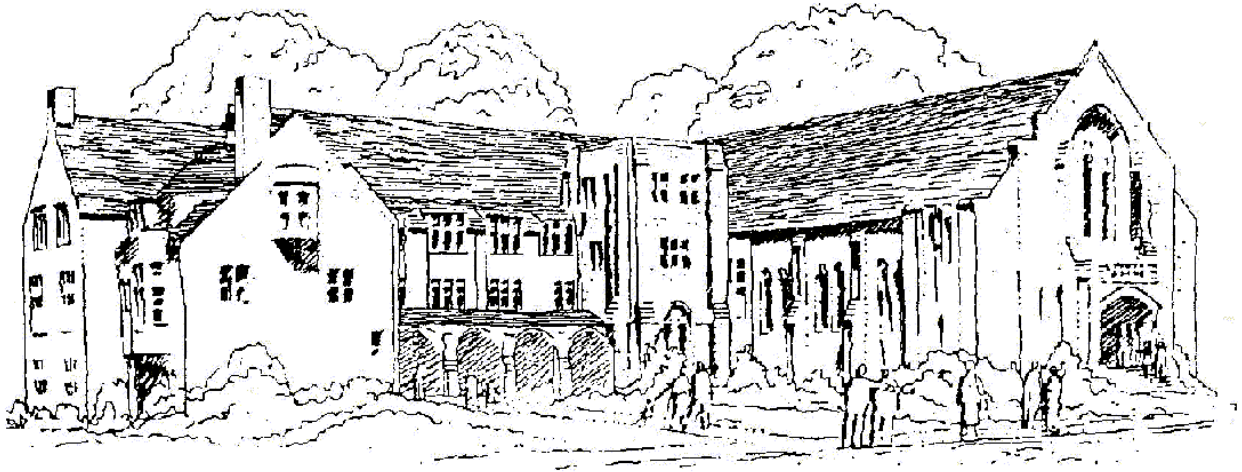


May 11, 2025



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

May 11, 2025

Easter 4

10:00 am

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Joyful Excursion

Joel Raney

Welcome!

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP/LLAMADA A LA ADORACIÓN

One: Dear God, thank you for your presence, your love, and your amazing grace.

Many: We welcome you, God, to look over each one of us. Let your light fill us and allow us to pass that light to those around us.

One: Use us to magnify your love as Dorcas did so long ago.

Many: Guide us to do your work so that souls are saved, the sick are healed, the homeless will be housed and all people can live freely and be who they are called to be.

One: We call on the God of Dorcas, Sarah, Deborah, Ruth, Hannah, Esther, and the Marys to order our steps, show us how to talk, wash our hearts, and show us your way.

All: Dear God, we thank you. No matter the situation, you are with us always and your love for us remains the same! Amen.

(By Rochelle Owsley, Member of Saint Paul Versailles)

-edited and excerpted

*(*Stand as you are willing and able)*

*OPENING HYMN

Blue Hymnal #427

God Made from One Blood

ST. DENIO

God Made from One Blood

427

Thomas H. Troeger, 1988

1 God made from one blood all the fam - ilies of earth,
 2 We turn to you, God, with our thanks and our tears
 3 Through fam - ilies we've tast - ed the val - ue of trust
 4 Help fam - ilies in all of their var - i - ous forms

the cir - cles of nur - ture that raise us from birth,
 for all of the fam - ilies we've known through the years,
 and felt what it means to be lov - ing and just,
 to face with in - teg - ri - ty strug - gles and storms;

Com - pan - ions who join us to work through each stage
 The in - ti - mate net - works on whom we de - pend
 Yet fam - ilies have al - so be - trayed their best goals,
 Grant peace to our homes that will nur - ture the bud

of child - hood and youth and a - dult - hood and age.
 of par - ents and part - ners and chil - dren and friends.
 mis - treat - ing their mem - bers and bruising their souls.
 of peace for the fam - ilies you made from one blood.

This text was commissioned by Yale University Press for A New Hymnal for Colleges and Schools (1992) to provide a hymn that recognizes the many different kinds of families that are represented when a campus congregation gathers to worship.

Tune: ST. DENIO 11.11.11.11.
Adapt. from a Welsh ballad in John Roberts' Caniadaeth y Cysegr, 1839

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Peace Be With You!

¡La paz sea contigo! Мир вам! Mir vam!
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!

The musical score is written for two staves, treble and bass clef, in 6/8 time. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system of music includes the lyrics: '¡San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zón te a - do - ra! Mi' and 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My'. The second system of music includes the lyrics: 'cor - a - zón te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Dios.' and 'heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, God.' The key signature is one flat (Bb), and the time signature is 6/8. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and bar lines.

PRAYING TOGETHER

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Use these words or whatever is familiar to you)

Our Father/Mother who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom 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 kingdom, 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

Black hymnal #323 (Verse 2)

*Bienvenidos niños, Jesús los ama,
Jesús los abraza, Bienvenidos niños.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

ATTENDING TO THE WORD

SCRIPTURE

Acts 9:36-43

Rev. Doug Donley

*HYMN

Black Hymnal #426

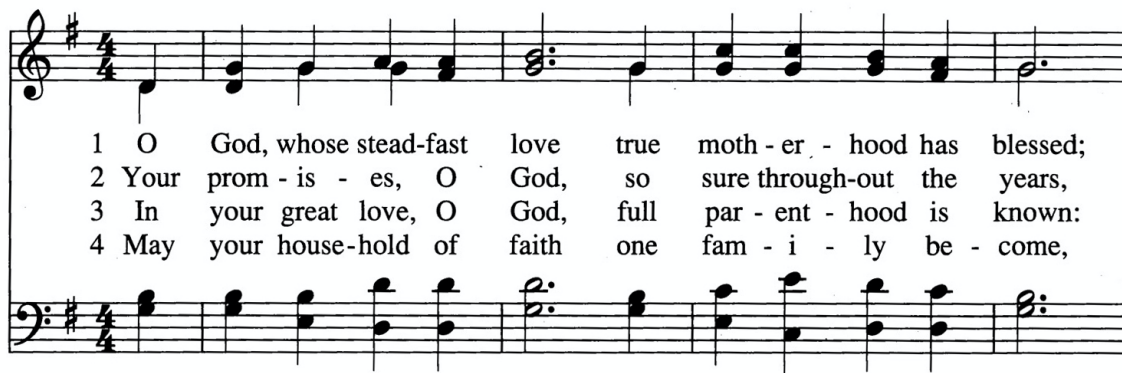
O God, Whose Steadfast Love

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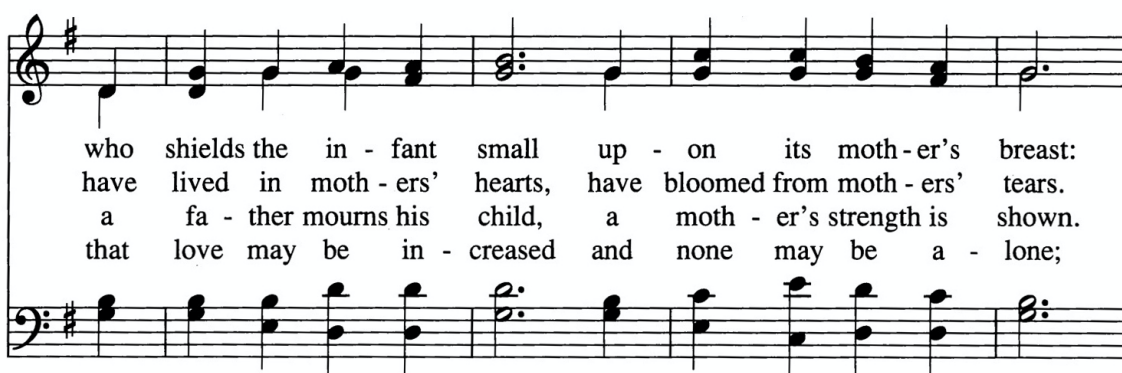
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Gen. 18:9-15; 1 Sam. 1:1-20; Luke 1:26-56; 2:1-7

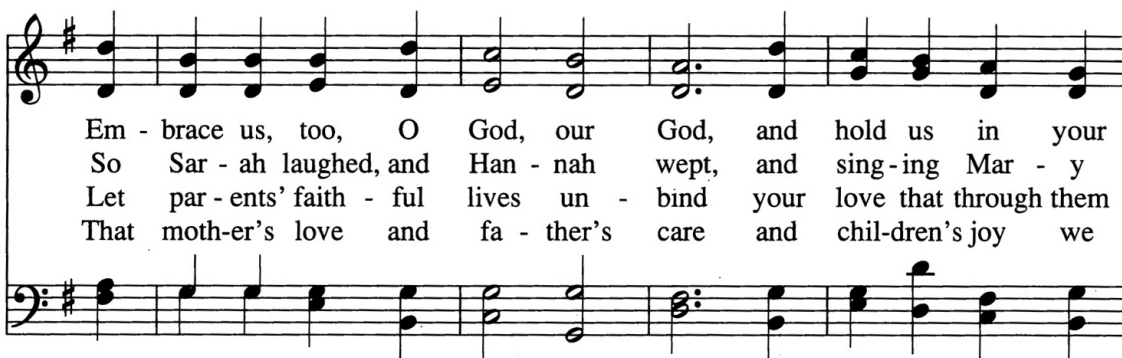
James L. Haddix, 1986; rev. 1994



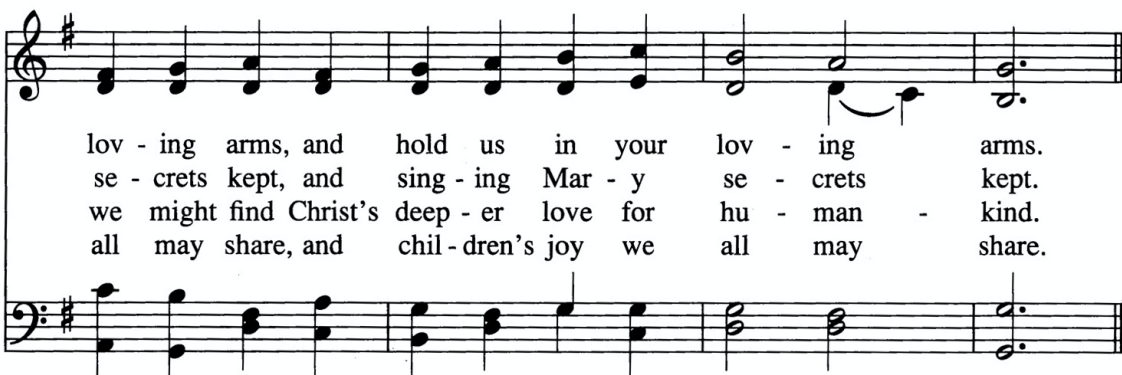
1 O God, whose stead-fast love true moth - er - hood has blessed;
 2 Your prom - is - es, O God, so sure through-out the years,
 3 In your great love, O God, full par - ent - hood is known:
 4 May your house-hold of faith one fam - i - ly be - come,



who shields the in - fant small up - on its moth - er's breast:
 have lived in moth - ers' hearts, have bloomed from moth - ers' tears.
 a fa - ther mourns his child, a moth - er's strength is shown.
 that love may be in - creased and none may be a - lone;



Em - brace us, too, O God, our God, and hold us in your
 So Sar - ah laughed, and Han - nah wept, and sing - ing Mar - y
 Let par - ents' faith - ful lives un - bind your love that through them
 That moth - er's love and fa - ther's care and chil - dren's joy we



lov - ing arms, and hold us in your lov - ing arms.
 se - crets kept, and sing - ing Mar - y se - crets kept.
 we might find Christ's deep - er love for hu - man - kind.
 all may share, and chil - dren's joy we all may share.

United Church of Christ minister James Haddix wrote this text for the "Festival of the Christian Home." It was dedicated and sung to his mother, Margaret Ann Lewis Haddix, at a reception in Missouri recognizing her thirty-year career as a first-grade teacher.

Tune: RHOSYMEDRE 6.6.6.6.8.8.8.
 John D. Edwards, c. 1840

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING



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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Õhtul "In the Evening"

P. Uusberg / arr. K.M. Leppnurm

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Todos son hijos, y 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)

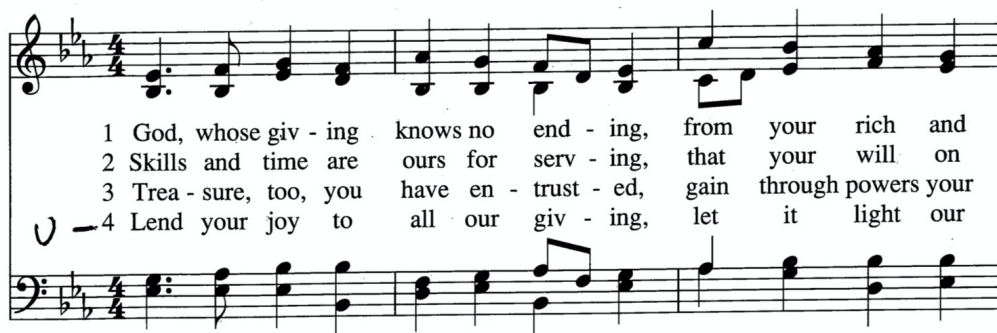
*CLOSING HYMN

Black Hymnal #565

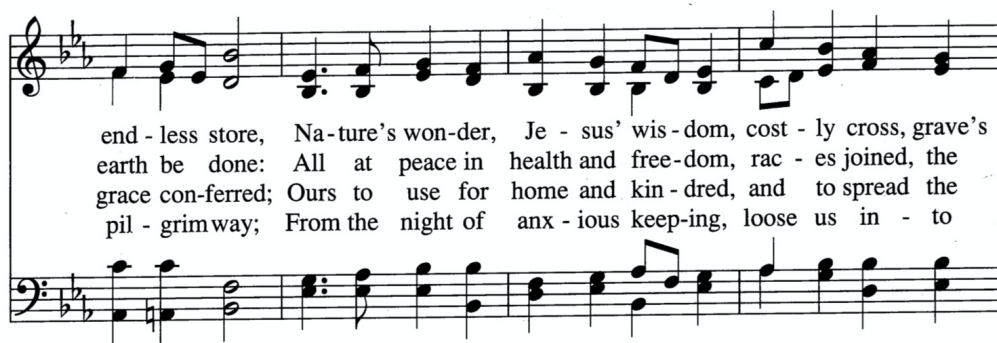
God Whose Giving Knows No Ending

AUSTRIAN HYMN

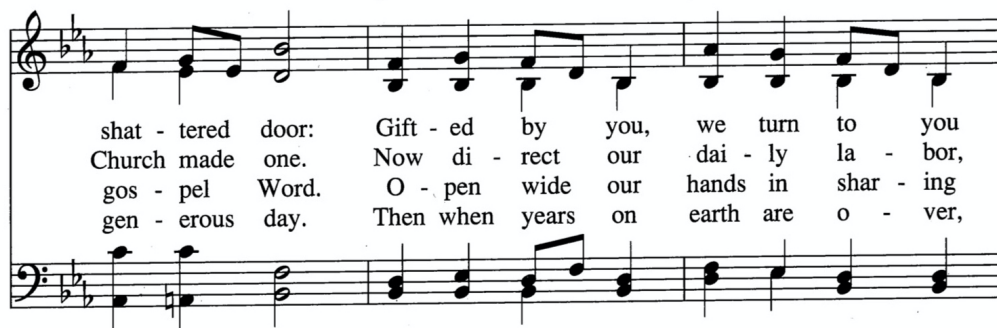
God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

Robert L. Edwards, 1961; alt.


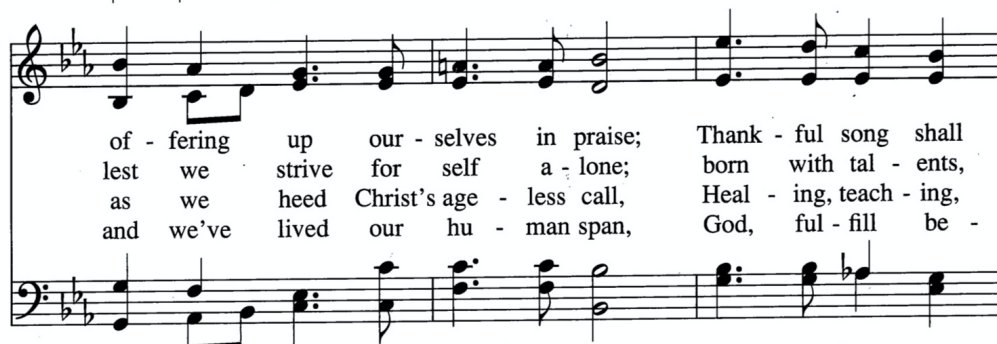
1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and
 2 Skills and time are ours for serv - ing, that your will on
 3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your
 4 Lend your joy to all our giv - ing, let it light our



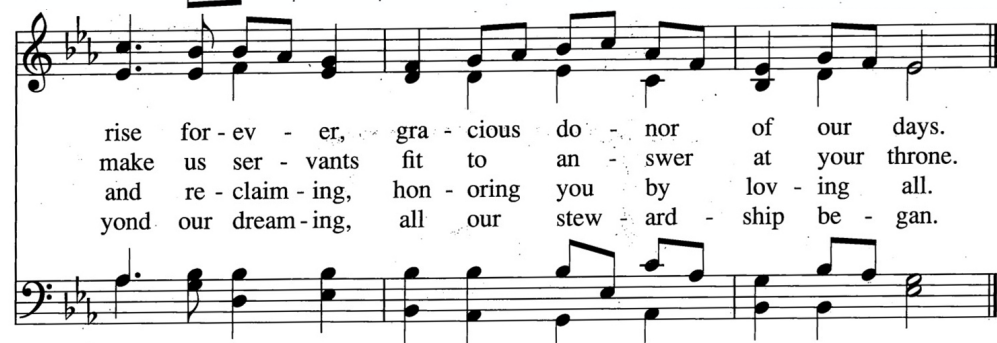
end - less store, Na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly cross, grave's
 earth be done: All at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es joined, the
 grace con - ferred; Ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to spread the
 pil - grim way; From the night of anx - ious keep - ing, loose us in - to



shat - tered door: Gift - ed by you, we turn to you
 Church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly la - bor,
 gos - pel Word. O - pen wide our hands in shar - ing
 gen - erous day. Then when years on earth are o - ver,



of - fer - ing up our - selves in praise; Thank - ful song shall
 lest we strive for self a - lone; born with tal - ents,
 as we heed Christ's age - less call, Heal - ing, teach - ing,
 and we've lived our hu - man span, God, ful - fill be -



rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.
 make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.
 and re - claim - ing, hon - oring you by lov - ing all.
 yond our dream - ing, all our stew - ard - ship be - gan.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Festivo

Arnold Sherman

JOYS AND CONCERNS

After the livestream ends

NOTE ON THE MUSIC

The offertory piece was arranged by a member of the Pärnu Estonian bell choir and was a gift to our choir. We are hoping to tour Finland and Estonia with the Pärnu choir in 2027.

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR MAY & JUNE

Each month we lift up one of our mission partners. If you want to earmark a donation to this mission, please indicate that on your payment (online or by check). Here's the information for this month's special mission offering:

Marginalized Communities

The Outreach mission focus for May and June will be for organizations that help marginalized communities in the Twin Cities. In the past, we have supported CAIR (Council on American-Islamic Relations), Indian Food Shelf, Queer Space, and Clare Housing. Thank you for your donations, which will help support the important work being done for these groups.

You can drop it 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 and Karole Graham, Outreach co-chairs

UBC ANNOUNCEMENTS

See our newsletter at ubcmn.org/newsletter 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

The nursery, Room 205, is available for children through age 10. Childcare is provided by U students Ely (they/them) and Sami (she/her) from 9:15 to 12:45.

Forum – Islam and Christianity: Continuing the conversation. Dr. Tamim Saidi, a Muslim chaplain for local Twin Cities hospitals and resident scholar for the Islamic Resource Group, will return to UBC. Many of us remember his presentations on Getting to Know Our Muslim Neighbors and on Islam and Christianity as well as visiting his mosque during Ramadan. In this forum, Dr. Saidi will talk about his scholarship on “the Bible through Muslim goggles” and provide an update from the local Muslim community.

Journeys, a Bible Study for adults – 11:30am in the Char Follett library following worship. Journeys will meet Sunday mornings in May, will be on break for the summer, and will resume in September. Journeys is an opportunity to read Scripture together, to learn something new, to ask questions, and to talk about your faith. The lessons themselves are written by clergy and members of American Baptist Churches across the country, providing a wide range of expertise and perspectives about Scripture and its meaning for contemporary Christians. They bring new voices to the faith conversation. Journeys is an informal group. No preparation is required. Please feel free to come once or regularly. See Nancy Myers or Diane Ehr for more information.

May 11 RESTORER: Psalm 23

May 18 CLEAN: Acts 11:1-18

May 25 CONQUEROR: Revelation 21:10, 22-27; 22:1-5

How to Welcome a Seeing Eye Dog – One of our worshippers, Kevin Branting, has received a new Seeing Eye dog. So, here's a refresher/first course in how to make it a happy experience. First, remember that the dog is at work. Therefore, the best way to welcome the dog is to ignore the dog! So hard but so necessary. Avoid petting, talking to, or otherwise interacting with the dog. This includes eye contact. For more information, visit: <https://seeingeye.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/etiquette-5-tips-for-when-2.pdf>

This week

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

Garden Team – We will be working on Wednesday mornings starting at 9am, starting this week. We usually stay for two or three hours, with time for rest and fellowship. Come whenever you can. Questions: contact Betsy Kerr at 612-877-2018 or bjkerr@umn.edu.

Bells and Choir Rehearsals – Wednesday evenings in the sanctuary or lounge. Choir 6pm. Bells 7:30pm.

Memoir Writing Group – May 13 (every other Tuesday), 7pm via Zoom. All are welcome! Prompts include Memories of UBC, or whatever else you feel called to write about. Contact Trish Donley if you have any questions. Please note: There will be no meeting on Tuesday, May 27, the next meeting is June 10.

Bible Study – May 17 (1st & 3rd Sat.), 9am. We're studying Luke 10. New and occasional members are always welcome. No special background, skill, or preparation is required. If you have any questions, please contact Diane at diancehr82@gmail.com.

Looking Ahead

UBC-FCC Knitting Group – May 19 (3rd Monday), 7pm at Deb Wensman's home. The group is made up of stitchers from UBC and First Congregational Church. If you have questions, please contact Chris Follett at chrisf2828@yahoo.com.

Card Club – May 24, 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

Spanish Conversation Group – May 24 (4th Saturday), 10am-12pm at Curioso Coffee Shop, 1712 Marshall St NE, Minneapolis. Join folks from UBC and First Congregational Church to practice your Spanish. If you have any questions, please contact Deidre Druk.

UBC Anti-Racism Work – May 27, 7 p.m. We will continue discussing antidotes to White supremacy culture from the Tema Okun essay. Everyone is welcome to join this monthly gathering. Contact Denise Roy if you would like to come or to get more information.

Loaves & Fishes – Friday, May 30 at Peace House Community, 1816 Portland Avenue South in Minneapolis. Parking is available on the street or in a small lot off the alley to the west side of the building. Enter the building from either the Portland Avenue side or the west side. We expect to have about 300 guests come to pick up meals. We'll be preparing the food from 2-5pm, making to-go boxes from 4:30 to 6:15pm, and cleaning up until about 7pm. We'd like to have about four people volunteer for preparation, about six for making the to-go boxes, and a couple for clean-up. There won't be any dining at Peace House for now, all carry-out. Let Steve Lee know if you'd like to help out by emailing steven.lee@thrivent.com or calling him at 612-844-8194 or 763-645-9499.

Meals on Wheels – June 3-6 (Tuesday–Friday the first full week of the month). Meals are picked up around 11:15 am, and the route in SE Minneapolis usually takes less than two hours. We're always looking for substitute drivers. If you have any questions, please contact Marie LaFrance at marielafrance46@gmail.com.

UBC-FCC Daytime Handcraft Group – June 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.

Caregiver Support Group – June 5 (1st Thursday), 6:30pm. UBCers who take care of a parent, family member, or friend meet for support. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Lubke at jeanlubke01@gmail.com

Grace in Contemporary Literature by Women Book Group – June 14 (2nd Saturday), 1pm via Zoom. If you have questions, please contact Chris Follett at chrisf2828@yahoo.com.

Wild Church Gathering – June 14 (2nd Saturday), 2pm, at the Peace statue by Nicollet Island Pavillion. We will join together with friends from ULC and FCC. 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/>

Other Volunteer Opportunities

UBC history research – At the Minnesota History Center, UBC has 19 boxes of files and other materials. There is a lot of sleuthing to do! We are able to schedule appointments and reserve a table on Wednesdays through Saturdays, 10-1 and 1-4. If you would like to join a group going over to the History Center sometime, please contact Gayla Marty at gaylamarty@gmail.com or 612-845-8417.

UBC / FCC Collaboration Task Force – UBC and First Congregational Church are exploring ways to collaborate in ministry. Pastor Donley and Jean Lubke are looking for 2-3 additional open-minded individuals willing to explore possibilities to join the task force. We have been meeting once a month. Our next meeting will be **Wednesday, May 14**, noon at UBC. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Doug or Jean Lubke.

Save the Dates!

Annual Meeting – Sunday, June 8, after morning worship. Bring sandwiches or a dish to share.

Project Minnesota Leon Summer Picnic – Saturday, June 28, Noon–2pm at Silverwood Park Island Picnic Shelter (2500 County Rd E., Saint Anthony, MN 5542). Theme: Courage in the Face of Uncertainty. Food by Qdoba. We look forward to seeing you! Please join us!

UBC Founding Day – Sunday, July 13 will kick off our 175th anniversary observance and celebration year. First Congregational Church (founded a year later in 1851) will be at UBC for a joint worship service that day, and an ice cream social on the lawn is in the planning stages. The anniversary planning committee is meeting regularly and seeking volunteers to be part of activities including the July 13 event, a block party in the fall, history research and writing, and more. Contact chair Gayla Marty at gaylamarty@gmail.com or 612-845-8417 if you'd like to volunteer or get more information.