

# UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

**WORSHIP OF GOD IN CHRIST**  
March 26, 2017  
11:00 a.m.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE – *Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross* ..... Schmoltz

## LIGHTING 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.)*

## OPENING THE BIBLE

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

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We awake each day knowing God welcomes us into joy and wonder.

**People: We rise to find ourselves enveloped in God's grace.**

Leader: Through the day, Jesus invites us to serve others as he would serve them.

**People: In our work and leisure, we offer God's word of healing and hope.**

Leader: In each day's waning hours, when fear and worry threaten, the Holy Spirit is with us.

**People: The Light which no darkness can overcome, indwells to guide our steps until we rest from our labor, a daily Sabbath to restore.**

\*\* HYMN 244 – *Spirit of the Living God* ..... IVERSON

## \*\* INVOCATION

Leader: Divine Listener, who hears our prayers,

**People: Direct our desires to the better journey which leads to your holy destination.**

Leader: Wise Healer, who counsels our souls,

**People: When through valleys veiled in shadows we walk, travel with us, your counsel impressed upon us.**

Leader: Gentle Comforter, who calms our troubled minds,

**People: Should burdens threaten to overwhelm and ruin us, open paths of recourse, that we may find sure waypoints not presently seen.**

Leader: Gracious Host, who welcomes us into the Community born of the love shared within yourself, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, may we your children seek your will, as you have taught us to pray,

**All: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*\* CHORAL RESPONSE – *Threefold Amen* ..... Traditional

#### WELCOME

*(At this time, please sign and pass the red fellowship book located at the left end of the pew. When everyone has signed, return the book. Take this opportunity to note the names of the members and visitors seated on the same pew with you so you may greet them after the service.)*

#### MISSION MOMENT

HYMN 592 – *Jesus Loves the Little Children* ..... CHILDREN

*(As the Congregation sings, all children are invited to come to the front for the Children's Sermon.)*

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON

*(At the conclusion of the Children's Sermon, all children, kindergarten through grade two, are invited to attend Children's Church.)*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ..... 1 Samuel 16:1-13

<sup>1</sup>The Lord said to Samuel, “How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and be on your way; I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king.”

<sup>2</sup>But Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears about it, he will kill me.”

The Lord said, “Take a heifer with you and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.’” <sup>3</sup>Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what to do. You are to anoint for me the one I indicate.”

<sup>4</sup>Samuel did what the Lord said. When he arrived at Bethlehem, the elders of the town trembled when they met him. They asked, “Do you come in peace?”

<sup>5</sup>Samuel replied, “Yes, in peace; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord. Consecrate yourselves and come to the sacrifice with me.” Then he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

<sup>6</sup>When they arrived, Samuel saw Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed stands here before the Lord.”

<sup>7</sup>But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.”

<sup>8</sup>Then Jesse called Abinadab and had him pass in front of Samuel. But Samuel said, “The Lord has not chosen this one either.” <sup>9</sup>Jesse then had Shammah pass by, but Samuel said, “Nor has the Lord chosen this one.” <sup>10</sup>Jesse had seven of his sons pass before Samuel, but Samuel said to him, “The Lord has not chosen these.” <sup>11</sup>So he asked Jesse, “Are these all the sons you have?”

“There is still the youngest,” Jesse answered. “He is tending the sheep.”

Samuel said, “Send for him; we will not sit down until he arrives.”

<sup>12</sup>So he sent for him and had him brought in. He was glowing with health and had a fine appearance and handsome features.

Then the Lord said, “Rise and anoint him; this is the one.”

<sup>13</sup>So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the Lord came powerfully upon David.

Samuel then went to Ramah.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

\*\* HYMN 456 – *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*..... PRECIOUS LORD

MORNING PRAYER

ANTHEM – *The Last Words of David* ..... Thompson

SERMON

**“Overlooked, Ordinary, and Anointed”**

Rev. Will Brown

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

**All: As Samuel was tempted to do, Loving God, we judge wholly by what we see and know, though we see poorly and know only in part; we trust ourselves to well-trying manners and customs, though your wisdom may offer us a better way; we limit how we might bless others with your anointing grace for their lives.**

**Forgive us, Dear God, for these our ways we have fallen short. Grant your mercy to open our eyes that we may see others as you see them, with your heart of love reaching out to the hearts of those whom you would welcome into your Kingdom, sisters and brothers of the same family, the community of love united in our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.**

*(In silence, complete your prayer as needed.)*

\*\* HYMN 383 – We Are God’s People..... SYMPHONY

*(Anyone who would like to explore what it means to accept Jesus into your life, to request baptism, or to bring your membership to UBC from another congregation, is invited to come to the front as we begin to sing this hymn; or you may contact Rev. Dalton to speak privately with him.)*

\*\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**All: With you as our shepherd and by sharing our gifts, we can indeed anoint others with grace, prepare feasts for the hungry, welcome the stranger, and love those we consider to be our enemies. Bless these gifts, and use our lives for others, we pray. Amen.**

GIVING OF OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*David’s Lamentation: “David, the King, Was Grieved and Moved”*  
William Billings, Sacred Harp ..... arr. G. Read

BENEDICTION

\*\* GREETING

\*\* POSTLUDE – Spirit of the Living God..... Iverson

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

## **WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY**

Gary Dalton, Senior Minister in the Interim  
Alba Beasley, Associate Minister for Music and Worship  
Will Brown, Associate Minister for Community  
Barbara Moore, Organist  
Sanctuary Choir  
Kelly Kossi, Erin Brown, Leaders  
Laurie Pallini, 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**

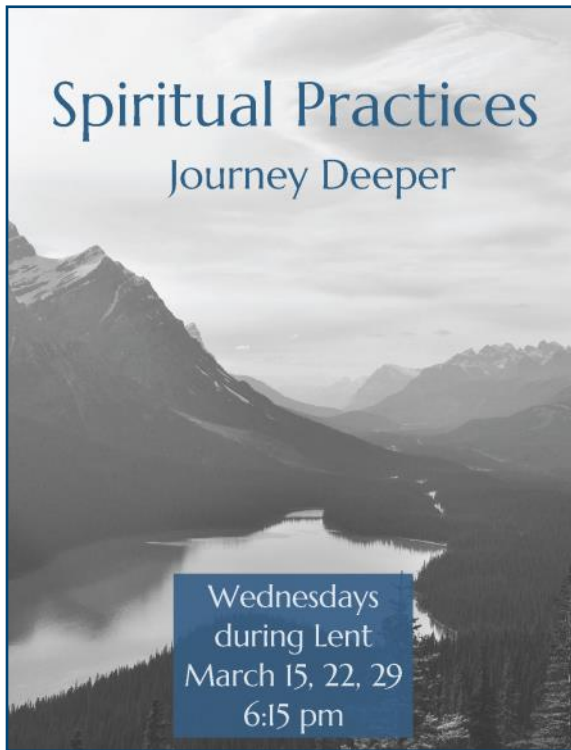
Childcare is available during the worship service for birth through preschool on the ground level. See the ushers for information and directions. The Childcare workers today are Judy Gough, Arlene Propst, and Jacob Morris.

## **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

We offer a Children's Church for K-2<sup>nd</sup> 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. The Children's Church leaders today are Amanda Ohlms and Carter Groff.

## **FLOWERS**

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God, and in memory of Barbara Jesser, by her friends in the Annie Armstrong Circle.



## 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.

### Children’s Mission Program Project

Each Wednesday night our Children’s Mission Program will be assembling 12 bags of healthy, non-perishable food to go in weekend backpacks for children at Venable Elementary School. This backpack program at Venable provides meals and snacks for the weekend for families who are currently unable to provide meals for the family. All Souls Church is partnering with UBC to collect food for these weekend bags. You can help by donating packages of 12 or more of the following foods:

#### THIS WEEK WE NEED:

- \* Shelf-stable milk & juice
- \* Healthy cold cereals
- Fruit
- Canned chicken
- pudding cups

\* Especially



## **Homecoming Concert**

**Today, 5:00 pm**

**University Baptist Church Sanctuary**

*Reception Following*

## **O I A M**

(Operation InAsMuch)

**Saturday, April 29**

UBCers doing one-day hands-on mission projects  
for non-profits and individuals in our community

*Know of a project that can be done for a local non-profit or individual?*

Contact Sarah Buchanan — [sarahbucha@gmail.com](mailto:sarahbucha@gmail.com)

**OIAM Sign-up Luncheon**

**Sunday, April 9, After Worship**

### **Easter Lilies**

We are now taking orders for Easter lilies to be placed in the sanctuary in memory or in honor of someone. Please place your order by submitting a **check payable to UBC for \$7.50 per plant. The deadline for ordering is Monday, April 3.**

### **Senior Minister Search Committee**

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.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Monday, March 27**

**10:30 am** Monday Morning Bible Study at Rosewood Village, Greenbrier Drive  
Rev. Leon Castle will lead in March

### **Wednesday, March 29**

**5:00 pm** Wednesday Night Supper  
(Reservations/cancellations required by on Monday, 10 am)  
**6:00 pm** Prayer Time  
**6:00 pm** Children's Activities  
**6:15 pm** "Spiritual Practices" Study  
**7:10 pm** Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### **Updates Needed for UBC Directory**

An updated UBC Directory will be distributed in April. Please contact the church office with any updates to your address, phone number, or email. If you'd like a new photo included in the directory, please send that in as well. Alternatively, Will Brown can take your picture on Sunday, April 9, before or after worship. Otherwise, we will use the same photo from last year.

### **Intercessory Prayer Ministry**

The Intercessory Prayer Ministry at UBC began in October of 2001 under the direction of Tom Leland. At that time, he wrote, "I am convinced that this kind of prayer ministry will be spiritually enriching at both the individual and corporate (church-wide) levels. Why? Because we will be undertaking that which scripture calls us to do – 'pray without ceasing' (1 Thess. 5:17). Oswald Chambers really was on target when he said, 'Prayer does not equip us for the work of the church – prayer IS the work of the church.'"

There is a room on the third floor that is accessible only to intercessors. It is quiet and pleasant and contains all of the materials needed to facilitate this ministry. At any given time an intercessor will be in the Prayer Room praying for church members and their families and friends, visitors to the church, and complete strangers. They will be praying for people in every situation that individuals and families face on a daily basis. Intercessors also write notes of encouragement, PrayerGrams, to many of those they pray for.

One of the best things about the UBC Prayer Ministry is that the hour of the week you select can be a time which fits your schedule (even if it is an unorthodox hour!).

Please consider becoming a part of this vital ministry of the church.

The current coordinators of the IPM are Betty Barker and Lu Overbeck.  
If you would like more information, contact Betty (BHBarker81@hotmail.com )  
or Lu (luoverbeck@gmail.com).