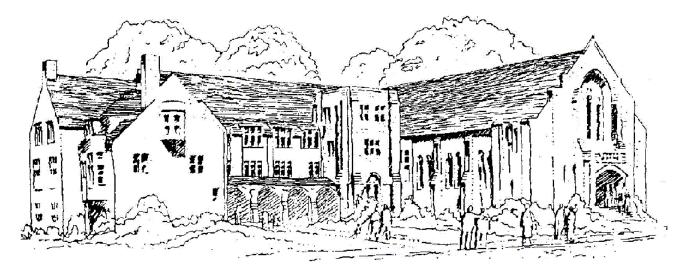
November 27^h, 2022



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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All the People, Ministers Rev. Douglas M. Donley, Pastor Deidre Druk, Worship Leader Ryan Kellogg, Becca Donley, John Hartman, Jim Ross, Fransisco Diaz, Livestream Technicians Anielka Picado Montiel, Pastoral and Religious Education Associate David Lesniaski, Music Director

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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University Baptist Church

November 27th, 2022

Massachusetts.

Advent I

10:00 am

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Chorale Prelude on "From Heaven Above"

Peeters

Welcome!

CALL TO WORSHIP/LLAMADA A LA ADORACIÓN

One:	In my tears, I envision rivers liberating dark-skinned people, carrying them to another place where they hope to live free.		
Many:	As refreshing water touches my lips I give thanks and envision the dark-skinned		
	people who thirsted to the point of death for a drop of liquid.		
One:	As the luxurious spray of the warm shower touches my body, I pray for the souls of those who		
	endured the horrifically close quarters of a slave ship, skin on skin, no place to move.		
Many:	I envision the times I've gone down to the river and did not think of needing the water		
	to wash away my scent for fear of being caught and enslaved.		
One:	Reflecting on the waters of baptism, my advent intention is to act and speak in a way to wash		
	clean the dirty, ugly behaviors of our society that keep racism and white supremacy alive.		
ALL:	"We will not be satisfied until justice rolls down like waters and righteousness like a		
	mighty stream."		

OPENING HYMN Black Hymnal #109	With Joy Draw Water	ST. COLUMBA
With Joy Dra Anne McKinstry, 1986, 1993	w Water	109 Isa. 11:1–10; 12:2–6
1 With joy d 2 A shoot h	,	liv-ing well. cho-sen One. urn a - side; li - on play.
		see a
A branch of And faith - ful	knowl-edge and of truth; a gift of love - ness will be a path, and righ-teous-ness	the guide!
God's peace shall The Ho - ly	One is in your midst; glad prais - es sing	v the way! and tell!
the reign of peace. The author, a as a writer-in-residence at Otis U Massachusatts		Charles V. Stanford, 1906

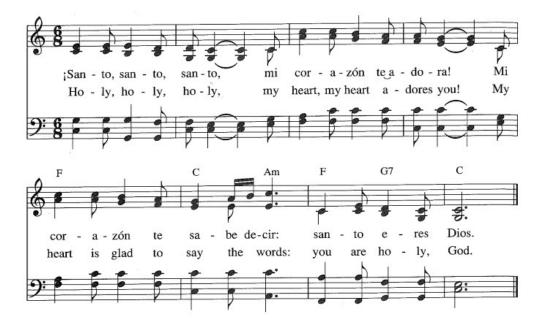
LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE

PRAYING TOGETHER

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.



ATTENDING TO THE WORD

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 3:1-17

Rev. Doug Donley

SPANISH SCRIPTURE READING

HYMN Black Hymnal #597 Shall We Gather at the River

HANSON PLACE

Anielka Montiel

HANSON



Written during a time when an epidemic was claiming many lives in New York, Robert Lowry's hymn raised the question "Shall we meet again?" Lowry was pastor at Hanson Place Baptist Church in Brooklyn from 1861 to 1869, and collaborated on numerous hymn collections with William H. Doane. Tune: HANSON PLACE 8.7.8.7. with refrain Robert Lowry, 1864

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING

We welcome your financial support of University Baptist Church. You can give conveniently on our web page <u>www.ubcmn.org</u>. 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). We thank you for your support. See below for mission offerings.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Rise, Shine, for Thy Light is a-Comin'

Anthem text: When darkness moves over all the land and shadows over your soul, Remember when the night is its blackest a new dawn begins to grow. O Rise! Shine! for thy light is a comin' My God says they're comin' bye'n bye.

> This is the year of Jubilee Thy light is comin' Our God has set the people free Thy light is comin' I intend to shout and vever stop Thy light is comin' Until I reach the mountain top God's comin' bye'n by. Rise! ...

Gonna leave my troubles all behind Thy light is comin' And take those troubles from my mind Thy light is comin' Lift up yoru eyes and look around Thy light is comin' Lit up your voice and make a sound Thy light is comin' Rise! ...

Nations shall come to your light Thy light is comin' and sing to the brightness of your dawn Thy light is comin' Your sons shall come from far away Thy light is comin' And daughters on their mothers' arms God's comin' bye'n bye Rise! ...

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; no hay hombre ni 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)

CLOSING HYMN Black Hymnal #326 Crashing Waters at Creation

STUTTGART



Arr. Ian Kirk

Crashing Waters at Creation

Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1991

- Crash-ing wa-ters at cre-a-tion or-dered by the Spir-it's breath, First to wit-ness day's be-gin-ning from the bright-ness of night's death.
- 2 Part-ing wa-ter stood and trem-bled as the cap-tives passed on through, Wash-ing off the chains of bond-age chan-nel to a life made new.

Hymnwriter Sylvia Dunstan wrote this text to accompany a prayer for blessing the water in the United Church of Canada baptismal rites. She has credited the work of Miriam Therese Winter as her inspiration for some of the imagery in the last stanza.

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude on "This Endrys Night"

JOYS AND CONCERNS

(After the livestream ends)

MISSION OFFERINGS

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). See "Offerings" in the Announcements section below for details on how to donate. Here's the information for this month's special mission offering:

Our November/December mission giving focus is for ministries of American Baptist Churches, USA. Some of the programs we have supported in the past include: America for Christ, Retired Ministers and Missionaries Fund, One Great Hour of Sharing (emergency support during natural disasters) and the World Mission Offering. Your mission dollars will help support these important programs. As usual, 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. Thank you for your ongoing Outreach support!!

-Kim Donley, Deidre Druk, Outreach Co-Chairs

Gen. 1:1-5; Exod. 14:21-22; Mark 1:9-11; John 4:13-14

- Cleans-ing wa-ter once at Jor-dan closed a-round the One fore-told,
 O-pened to re-veal the glo-ry ev-er new and ev-er old.
- 4 Liv-ing wa-ter, nev-er end-ing, quench the thirst and flood the soul.
 Well-spring, Source of life e-ter-nal, drench our dry-ness, make us whole.

Tune: STUTTGART 8.7.8.7. Attrib. to Christian F. Witt (1660–1716), in Psalmodia Sacra, Gotha, 1715

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today

The nursery, room 205, is open but unstaffed during services. Feel free to watch the service from there via livestream. Please bring your own device if you wish to do this (smart phone, laptop, tablet, etc). A reminder to please make sure that all toys and games are put away when you leave the nursery so that our janitorial staff can keep the space as clean and safe as possible!

If you would like to donate money for hurricane disaster relief in Puerto Rico, Cuba, Florida or the Carolinas? Please earmark your donation to One Great Hour of Sharing, our denomination's program to support disaster relief work.

Coffee time today will be hosted by Marie LaFrance. Volunteers are needed for December—please sign up in the lounge!

Today's Forum is "Becoming a Dementia-Friendly Faith Community." Betty Shaw will share what she learned from attending a one-day conference on this topic in Roseville in October, sponsored by Lyngblomsten, a non-profit organization providing health care, housing, and community-based services for older adults.

Join us during our zoom events! See our newsletter for the links. You can find it on our web site www.ubcmn.org. There are links for the opportunities below.

This week

Spanish Classes – every Monday and Thursday. Monday's classes are the Intermediate Class is 5-6 pm and Beginning Class is 6:15-7:15 pm. Thursday's Spanish Conversation class is at 4:30 pm. If you are new to Spanish or not yet ready for conversations, the Beginning Class is a great option for you. In the Beginning Class, we focus on vocabulary development and verb conjugation. If you are comfortable with basic Spanish, vocabulary and verb conjugation the Intermediate Class would be a good fit for you. In the Intermediate Class, we read, write, and discuss in Spanish. Please contact Anielka at anymontiel33@gmail.com or 651-295-4590. If you would like to learn with us from the comfort of your home, these classes will be by Zoom. Meeting ID: 869 8255 1038. Passcode: 275343. <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86982551038?</u> pwd=RnJ0WEIEYk13YXhwZjFxN1dPK1Nndz09 This week's classes are the last until January.

Pastoral Relations will be meeting on Tuesday at 10am via zoom. The Pastoral Relations Committee is Bill Allen, Paula Moyer and Jon Hartman.

Memoir Writing Group – every other Tuesday at 7pm (November 29th). All are welcome! New prompts include Holiday Traditions, and Achieving a Dream, or whatever else you feel moved to write about. Contact Trish Donley if you have any questions. ZOOM INFO: Meeting ID: 831 4584 1908 Passcode: 313775 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83145841908?pwd=djhuSmMwZ1NESXZ5SExNOURXa2FNQT09

Choir Rehearsals – Wednesdays at 6pm in the sanctuary.

Bell Rehearsals Wednesdays at 7:30pm in the sanctuary.

Caregivers Support Group – December 1st (1st Thurs.) at 6:30 p.m. UBCers who have an elderly parent meet for support. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Lubke at lubk0001@umn.edu. ZOOM INFO: Meeting ID 822 6832 6290 Passcode 881907 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82268326290?pwd=SGMrZldnUmsxR0Z2aktyTWISUEpudz09

Bible Study group – December 3rd, 9–10 a.m. on Zoom. New and occasional members are always welcome. First and third Saturdays of the month. We're focusing on II Corinthians 8:16-9. For more information contact Diane Ehr at <u>DianeEhr@q.com</u>. ZOOM INFO: Meeting ID: 886 6992 0103 Passcode: 613038 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88669920103?pwd=dnozWEYzQUh1RU5HUTFWcVd3ZFY1Zz09 **The Eclectics will be playing at UBC on December 3rd at 7pm**. Tickets \$20. Eclectic is a good name for a group that relishes traditional fiddle music, good old bluegrass, as well as pop and the envelope-pushing instrumentals Phil writes. Find tickets here: <u>https://theeclectics.bpt.me</u>

YouthLink is an organization which helps out young people ages 16-24 who are homeless in the Twin Cities. The organization offers basic needs like a hot meal shower and clothing and provides support in finding stable housing and employment opportunities. They have an annual holiday party and 'Santa Shop' where families can come pick out gifts for themselves, children or family members. They are looking for items to offer these folks including: winter clothing (coats, hats, gloves, scarves), full-size hygiene products, self-care and beauty products (lotion, nail kits, body wash), \$10-25 gift card (Visa, Amazon, Target), throw blankets, small toys, phone chargers, socks, shoes, nice towel sets, family games. If you are able to donate, please bring your items to church by Sunday, December 4. Thank you for your help.

Sound of Mind Project - On Sunday, December 4th, Kim and Doug Donley will be singing in a community choir performance at St. Michael's Lutheran Church in Roseville on County Rd B near Snelling. The choir is called the Sound Mind Project and proceeds go to help young people struggling with mental health issues. The performance is at 2pm.

Looking Ahead

The Forum Next Week will be a conversation with Southeast neighbor Lynette Lamb, author of *Strokeland*. Her self-published memoir recounts her husband's devastating stroke at the age of 45 and her and their grade school-aged children's transition to life with a family member with a severe disability. Lynette is a member of University Lutheran Church of Hope and active in the Southeast Sanctuary Coalition, so she's volunteered at drop-in day at UBC. Read about the book on her web page, <u>https://lynettelamb.com</u> (order online).

Anti-Racism Discussion and Action Group – December 6th, 6pm on Zoom. We'll be joining other Alliance of Baptist Congregations in a seminar. Watch for more information next week. UBC ZOOM INFO: Meeting ID: 831 4584 1908 Passcode: 313775 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83145841908?pwd=djhuSmMwZ1NESXZ5SExNOURXa2FNQT09

Grace in Contemporary Literature by Women Book Group – December 10th at 1pm. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Follett at <u>chrisf2828@yahoo.com</u>.

The American Red Cross will be having a blood drive at UBC on Wednesday, December 14 from 10 am to 4 pm. If you would like to donate, please call the Red Cross at 1-800-733-2767 or go to their website, redcrossblood.org to schedule an appointment. And please let others know about this opportunity to donate!

UBC/FCC Knitting Group – every 3rd Monday at 7pm (December 19th). The group is made up of stitchers from UBC and First Congregational Church. All are welcome! If you have any questions, please contact Chris Follett at <u>chrisf2828@yahoo.com</u>.

Volunteer Opportunities

Little Free Pantry

We are looking for someone who is willing to be the point person for our Little Free Pantry Duties include replenishing it on Sundays and letting the congregation know if we need donations. If you are interested, please contact Kim Donley and/or Deidre Druk, Outreach Coordinators.

Suggested items to donate to the Little Free Pantry include:

Toiletries (toothbrushes, deodorant, shampoo(small)/body wash/hand sanitizer, razors, feminine hygiene products) Boxed mixes that only require water to prepare - Bars/cracker packs - Ramen/instant soups in cups - Rice/pasta/quinoa - Canned items with pop tops - Boxed Mac & cheese - Protein shakes -Tuna packets - Individually wrapped utensils with napkins

Bridging

Bridging is an organization which helps provide furnishings, kitchen supplies, linens, etc. to people in the Twin Cities. They are currently needing donations of just about everything! If you have furniture) particularly upholstered sofas and chairs or other donations, please consider donating it to this worthwhile organization. For further details on their specific needs, check their web site on bridging.org.

Every Meal

UBC participates in Every Meal, a program that distributes meals over weekends and school breaks for families of children who receive free and reduced meals when school is in session. The distribution schedule at Marcy Open school for UBC takes place on the second Friday of each month. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Denise Roy.

Afghan Evacuee Resettlement

Alight (formerly the American Refugee Committee) has received funding to place Afghan families in the Twin Cities and our very own Trish Donley is spearheading the UBC volunteer effort toward that endeavor, which will involve arranging items that are brought to homes by others (i.e., staging the home for families, setting up kitchens, arranging furniture, making beds, etc.). Volunteers can sign up at <u>volunteer@wearealight.org</u>. If you have any questions, please contact Teresa Janicke Devick (with Alight) at <u>trjdevick@yahoo.com</u>, or Trish Donley. COVID vaccines and background checks are required.

Join the Pen Pal Program with Southeast Seniors!

Do you like to receive personal mail? live in Minneapolis? like to write letters?

Are you 60 or older? Interested in getting to know a local 5th grader?

If so, please join the Southeast Seniors Pen Pal Program! You will be matched with a 5th grader from the nearby Marcy Elementary School for a monthly letter exchange during this school year. By participating in this program, you will be helping a young person learn how to write letters, ask questions, learn about others, and build an intergenerational friendship. And you will in turn be doing all that too! Southeast Seniors can provide paper, envelopes & stamps. You receive the first letter! Starting in October.

For more information or to get connected, call Southeast Seniors at 612-331-2302 or email ann@seseniors.org.