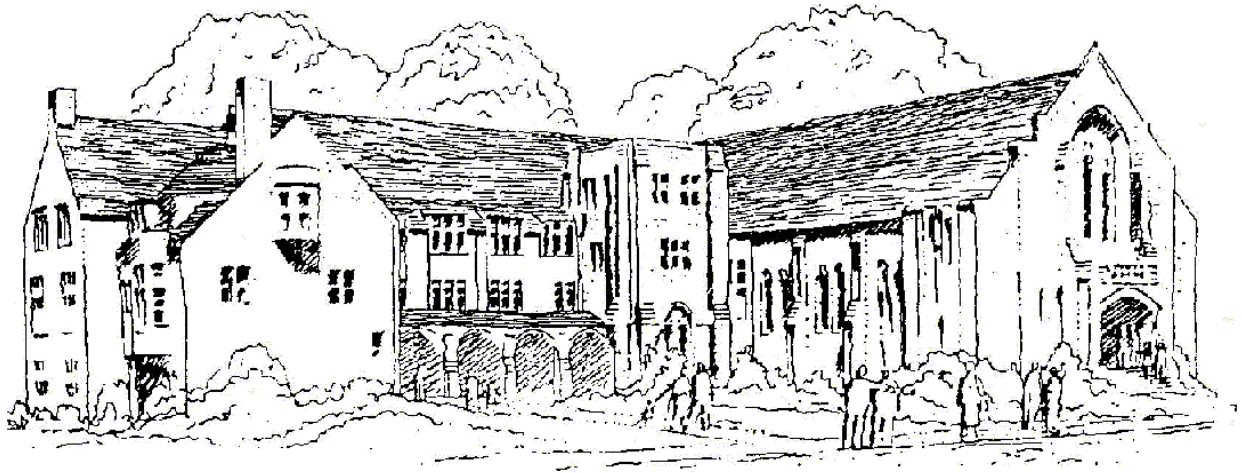


*September 28, 2025*



## 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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# University Baptist Church

September 28, 2025

*Pentecost 17*

10:00 am

## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

*Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee*

F. Peeters

Welcome!

¡Bienvenidos a la casa de Dios! Добро пожаловать! Dobro pozhalovat! 欢迎！ Huānyíng!  
「ようこそ！」 Youkoso! Willkommen!

\*CALL TO WORSHIP/LLAMADA A LA ADORACIÓN

One: Praise God! Praise the Holy One, O my soul!

**Many: We will sing praises to God our whole lives long!**

One: Praise God in whom we may trust. Praise God in whom we may hope.

**Many: Happy are we whose hope is in the Maker of heaven and earth.**

**All: May It Be So!**

*(\*Stand as you are willing and able)*

\*OPENING HYMN

*Lord Save the World*

UFFINGHAM

Blue Hymnal #355

# LORD, SAVE THY WORLD

3 5 5

Uffingham



1 Lord, save thy world: in bit - ter need Thy chil-dren lift their  
2 Lord, save thy world: our souls are bound In i - ron chains of  
3 Lord, save thy world: we strive in vain To save our - selves with-



cry to thee; We wait thy lib - er - at - ing deed  
fear and pride; High walls of ig - nor - ance a - round  
out thine aid; What skill and sci - ence slow - ly gain,



To sig - nal hope and set us free.  
Our fa - ces from each oth - er hide.  
Is soon to e - vil ends be - trayed. A - men.



4 Lord, save thy world: but thou hast sent  
The Savior whom we sorely need;  
For us his tears and blood were spent,  
That from our bonds we might be freed.

5 Then save us now, by Jesus' power,  
And use the lives thy love sets free  
To bring at last the glorious hour  
When all will find thy liberty.

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

### Peace Be With You!

¡La paz sea contigo! Мир вам! Mir vam!  
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 is written for a piano accompaniment in 6/8 time. It consists of two systems of staves. The first system has a treble and bass staff. The treble staff contains the melody with lyrics underneath. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. Above the second system, there are chord markings: F, C, Am, F, G7, and C. The lyrics are in Spanish, Chinese, and Japanese.

¡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)*

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.*

### CHILDREN'S TIME

## ATTENDING TO THE WORD

### SCRIPTURE

Amos 5:14-15

Rev. Doug Donley

\*HYMN

Blue Hymnal #54

*If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee*

NEUMARK

## IF THOU BUT SUFFER GOD TO GUIDE THEE

Neumark



1 If thou but suf - fer God to guide thee, And wait in  
 2 On - ly be still, and wait God's lei - sure In cheer-ful  
 3 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv-ing; So do thine



hope through all thy ways, God gives thee strength, what-e'er be-tide thee  
 hope, with heart con-tent To take what-e'er thy maker's pleas-ure  
 own part faith-ful-ly, And trust the Word, though un - de-serv-ing



And bears thee through the e - vil days; Who trusts in God's un-  
 And all - de - serv-ing love have sent; Nor doubt our in - most  
 Thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God nev - er yet for-



chang - ing love Builds on the rock that nought can move.  
 wants are known To God who gives us all we own.  
 seek at need The soul that trust-ed God in-deed. A-men.



## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### OFFERING



We welcome your financial support of University Baptist Church. You can give conveniently on our webpage [www.ubcmn.org](http://www.ubcmn.org) or, 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). Or, you can put your offering in the offering plate. Thank you for your support. See below for mission offerings.

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

#### ***Seek***

Robert Powell

Seek Adonai, seek Adonai and you shall live.  
Seek God, who makes the seven stars and Orion,  
Seek God, who turns the shadow of death into the morning,  
And makes the day dark with night.

Who calls for the waters of the sea,  
and pours them out on the face of the earth.  
Jehovah thy name.

Seek Adonai, seek Adonai and you shall live.

### \*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

Blue Hymnal #207

***God Be with You Till We Meet Again***

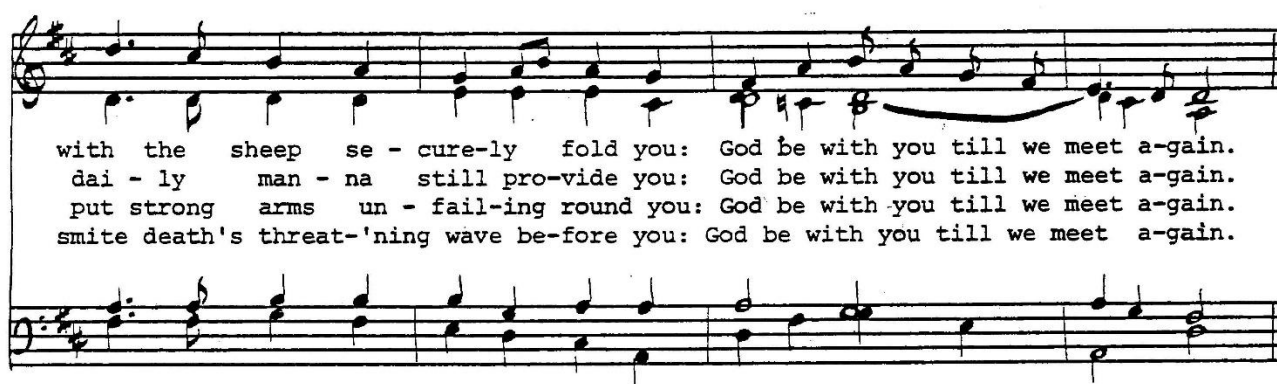
RANDOLPH

## GOD BE WITH YOU TILL WE MEET AGAIN

Randolph



1. God be with you till we meet a-gain; by true coun-sels guide, up-hold you,  
 2. God be with you till we meet a-gain; 'neath pro-TECT-ing wings now hide you,  
 3. God be with you till we meet a-gain; when life's per-ils thick con-found you,  
 4. God be with you till we meet a-gain; keep love's ban-ner float-ing o'er you,



with the sheep se - cure-ly fold you: God be with you till we meet a-gain.  
 dai - ly man - na still pro-vide you: God be with you till we meet a-gain.  
 put strong arms un - fail-ing round you: God be with you till we meet a-gain.  
 smite death's threat-'ning wave be-fore you: God be with you till we meet a-gain.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Come, Holy Spirit*

Buxtehude

JOYS AND CONCERNS

After the livestream ends

## SPECIAL OFFERING FOR SEPTEMBER &amp; OCTOBER

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:

The Outreach mission focus for September and October is our Nicaraguan partners and the Tai Shigaki travel fund. In the past, these funds have included scholarships for students attending the church-sponsored school, the church in Leon, Project Minnesota-Leon and AMOS (A Ministry Of Sharing health and hope). Thank you for any assistance you can provide!

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

-Karole Graham and Kim Donley, Outreach coordinators



## **UBC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

### **Today**

**HYMN RESPONSES:** We want your feedback! Please complete the flyer giving feedback on today's hymns. With the help of a Calvin Vital Worship grant, we have embarked on creating a new worship resource. The Blue Hymnal that UBC created in 1983 (before other inclusive language hymnals existed) will be updated and expanded. We're spending this year looking at old hymns and trying out some new ones. Your input will be very helpful to the hymnal project team. We hope to have the new resource published by the summer.

**Join us for coffee time, 11:15 to 11:45 in the lounge.**

**TODAY'S FORUM: Hymnody 101.** As we turn our focus to updating the music we use for worship at UBC, we will talk about the value of hymns and their difference from other worship music. Is a chorus, a chant, or a call and response the same thing as a hymn? In our work to publish a new and updated music supplement to our worship experience, what do we prioritize? Worship music holds messages in different formats. What speaks to us? Many of us appreciate the complexity of the poetry found in hymnody. We are also comforted and sometimes challenged by the melody and harmonies. Jean Lubke and Music Director David Lesniaski will lead the discussion. We'll also sing through several hymns in the blue hymnal for reminder and evaluation.

**Bible studies** –The Journeys Bible Study resumes today at 11:45am. It will meet every Sunday in the Char Follett Library. Pick up a curriculum in the library. The Saturday morning Bible study group meets every first and third Saturday of the month at 9am over Zoom and began September 20, resuming our study of Luke.

### **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! The Sacred Harp community will not sing at UBC on Sunday, the 28th because it conflicts with the two-day Sacred Harp Convention that concludes today.

**Garden Team** – Wednesdays, 9am-12pm. We have tools and gloves available, and will mostly work on weeding, pruning and watering. Park in the Mormon lot or behind the church. Feel free to join us whenever you're available! If you have questions, please contact Betsy Kerr at 612-877-2018 or [bjkerr@umn.edu](mailto:bjkerr@umn.edu).

**The vocal choir** meets at 6pm, **bell choir** meets at 7:30pm Wednesday in the sanctuary.

**Memoir Writing Group** – September 30 (every other Tuesday), 7pm via Zoom. All are welcome! Prompts include Crying/Tears, Your First Sunday at UBC, and UBC Memories or whatever else you feel called to write about. Contact Trish Donley if you have any questions.

**UBC-FCC Daytime Handcraft Group** – October 1 (1st Wednesday), 11am. If you are interested and want to be on a distribution list, please let Marilyn Burns (from FCC) know at [mbsnoobear@mac.com](mailto:mbsnoobear@mac.com).

**Caregiver Support Group** – October 2 (1st Thursday), 6:30pm. UBCers who take care of a parent, family member, or friend meet for support via Zoom. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Lubke at [jeanlubke01@gmail.com](mailto:jeanlubke01@gmail.com)

**Every Meal** is looking for help to pack the bags which are distributed to children throughout Minnesota. We are looking for volunteers to sign up and help. Kim Donley is signed up for Friday, October 3, 1-3pm and would love to have others from the UBC community join her, although your help will be appreciated anytime! Go to [EveryMeal.org](http://EveryMeal.org) and click on Volunteering and follow the directions to sign up as an individual. We hope to see you there!



**Peter Mayer** will be in concert at Judson Memorial Baptist Church (4101 Harriet Ave S) on October 4, 2025 at 7pm. \$25 at the door.

### Looking Ahead

**Homecoming Parade**—October 10. The parade will pass by the church and start at around 6:30pm. We'll gather at 5 or so on the church lawn to make s'mores and watch the festivities. Children usually leave with backpacks full of candy (just warning parents out there).

**Grace in Contemporary Literature by Women Book Group** – October 11 (2nd Saturday), 1pm. The October book is *Becoming Mrs. Lewis* by Patti Callahan Henry. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Follett at [chrisf2828@yahoo.com](mailto:chrisf2828@yahoo.com).

**Wild Church Gathering** – October 11 (2nd Saturday), 2pm at the Peace statue by Nicollet Island Pavillion. We will join together with friends from ULC 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/>

**UBC BLOCK PARTY** - October 12, 12 to 6pm at UBC. As part of our 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, we're hosting a block party at UBC! There will be visual and performance artists, live music, local food, kids' activities, a film about historic Dinkytown, and more. The day will conclude with a Roots Cellar concert at 6pm. Join us for an afternoon of food, art, and fellowship by and for the Dinkytown community!

**Roots Cellar Concert: Jaspar Lepak** on Sunday, October 12 at 6pm for \$20. Doors at 5:30pm. See more info and buy tickets at <https://events.humanitix.com/jasparlepak> Jaspar Lepak (pronounced JAS-per LEE-pack) writes feminist folk songs from the heart—poetic, honest, and “always evocative” (Mostly Minnesota). Her clear, pure voice and classic folk sound have earned comparisons to Kate Wolf and Nanci Griffith. Her 2024 album *So Strong* reached #6 on the Folk Radio Chart, following her 2021 album *Desert Ghosts*, also a Top 10 folk radio hit. *So Strong* weaves personal stories with urgent political themes inspired by women's rights, caregiving, and loss. **Next Roots Cellar Concert** – Rachael Kilgour on Saturday, November 8 at 7pm. See concert info here: <https://events.humanitix.com/host/roots-cellar>

**UBC-FCC Knitting Group** – October 20 (3rd Monday), 7pm at the home of Kris Felbeck. 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](mailto:chrisf2828@yahoo.com).

**Spanish Conversation Group** – October 25 (4th Saturday), 10am-12pm 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](mailto:deidredruk@aol.com)

**Card Club** – Saturday, October 25, 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 [jeanlubke01@gmail.com](mailto:jeanlubke01@gmail.com).

**Voces de las Américas** - Minnesota presents Capella Sur, a New York-based vocal ensemble specializing in Latin American folk music. Join us at University Baptist Church on Friday, November 7 at 7pm for an evening of captivating harmonies that celebrate the continent's cultural richness. Free entry. All are welcome. RSVP Recommended at: [bit.ly/VocesAmericasMN](https://bit.ly/VocesAmericasMN)

### Reminders

**Center Stage** - UBC has a talented community and we want to start sharing your upcoming events! Do you have a concert, presentation, exhibit, performance, or other event that you'd like to share? Send details to [marketing@ubcmn.org](mailto:marketing@ubcmn.org)!

**UBC Social Media: A Lot to Like!** Are you following UBC on Facebook and Instagram? If not, look us up and hit that follow button! And while you're at it, would you please "like" the posts you see? The algorithm behind what social media shows you operates with a bit of a snowball effect: the more likes a post gets, the more feeds it will show up in. Perhaps you've noticed that sometimes you post something and it gets a lot of likes, and sometimes you post something equally engaging and it hardly gets any attention. What gives? Part of it is timing, part of it is what's being posted, and part of it is the algorithm deities at work, favoring posts with a lot of likes. Next time you see a post from UBC, give it a like so that more people can see the great work we do here!

**We Want Your Stories!** – Do you have any special memories about your time at UBC to share? What brought you to UBC? Did you grow up here? Did you raise your kids here? Did you get married here? Do you remember your first Sunday? What is/was different about worship here? Have you been on any committees? Have you led any committees? How have you seen the church respond to world events? Do you have a baptism story to share? Any memories of pastors who were especially meaningful to you? 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. Chris Follett will compile your stories into a booklet commemorating our 175th anniversary. 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!

**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](mailto:paulamoyer52@gmail.com) or 651-279-4152.

**UBC is hiring! Childcare workers** – Sundays 9 am-noon and/or Wednesdays 6-9pm, \$16/hr. Contact Megan Dahlberg at [dahlberg.megan4@gmail.com](mailto:dahlberg.megan4@gmail.com) or [info@ubcmn.org](mailto:info@ubcmn.org). All genders welcome.

### **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 kids, minus Peter and Andrew, who are with Megan at that time in their own Sunday school. The Circle Time typically would involve a song (to gather the children), a brief story, a song or two related to the story and a prayer. That's it. Megan has loads of suggestions for these mini lessons. Hopefully enough folks will volunteer that each would only need to do 4-8 Sundays. Contact Megan at [Dahlberg.megan4@gmail.com](mailto:Dahlberg.megan4@gmail.com) or text 651-491-9698.

**175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary events** – Volunteers are needed to be part of activities including a block party in the fall, history research and writing, and more. Contact any of the committee members or chair Gayla Marty at [gaylamarty@gmail.com](mailto:gaylamarty@gmail.com) or 612-845-8417 if you'd like to volunteer or get more information.

**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 11:15am 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 [mariafrance46@gmail.com](mailto:mariafrance46@gmail.com)

**UBC history research** – At the Minnesota History Center, UBC has 19 boxes of files and other materials. We also have many cartons and files of material at the church that need to be sorted and prepared for the History Center. There is a lot of sleuthing to do! At the History Center, 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.

**Loaves & Fishes** – Friday, October 31, 2-7pm. Location TBD. We'll need about four people for food prep between 2-5pm, about six people for packing to-go containers from 4:30 to 6pm., 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](mailto:steven.lee@thrivent.com) or 612-844-8194 or 763-645-9499.

**WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU AS WE CONTINUE TO CELEBRATE  
THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY OF UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH!**

If you can't attend in person, join us by livestream on Sunday mornings from 10-11am. We would also appreciate it if you would write a memory of UBC and send it to us at [marketing@ubcmn.org](mailto:marketing@ubcmn.org) or to our mailing address. We look forward to seeing many of you in the coming months to share the joy of UBC's legacy and God's continuing revelation.

*- Blessings and peace, Pastor Doug Donley and the 175th Anniversary Committee: Chris Follett, Don Follett, Elwyn Alexander Fraser Jr., Harriet Johnson, Howard Johnson, Gayla Marty (chair), Betty Shan, Sue Wester, Terri Wottrich*

Future celebrations:

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12 - BLOCK PARTY**

Arts and fun with our Dinkytown neighbors 12-6 pm

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2 - ALL SAINTS**

Honoring loved ones and leaders who have joined our great cloud of witnesses

10 am - Worship followed by a potluck lunch

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16 - BUILDING TOUR**

Tour our 100-year-old building with historical preservation experts 11:30 am

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE**

Lessons and carols with musical prelude 4:30 pm