

## SERVICE OF HOLY WORSHIP

March 12, 2017  
11:00 am

### Sermon:

"Answers to Unasked Questions"  
Rev. Gary Dalton

### Scripture:

John 3:1-10, 16-17

### Anthem:

*God So Loved the World* — Stainer

**Deacons:** \*Michelle Proffitt, Brad Groff, David Wagoner, Jim Moore, Rachel & Scott Miller

**Nursery Workers:** Judy Gough, Lindsay Marshall, Wyatt Minor

**Children's Church:** Jeannette May, Chandler Proffitt

**Ushers for March:** Ian Pallini, Ed Barker, Melvin & Mildred Spicer, Ron Tweel

**Greeters:** Jim & Pam Hallissy

**Medical On-call:** Clara Belle Wheeler

## Daylight Saving Time Begins

March 12

spring forward



don't forget to set  
your clocks forward  
this Sunday



# LENT

A Time of Spiritual Renewal

Lent is the forty-day period (excluding Sundays) in the church year set aside for spiritual preparation for Easter. It begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on the Saturday before Easter Sunday. The forty days represent the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temptation of Satan and preparing himself for his earthly ministry.

Lent is a time of repentance, fasting, and preparation for the coming of Easter. It is a time of self-examination and reflection.

Sundays in Lent are not counted in the forty days because each Sunday represents a "mini Easter," and the reverent spirit of Lent is tempered with the joyful anticipation of the Resurrection.

# The Word

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## A Bridge Across

We'll take our time as we need and want, we'll linger only to see what we can see, then we'll move along to the other end of the Bridge, to meet whomever the next Senior Minister should be.

Wendell Berry entitles one of his poems, "The Real Work." He describes the creative energy which uncertain circumstances may call forth from within us.

### *The Real Work* By Wendell Berry

*It may be that when we no longer know  
what to do*

*we have come to our real work,*

*and that when we no longer  
know which way to go  
we have come to our real  
journey.*

*The mind that is not baffled  
is not employed.*

*The impeded stream is the one  
that sings.*



pediments are more likely to dam up my creativity, and my brain takes on more the taint of a stagnating pond than the freshness of a flowing mountain brook. Few fish to catch in my deadhead pool to fry up for supper, that's for sure.

I know the discipline of the Nike motto, "Just Do It!" I incorporate the Outward Bound Wilderness Training mantra, "If you can't get out of it, then get into it!" (alternatively stated, "If you can't go around it, and you can't go over it, and you can't go under it, then you'll have to go through it!")

Most importantly, God reaffirms in me this assurance for the Faithful,

I especially like those last two lines, "The mind that is not baffled is not employed." and "The impeded stream is the one that sings." Berry's inspiring confidence is hard to embrace, though.

My well-rehearsed reaction in the presence of not knowing is Anxiety (capital 'A' intended). My baffled mind is more likely to shut down—a "Lights are off. There's nobody home. Go away!" kind of shut down. It's not hard work that throws me; it's fear of wrong work.

My thought stream does not sing a melody as it tumbles over impeding rocks and boulders and debris, as if orchestrating random noise into delightful notes. Im-

*...fear not, for I am with you, be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand....For I, the Lord your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, 'Fear not, I will help you.'* (Isaiah 41:10, 13)

Learn the confidence of God's strong right hand to brace you and our congregation for the work at hand and the distance to walk. And may God produce in us mind, heart, and soul, a beautiful melody sung for our Lord's glory.

Your Senior Minister in the Interim,  
~Gary

## 2017 Budget Presentation Wednesday, March 8, 6:15 pm



## Called Church Conference To Vote on Budget Sunday, March 12, 12:00 pm

## You Are Invited To Meet With The Senior Minister Search Committee Sunday, March 19, After Worship In Fellowship Hall

Come to hear an update on the work of the committee, ask questions, and express any concerns you might have.

*Everyone is invited to attend!*

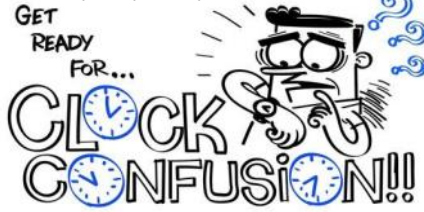
The Senior Minister Search Committee is posting regular updates on the UBC website. These can be accessed here: <http://universitybaptist.org/pastorsearch>  
Please contact any member of the search committee with your questions, suggestions, and concerns.

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**CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED**

Does anybody really know what time it is?



**Welcome, New Member!**



We welcome Soheila Bayat to UBC. She joined this past Sunday by way of her baptism.

**Concerns**

Betty Jenkins — At Home

**Thank You**

Thank you all for the cards, prayers, and other expressions of sympathy for Marvin and me following the death of his mother.

— Marvin & Ruth Key

**Wednesday, March 15**

**5:00 Supper:** Lasagna, Tossed salad

**6:15 Program:** Spiritual Practices

**PBJ Women's Bible Study**

(Prayer, Bible Study, Joyful Fellowship)

Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30 am

March 15, 22, 29 and April 5, 12

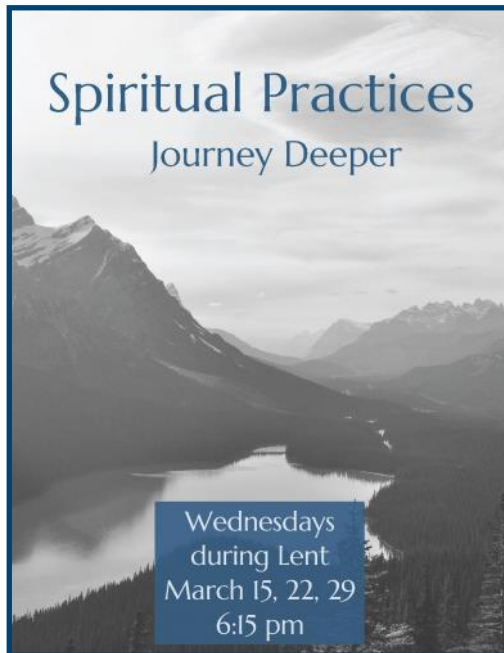
"A Green Hill:

Five Bible Studies for Lent"

For more info: [lmartinx2@comcast.net](mailto:lmartinx2@comcast.net)

**Circle Meeting**

The Annie Armstrong Circle will meet Tuesday, March 14, at 12:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. Bring your lunch, and join us!



**CVBA Women's Retreat**  
 (Central Virginia Baptist Association)

**A LOVE**

**THAT CHANGES LIVES**

Saturday, March 25

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Beaver Dam Baptist Church

Cost: \$10 (Free Child Care)

RSVP: [cvbawomensministry@gmail.com](mailto:cvbawomensministry@gmail.com)

*Pray for Jubilate as they spend the week working with Habitat for Humanity and witnessing through their singing.*



**WEDNESDAY, March 8**

5:00 Supper (Oven-fried chicken)

6:00 Prayer Time

6:15 2017 Budget Presentation

6:15 Children's Activities

7:10 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY, March 9**

9:30 Parent's Morning Out

10:00 Women's Prayer Group

**SUNDAY, March 12**

9:00 Genesis Choir

9:00 Fellowship

9:30 Seekers Bible Study

9:30 Joyful Servants Bible Study

9:45 Bible Study

11:00 Worship

12:30 Senior Minister Search Comm.

6:00 Real Life

**MONDAY, March 13**

10:30 Bible Study at Rosewood

1:00 Staff Meeting

**TUESDAY, March 14**

9:00 UBC Work Team

9:00 Painting Group

12:00 Annie Armstrong Circle Mtg.

6:30 Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting

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**Real Life Supper** **March 12**  
 Judy Gough

**OIAM Sign-up Luncheon**  
**Sunday, April 9**  
**After Worship**

**O I A M**  
 (Operation InAsMuch)  
**Saturday, April 29**

**Jubilate Spring Tour 2017**

Sunday, March 5	* Colonial Avenue Baptist Church	Roanoke, VA
Monday, March 6	* New Market Baptist Church	New Market, TN
Tuesday, March 7	Jefferson City Habitat for Humanity	Jefferson City, TN
Wednesday, March 8	* Brookdale	Sevierville, TN
Thursday, March 9	Jefferson City Habitat for Humanity	Jefferson City, TN
Friday, March 10	* Chandler House	Jefferson City, TN
Sunday, March 19	Jefferson City Habitat for Humanity	Jefferson City, TN
Sunday, March 26	* Regency Retirement Village	Morristown, TN
	Jefferson City Habitat for Humanity	Jefferson City, T
	Return to Charlottesville	
	* Derbyshire Baptist Church	Richmond, VA
	* Homecoming Concert at UBC	Charlottesville, VA
	* Sing in worship or present a concert	