

SERVICE OF HOLY WORSHIP

October 29, 2017
11:00 am

Sermon:

"Not Only the Gospel"
Rev. Will Brown

Scripture:

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Anthem:

Come, Come Ye Saints
— arr. Purifoy

Deacons: *Alan Hendricks, Alice Batten, Erin Brown, Jack Averill, Johnny Ellen, Lynne Gardner

Nursery Workers: Judy Gough, Jennifer & Will Wagoner, Mary Jo Hendricks

Children's Church: Brent Wilson, Hunter Cooper

Ushers for October: Cindy Bryant, Shelley Miller, Lily Pallini, Ronda Wiley, Joe Zhu

Greeters: Betty Barker, Alan Hendricks

Medical On Call: Laurie Pallini

The Word

October 24, 2017

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On Watch

What is the Most Important Question Today?

Our minds might race to answer, "What is the most important question today *in the church*?" But, I am wondering what is the most important question in the *world* today. Does it have to do with the economy? Politics? Divisiveness? Health care? The environment? Or is the most important question one of meaning? Where do people find meaning in their lives? How do they see God?

This question is about relevance. What means the most to the most people? What question challenges everyone? What question has universal implications? We know that we will all die, so maybe the most important question is about death. Life had to come from somewhere. Most religions, including our Christian faith, offer some suggestions about the origin of all that exists.

The beauty of this question is dialogue. We have different answers. Our answers come from our various perspectives. And as we share our answers, we learn from one another. The answers can relate to the end of time or the beginning of life.

This query is a point of departure. It is a place to begin exploration. The church is a place where we can pursue these questions. The church is a safe place—a place where we can be both validated and challenged at the same time.

Isaiah 64:4 says, "From ages past no one has heard, no ear perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him." Paul quotes this verse in 1 Corinthians 2:9. The verses after it suggest the Holy Spirit's continuing involvement in the world. We can pursue these difficult questions in the church and have faith that God will engage with us on the journey. There are mysteries, and we can explore them, but we explore them together. Perhaps as we continue to build a safe place to pursue these important questions, other people will join us in our pursuit. This is my prayer.

Peace,
~ Matt

Join us Sundays after worship for
Coffee & Cookies
On the Porch
(weather permitting)

Alma Hunt Offering For Virginia Missions

During October we are supporting the Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions. Our Goal: \$3,000

This offering supports ministries in and missionaries from Virginia. To date we have collected \$2,255.



November 15, 4 - 6 pm
Open to UBC

November 16, 9 am - 6 pm
Open to UVA Hospital Staff

November 17-18, 9 am - 6 pm
Open to the Public

All Proceeds Go To
UVA Children's Hospital
In Memory of Helen Mackey

*This is the Day
the Lord has Made*



*This is the day we've been
Praying for!*

*Stewardship
Celebration Sunday
November 19, 2017*

The Deacons of University Baptist Church
are sponsoring a Church-wide

Harvest Luncheon

**Sunday, November 19
After Worship**



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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED



Quarterly Church Conference

Wednesday, October 25, 6:15 pm

Agenda: Committee Reports

Missions Opportunities

Disaster Relief

Now

Flood Buckets, Hygiene Kits, Financial Gifts (see UBC website)

Backpack Food Program

Ongoing (see UBC website)

Alma Hunt Offering

Through October

Missions Fair

Coming Soon!

Wednesday, November 15, 6:15 pm in Fellowship Hall

WMU Collections for Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women (FCCW) of greeting cards, stamps, stationery, and toiletry kits are due November 19.

Christmas Dinner in a Bag will be due December 17. (More details to come.)

Global Missions Emphasis

November 26 - December 31

Christmas Card Post Office

November 26 - December 24

FALL FAMILY FESTIVAL

Sunday, October 29

3:00 pm

At the home of
 Judy and Robby Gough

Everyone is Invited!

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| Bounce House | Food |
| Face Painting | Candy |
| Crafts | And More! |
| Games | |



Saturday, November 18

9:30 am - 3:00 pm

**Kickoff Event
 at Monticello H.S.**



RSVP Sarah Wilson
 by October 29
[Sign up here](#)

The CVBA Clothing Closet

Needs:

- New or gently-used coats, men's socks, work boots, men's blue jeans
- New underwear

Collection Box in First Floor Hallway

Wednesday, November 1

5:00 pm — Supper: Rotisserie chicken, Mixed vegetables

6:10 pm — Program: Jonah, Part 1 "Singing Thanksgiving for Distasteful Deliverance" — Will Brown

THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY, October 25

- 5:00 Supper (Lasagna)
- 6:00 Prayer Time
- 6:00 Children's Mission Activities
- 6:15 Quarterly Church Conference
- 7:10 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, October 26

- 9:30 Pre-K Play Group

SUNDAY, October 29

- 9:00 Fellowship
- 9:30 Seekers Bible Study
- 9:30 Joyful Servants Bible Study
- 9:45 Bible Study, ESOL Classes
- 11:00 Worship Service
- 3:00 Fall Family Festival
- 6:00 Jubilate Rehearsal

MONDAY, October 30

- 10:30 Bible Study at Rosewood

TUESDAY, October 31

- 9:00 UBC Work Team
- 9:00 Painting Group
- 10:15 Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY, November 1

- 10:00 PBJ Women's Bible Study
- 5:00 Supper (Rotisserie chicken)
- 6:00 Prayer Time
- 6:00 Children's Mission Activities
- 6:15 Jonah, Part 1 — Will Brown
- 7:10 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Needed

Woodbrook Elementary School, with whom we are partnered by Love INC, has asked for **boys' elastic-waist pants, sizes 4, 6, and 8**, (under and outer), new or gently used. Please bring them to the Fellowship Hall stage.

Help Needed

We need volunteers to provide a light supper on Sunday evenings for the Youth Group and Jubilate.

You can sign up [online](#) or contact [Alba Beasley](#) for more information.



Collections for Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women (FCCW)

Hygiene Kits

Due Sunday, November 19

- 1 individually-wrapped toothbrush
- 1 (6 oz.) tube of toothpaste
- 1 (2.6) solid deodorant stick (No spray or roll-on)
- 1 (15 oz.) bottle of lotion
- 1 (15 oz.) bottle of shampoo

Place all items in a one-gallon Zip Loc bag or bring individual items.

Greeting Cards, Stationery, & Stamps

Due Sunday, November 19

- Greeting cards for all occasions, including Hanukkah and Christmas (no foil on card or envelope)
- Writing paper, envelopes
- "Forever" postage stamps (Do not affix stamps to envelopes)
- Wooden pencils (unsharpened)

You are invited to a silent retreat at...

Cost \$350

Includes: meals, lodging, & monastery access



January 22-26, 2018
 \$75 Deposit due Nov 1

Holy Cross Abbey

Berryville Virginia

For more information, call the church office, or go to the website: <https://www.virginiatrappists.org/retreat-house/>