

**SERVICE OF  
HOLY WORSHIP**

**December 14, 2014  
11:00 am**

**Third Sunday of Advent  
JOY**



*The Sanctuary Choir  
Presents*

*Fantasia on Christmas Carols  
~Vaughan Williams*

*and*

*The Seven Joys of Christmas  
~Kirke Mechem*

**Deacons:** \*Debra Bryant, Brad Groff, Ed Smith, Erin Brown, Joe Zhu, Shirley Clark

**Nursery Workers:** Judy Gough, Peachie Mays, Mary Jo Hendricks, Kelley Sivley, Jacob Morris

**Children's Church:** Donna Marshall, Seamore Zhu

**Acolytes:** Christian Proffitt, Conner Marshall

**Ushers for December:** Ian Pallini, Ed Barker, Melvin & Mildred Spicer, Hugh Ames, Ron Tweel

**Medical On-call:** Lynne Gardner



**Global Missions Post Office**

The Global Missions Christmas Post Office, sponsored by the Kittie Colvin Trail Circle, is open through Christmas. This is a way for you to exchange greetings with UBC members and support Global Missions at the same time. Details are in the November 25 issue of THE WORD at <http://goo.gl/lullvZ>.

**Feedback on**

**Wednesday Night Speakers**

We want to get your thoughts on our Wednesday night "Welcome to the Neighborhood!" speakers. Forms will be available on Wednesday nights and at [universitybaptist.org/feedback](http://universitybaptist.org/feedback).



For a complete schedule of worship and fellowship opportunities during Advent, see the November 25 issue of The Word at <http://goo.gl/lullvZ>.

# The Word

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UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA



*Sunday, December 14, 11:00 am*



*The Sanctuary Choir Presents*

*Fantasia on Christmas Carols ~Vaughan Williams*

This is a piece for baritone, chorus, and orchestra by the English composer Ralph Vaughan Williams. First performed at the 1912 Three Choirs Festival at Hereford Cathedral, the work is a single movement which consists of the English folk carols "The Truth Sent from Above," "Come All You Worthy Gentlemen," and "On Christmas Night All Christians Sing."

*The Seven Joys of Christmas ~Kirke Mechem*

This piece is Christmas music from England, France, Germany, Japan and Spain. The finale is a quodlibet of familiar Christmas tunes, all piled fantastically on top of one another in a wonderful, witty shout of joy.

## A Word From Michael

The Protestant Reformer Martin Luther once said, "Next to the Word of God, the noble art of music is the greatest treasure in the world," and "Beautiful music is the art of the prophets that can calm the agitations of the soul; it is one of the most magnificent and delightful presents God has given us."

During this Advent season, Alba Beasley and the music ministry of UBC are giving us this "greatest treasure." Last Sunday, Jubilate, our collegiate choir, presented a beautiful festival of Lessons and Carols, while Lindsay Marshall sang a lovely Call to Worship.

And this coming Sunday, our Sanctuary Choir will lead in worship.

The beauty of this music is matched by the beauty of our sanctuary. Many thanks to our Floral Committee and our Wednesday Work Team for decorating our sanctuary with the Chrismon tree, wreaths, and garlands.

In the midst of all the bad news we've received in our community lately, may the songs of this season calm the agitations of our soul and give witness to our faith in a loving and caring God!

Let's sing on!

*~Michael*



## CBF Global Missions

During the month of December, we will be collecting money for the CBF Global Missions Fund. Our goal is \$4000. To date we have collected \$450.

This Wednesday night at 6:15 p.m., we will have a live video conversation with Jon and Tanya Parks, CBF Field Personnel living in Slovakia and sharing the love and good news of Christ to the Romany people in that region. Come and learn more about their ministry.

## Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

*Wednesday, December 24, 5:30 pm*

*Soloists, Reading of the Christmas Story, Lighting of Candles*



## What Shall I Return to the Lord?

Psalm 116:12

The total number of Personal Giving Plan Cards received to date represents an amount of \$494,202.

You can still send your Personal Giving Plan Card to the church office, call the office, do it online at [universitybaptist.org/stewardship](http://universitybaptist.org/stewardship) or put it in the offering plate on Sunday.



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**CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED**

**Concerns**

Millie Fitzgerald — UVA Hospital  
 Gus Norvelle — At Home

**Special Greetings**

To Bob and Ginny German on their 65th wedding anniversary on December 10.

To Ruth Dillard on her 90th birthday on December 16.



**Coats, Hats, Gloves Collection**

The Faith & Justice Committee is sponsoring the collection of new or clean, gently used coats and winter accessories (all sizes). Leave them on the stage in Fellowship Hall through Sunday, December 14. They will be taken to the Salvation Army for distribution within the community.



**Christmas Dinner in a Bag**

Place these items in a grocery bag and leave on the stage in Fellowship Hall by Sunday, December 14. The WMU will add a gift card for meat, and Love INC will distribute the bags to needy individuals in our community.

- 1 box stove-top stuffing mix
- 1 box instant potatoes
- 1 jar gravy
- 1 lge. can sweet potatoes
- 1 lge. can green beans
- 1 can cranberry sauce
- 1 box Jiffy pie crust mix
- 1 can pie filling

**Trip to the Holy Land**

Erin and Will Brown will be leading a trip to the Holy Land in the spring of 2015. They will tour numerous biblical sites and visit with people in modern Christian communities that Will and Erin know from the year they lived in Nazareth. **Dates being considered: April 29 - May 8 or June 24 - July 3.**

If you are interested in this trip, please contact Will or Erin with your date preference, and you will receive more information. They would like to finalize the date before December 31 so that tickets can be purchased.

**Collection for PACEM**

Collection boxes are located in the First Floor Lobby and Fellowship hall.

- foot powder, deodorant
- new athletic socks
- word-find puzzle books
- batteries (AA & AAA)
- soft-side travel bags
- adult-size backpacks

**CALENDAR**



**TUESDAY, December 9**

- 1:00 AQPTS (A Quiet Place to Study)
- 6:30 Prayer Shawl Ministry Mtg.

**WEDNESDAY, December 10**

- 9:00 Wednesday Work Team
- 1:00 AQPTS
- 5:00 Supper (Ham)
- 6:00 Prayer Time
- 6:15 Skype with Jon & Tanya Parks Handbell Choir
- 7:10 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY, December 11**

- 10:30 Women's Prayer Group
- 1:00 AQPTS

**FRIDAY, December 12**

- 1:00 AQPTS

**SATURDAY, December 13**

- 9:00 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 1:00 AQPTS
- 4:00 SSS Pot Luck & Lights Tour

**SUNDAY, December 14**

- 9:00 Children's & Chapel Choirs Fellowship
- Joyful Servants Bible Study
- Seekers Class Bible Study
- 9:45 Bible Study
- 11:00 Worship
- 1:00 AQPTS
- 6:00 Real Life

**MONDAY, December 15**

- 1:00 Staff Meeting
- AQPTS
- 6:30 Deacons' Meeting

**TUESDAY, December 16**

- 9:00 Painting Group

**WEDNESDAY, December 17**

- 9:00 Wednesday Work Team
- 5:00 Supper (Pork chops)
- 5:30 Youth Christmas Party
- 6:00 Prayer Time
- 6:15 Caroling Around the Tables, Christmas Memories Handbell Choir
- 7:10 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

**Who is on the stamp?**

Martha Wood — Member of the J.O.Y. Circle

**Wednesday, December 17**

**5:00 Supper** — Pork chops, Sweet potatoes, Lima beans

**6:15 Program** — Caroling Around the Tables, Christmas Memories

**Third Annual  
 Second Saturday Supper Group  
 (Young Adults)  
 Potluck and  
 Holiday Lights Bus Tour**

Saturday, December 13  
 4:00-7:00 pm

Contact Peter Ohlms for more information.



The **Monday Bible Study** at Rosewood will not meet the rest of December. It will resume in January.

Beginning in January 2015, birthdays and anniversaries will be acknowledged on Wednesday nights and not in The Word.

Pray for families who will be receiving a "Christmas Dinner in a Bag" through Love INC.