

UBC NEWS

Celebrating our 175th Year

University Baptist Church
1219 University Ave SE
Minneapolis MN 55414
Established 1850 at St. Anthony Falls, MN
MAY 2025

From the Pastor

Faith as an act of resistance

ay is the season of flowers and graduations and warm afternoons on a now-greening lawn. It's the time of dandelions and daffodils and tulips and peonies. The old crabapple trees will burst forth with fragrance and flowers. Bees will find their way out of their hibernation hiding places.

The end of a semester brings with it goodbyes and gratitude for teachers and friends who have made life joyful and bearable amidst chaos.

For us at UBC, May will find us ending our bell choir (May 11th) and vocal choir (May 25th) seasons. We'll celebrate the year that we have shared and by the end

of the month, it will all be documented in the UBC annual report. One year since we had our discernment process has given us renewed energy. You can feel the excitement in the air as we celebrate our 175th anniversary this year.

UBC is a special community that provides support and insight and challenge and reflection for the living of these days. We are blessed with fine people who are passionate about living in a better world.

Let me close with a poem I read on Easter by Loryn Brantz:

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May Worship Schedule

Worship Theme: Reframe and Reclaim

May 4

Preaching: Matty Strickler

Sermon: TBD

Scripture: Micah 4:1-5 and Acts 20:7-12

Worship Leader: Deidre Druk

May 11

Preaching: Doug Donley

Sermon: "The Woman with Two Names"

Scripture: Acts 9:36-43

Worship Leader: Megan Dahlberg

May 18

Preaching: Doug Donley

Sermon: "Beyond Nationalism"

Scripture: Acts 11:1-18

Worship Leader: Paula Moyer

May 25

Preaching: Doug Donley

Sermon: "I Ain't Gonna Study War No More"

Scripture: John 14:23-29
Worship Leader: Jean Lubke

Pastor - continued Inauguration 2025

In a time of hate
Love is an act of resistance
In a time of fear
Faith is an act of resistance
In a time of misinformation
Education is an act of resistance
In a time of poor leadership
Community is an act of resistance.

In a time like this
Joy is an act of resistance

Resist. Resist. Resist.

Blessings and Peace,

Doug Donley

WHAT ABOUT THAT GALATIANS 3:26-28?

Several of us UBCers plan to read a book together this summer and discuss it over 4-6 meetings. Schedule and whether Zoom or in person are still to be determined. The book is *The Forgottten Creed: Christianity's Original Struggle Against Bigotry, Slavery, and Sexism,* by Stephen J. Patterson (Oxford U Press, 2018). Patterson is a professor at Willamette University and a historian who specializes in the origins of Christianity. This book explores Galatians 3:26-28, the earliest known Christian baptismal creed, which we gradually adopted as our default affirmation on Sundays at UBC. As Patterson wrote in his introduction:

"Whatever the future holds for our little world, with its big fish like Trump, it is time now more than ever to tell the story of this forgotten first creed. History reminds us again and again that it has always been easier to believe in miracles, in virgin births and atoning deaths, in resurrected bodies and heavenly journeys home, than something so simple and basic as human solidarity. Here, then, is an episode of our history from a time long past, when foreigners were slaughtered, captives sold as slaves, and women kept in their place, when a few imaginative, inspired people dared to declare solidarity between natives and foreigners, free born and slaves, men and women, through a ceremony and a creed. This is the story of that first, unbelievable creed."

If you're interested in joining us or just reading the book, contact Gayla Marty at gaylamarty@gmail.com or 612-845-8417.

Front page photo of congregation on Palm Sunday.

Photo by Trista McGovern

Calendar for May

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
				6:30 p.m.		9 a.m.
				Caregiver		Bible Study
				Support		11:30 a.m.
				Group		Community
						Sing
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
10 a.m. Worship		11:15 a.m.	11 a.m.	11:15 a.m.	11 a.m.	1 p.m.
Communion		Meals on	Handcraft	Meals on	Every Meal	Book Group
Joys & Concerns		Wheels	Group	Wheels	11:15 a.m.	2 p.m. Wild
11 a.m.		5:30 p.m.	11:15 a.m.		Meals on	Church
Coffee Time		Sacred Harp	Meals on		Wheels	
11:30 a.m.			Wheels			
Forum/Journeys			6 p.m. Choir			
			7:30 p.m. Bells			
11 Mother's Day	12	13	14	15	16	17
10 a.m. Worship		5:30 p.m.	6 p.m. Choir			9 a.m.
Bells Play		Sacred Harp				Bible Study
Joys & Concerns		7 p.m.				
11 a.m.		Memoir				
Coffee Time		Group				
11:30 a.m.						
Forum/Journeys			Annual reports			
4 p.m. Sacred Harp			due			
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
10 a.m. Worship	7 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	6 p.m. Choir			10 a.m.
Joys & Concerns	Knitting	Sacred Harp				Spanish
11 a.m.	Group					Conversation
Coffee Time						1 p.m.
Forum/Journeys						Card Club
12:45 p.m. Worship						
Planning Team						
25	26 Memorial Day	27	28	29	30	31
10 a.m. Worship	Office	5:30 p.m.			2-7 p.m.	
Joys & Concerns	closed	Sacred Harp			Loaves &	
11 a.m.					Fishes	
Coffee Time						
11:30 a.m.						
Journeys						
4 p.m. Sacred Harp						
Newsletter deadline						

May & June Forums

Forums are held 11:30-12:30, after coffee time. We do our best to provide a Zoom option for remote participants. Send your ideas and suggestions for future forums to coordinator Gayla Marty at gaylamarty@gmail.com.

May 4—Sacred land beneath us: acknowledging Indigenous homelands

This forum will provide space to talk about the practice of giving land acknowledgments—recognition that the land on which our church is built was once the land of Minnesota's Indigenous people. A few years ago, worship leaders began to include land acknowledgments at the opening of services. Conversation about the pros and cons of doing this continue. Is it performative rather than substantive if we are not engaged in meaningful action of restorative justice? Repair and reparations were identified for exploration as part of our discernment process.

Last year, discussions about acknowledging Indigenous homelands beneath us led to Sacred Reckonings, a local organization that widely serves congregations at work on land acknowledgments, reparations, and making statements on the Doctrine of Discovery. Forums in September, January, and March have brought us Sacred Reckonings resources. Please attend to listen, learn, question, and express your views.

May 11—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.

May 18—Thank-you coffee hour from Interfaith Action

Interfaith Action will host coffee hour as a thank-you to our congregation for our support of Faithful Hospitality, a shelter program for asylum-seeking families. UBC provided shelter last December. Annessa Ihde from Faithful Hospitality will bring a brief update on the future of the program.

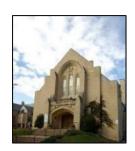
May 25—Memorial Day weekend—no forum Extended coffee hour

June 1—UBC at 175: Preview of the anniversary year ahead

The 175th Anniversary Committee is excited to talk about plans for the coming year, observing and celebrating a milestone year for UBC! Committee members will describe activities we are planning and how you can help and get involved. This is a great opportunity for connecting with each other and with our many communities, from our doorstep to former members to kindred congregations around the world! (See the committee update on page 9.)

NOTE: Annual Reports are due on May 14. We plan to have the completed annual reports ready for distribution by May 25.

What's Going On



Sunday Morning Worship

10 a.m. - Worship in the UBC sanctuary

10 a.m. – Or join via livestream on the <u>UBC YouTube</u> page (search University Baptist Church Minneapolis MN).

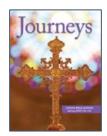
When the livestream has ended – Joys & Concerns (also on Zoom)

ZOOM INFO: Meeting ID 839 4725 7444 passcode 257750

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83947257444?pwd=cFZCWEdqUkR0RDgwT0JwT3hrQ3FpUT09

Following Joys & Concerns - Coffee time in the lounge

11:30 a.m. Forum in the lounge (also on Zoom, use link above)



11:30 a.m. Journeys, a Bible Study for adults, in the Char Follett Library Beginning the first Sunday in March, Journeys began a new quarter that will take us through to Pentecost. It's 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.

Journeys will meet in May and then take a break for the summer.

May 4 BREAKFAST: John 21:1-19 May 11 RESTORER: Psalm 23 May 18 CLEAN: Acts 11:1-18

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



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

ZOOM INFO: Meeting ID 829 0006 6861 Passcode 942930

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Dia de Las Madres Community Sing - Saturday, May 3,11:30 a.m. at UBC. This event is free and open to the public. Led by director Natalia Romero Arbeláez, Border CrosSing's Heritage Choir will perform, and we will have special guest performers from the Education Outreach ensemble and mariachi



special guest performers from the Education Outreach ensemble and mariachis! Share in great singing, community, coffee, and Mexican pastries! See more info at bordercrossingmn.org.



Sound Mind Project's Peace, Love, Hope Concert – May 3, 7:30 p.m. at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church (700 Snelling Ave S, St. Paul 55116). Rev. Doug and Kim Donley sing in this choir. See more info at

https://www.smpchoir.com/

More of What's Going On



Bible Study – May 3 & 17 (1st & 3rd Saturday), 9 a.m. We will discuss Luke 9 & 10. New and occasional members are always welcome. No special background, skill, or preparation is required. If you have any questions, please contact Diane Ehr at dianeehr82@gmail.com

ZOOM INFO: Meeting ID: 517 697 6753 Passcode: 602794

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5176976753?pwd=NG15ZINIbDcwUEIzTWFmLzRyZm5OQT09

Meals on Wheels – May 6-9 (Tuesday-Friday first full week of the month).

Meals are picked up around 11:15 a.m. 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.



fa sol

Sacred Harp Singing – Tuesdays, 5:30-7:30 p.m. and Sundays (2nd & 4th), 4-6

p.m. at UBC in Room 303. No experience or talent necessary!

UBC-FCC Daytime Handcraft Group – May 7 (1st **Wednesday), 11 a.m.** at First Congregational Church (500 8th Ave. SE) in the Parlor. If you are interested and want to be on a distribution list, please let Marilyn Burns (from FCC) know at mbsnoobear@mac.com.





Bells and Choir Rehearsal – Wednesday evenings in the church sanctuary or lounge. Please see the calendar for specific times. May 11 is the final bell performance and May 25 is the final choral performance until September.

Every Meal – May 9 (2nd Friday), 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Marcy Arts Elementary School in SE Minneapolis. Volunteers are needed to deliver meal bags to student backpacks during the school day. Deliveries stop over the summer and will resume in September. If you are interested, please contact Denise Roy at denise.roy@mitchellhamline.edu.





Grace in Contemporary Literature by Women Book Group – May 10 (2nd Saturday), 1 p.m. The book this month is *Foster* by Claire Keegan. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Follett at chrisf2828@yahoo.com.

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More of What's Going On



Wild Church Gathering — May 10 (2nd Saturday), 2 p.m. at the Peace statue by Nicollet Island Pavillion. We will join together with friends from ULCH 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/

Memoir Writing Group - May 13 (usually every other Tuesday), 7 p.m.

Prompt is *Memories of UBC*. We will meet as scheduled on May 13, then not again until June 10. If you have any questions, please contact Trish Donley at 612-386-2856 or patricia.donley63@gmail.com.



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

Spanish Conversation Group – May 24 (4th Saturday), 10 a.m.-12 p.m. 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 at deidredruk@aol.com.





Card Club – Saturday, May 24, 1 p.m. 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.

Loaves & Fishes – Friday, May 30, 2-7 p.m., 1816 Portland Ave. S., Minneapolis 55404. Parking is available on Portland Ave. or in the small lot on the alley west of the building. We'll need about four people for food prep between 2 and 5 p.m., about six people for packing to-go containers from 4:30 to 6 p.m., and a couple people to help with clean-up until about 7 p.m. Let Steve Lee know if you can help at steven.lee@thrivent.com or 612-844-8194 or 763-645-9499. *Next date: August 29.*



The Gardening Group will start working sometime this month, date TBD. We usually meet Thursday mornings. Connect with Betsy Kerr at bjkerr@umn.edu if you can help!

More of What's Going On

Sacred Sites Tour

Tours of local Native American sacred sites are led by Jim Bear Jacobs, co-director for racial justice at the Minnesota Council of Churches. Members of UBC's Antiracism Group are registered for a Sacred Sites tour on June 1, which is now full. Check https://www.mnchurches.org/what-we-

<u>do/healing-minnesota-stories</u> for future available tours—scroll to the form at the bottom of the page. Tours fill quickly so check back often!

Mark Your Calendar

June 8 – Annual meeting and potluck, farewell to Iris July 6 & 13 – Joint services with First Church (at UBC) July 20 & 27 – Joint services with First Church (at First Church, 500 SE 8th Ave)

SAVE THE DATE! SUNDAY, JULY 13, is the anniversary of our congregation's formation in 1850. We are working on an appropriate way to mark it - an ice cream social is an appealing idea!

Plan Ahead for Construction Congestion

The long-awaited improvements to University Avenue have begun. Through mid-May, University Avenue is reduced to a single lane between the I-35W and 13th Avenue SE. Mid-May through August, University Avenue will be reduced to a single lane between 13th Avenue SE and Oak Street. See this web site for updates:

https://www.hennepin.us/en/residents/transportation/university-and-4th

Plan ahead, allow extra time and plan an alternative route. Remember, we can always park in the LDS lot next door on Sundays. NOTE: The <u>UBC Group Facebook</u> page will sunset in order to have a more consistent online presence. The group page got a bit unwieldy and often included lots of non-UBC content. The photo albums and videos will be archived and migrated to the <u>UBC Facebook</u> page. Please follow us and "like" posts if you don't already!

IN MEMORIUM – Roger Johnson



August 26, 1938-April 8, 2025. Longtime UBC member Roger Johnson died April 8 with his daughter Kristin Doherty by his side at the memory care facility at which he lived for the past year. We will miss his smiling face and twinkling eyes.

Roger was an educator who taught thousands of students (including serving on Jean Lubke's Master's committee) at the University of Minnesota and across the world. His specialty was cooperative education and he was widely regarded as a leader in the field. When he wasn't working (he worked up until the past few years) he loved basketball and music; he was especially devoted to his grandchildren.

Please keep his wife, Anne, and their children, Kristin, Todd, and Jack in your prayers. **A memorial service will be held at UBC on Saturday, June 7 at 11 :30 a.m.** Read more about Roger in his obituary. https://obituaries.startribune.com/obituary/roger-johnson-1092841366

Join the celebration! UBC is turning 175!

On July 13, 1850, a little congregation near Owamniyomni—known to them as St. Anthony Falls—formally established itself as the First Baptist Church of St. Anthony. Days before, Millard Fillmore had become the 13th president of the United States when Zachary Taylor died. *The Scarlet Letter* had been published a few months before that. Congress was about to pass the Fugitive Slave Law, and Harriet Tubman was a conductor on the Underground Railroad. Civil war was on the U.S. horizon, and the good people of the little church had hard work ahead of them. They persisted! All these years later, *here we still are*.

Today the 175th Anniversary Committee is at work, and we need you!

- **1.** Mark your calendar for Sunday, July 13, and plan to attend! Would you like to help with the service or an ice cream social on the lawn?
- **2.** We're planning a block party to invite our Dinkytown neighbors onto our grounds and into the building sometime this fall, with a line-up of music and other fun activities throughout a Saturday or Sunday. Would you like to help plan or make music or host somewhere in the building and grounds that day? Elwyn Fraser will co-chair and is looking for a partner and volunteers for a team to make it happen!
- **3. Write a memory of UBC** or find photos of past events and people and send it to Chris Follett! She is accepting submissions for the UBC newsletter

and is the team lead for the historical document we aim to create in the coming year.

- **4.** Do you like to write or produce plays? We are looking for creative souls to identify some key points in UBC history and turn them into short theatrical performances.
- **5.** Make a trip to the Minnesota History Center archives to explore some of the amazing UBC materials in 19 cartons stored there! We will have people going over there weekly this summer.
- **6. Come to the forum on June 1** to learn more and get excited!
- **7. Give a gift** to support this opportunity to tell our story and make connections! An anonymous donor has generously given an unrestricted gift of \$5,000 to add to the fund in the UBC budget. A huge thank you!

There is more to come. Maura is at work on communications to get the word out and Trista is taking photos. Please talk to or contact one of us listed below to learn more and to volunteer to get involved in this great opportunity for connection with neighbors near and far.

Gayla Marty, chair gaylamarty@gmail.com

Members Chris Follett, Don Follett, Elwyn Fraser, Harriet Johnson, Howard Johnson, Betty Shaw, Sue Wester (adjunct), and Terri Wottrich



3rd Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Pancake Breakfast, April 12



The weather cooperated and egg hunting was a success!

Photos by Laura Justin





Palm Sunday Brunch, April 13



Betty Roy (far left) marked her 90th birthday with a group sing of Happy Birthday led instrumentally by her daughter Lisa on flute and grandson Edmund on cello (on the stage, visiting from Germany).

Photo by Chris Follett







Above: Folks came through with plenty of yummy food!

Photo by Elwyn Fraser

Left: Processional into the sanctuary from the Assembly Hall via outdoors, with a donkey (!) and palm fronds.

Photos by Laura Justin

Former UBC minister's son Randy Huyck visits UBC

There were several visitors at UBC's Palm Sunday brunch, even some from Europe--- and another visitor of note was Randall "Randy" Huyck, son of Kenneth Huyck, our minister of 54 years ago. "My father's previous church had been in Manhattan, KS," Randy said, "where, as a high school student looking up to college students at Kansas State University, I admired Sue and Don Wester."

UBCers didn't see much of Randy (now age 81) while his father was minister here in 1963-71, as he was attending Kalamazoo College

in Michigan and the University of Chicago. He moved to Northfield, MN, last October, to be near the family of his son David, one of his three children. (Kalamazoo College, founded in 1833, has a history rooted in American Baptist values and has maintained its connection with the American Baptist Church, though it now operates independently, per Wikipedia.)

"I so appreciated the Palm Sunday visit," says Randy, "and especially to sing the 'prayer in the round' 'For



Sue Wester chats with Randy Huyck at the Palm Sunday brunch. **Photo by Doug Donley**

Health and Strength' —one of Dad's favorites." Randy and Pastor Doug had visited earlier in the week.

UBC's history notes recall that Ken Huyck and his wife, Elnora, "gave strong leadership to congregation during a tumultuous time in American society. He was interested in social action and participated in the civil rights march in Selma, Ala." Randy recalls his father describing to him how students at UBC asked him, "When are you going to Selma?" And he said, "Well, whenever I might get the airfare together." And the students came back later with the

money and said, "Please go for us." Ken also was our minister during a period of trial consolidation of three Southeast Minneapolis Churches.

Pastor Ken Huyck went on to minister at First Baptist Church, Ames, IA, Iowa State University, after leaving UBC and later retired with Elnora to John Knox Village near Kansas City, MO. He passed away in 1987 and Elnora died in 2008.

- Don Follett



59th Annual Summer Concert Tour The Wesley Bell Ringers

of

Christ United Methodist Church Salt Lake City, Utah

In Concert - Tuesday, June 17, 7:30 p.m. at The Grove United Methodist Church 7465 Steepleview Road, Woodbury, MN 55125

This will be the tenth concert on the choir's 59th annual summer tour and will feature 19 teenage ringers playing more than 150 handbells and hand chimes.

Easter, April 20



Lillies and other spring flowers decorated the front of the sanctuary.

Photo by Maura Dunst

Doug addressed the children with the Easter story. **Photo below by Chris Follett**

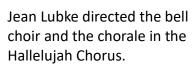


Photo by Maura Dunst

From the archives: Easter 2019



This photo includes several of our members who have since passed.

Left side, from front to back: **Tony Garmers** (2nd row), **Char Follett** and **Doug Roy**, (5th row), **Kit Burch** (6th row).

Right side, front to back: **David Tice** 1st row), **Laurie Brazman** and **Lu and Bob Carman** (2nd row), **Tai Shigaki** (4th row), **Roger Johnson** (back row). **Photo by Jim Ross**

The January/February special offering was for ministries of the American Baptist Churches, USA. We collected a total of \$2,300 which was divided as follows:

\$800 - Retired Ministers and Missionaries

\$800 - America for Christ

\$700 - World Mission

Added to that was \$750 collected earlier in the year for One Great Hour of Sharing, and \$3,500 from the UBC budget for ABC.

The total amount sent to ABC was \$6,550. Thank you to all who contributed to the Jan/Feb special offering!

Kim Donley and Karole Graham, Outreach Co-Chairs

Financial Secretary's Report

Most of our income (58%) comes from pledges made by members. We have two more months of this fiscal year and pledges are running behind where we might expect them at this point.

Rentals are running slightly ahead thanks to sporadic rentals of the gym and assembly hall. Rental income of \$72,004 covers approximately 20% of our budget.

Other gifts and miscellaneous income provide 4% of our budget and the UBC Foundation distribution is 18%, which includes (\$34,401) for the property manager position.

A note on pledges for 2025-26: If you have not yet pledged, we could use your help! Let me know asap.

- Chris Follett

Operating Income 2024-25	<u>%</u>	Budget	Expected	Received	Over (short)
Pledge Income	58	\$203,834	\$169,862	\$155,848	(\$14,013)
Rental Income	20	\$72,004	\$60,003	\$61,037	\$1,033
Misc income*	4	<u>\$15,000</u>	\$12,500	\$13,555	\$1,055
Subtotal		\$290,838	\$242,365	\$230,440	(\$11,925)
Foundation Contribution	18	\$61,732		_	
Total Operating Income	100	\$352,570			
Justice & Outreach		<u>\$15,000</u>		\$10,070	

^{*}individual gifts, loose offering & miscellaneous income

We have received \$1,450 for childhood health/hunger organizations, the dedicated offering for March and April.

- Chris Follett, Financial Secretary

Special Offering for May and June 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 your offering in the offering plate, 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



You can scan this QR code on your phone to be directed to our web page where there are a variety of causes to donate to.

Volunteer Opportunities

Every Meal

UBC participates in Every Meal, a program that distributes bagged food over weekends and school breaks for families of children who receive free and reduced meals when school is in session. UBC is scheduled to distribute at Marcy Arts Elementary School on the second Friday, 11 a.m. to about 1 p.m. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Denise Roy at denise.roy@mitchellhamline.edu.

Grant Writing

We have a couple of grant proposals to write. If you have any interest in helping the grant-writing team, please contact Jean Lubke at jeanlubke01@gmail.com.

UBC History Research

At the Minnesota History Center, UBC has 19 boxes of files and other materials. If you would like to join a team going over to the History Center sometime Wed-Sat, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 1-4 p.m., please contact Gayla Marty at gaylamarty@gmail.com

Meals on Wheels

UBC has an opportunity to participate in Meals on Wheels on Tues-Fri of the first full week of the month. Meals are picked up around 11:15 a.m. and the route in SE Minneapolis usually takes 1-2 hours. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a ride-along, please contact Marie LaFrance at marielafrance46@gmail.com

175th Anniversary

If you are interested in helping with our celebration, please contact Gayla Marty at gaylamarty@gmail.com



May Birthdays

- 2 John Lee, Félix Rolando Castillo López
- **3 Caroline Lee**
- 14 John Medeiros
- 19 Bill Allen
- 25 Stephanie Leervig
- 27 Ty Wottrich
- 28 Chundra Walton, Jade Elder

May Anniversaries

- 2 Wendy & Ryan Kellogg
- 4 Kym & Adam Wilbrecht
- 25 Rebecca Lee & Zack Lomax

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