

UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Our Mission: to be a loving and inclusive community; seeking faith, joy, action; nurtured by the Biblical tradition, the teachings of Christ, and God's continuing revelation

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Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God." Therefore, this place of sanctuary is free of violence in all its forms, including verbal violence and firearms. University Baptist Church is a member of the American Baptist Churches/USA, the Alliance of Baptists, the Association of Welcoming and Affirming Baptists, and the Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America. Our intention at University Baptist Church is to use inclusive language in our worship.

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University Baptist Church

November 16, 2025

Pentecost 24

10:00 am

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE Prelude on "Melcombe" (O Spirit of The Living God)

H. Willan

Welcome!

¡Bienvenidos a la casa de Dios! Добро пожаловать! Dobro pozhalovat! 欢迎! Huānyíng! 「ようこそ!」 Youkoso! Willkommen! Bienvenu!

*CALL TO WORSHIP/LLAMADA A LA ADORACIÓN

One: Let us make a joyful noise!

Many: With trumpet and harp! With pots and pans!

One: Let us share the glorious Word!

Many: With voices loud! While banging on trash cans!

One: Let us shine the Light of Truth! Many: The shadows will slink away.

One: Let us laugh until we cry.

All: May those be the only tears we weep.

(*Stand as you are willing and able)

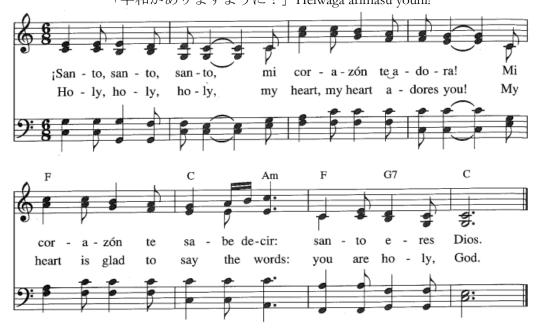
*OPENING HYMN Blue Hymnal #203 Come Holy Spirit, God and Guide

DAS NEUGEBORNE KINDELEIN

203 COME, HOLY SPIRIT, GOD AND GUIDE! Das Neugeborne Kindelein 1 Come. Ho Spir ly it, God and Guide! 2Lord, Бу the bright of ness thy light, 3_{Thou} strong De - fense, thou ho 14 Light, 4 That we may love - trines strange, not doc Be all thy gra ces now out poured Thou in the faith dost all nite u Teach us 10 know God our а right, Nor e'er to oth teach-ers er range, On the be liev er's mind and soul, Of ev - ery land and ev ery tongue; And call God bless ed from the heart. But je - sus for our lead er own, whole. To strengthen, save, make and us This 10 thy praise, 0 Lord, be sung. The Word of truth life and im - • part, And put our trust him in lone. A - men.

Peace Be With You!

¡La paz sea contigo! Мир вам! Mir vam! Pace! 愿和平与你同在 yuàn hé píng yú nǐ tóng zài 「平和がありますように!」 Heiwaga arimasu youni!



PRAYING TOGETHER

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Use these words or whatever is familiar to you)

Creator of all life and this Earth that is our home, who is all around us, hallowed be thy name. Thy commonwealth come, thy 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 thine is the realm, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Padre/Madre nuestro, que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu nombre; venga a nosotros tu reino; hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día; perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden; no nos dejes caer en la tentación, y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder, y la gloria, por siempre. Amén.

CELEBRATING CHILDREN

GATHERING SONG

Welcome, Children, Welcome Bienvenidos niños, Jesús los ama, Jesús los abraza, Bienvenidos niños. Black hymnal #323 (Verse 2)

CHILDREN'S TIME

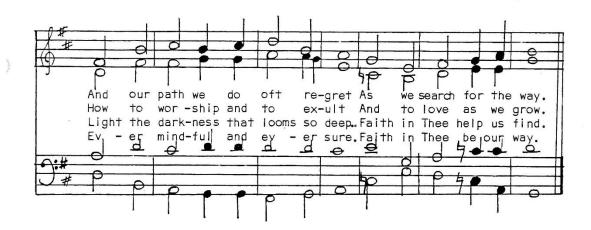
ATTENDING TO THE WORD

SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 30:18-22 Rev. Doug Donley

*HYMN Faith in Thee FAITH IN THEE

Blue #309





SERMON

"You Are My People"

Rev. Doug Donley

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING



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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

He Shall Feed His Flock, from Messiah

G.F. Handel; Rebecca Luttio, soloist

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Todos son hijos e hijas de Dios. No hay judío ni griego. No hay esclavo ni libre. No hay hombre y mujer. Sino que todos somos uno solo en el espíritu.

We are all children of God.
There is no Jew or Greek.
There is no slave or free.
There is no male and female.
For we are all one in the Spirit.
—Galatians 3:26, 28, S. J. Patterson

REALM OF GOD



Jane Laurie Borthwick's text titled "Anticipation of Heaven" was published in her Thoughts for Thoughtful Hours (1859). George J. Webb, American organist and music publisher, originally wrote this music for a secular song, "Tis dawn, the lark is singing."

Tune: WEBB 7.6.7.6.D. George J. Webb, 1837 POSTLUDE God is By Our Side Walther

JOYS AND CONCERNS

After the livestream ends

NOTES ON THE MUSIC:

Internationally acclaimed vocalist **Rebecca Luttio**, who gave several workshops here at UBC over the summer, graces us today with a selection from Handel's Messiah.

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR NOVEMBER & DECEMBER: JUSTICE ISSUES

The Outreach missions for November and December are focused on programs that address justice issues in the Twin Cities. In the past, these have included homeless organizations, voting rights groups, refugee services, etc. Your donations are appreciated as we try to heal our cities and neighborhoods.

You can drop your gift in the offering with a note on the check or envelope, send a check to the church, designate a gift directly from your bank, or use our online portal for giving on the UBC website, www.UBCmn.org. Thank you for your ongoing Outreach support!

-Kim Donley & Karole Graham, Outreach coordinators

UBC ANNOUNCEMENTS

See our newsletter at <u>ubcmn.org/newsletter</u> for Zoom links and more info *UBC's Admin Assistant's in-office hours are Tuesdays 12-3, Wednesdays 12-4, and Fridays 12-5.*

Today

Hymn feedback: Please complete the flyer giving feedback on today's hymns from the Blue Hymnal. With the help of a Calvin Vital Worship grant, we have embarked on creating a new worship resource. The Blue Hymnal that UBC created in 1983 (before other inclusive language hymnals existed) will be updated and expanded. We're spending this year looking at old hymns and trying out some new ones. Your input will be very helpful to the hymnal project team. We hope to have the new resource published by the summer.

Flags currently in the sanctuary were sewn by Jean Lubke with African fabrics gifted by Elizabeth Moriera, director of Project Minnesota Léon, whose sister serving the ELCA in Tanzania, Rev. Margaret "Meg" Sander, had been gifted with fabrics by her community. One of the flags bears a message in Swahili (USIMDHARAU USIYEMJUA), which translates to "Don't underestimate someone you don't know."

Today's Forum: Building tour with the New History team – Tour our 100-year-old building with historical preservation experts Shannon Storey and Lauren Anderson, the New History team that wrote our successful application for eligibility to request placement on the National Registry of Historic Places. With our cornerstone laid in 1921 and sanctuary completed in 1927, UBC has been an architecturally unique and welcoming presence in the campus community for a century. Don't miss this opportunity to learn more about this very special place. Refreshments will be in the sanctuary to facilitate the start of the tour.

The Journeys Bible Study. Pick up a curriculum in the library. Our meeting is an opportunity to read Scripture together, to learn something new, to ask questions, and to talk about your faith. No preparation is required. Please feel free to come once or regularly. See Nancy Myers or Diane Ehr for more information.

November 16—Perseverance: 1 Samuel 1:14-20; 2:1-10

November 23—Order: Psalm 93

November 30—Thanksgiving: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Represent UBC! T-shirts are for sale. A donation of \$20 is suggested, with cash or by using the giving QR code.

This week

Sacred Harp Singing – Every Tuesday, 5:30-7:30pm, and 2nd and 4th Sundays, 4-6pm, at UBC in Room 303. No experience or talent necessary!

UBC-FCC Knitting Group – November 17 (3rd Monday), 7pm at the home of Jean Lubke. The group is made up of stitchers from UBC and First Congregational Church. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Follett at chrisf2828@yahoo.com.

Anti-Racism Webinar – Tuesday, November 18, 7 p.m. The UBC and Judson Antiracism Teams will present a webinar to the Rochester/Genesee Region about our responses to the George Floyd murder five years ago and how it has shaped our congregations in the following years. Register for the webinar and get the Zoom link here: https://www.abcrgr.org/event-details/antiracism-collaboration-conversation?mc_cid=057fcefd19&mc_eid=d7e10741cf

The vocal choir meets at 6pm, bell choir meets at 7:30pm Wednesday in the sanctuary.

Give to the Max Day 2025: Early Giving began on November 1! Celebrate 175 years of UBC! This fiscal year, UBC leadership added a goal of creating \$15,000 in new funding. To help reach that goal, we will be taking part in Give to the Max Day (November 20)! This year, our campaign will aim for 175 donations of \$18.50 each, to honor our founding 175 years ago in 1850. 175 donations is a lofty goal, but with your help, we can exceed it! Once the campaign begins, we'll be asking you to share our fundraiser with your networks. We've already raised over \$1,000, matched by a generous donor. Now another donor has stepped up to match the next \$5,000 raised. Stay tuned for more info as we go, including ways you can increase our chances of extra prizes from GiveMN! https://www.givemn.org/organization/UniversityBaptistChurch

TDOR (Trans Day of Remembrance) – November 21, 7pm, Cabrini worship space (1500 Franklin SE, Mpls). Come to prayer for those who lost their lives this past year and to stand with our transgender kin still among us who currently face serious discrimination. Stay for refreshments. You will have an opportunity to light a candle and present an image of one of the persons who died this year. Or you may present one of the petitions during the service. Donations will be accepted: Cash or checks will be given to TC Pride - Rainbow Wardrobe to help trans/nonbinary people obtain gender affirming clothing. We will also accept donations of new or softly worn outerwear items, new toiletries, & makeup, for the rainbow wardrobe. Checks: TC Pride - memo line: Rainbow Wardrobe. <a href="https://linearchy.com/linearchy

Spanish Conversation will meet on the 4th Saturday of November (Nov. 22) at UBC at 10am (It's a little quieter than the coffee shops we have tried for the past several months.) We will then take December off. Join folks from UBC and First Congregational Church to practice your Spanish. Email deidredruk@aol.com if you have questions!

Card Club – Saturday, November 22, 1pm. This group meets monthly to learn card-making techniques, share ideas, and make beautiful greeting cards. Due to the limited space and the need to prepare materials, registration is needed for each month's session. If you are interested, please contact Jean Lubke at 651-295-7525 or jeanlubke01@gmail.com.

Looking Ahead

Memoir Writing Group – November 25 (every other Tuesday), 7pm via Zoom. All are welcome! Prompts include Firsts, and Who is your ideal reader (as opposed to your inner critic)?—or whatever you feel called to write about. Contact Trish Donley if you have any questions.

Caregiver Support Group – December 3 (1st Thursday), 6:30pm. UBCers who take care of a parent, family member, or friend meet for support via Zoom. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Lubke at jeanlubke01@gmail.com

UBC-FCC Daytime Handcraft Group – December 4 (1st Wednesday), 11am. If you are interested and want to be on a distribution list, please let Marilyn Burns (from FCC) know at mbsnoobear@mac.com.

Saturday morning Bible study – December 6, 9am (1st and 3rd Saturday) over Zoom, resuming our study of Luke, from the end of Chapter 11 into Chapter 12.

Grace in Contemporary Literature by Women Book Group – December 13 (2nd Saturday), 1 pm. The December book is *Someone Else's Shoes* by Jojo Moyes If you have any questions, please contact Chris Follett at chrisf2828@yahoo.com.

Wild Church Gathering – December 13 (2nd Saturday), 2pm at the Peace statue by Nicollet Island Pavillion. We will join together with friends from other SE Mpls churches. During our time together, we will ground ourselves in scripture, poetry, and song before embarking on a time of wandering. We will close with a time of reflection and sharing. The Wild Church movement invites us to reshape our relationship with creation through outdoor worship. See more info here: https://www.wildchurchnetwork.com/

Reminders

Center Stage – UBC has a talented community and we want to start sharing your upcoming events! Do you have a concert, presentation, exhibit, performance, or other event that you'd like to share? Send details to marketing@ubcmn.org!

UBC Social Media: A Lot to Like! Are you following UBC on Facebook and Instagram? If not, look us up and hit that follow button! And while you're at it, would you please "like" the posts you see? In addition, give a thumbs-up to our videos on YouTube and subscribe to the <u>UBC channel</u>. The algorithm behind what social media shows you operates with a bit of a snowball effect: the more likes a post gets, the more feeds it will show up in. Next time you see a post from UBC, give it a like so that more people can see the great work we do here!

We Want Your Stories! – Do you have any special memories about your time at UBC to share? What brought you to UBC? Do you remember your first Sunday? What is/was different about worship here? Do you have a baptism story to share? Have you been part of the choir or the bell choir? What keeps you coming back? These are just some prompts to get you thinking. The 175th Anniversary Committee/Chris Follett will compile your stories into a booklet. If you want, consider attending our Memoirs group on Zoom every other Tuesday at 7pm, where we read our stories and give each other feedback. Maybe this will give you the impetus you need to get writing! Nothing fancy here! No writing experience necessary!

Interested in joining UBC? We would love to learn more about you and help you learn more about UBC. We'll arrange time for a chat about Baptist beliefs, our congregation, and the logistics of joining. Please contact Paula Moyer, our new member facilitator, at paulamoyer52@gmail.com or 651-279-4152. We'll be having a crew of people joining next Sunday.

Volunteer Opportunities

Needed: Nursery Circle Time Volunteers – Megan Dahlberg is looking for volunteers to provide 'mini' Sunday school for the youngest kids. This entails leaving the service at the start of Joys and Concerns and providing a circle time for the kids, minus Peter and Andrew, who are with Megan at that time in their own Sunday school. The Circle Time typically would involve a song (to gather the children), a brief story, a song or two related to the story and a prayer. Megan has loads of suggestions for these mini lessons. Contact Megan at Dahlberg.megan4@gmail.com or text 651-491-9698.

Meals on Wheels – UBC has an opportunity to participate in Meals on Wheels on Tues-Fri of the first full week of the month. Meals are picked up around 11:15am and the route in SE Minneapolis usually takes 1-2 hours. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a ride-along, please contact Marie LaFrance at marielafrance46@gmail.com

WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU AS WE CONTINUE TO CELEBRATE THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY OF UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH!

If you can't attend in person, join us by livestream on Sunday mornings from 10-11am. We would also appreciate it if you would write a memory of UBC and send it to us at marketing@ubcmn.org or to our mailing address. We look forward to seeing many of you in the coming months to share the joy of UBC's legacy and God's continuing revelation.

- Blessings and peace, Pastor Doug Donley and the 175th Anniversary Committee: Chris Follett, Don Follett, Elnyn Alexander Fraser Jr., Harriet Johnson, Howard Johnson, Gayla Marty (chair), Betty Shaw, Sue Wester, Terri Wottrich

Future celebrations:

TODAY - NOVEMBER 16 - BUILDING TOUR
Tour our 100-year-old building with historical preservation experts 11:30 am

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE Lessons and Carols with musical prelude 4:30 pm