your generous participation in last Sunday's Youth Bake Sale. We raised almost \$900 for the youth group! Y'all are awesome!

— Heather Twibell

THE B-I-B-L-E

Making sense of the pocket-sized library we call Scripture

In these sessions we're covering how we got the Bible (since the Gideons didn't deliver it to us), Old Testament, New Testament, the Bible and relationships, the Bible and science, violence and suffering in the Bible, and we will wrap it up with a session dedicated to your Big Questions!

Wednesdays at 6:30pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Do you enjoy quiet time?

Do you appreciate a good daily devotional?

Does a walk in the park refresh your soul?

If so, we invite you to spend some solitary time with Jesus here at UHBC.

Walk the Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross are a series of prayer "stops" that help us reflect on Jesus' journey to the cross — especially the moments of suffering, love, sacrifice, and faithfulness that led to His crucifixion. For centuries, Christians have walked these stations as a way to remember, pray, grieve, and give thanks for what Jesus has done.

Our stations are outdoors, designed to guide your meditation and prayer as you walk. You can explore at your own pace and on your own schedule—on a beautiful day, or even for a quiet walk in the snow.

Where to Find Them

The eight stations are displayed on plaques along the fence inside the fenced grassy lawn area where the cross and picnic table are located.

These stations and plaques are inspired by the Via Dolorosa ("the Way of Sorrow")—the path in Jerusalem that remembers where Jesus carried His cross.

You'll find suggested prayers and readings in the Library Box next to the first station.

Come, walk the stations.

Paperback Spanish-Language Book Collection

Bob Perry is part of a ministry to the ICE detainees at the Greene County Jail. We are collecting Spanish-language PAPERBACK books to provide to the detainees, as they are often in isolation, with minimal resources. (A few months ago, UHBC provided Spanish-language bibles and copies of "The Purpose-driven Life.") If you have paperbacks that you can donate (they MUST be paperback—hardcovers are not permitted at the jail), please drop them in the bin at the back of the fellowship

2025 Giving Statements

The majority of 2025 giving statements were sent by email, when we had an email on file for you. For those folks for whom we did not have an email, hard copies were mailed.

In either case, if you did not receive your statement, please call Teresa in the office and we'll get a hard copy to you as soon as possible.

NEXT STEPS

Read 1 Corinthians 13.

- Why does Paul need to communicate this to the Church in Corinth?
- Why do we need to reread it? Is this something we "get" one time, or do we need to revisit it from time to time?

Three things will last forever—faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love. 1 Corinthians 13:13

- Love pushes back against the darkness of jealousy, rudeness, arrogance, selfishness, irritation, injustice and dishonesty. Love moves, and each small move chips away at what is not love.
- Moving forward, what tangible ways of love do you need to practice? Have you made other things more important than loving well?

God has made the church a body of people, each of us with our own gifts, abilities, skin color, accent, background, views, etc. Since that's who we are, it can be complicated figuring out how to love well as we work with each other's differences.

- Who is one person in the community you need to get to know better? Say a prayer for them today and make plans to hear their story.

Is there something that gets in your way and keeps you from loving others in tangible ways?

Pray: God, I want to give myself things that will last - faith, hope, and love. I want to live a life that loves well - one filled with patience, kindness, and honesty - always looking for the best. I will trust in you and your unfailing love to move me forward. Amen.