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 firearms. University Baptist Church is a member of the American Baptist Churches/USA, the Alliance of Baptists, The Twin Cities Baptist Association, 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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GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Welcome!

CALL TO WORSHIP/LLAMADA A LA ADORACIÓN

One: Sometimes we are surrounded by our own grief, and we want to know, "Where is God?"
Many: When the worst has happened, we want to know, "Why did God let this happen?"
One: Maybe we need to ask different questions.
Many: Or change the way the arrow points.
One: Try this: "Dear God, where are we needed?"
Many: And this: "Dear God, why do we let horrific things happen? Show us how to stop."
ALL: Dear God, help us to be fitting ambassadors for our faith in You. Open our hearts to the needs of this broken world, and our ears to Your family's cries. Help us to say, "Here am I, send me." AMEN.

*OPENING HYMN

Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

Black Hymnal #551
Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

Luke 18:35–43

Fanny Crosby (1820–1915); alt.

1 Pass me not, O gentle Savior, hear my humble cry;
2 Let me at your throne of mercy find a sweet relief;
3 Trusting only in your merits, would I seek your face;
4 Be the Spring of all my comfort, more than life to me;

While on others you are calling, do not pass me by,
Kneeling there in deep contrition, help my unbelief.
Heal my wounded, broken spirit, save me by your grace.
Not just here on earth beside me, but eternally.

Refrain

Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry;

While on others you are calling, do not pass me by.

Fanny Crosby was already a successful writer when she became associated with gospel hymnists Sankey, Sweney, Root, and others. She directed her talent to gospel songs in her early forties, and collaborated with William Doane on many hymns.

Tune: PASS ME NOT 8.5.8.5. with refrain
William H. Doane (1832–1915)
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 libranos 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.

Welcome, children, welcome! Jesus cares about you;  
Jesus now enfoils you, welcome, children, welcome!

CHILDREN’S TIME

ATTENDING TO THE WORD

SCRIPTURE
Lamentations 3:21-33
Rev. Anne Supplee

*HYMN
Black Hymnal #444

We Are Often Tossed and Driven
1 We are often tossed and driven on the restless sea of time,
2 We are often desolate of the things that life demands,
3 Trials harsh on every hand, and we cannot understand
4 Temptations, hidden snares often take us unawares,

Sombre skies and howling tempests oft succeed a bright sunshine;
Want of food and want of shelter, thirsty hills and barren lands;
All the ways that God would lead us to that blessed promised land;
And our hearts are made to bleed for many a thoughtless word or deed,

In that land of perfect day, when the mists have rolled away,
In our God our trust's assured, and according to the Word,
We are guided by God's eye, and we'll follow till we die,
And we wonder, why the test, when we try to do our best,

We will understand it better by and by.
We will understand it better by and by.
For we'll understand it better by and by.
But we'll understand it better by and by.
SERMON

"Misery and Mercy"

Rev. Anne Supplee

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING

We welcome your financial support of University Baptist Church. You can give conveniently on our web page www.ubcmn.org. If you want to avoid processing fees, you can mail a check to University Baptist Church - 1219 University Avenue SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414. You can also set up a direct payment from your bank (it’s free). You can give in the offering boxes near the narthex as well. We thank you for your support. See below for mission offerings.

OFFERTORY

Allemande from Suite XL

GF Handel

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Mediante la fe todos somos hijos y hijas de Dios. Porque todos los que han sido bautizados en Cristo, se han revistido de Cristo. No hay judío ni griego; no hay esclavo ni libre; ya no hay hombre y mujer; porque todos somos uno en Cristo Jesús.

(adaptado de Gálatas 3:26-28)

Through faith we are all children of God. For as many as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek. There is neither slave nor free. There is no longer male and female. For we are all one in Christ Jesus.

(Galatians 3:26-28, adapted)
Quirky, Queer and Wonderful

Adam M. L. Tice

Refrain

All of our humanity reveals the face of God.

"normal" can encompass or comprehend the range of Christ the false divisions of gender, class and race can many parts that form us, each serve a different role. In all the kinds of people that God created strange! Christ we are one body made holy, good and whole.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Somewhere Over the Rainbow

Harold Arlen,
Arr. by Kim Donley
NOTES ON TODAY'S MUSIC  
George Frideric Handel (1685-1759) one of the most well-known and well-loved Baroque composers, was born in Germany but moved to England and became a naturalised British subject. It has long been speculated that Handel was gay as he moved in circles in Italy and London where same-sex relationships were accepted.

_Somewhere Over the Rainbow_ has become an anthem for the queer community as for generations it symbolized hope of living where "dreams really do come true."

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR MAY AND 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 which help marginalized communities in the Twin Cities. In the past, we have supported CAIR (Council on American-Islamic Relations), Indian Food Shelf, Queer Space, 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 Deidre Druk, Outreach co-chairs

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trista’s in-office hours are Tuesdays 12-3, Wednesdays 12-4, and Fridays 12-5. For time-sensitive needs, you may contact her on their cell at 608-343-0831.

Today

_The nursery, Room 205, is available for children through age 10_. Childcare is provided by U students Sam (she/her), Bella (she/her) and Ely (he/they) from 9:45 to 11:30.

_Refreshments_ will be served in the lounge immediately following the worship service.

_Medical Leave_ — Doug Donley will be on medical leave from June 18-July 14. While he is out, Rev. Anne Supplee will be on call for pastoral emergencies. You can reach Anne at (612)715-1705. The preachers will be:

- June 30  Anne Supplee
- July 7  Paula Moyer (at First Congregational Church)
- July 14  Maia Twedt (at First Congregational Church)

_Just a reminder: We will be worshipping for the next two weeks at First Congregational Church_ (500 SE 8th Street, Minneapolis, MN 55414). The second two weeks of July, they'll come to UBC. Please join us there for our joint services!

_We are very excited to have UBC represented at this year's Pride Festival_. This was not something that was budgeted for, so we are asking for your help to offset the costs of the booth and for promotional materials. If you are able to assist us, please designate Pride on your check, or along with your donation. Thanks so much for your help! - Kim Donley and Deidre Druk, Outreach co-chairs
This week

Meal Trains - As many of you know, Doug had his surgery this past week to remove a tumor next to his pituitary gland. While they don't need a lot of meal support, here's a Meal Train link: https://mealtrain.com/8r6w15. They don't really have preferred day of the week preferences, so feel free to reach out to them to arrange a day that works for you! View his Caring Bridge here: https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/dougdonley

Nancy Myers is also home from her quintuple bypass followed by a stay in a Transitional Care Unit. Her sister Carol will be in town until July 2nd, so she'd appreciate meal support after that. Days are also flexible, so feel free to reach out to her to arrange a different day if that works better for you. Here's the link to her Meal Train: https://mealtrain.com/no6z1d

If you have any difficulty working with Meal Trains, please reach out to Trish Donley at 612-386-2856 for assistance.

Sacred Harp Singing — Come every 2nd & 4th Sunday, 4-6pm, and every 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 5:30-7:30pm, at UBC in Room 303. No experience or talent necessary!

Garden Team — Thursdays at 9am. We are looking for new members as well as only occasional participants. We are doing mostly weeding or whatever else needs to be done. We usually work for about two hours. No prior experience or knowledge are necessary; we will provide instructions as needed. Bring work gloves and tools for weeding and pruning if you have them. Questions: contact Betsy Kerr at bjkerr@umn.edu or 612-877-2018.

Memoir Writing Group — July 2 (every other Tuesday) at 7pm via Zoom. All are welcome! Prompts include Car Trips and First Apartments — or whatever else you feel called to write about. Contact Trish Donley if you have any questions.

Looking ahead

July 10-14 LGBTQ Choral Festival in Minneapolis — GALA Choruses is holding the world's largest LGBTQ+ singing event in Minneapolis on July 10-14 with over 7,000 people attending and 122 LGBTQ+ choruses performing from all over the world! Events take place at the Convention Center, Central Lutheran Church, and Orchestra Hall. Local choral fans can attend hundreds of ticketed and free events as part of the Festival or join us as a volunteer for the GALA LGBTQ Choruses Festival 2024 and be part of creating an unforgettable celebration of LGBTQ choral music. Questions - please email: leighcombs1234@gmail.com Find more info at https://galachoruses.org/festival-2024/

UBC-FCC Daytime Handcraft Group – July 10 (usually 1st Wednesday), 10 a.m. (note earlier start time) at First Congregational Church (500 8th Ave. SE) in the Parlor. Bring your craft project and lunch if you like. If you are interested and want to be on a distribution list, please let Marilyn Burns (from FCC) know at mbsnoobear@mac.com or see Chris Follett for questions.

Caregiver Support Group — July 11 (usually 1st Thursday), 6:30pm. UBCers who have an elderly family member meet for support. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Lubke at lubk0001@umn.edu

UBC–FCC Knitting Group — July 15 (3rd Mondays) at 7pm. The group is made up of stitchers from UBC and First Congregational Church. If you have questions, please contact Chris Follett at chris12828@yahoo.com.

Card Club — July 27, 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 lubk0001@umn.edu.
Gender and Faith Workshops — Saturdays, August 17 & 24, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Church of St. Francis Cabrini, Garvey Hall, 1500 SE Franklin Avenue, Minneapolis. Cabrini member Ray Hommeyer and their co-facilitator Max Yeshaye Brumberg-Kraus will offer four workshops, two in June and two in August. Next up:

- Aug 17: Crossing the Threshold
- Aug 24: Reading the Sacred Body

Each workshop will offer embodied practices and reflective opportunities for exploring various ways we each experience, move, and relate to one another in our gendered bodies. Come join us for this gender journey! Attendees are encouraged to participate in all four sessions of the series, and anyone is welcome at any individual workshop. Open to all faiths, not exclusively Catholic. llffchair@cabrinimn.org

Groups On Hiatus Until September

Forums and Sunday School, Saturday Bible Study, Journeys Bible Study, Choir and Bells, Every Meal

Volunteer Opportunities

Little Free Pantry – More food was recently requested by unhoused community members!

We are looking for individuals to stock the pantry, as well as your donations of money and/or items such as: Toiletries (toothbrushes, deodorant, sample sized shampoo/body wash/hand sanitizer, razors, feminine hygiene products). Boxed mixes that only require water to prepare. Bars/cracker packs, Ramen/instant soup in a cup, mac & cheese. Rice/pasta/quinoa, and tuna packets. If you would like to help, please contact Kim Donley or Deidre Druk, Outreach co-chairs.

Worship and education support

Coffee-time hosts—sign up in the lounge or contact Betty Shaw
Communion preparers—contact Terri Wottrich
Ushers—contact Chris Follett
Worship leaders—contact Deidre Druk
Worship technology support—contact Personnel Committee: Megan Gunnar, Jean Lubke, Gene Velasco
Sunday school teachers—contact Megan Gunnar

Meals on Wheels

First full Monday-through-Thursday week of each 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 questions, please contact Marie LaFrance at marielafrance46@gmail.com.

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.

Loaves and Fishes

We need volunteers to cook and box up over 200 meals. Volunteers are needed between 2 and 7pm at Peace House, 1816 Portland Ave. S., Minneapolis. Let Steve Lee know if you can help at steven.lee@thrivent.com or 612-844-8194 or 763-645-9499. Next date: August 30.