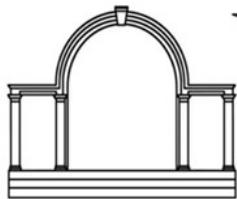




Ruth and Naomi

**St. James Anglican Church
Halifax, Nova Scotia**



UNIVERSITY

BAPTIST CHURCH
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA

WORSHIP OF GOD IN CHRIST

May 29, 2016

11:00 a.m.

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

THE PRELUDE

All Earth and Stars ... Sing To The Lord (Ps. 148)Burkhardt

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 CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP – *Christians, We Have Met...* Larson

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Here in this place, there are no foreigners,

People: For all are welcome in God's house.

Leader: Here in this worship, there is only acceptance,

People: For love is the language of faith.

Leader: Here in our lives, there are no divisions,

People: For God dwells in each of us.

Leader: Come, let us worship in unity and love.

** THE HYMN 3 – *Worthy of Worship* JUDSON

** THE INVOCATION

THE WELCOME

THE HYMN 31 – *Praise Him, All Ye Little Children* BONNER

(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)

THE LITANY based on Romans 8:23-32, 39-39 (NCV)

Leader: We have been waiting with this great hope aborning within us. We have the Spirit as the first part of God's promise, and we are waiting for God to finish making us God's own children, which means our bodies will be made free.

People: We were saved, and we have this hope: we are hoping for something we do not have yet, and we are waiting for it patiently.

Leader: The Spirit helps us with our weakness. We do not know how to pray as we should.

People: But the same Spirit speaks to God for us, even begs God for us with deep feelings that words cannot explain.

Leader: God can see what is in people's hearts. And he knows what is in the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit speaks to God for us exactly in the way God wants.

People: We know that in everything God works for the good of those of us who love him. We are the people called of God, just as God always planned.

Leader: God knew us before making the world, and choosing us to be like his Son so that Jesus would be the firstborn of many brothers and sisters.

People: God planned for us to be like his Son; and those whom God planned to be like his Son, he also called; and those whom God called, he also made right with him; and those whom God made right, he also glorified.

Leader: So what should we say about this? If God is for us, no one can defeat us. He did not spare his own Son but gave him for us all. So with Jesus, God will surely give us all things.

People: We are sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor ruling spirits, nothing now, nothing in the future, no powers, nothing above us, nothing below us, nor anything else in the whole world will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

** THE HYMN 334 – *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine* ASSURANCE
THE MORNING PRAYER

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Ruth 1:11-18 (NIV)

¹¹ But Naomi said, "Return home, my daughters. Why would you come with me? Am I going to have any more sons, who could become your husbands?"

¹² Return home, my daughters; I am too old to have another husband. Even if I thought there was still hope for me — even if I had a husband tonight and then gave birth to sons — ¹³ would you wait until they grew up? Would you remain unmarried for them? No, my daughters. It is more bitter for me than for you, because the Lord's hand has turned against me!"

¹⁴ At this they wept aloud again. Then Orpah kissed her mother-in-law goodbye, but Ruth clung to her.

¹⁵ "Look," said Naomi, "your sister-in-law is going back to her people and her gods. Go back with her."

¹⁶ But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. ¹⁷ Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the Lord deal with me, be it ever so severely, if even death separates you and me." ¹⁸ When Naomi realized that Ruth was determined to go with her, she stopped urging her.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

THE SERMON "Ruth: Naomi's Do-Over Story"

Rev. Gary Dalton

THE INVITATION

** THE HYMN 285 – *Wherever He Leads, I'll Go* FALLS CREEK

** THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE GIVING OF OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY – *The Gift To Be Simple*Wood

THE CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

** THE BENEDICTION

** THE POSTLUDE – *Christ Be My Leader* Behnke

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

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WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Gary Dalton, Senior Minister in the Interim
Alba Beasley, Associate Minister for Music and Worship
Will Brown, Ministry Resident
Erin Brown, Children's Sermon
Barbara Moore, Organist
Sarah Wilson, Youth Ministry Coordinator
Sally Chewning, 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, Donna Marshall, Colleen Baber, and Javaneh Brown.

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.

Touch-A-Truck Event

Saturday, June 11
9:00 am to Noon

Free Event for Kids
& Their Families

Explore,
Touch,
and
Learn about
many
different
trucks!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, May 29

No Real Life

Wednesday, June 1

9:30 am Parents' Morning Out

Sunday, June 5

1:00 pm Real Life

Monday, June 6

10:30 am Bible Study at Rosewood -
"Wisdom of the Proverbs"

Saturday, June 11

9:00 am Touch-A-Truck Event



**32nd Annual
Church-wide Picnic**
Sunday, June 12
3:00 pm

Get In On The Conversation!!

Sunday, May 29, 12:30 to 2:00. Lunch will be provided!

OR

Sunday, June 5, 9:00 to 10:30. Breakfast will be provided!

These programs will be the same, so please plan to attend the **one** that works best for you. They will be different from and build on the initial conversation we had on May 11, but are meant to be for everyone, whether you were able to join us on that Wednesday or not.

During these conversations, we will take time to pray together, talk about the promising days ahead for UBC, and discern what God is telling us about who we are becoming as a congregation and who our next Senior Minister should be.

If possible, please **RSVP** to the church office to indicate which event you plan to attend or if you can't make either time. You can, of course, still attend even if you do not RSVP. Childcare will be provided for both times.