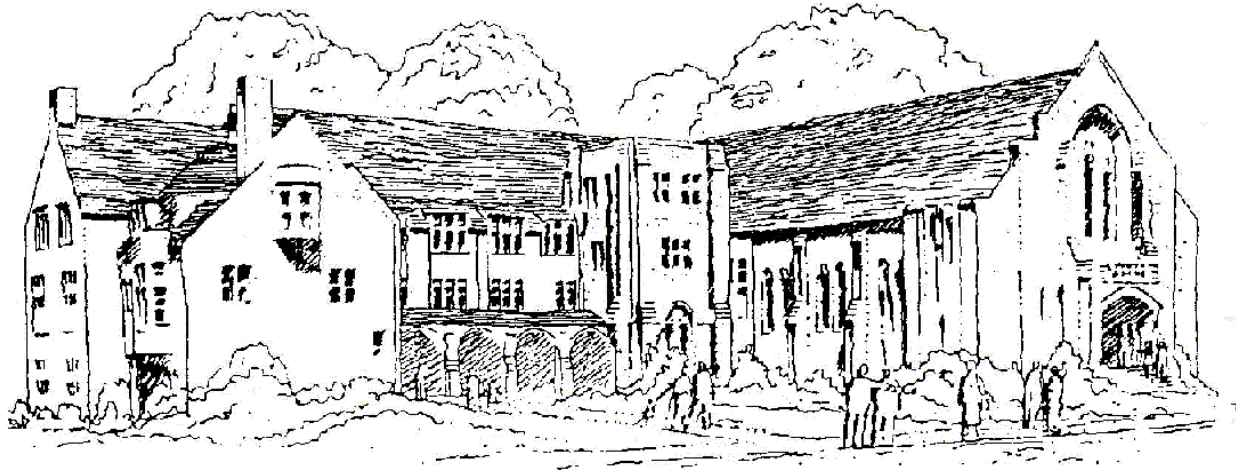


*April 28, 2024*



## UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

**Our Mission: to be a loving and inclusive community;  
seeking faith, joy, action; nurtured by the Biblical tradition,  
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# University Baptist Church

April 28, 2024

*Easter 5*

10:00 am

## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Offertory in G major

Guilmant

*Welcome!*

### CALL TO WORSHIP/LLAMADA A LA ADORACIÓN

One: Are we so divided that we have quit trying to understand each other?

**Many: God help us to listen with open minds and hearts.**

One: Do we judge each other without knowing what brought them to that place?

**Many: God give us empathy that we may understand another's journey and wisdom to recognize that their journey may bring them to a different place.**

One: Are we so busy seeking to be understood, to make our point of view clear that we do not seek to understand.

**ALL: God grant that we may not so much seek to be understood as to understand.**

OPENING HYMN  
ASF Hymnal #24

*God, Give Us Eyes and Hearts to See*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

# 24 God, Give Us Eyes and Hearts to See

*Unison*

1 God, give us eyes and hearts to see Signs of your reign and  
 2 We probe your prom-ises a-new, As pil-grims seek-ing  
 3 Each col-or, gen-der, skill, and age Acts out a part up-  
 4 So let us cel-e-brate and praise God, the Re-deem-er

*Harmony*

vic-to-ry. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
 what is true. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
 on life's stage. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
 of our days. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

*Unison*

So may we hear and then pro-claim Good news in  
 Christ's live-ly ban-ner is un-furled O'er all the  
 Our weak-ness-es re-veal Christ's strength, Christ fills all  
 No power of e-vil can en-dure! God reigns—of

*Harmony*

Christ our Sav-ior's name. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
 wea-ry, wait-ing world. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
 height and breadth and length. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
 that we can be sure! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

*Unison*

Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!  
 Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!  
 Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!  
 Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

Jane Parker Huber, 1982

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LASST UNS ERFREUEN 88 44 88 with Alleluias

Geistliche Kirchengesäng, Cologne, 1623

Arr. by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

¡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.

F C Am F G7 C

## 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.

## 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 enfolds you, welcome, children, welcome!*

CHILDREN'S TIME

## ATTENDING TO THE WORD

SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 4:19-26

Rev. Doug Donley

HYMN

*Help Us Accept Each Other*

AURELIA

Black Hymnal #388

(sung to #386)

### Help Us Accept Each Other

388

*Fred Kaan, 1974; alt.*

*John 15:12; 17:20-23; Eph. 4:1-6, 11-16*

- 1 Help us ac-cept each oth-er  
as Christ ac-cept-ed us;  
teach us as sis-ter, broth-er,  
each per-son to em-brace.  
Be pres-ent, God, a-mong us,  
and bring us to be-lieve  
we are our-selves ac-cept-ed  
and meant to love and live.
- 2 Teach us, O God, your les-sons,  
as in our dai-ly life  
we strug-gle to be hu-man  
and search for hope and faith.  
Teach us to care for peo-ple,  
for all, not just for some,  
to love them as we find them,  
or as they may be-come.
- 3 Let your ac-cep-tance change us,  
so that we may be moved  
in liv-ing sit-u-a-tions  
to do the truth in love;  
To prac-tice your ac-cep-tance,  
un-til we know by heart  
the ta-ble of for-give-ness  
and laugh-ter's heal-ing art.
- 4 God, for to-day's en-coun-ters  
with all who are in need,  
who hun-ger for ac-cep-tance,  
for righ-teous-ness and bread,  
Bring us new eyes for see-ing,  
new hands for hold-ing on;  
re-new us with your Spir-it;  
God! Free us, make us one!

*Dutch theologian Fred Kaan was ordained in the United Reformed Church in England and Wales and has served as an international church administrator. Author of more than 200 hymns, Kaan frequently has addressed contemporary issues in his texts.*

Tune: AURELIA 7.6.7.6.D.  
Samuel S. Wesley, 1864

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## The Church's One Foundation

Eph. 2:13-22; 4:4-6; 1 Cor. 3:11

Samuel J. Stone, 1866; alt.

1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ our Lord;  
 2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,  
 3 'Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion, and tu - mult of our war,  
 4 Yet we on earth have un - ion with God, the Three - in - One,

we are Christ's new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word;  
 one char - ter of sal - va - tion, one God, one faith, one birth,  
 we wait the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;  
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.

From heaven Christ came and sought us in love to set us free;  
 One name to - geth - er bless - ing, one ho - ly food we share,  
 Till with the vi - sion glo - rious, our long - ing eyes are blessed,  
 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! God, give us grace that we,

with pre - cious blood Christ bought us for all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 to one hope we are press - ing, at one in work and prayer.  
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.  
 like them, the meek and low - ly, may live e - ter - nal - ly.

*Like the writings of Ambrose many centuries earlier, this hymn was born out of a doctrinal dispute. The young priest Samuel J. Stone composed twelve hymns on the articles of the Apostles' Creed in support of those reacting against nontraditional views of biblical scholarship. This hymn is based on article nine, "the holy Catholic Church."*

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**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

## OFFERING



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## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Christ Has No Body Now On Earth But Ours*

Kathryn Rose

Christ has no body now on earth but ours,  
 no hands but ours, no feet but ours.  
 Ours are the eyes through which Christ’s compassion is to look out on the world.  
 Ours are the feet by which He is to go about doing good;  
 ours are the hands by which He is to bless His people,  
 now and to the end of the ages.  
 Christ has no body now on earth, but ours

## 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)

## CLOSING HYMN

Black Hymnal #543

*Where Cross the Crowded Way of Life*

GERMANY

## Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

543

Frank Mason North, 1903; alt.

Luke 19:41; Matt. 10:42; Rev. 22:20

1 Where cross the crowd - ed ways of life, where sound the  
 2 In haunts of wretch - ed - ness and need, on shad-owed  
 3 From ten - der child - hood's help - less - ness, from hu - man  
 4 The cup of wa - ter given for you still holds the

cries of clan and race, A - bove the noise of self - ish  
 thresh-olds framed with fears, From paths where hide the lures of  
 griefs and bur - dened toil, From fam - ished souls, from sor - rows'  
 fresh-ness of your grace; Yet long these mul - ti - tudes to

strife, O Christ, we hear your voice of grace.  
 greed, we catch the vi - sion of your tears.  
 stress, we know your heart does not re - coil.  
 view the deep com - pas - sion of your face.

5 O Sav-ior, from  
 the moun-tain-side,  
 Make haste to heal  
 these hearts of pain;  
 A-mong these rest-less  
 throngs a-bide,  
 O tread the cit-y's streets a-gain:

6 Till all shall learn  
 com-pas-sion's might,  
 And fol-low where  
 your feet have trod,  
 Till glo-rious from  
 your realm of light,  
 Shall come the cit-y of our God.

*This hymn was written for the 1905 Methodist Hymnal by Frank Mason North, a Methodist minister who was deeply committed to the role of the church in urban life. North later served as president of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.*

Tune: GERMANY (GARDINER) L.M.  
 William Gardiner's Sacred Melodies, 1815



BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Dialogue in D minor*

Couperin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS AND CONCERNS

After the livestream ends

### **SPECIAL OFFERING FOR MARCH AND APRIL**

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:

#### **Childhood Health & Hunger Programs**

The Outreach mission focus for March and April will be for organizations combatting childhood hunger and supporting children's health. Groups who have received funding in the past include the Minneapolis Crisis Nursery, Avenues for Youth, Every Meal, and the Northside Achievement Zone. Thank you for any donations you can make to support programs that help our children and youth.

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](http://www.UBCmn.org). Thank you for your ongoing Outreach support!

—Kim Donley and Deidre Druk, Outreach co-chairs

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

See our newsletter at [ubcmn.org/newsletter](http://ubcmn.org/newsletter) for zoom links and more info

#### **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 9:15 to 12:30. Toddlers and children are encouraged to stay in the service through the children's lesson.

**Refreshments** will be served in the lounge immediately following the worship service.

**“Journeys” Bible study**, 11:30am in the Char Follett Library. Each session offers a new reading and focus, and no special preparation or skill is required. Please feel free to attend once, occasionally, or more often. If you would like a book or have questions, see Nancy Myers or contact Diane Ehr at [DianeEhr@q.com](mailto:DianeEhr@q.com).

**Today's forum, 11:30 — Decolonizing the Great Commission.** Pastor Doug Donley and Gayla Marty are representing UBC at the 2024 annual gathering of the Alliance of Baptists in Charlotte, NC, April 12–14, and at a meeting of representatives from the THRIVE congregations on April 11. They will report on highlights.

**“The F Word: Stories of Forgiveness” exhibition** on display at UBC. This exhibition of images and stories on 3x6 foot banners was created by the Forgiveness Project, an organization that uses personal stories to explore how concepts of reconciliation, conflict resolution, and dialogue can be used to break cycles of violence and restore hope. The last days to see the exhibit are today 11:30-12:30pm, Monday 29th 11-3pm, or Tuesday 30th 11-3pm.

**Bell Choir Concert today at 3pm** - The bell choirs of University Baptist Church and Grove United Methodist Church (Woodbury) will perform at Grove UMC (7465 Steepleview Road., Woodbury, 55125)

**The UBC Talent Team wants to hear from you!** — The Talent Team has begun their work to fill the UBC Ministry Nominating Slate for 2024-25. We would like to know what you would like to do! How do you feel that you can contribute to our wonderful church community? And above all...what is your passion? You can either fill out and return the Time & Talent sheet that comes in the pledge packet, or contact Margie Garmers, Sue Wester, or Marcy Schultz directly. We look forward to hearing from each of you!

**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!

[Download the Pledge Packet here.](#)

### **This week**

On Wednesday, the **UBC Chorale** rehearses at 6pm and the **UBC Carillon** at 7:30pm.

**Caregiver Support Group** – May 2 (1st Thursday), 6:30 p.m. UBCers who have an elderly family member meet for support. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Lubke at [lubk0001@umn.edu](mailto:lubk0001@umn.edu)

**Sound Mind Project Concert** – Sunday, May 5 at 2pm. Come see a choir dedicated to supporting the mental health of youth in our community. Kim and Doug Donley sing in this choir. There is a \$25 suggested donation and a portion of proceeds collected will benefit Minnesota Association for Children's Mental Health. The concert will be at St. Michael's Lutheran Church (1660 County Rd B, Roseville MN)

### **Looking ahead**

**Memoir Writing Group**—May 7 (every other Tuesday) at 7pm via Zoom. All are welcome! Prompts include Flowers, Forgiveness, Eclipse and Grief — or whatever else you feel called to write about. Contact Trish Donley if you have any questions.

**Every Meal**— May 10 (2nd Fridays), 11 am–1 pm at Marcy Open School in SE Minneapolis. Volunteers are needed to deliver meal bags to student backpacks in their lockers during the school day. If you are interested, please contact Denise Roy at [denise.roy@mitchellhamline.edu](mailto:denise.roy@mitchellhamline.edu).

**Card Club**—May 18, 10am. 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](mailto:lubk0001@umn.edu).

**Grace in Contemporary Literature by Women Book Group**—May 18 (3rd Saturdays.), 1pm via Zoom. If you have questions, please contact Chris Follett at [chrisf2828@yahoo.com](mailto:chrisf2828@yahoo.com). NOTE: For February through May only, due to scheduling conflicts with the discernment retreats, we will meet on the 3rd Saturday instead of the 2nd Saturday of the month.

**UBC–FCC Knitting Group**—May 20 (3rd Mondays), 7pm at First Congregational Church. 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](mailto:chrisf2828@yahoo.com).

## UBC Discernment Process Update

On March 9, 19 UBCers met in person and 9 UBCers joined via Zoom to further the work of our discernment process. We brainstormed, discussed, listened, challenged, word smithed, wrestled, and listened some more. Our direction is beginning to come into focus.

We've reached consensus on our practical vision. These are not a succinct vision statement as we may be accustomed to, but rather areas that answer the question, "What do we want to see in place in 2 to 5 years as a result of OUR actions?" (NOTE: These are not listed in any sequence or priority order.)

- An imaginative, sustainable building plan
- Relationally inclusive ministry, partnerships, and leadership
- Realistic growth strategies
- Efficient and accessible organizational operations (including staff and volunteers)
- A thriving, diverse, and collaborative music program
- A clear definition and claiming of our identity and our voice
- Active participation and support of social progress and justice
- A sense of belonging through intergenerational support and growth

Then we dug deep and answered the really difficult question: "What is blocking US from moving toward our vision?"

- (Our) perfectionism blocks (the) development of strategic action plans and realistic expectations.
- Not prioritizing professional marketing and communication has inhibited our sustainability and mission.
- The fear of losing US is causing a lack of consensus about the building and stopping the congregation from seeking long-term solutions.
- (The) imbalance between our human resources and (our) congregational actions is interfering with the accomplishment of our internal operations and outreach missions.

Whew! Our next steps will occur on May 11. We will begin by identifying our Key Directions – what are the actions WE can do to remove our blocks to achieving our vision? Get your creative, out-of-the-box juices flowing – let's dream! Then we'll analyze the opportunities and craft a Year One priorities action plan. Get ready to act! To register for our May 11 discernment retreat, please use this link to complete your registration. (NOTE: The previous registration only included the February and March retreats.)

<https://forms.gle/qGQMfKzGMX5aNshaA>

Look for the new Discernment bulletin-board display outside the office and lounge!

## Volunteer Opportunities

### George Floyd Square cleanup and giving

On Saturday, May 4, there will be a community cleanup day starting at 9am. A signup is available for shifts. We are looking for about 80–100 volunteers to serve throughout the day. Feel free to spread the word! <https://bit.ly/GFSvolunteerMay24> Additionally, you may donate to support memorial caretaking here: <https://bit.ly/GFSMemorialCaretakers>

### Little Free Pantry

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

May 6-9. First full Monday-through-Thursday week of each month. Meals are picked up around 11:15am 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 [marielafrence46@gmail.com](mailto:marielafrence46@gmail.com).

### Every Meal

UBC participates in Every Meal, a program that distributes bagged food for families of children at Marcy Open School who receive free and reduced cost meals. UBC is scheduled on May 10, 11 a.m. to about 1 pm. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Denise Roy at [denise.roy@mitchellhamline.edu](mailto:denise.roy@mitchellhamline.edu)

### 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](mailto:gaylamarty@gmail.com) or 612-845-8417.