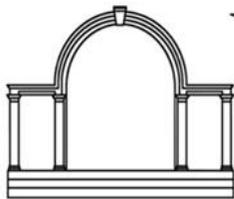


The Ascension of Christ
Pacino di Bonaguida, ca. 1340



UNIVERSITY

BAPTIST CHURCH
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA

WORSHIP OF GOD IN CHRIST
THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD
May 8, 2016
11:00 a.m.

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

THE PRELUDE – *Praise the Lord (Canzona)* Gabrieli

THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

We light the two candles on the communion table to remind us of the oneness of Christ with God and the oneness of Christ with humankind.

THE OPENING OF THE BIBLE

We open the Bible to remind us that God speaks to the people through the Holy Word..

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: You have heard what was written about Jesus in Scripture —

People: How he would suffer and die and then rise from the dead on the third day;

Leader: How the same power that raised Jesus from the dead raised Him to heaven and seated Him at the right hand of God, where he now lives to intercede on our behalf.

People: So let us come before God with confidence, through the loving intercession of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ!

** THE HYMN 200 – *All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name*..... DIADEM

** THE INVOCATION

THE WELCOME

THE MISSION MOMENT(Report from OIAM)

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON2 Kings 2:1, 9-15 (NIV)

¹ When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal.

⁹ When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me, what can I do for you

before I am taken from you?" "Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit," Elisha replied.

¹⁰ "You have asked a difficult thing," Elijah said, "yet if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours — otherwise, it will not."

¹¹ As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. ¹² Elisha saw this and cried out, "My father! My father! The chariots and horsemen of Israel!" And Elisha saw him no more. Then he took hold of his garment and tore it in two.

¹³ Elisha then picked up Elijah's cloak that had fallen from him and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. ¹⁴ He took the cloak that had fallen from Elijah and struck the water with it. "Where now is the LORD, the God of Elijah?" he asked. When he struck the water, it divided to the right and to the left, and he crossed over.

¹⁵ The company of the prophets from Jericho, who were watching, said, "The spirit of Elijah is resting on Elisha." And they went to meet him and bowed to the ground before him.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

THE HYMN 227 – *Praise Him! Praise Him!* JOYFUL SONG
(Stanza 1)

(During the singing of this hymn, the children are invited to come forward for the Children's Sermon.)

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

(Children's Church will not meet today. At this time, Children may return to sit with their parents.)

THE SOLO – *A Mother's Love* Sjolund

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 1:1-11 (NIV)

¹ In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach ² until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. ³ After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. ⁴ On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. ⁵ For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." ⁶ Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷ He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power

when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

⁹After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. ¹⁰They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. ¹¹“Men of Galilee,” they said, “why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

THE HYMN 408 – *This Is the Threefold Truth*.....ACCLAMATIONS

THE MORNING PRAYER

THE ANTHEM – *This is the Time to Be Joyful* Choplin

THE SERMON

“Discombobulation”

Rev. Gary Dalton

THE INVITATION

** THE HYMN 411 – *‘Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus* TRUST IN JESUS

** THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE GIVING OF OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY – *Aria (The Goldberg Variations)* J. S. Bach

THE CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

** THE BENEDICTION – *Benediction* McKinney

** THE POSTLUDE – *Dance and Sing Praise (Suite 5)* J. S. Bach

** THOSE WHO ARE PHYSICALLY ABLE ARE INVITED TO STAND AT THESE POINTS
IN THE SERVICE.

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TEXTS

A Mother's Love.....Grace Noll Crowell

Something of God is in a Mother's love,
Something of His tenderness and care;
I never see a mother bent above an ailing child,
But I can see God there.

And I can hear him in the words she says
To little children gathered at her knee:
God's own voice speaking through her lips,
The words that will bear fruitage for eternity.

And I can feel Him in a mother's touch:
Across the widening years her shielding hands
Will still reach out as if to keep from harm
Her little child - how well God understands

A mother's heart, so like His own it is!
True motherhood has touched his garment's hem
For strength and wisdom, and I am quite sure
We honor Him the day we honor them.

This is the Time to Be Joyful..Pepper Choplin

This is the time to be joyful, let us be joyful
As we praise the Lord and bless His holy name.
Come praise the Lord and bless His holy name!

Let us come before the Lord,
The One who has sustained our weary souls.
For God will not forsake us
nor leave us in our struggle.

He will raise us up. God will raise us up
to empower us to sing a joyful song!

This is the time to be joyful, let us be joyful
As we praise the Lord and bless His holy name.
Come praise the Lord and bless His holy name!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, May 8

6:00 pm Real Life

Monday, May 9

10:30 am Bible Study at Rosewood

Wednesday, May 11

9:30 am Pre-K Play Group

5:00 pm Wednesday Night Supper

6:15 pm Interim and Leadership
Transition Team Reports &
Conversation

6:15 pm Children's Activities

7:10 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
DVD Series – Room 117

Sunday, May 15

11:00am Senior Student Recognition

6:00 pm Real Life

Monday, May 16

10:30 am Bible Study at Rosewood

Attention!

All 2016 Graduates



Please let Sarah Wilson or the Church Office know if you are graduating this spring from

college
or graduate school
or high school.

Senior Sunday at UBC is May 15.

During the worship service, we will recognize all graduating seniors. We also want to include the names in our recognition in The Word.

Parents, let us know about your graduates as soon as possible.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Gary Dalton, Senior Minister in the Interim
Alba Beasley, Associate Minister for Music and Worship
Will Brown, Ministry Resident
Barbara Moore, Organist
Sarah Wilson, Youth Ministry Coordinator
Sanctuary Choir
Clara Bell Wheeler, Medical On-call

WELCOME TO UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

We are blessed by your presence with us in worship, and trust that this hour will help to deepen your spiritual life. We look forward to meeting you personally at the close of the service.

BROADCAST SYSTEM FOR HEARING IMPAIRED

Our sanctuary is equipped with a broadcast system for the hearing impaired. Please contact one of the ushers to borrow a personal receiver.

LIVE RADIO BROADCAST

The worship service of our church is broadcast live every Sunday on WINA 1070 AM, and 98.9 FM.

WORSHIP HOUR CHILDCARE

Childcare is available during the worship service for birth through preschool on the ground level. See the ushers for information and directions. The Childcare workers today are Karen Minor, Debra Bryant, Diana Ames, Will and Katherine Wagoner.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

We offer a Children's Church for K-2nd graders. Children start worship in the adult service with their parents and then, after the Children's Sermon, follow their leaders to Room 210. For parents who wish to have their children stay with them during worship, activity bulletins and crayons are available from the ushers. **Children's Church will not meet today.**

UBC Mission Statement

God has called University Baptist Church to minister to the University Community and to the residents of the Greater Charlottesville-Albemarle Community serving as agents of Christ's love and justice for those in need and offering a vital family of faith.

“Extended Session” Childcare Help Wanted

The joy of Christian service is multiplied tenfold when you volunteer to serve your church by caring for preschool children in the Preschool Suite during the Sunday morning worship hour.

“**Extended Session**” is what we call childcare during this period of time. Would you be willing to care for preschool children **once every three months** by being added to our “**extended session**” schedule? We are constantly in need of new helpers since we’re in the midst of a wonderful baby boom. Please fill out the following form and place it in the offering plate.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email address _____

Age group preference: Babies _____ Toddlers _____

2's/3's _____ 4's/5's _____ Doesn't matter _____

Additional comments: _____

PIE THE PASTOR

Youth Mission Trip Fundraiser
Wednesday, May 18
(during the Variety Show)

Everyone is invited to vote with a contribution in the ballot box. On the night of the Variety Show, the pastor who has raised the most contributions will receive a pie in the face! You can bid for the honor of being the pie thrower with your contribution.

LUCKY PASTORS

Alba Beasley
Will Brown
Gary Dalton
Sarah Wilson

Vacation Bible School and Afternoon Camp 2016 July 18-22

For kids who have finished K-5

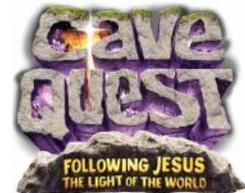
VBS 9:00 am to 12:00 noon
Camp (optional) 12 noon to 5 pm

Volunteers are needed to serve as crew leaders and assistant crew leaders, to help with lunch and camp, and to donate cookies/snacks. Contact Erin Brown.

Information and online registration are available on the UBC website.

REGISTER NOW!

universitybaptist.org/vbs



AQPTS

(A Quiet Place to Study)

May 4-12

1:00 pm-11:00 pm each day



All students are welcome to come study in the church building. Volunteers are needed to host students at UBC as they come into "a quiet place" to prepare for final exams. If you can be here for a few hours during this time or prepare snacks and goodies for the students, check the signup board or contact Alba Beasley.

UBC Variety Show

Wednesday, May 18

6:15 pm

If you would like to perform in this year's Variety Show, contact Larry Johnson or Laura Morris