

February 8, 2026



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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Epiphany 6

10:00 am

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Arr. Barbara Baltzer Kinyon

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: There's no bread.

Many: The bakers have gone into hiding.

One: The seats at the table are empty.

Many: The Twelve are out marching with the thousands.

One: The streets are filled with a new song.

Many: Only Judas sits at Target Plaza, counting his silver, while Pontius Pilate issues a carefully worded statement.

One: Meanwhile, the centurions have quotas to fill.

Many: But out on the streets there's a Communion.

All: Jesus takes the city in his hands and says,
“This is my body, broken for you.”

(*Stand as you are willing and able)

*OPENING HYMN

Immortal, Indivisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

Black #1

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Walter C. Smith, 1867; alt.

1 Tim. 1:17; Ps. 36:6

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 Your life is life - giv - ing— to both great and small;
 4 So per - fect your glo - ry, so bril - liant your light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 not want - ing, not wast - ing, but rul - ing in might;
 in all life you're liv - ing, the true life of all;
 your an - gels a - dore you, all veil - ing their sight;

Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 Your jus - tice like moun-tains high soar - ing a - bove,
 We blos - som and flour - ish as leaves and as flowers,
 All praise we now ren - der as your an - gels do:

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, your great name we praise.
 your clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 then with - er and per - ish— but naught dims your powers.
 in awe at the splen - dor of light hid - ing you.

Walter C. Smith, minister of the Free Church of Scotland and later moderator of the Assembly, wrote poetry as a retreat from work and to say what could not be fully expressed in the pulpit.

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! 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!

The musical score consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and 8/8 time, with lyrics in Spanish and English. The bottom staff is in bass clef and 8/8 time, with lyrics in Spanish and English. The chords indicated are F, C, Am, F, G7, and C.

¡San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zón te a - do - ra! Mi
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My

cor - a - zón te sa - be de-cir: san - to e - res Dios.
heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, God.

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.

Creador de toda vida y de esta tierra que es nuestro hogar, que nos rodea, santificado sea tu nombre. Venga tu mancomunidad. Hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día y perdónanos nuestras deudas, como también nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores. No nos dejes caer en la tentación, mas 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.*

ATTENDING TO THE WORD

SCRIPTURE

I Corinthians 2:1-12

Rev. Doug Donley

*HYMN
Black #23

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

IN BABILON

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Frederick William Faber, 1854; alt.



1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide-ness of the sea;
 2 For the love of God is broad-er than the mea-sures of our minds;



there's a kind-ness in God's jus-tice, which is more than lib - er - ty.
 and the heart of the E - ter-nal is most won-der - ful - ly kind.



There's no place where earth-ly sor-rows are more felt than in God's heaven;
 If our love were but more faith-ful, we would glad-ly trust God's word;



there's no place where earth-ly fail-ings have such kind-ly judg-ment given.
 and our lives would show thanks-giv-ing for the good-ness of our God.



Of Huguenot Protestant ancestry, Frederick William Faber was influenced by the Oxford Movement and eventually became a Catholic priest. He wrote 150 hymns to correspond to the number of psalms.

Tune: IN BABILON 8.7.8.7.D.

Dutch melody

Arr. Julius Röntgen, 1906

Alternate tune: HOLY MANNA

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING



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OFFERTORY

Somewhere Over the Rainbow Harold Arlen/arr. Kimberly Donley
In Memory of Laurie Brazman

*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

*CLOSING HYMN
Black #485

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

ST. MARGARET

○ Love That Will Not Let Me Go

485

George Matheson, 1882; alt.

Rom. 8:38-39; John 8:12

1 O Love that will not let me go,
 2 O Light that follows all my way,
 3 O Joy that seeks me through my pain,
 4 O Cross that rais - es up my head,

I rest my wea - ry soul in you;
 to you I yield my flick - ering flame;
 to you I can - not close my heart;
 from you I dare not seek to flee;

I give you back the life I owe, that
 Re - new my spir - it's fee - ble ray, that
 I trace the rain - bow through the rain,
 Life's glo - ries with - er and are dead, and but

in your o - cean depths its flow may swell with ar - dor true.
 from your bril - liant sun - lit day it may new bright - ness claim.
 know the prom - ise is not vain that you will ne'er de - part.
 from the ground there blos-soms red, life that shall end - less be.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

***Prayer for the Innocents:
A Prayer for Hope and Love***

Michael Helman

JOYS AND CONCERNS

After the livestream ends

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR JANUARY & FEBRUARY

Our outreach mission focus for January and February is for ministries within the ABCUSA that are not already receiving funds through the UBC budget. This includes Retired Ministers and Missionaries Fund and One Great Hour of Sharing. Thank you for your help in supporting these important national ministries.

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

FEBRUARY IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH

This month, in celebration of Black History Month, all organ music is by Black composers.

A new, second set of colors in the sanctuary this month are made with Tanzanian kanga cloths. The fabric for the eight flags, pulpit, and altar cloths was a gift to Jean Lubke from Elizabeth Moriera, director of Project Minnesota Leon, whose sister served as a Lutheran missionary in Tanzania. Kanga cloths contain a Swahili proverb. This set's phrase is "Pokea zawadi Mama upate kunienzi," meaning "Receive this gift, Mother, so you can honor me." The altar cloth also contains fabric from the first set of flags introduced this past summer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Today

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

No Forum today – Extended coffee hour.

Community and ICE Out Resources – If you are looking for ways to support the Minneapolis community during this time of upheaval, there are so many groups out there supplying food, rental assistance, protest support, and more. Here are some you might want to consider:

- Stand with Minnesota (standwithminnesota.com) a great hub for ways to volunteer, donate, and connect.
- Every Meal, (everymeal.org) is a group we have supported for years, is now offering free food to any family at the schools they service, not just the families who have signed up for the extra weekend food deliveries.
- CLUES (clues.org) which has many programs that support immigrants.

UBC Merch & Gifts - UBC has a new calendar featuring 12 months of UBC corner signs. They are available for \$20 each. **Represent UBC with T-shirts** 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 Anti-Racism Work – Tuesday, February 10, 7pm on Zoom. Join us as we plan upcoming activities. All are welcome!

Gaia Love Brunch - Saturday, February 14, 11:30-2:30pm at Gaia/Adele Fadden Assembly Room. Love Brunch: Delicious homemade food and yummy beverages, featuring Indigenous grain waffles by Simone Rendon from Edible Arts! Spa for the People: featuring massage, acupuncture, herbal consultations, sound healing, hand/foot scrubs, face masks, divination & more! Spa at-home kits are available too! Free art & care kits for youth 24 & under!

Grace in Contemporary Literature by Women Book Group – February 14 (2nd Saturday), 1 pm via Zoom. The book is *The Love of My Life* by Rosie Walsh. If you have questions, please contact Chris Follett at chrisf2828@yahoo.com

Night Songs – February 15, 7pm at University Lutheran Church of Hope, 601 13th Avenue SE. Enjoy an evening of music and poetry featuring the choirs of University Lutheran Church of Hope, First Congregational, University Baptist, and Vocal U. The sanctuary will have the night sky projected onto the rafters. Sit in the pews or bring pillows/blankets and lie on the floor and take in the view. This family-friendly event is a beautiful way to embrace winter. All are welcome. The event is free but RSVP is required at <https://Nightsongs2026.eventbrite.com> A free-will collection will be taken in support of the Nutritious U Food Pantry and music programming at ULCH. Parking will be tight – ride-share, if you are able. If the event sells out, tickets not claimed by 6:45 p.m. may be offered to a day-of “rush” line.

Looking ahead

UBC-FCC Evening Handcraft Group (formerly Knitting Group) – February 16 (3rd Monday), 7pm at Chris Follett's home. The group is made up of crafters from UBC and First Congregational Church. All are welcome! If you have questions, please contact Chris Follett at chrisf2828@yahoo.com.

Memoir Writing Group – February 17 (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 questions.

Saturday morning Bible study – February 21, 9am (1st & 3rd Saturday) on Zoom, resuming study of Luke. New and occasional members are always welcome. No special background, skill, or preparation is required. If you have questions, please contact Diane Ehr at dianeehr82@gmail.com.

Card Club – Saturday, February 21, 1pm at Jean Lubke's home. 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 at jeanlubke01@gmail.com or 651-295-7525.

Roots Cellar Concert: RJ Cowdery, Katie Dahl, and Hope Dunbar – Sunday, February 22, 7pm for \$20. RJ Cowdery (Ohio), Katie Dahl (Wisconsin), and Hope Dunbar (New Jersey) may be from three different states, but they all share a knack for razor-sharp lyrics, wicked humor, compelling vocals, and unflinching truth-telling. All alumni of the prestigious Kerrville New Folk competition, Cowdery, Dahl, and Dunbar each tour the country individually, but are teaming up for this powerhouse triple bill. Don't miss this chance to see three of the country's most respected songwriters, swapping songs with one another in an in-the-round format. Tickets and more info here: <https://events.humanitix.com/cowderydahldunbar>

Next up:

Root River Jam – Saturday, March 14 at 7pm for \$20. Root River Jam combines elements of Americana, country, rock and blues genres. Performing music with the spark of creativity and individuality from each musician, they produce songs and sounds that draw you in to their eclectic style! Tickets and more info here: <https://events.humanitix.com/rootriverjam>

Crys Matthews – Saturday, April 11 at 7pm for \$20. “A passionate and powerful blend of infectious Americana melodies and folky instrumentation, Matthews delivers her honest songwriting through a beautifully raw and unfiltered lens. Oozing soul, her voice bleeds with emotion and gratitude, while simple piano melodies and upbeat percussion fill you with appreciation and love for the people around us who fight for change.” — [Ear Milk](#). Tickets and more info here: <https://events.humanitix.com/crysmatthews>

Spanish Conversation – Saturday, February 28, 10am at HarMar Barnes & Noble. Join folks from UBC and First Church to practice your Spanish. Coffee and pastry will be provided! Contact Deidre at deidredruk@aol.com if you have questions.

UBC-FCC Daytime Handcraft Group – March 4 (1st Wednesday), 11am at First Congregational Church. 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 – March 5 (1st Thursday), 6:30pm. UBCers who take care of a parent, family member, or friend meet for support via Zoom. If you have questions, please contact Chris Follett.

THRIVE and Alliance of Baptists gatherings! UBC is part of the THRIVE grant racial justice cohort in the Alliance of Baptists. The spring gathering this year will be in Evanston, Illinois—THRIVE April 14–16, and the Alliance April 16–19. Pastor Doug will attend, and others are invited to attend in person or online to be part of this important work. For more information: <https://allianceofbaptists.org/ag26> and <https://allianceofbaptists.org/thrive/> and talk to Pastor Doug or Denise Roy. There are funds available to offset some of the costs, so don’t let cost be a barrier.

Reminders

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! Send it to us at marketing@ubcmn.org or to our mailing address.

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.

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 youngest kids, while Peter and Andrew have their own Sunday school time with Megan. Circle Time for the youngest kids 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 participates in Meals on Wheels on Tues-Fri of the first full week of the month (this coming week!) Meals are picked up around 11:15am and the route in SE Minneapolis usually takes 1-2 hours. If you have any questions, please contact Marie LaFrance at marielafrance46@gmail.com.

Every Meal – Thursday, February 12 (usually the 2nd Friday) and Friday, February 27, 11:15 a.m.-1 p.m. at Marcy Arts Elementary School in SE Minneapolis. Volunteers are needed to deliver meal bags to student backpacks. If you are interested, please contact Denise Roy at denise.roy@mitchellhamline.edu