



# UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

## WORSHIP OF GOD IN CHRIST

May 21, 2017

11:00 a.m.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

*(This week's Worship Bulletin describes several opportunities through which you may express your love for Christ in current service and ministry projects. There are also occasions of Christian fellowship which many of the congregation find enrich their personal spiritual lives. Please contact any UBC staff or the Church Office should you need more information.)*

PRELUDE – Chorale and Fugue “God Is Love,  
His Mercy Brightens” ..... Pethel

### LIGHTING THE CANDLES

*(We light the two candles on the communion table to remind us of the oneness of Christ with God and 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 ..... based on Psalm 19

Leader: All heaven and earth proclaim the majesty of God's creative power!

**People: Praise God for their amazing and awesome beauty!**

Leader: God has given to us codes by which to live together in harmony and peace.

**People: In these commandments, God has summed up the ways we must respect one another.**

Leader: Rejoice in the goodness of God.

**People: Praise God for God's complete and steadfast love for us!**

\*\* HYMN 36 – *Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him* .....HYFRYDOL

\*\* INVOCATION

### 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.)*

### SENIOR MINISTER SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

HYMN – *Surely the Presence* .....SURELY THE PRESENCE  
(see insert)

### CHILDREN’S SERMON

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

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON.....Acts 17:22-31

<sup>22</sup> Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. <sup>23</sup> For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup> The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, <sup>25</sup> nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. <sup>26</sup> From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, <sup>27</sup> so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. <sup>28</sup> For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we too are his offspring.’ <sup>29</sup> Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. <sup>30</sup> While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup> because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Lord of mercy, there are so many times in our lives when we feel alone. We wonder where you are.

**People: We cry out to you in our confusion, pain, and hurt. And when you do not immediately grant the prayers of our cries, we begin to doubt that you even care or exist.**

Leader: Stop us from going down this path of self-destruction. Help us look around and find the many ways in which you have blessed our lives.

**People: Forgive us when we are so quick to doubt and so arrogant in our demands of your responses.**

Leader: Give us a spirit of patience and willingness to be ready to hear your voice.

**People: Strengthen us for the ministries of love and hope that you have placed before us.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Even in the midst of doubt and darkness, the light of God is shining in you, on you, and through you. Out of God's great love, you have been redeemed and made whole.

**People: We will rejoice in the Lord for his great salvation! Amen.**

MORNING PRAYER

ANTHEM – *Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me*.....Grassi

SERMON

**“Three Men Walk Into An Elephant”**

Rev. Gary Dalton

\*\* HYMN 68 – *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* ..... RESIGNATION

*(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

GIVING OF OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY – *God’s Love* ..... Kaiser

BENEDICTION

\*\* GREETING

\*\* POSTLUDE – *Praise the Lord! The Heavens, Adore Him* ..... J. H. Rowland

\*\* 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

Clara Belle Wheeler, Medical On-call

**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.

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# Surely the Presence (of the Lord Is in This Place)

*Surely the Lord is in this place. Genesis 28:16*

Sure - ly the pres - ence of the Lord is in this place; I can

The first system of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff contains the vocal melody with lyrics underneath. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#), and the time signature is 3/4. The melody begins with a quarter note G4, followed by a dotted quarter note A4, and then a quarter note B4. The accompaniment starts with a quarter note G2, followed by a dotted quarter note A2, and then a quarter note B2.

feel His might - y pow - er and His grace. I can hear the brush of

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff features a half note G4 with a fermata, followed by a quarter note A4, and then a quarter note B4. The bass staff continues with a quarter note G2, followed by a dotted quarter note A2, and then a quarter note B2.

an - gels' wings, I see glo - ry on each face; Sure - ly the

The third system continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff features a quarter note G4, followed by a dotted quarter note A4, and then a quarter note B4. The bass staff continues with a quarter note G2, followed by a dotted quarter note A2, and then a quarter note B2.

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The fourth system concludes the piece. The treble staff features a quarter note G4, followed by a dotted quarter note A4, and then a quarter note B4. The bass staff continues with a quarter note G2, followed by a dotted quarter note A2, and then a quarter note B2. The system ends with a double bar line and a fermata over the final note.

TEXT: Lanny Wolfe  
MUSIC: Lanny Wolfe

SURELY THE PRESENCE  
Irregular meter

### **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, Jen Bates, and Catherine Cooper.

### **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

We offer a Children's Church for K-2<sup>nd</sup> graders. Children start worship in the sanctuary 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 Katherine Hamel and Joey Hamel.

### **FLOWERS**

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God, in celebration of Edith Parker's May 25th birthday by her son, Edwin Parker.

## **SAVE THE DATES**

### **Church Picnic**

Sunday, June 11

### **Vacation Bible School**

June 19-23

### **Touch-a-Truck**

Saturday, June 17

### **Youth Summer Mission Trip**

July 30-August 4

## **SUMMER CHOIR**

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm  
Music/Lecture Suite

*Beginning May 24  
Come Join Us!*

## **33rd Annual Church-wide Picnic Sunday, June 11 3:00 pm**

At the home of Forrest and Donna Marshall

## **Vacation Bible School and Afternoon Camp 2017**

**June 19-23**

For kids who have finished K-5

**VBS** 9:00 am to 12:00 noon  
**Camp** (opt.) 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm

Volunteers are needed to serve as crew leaders and assistant crew leaders (help children rotate through the stations), to help with lunch and camp, and to donate cookies/snacks. Contact Erin Brown.

Information and online registration are available: [universitybaptist.org/vbs](http://universitybaptist.org/vbs)

## **Children's Mission Program Project**

Each Wednesday night our Children's Mission Program assembles 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:

- Oatmeal, Grits, Cream of wheat, Individual cereal, Breakfast bars
- Soup, Chili, Instant noodles, Peanut butter/cheese crackers
- Mac & cheese, Canned chicken, Canned Ravioli, Canned Beefaroni, Canned Spaghetti, Canned Beans
- Protein bars, Fruit cups, Raisins, Popcorn, Pudding, Pretzels
- Shelf-stable milk boxes, Juice boxes

Collection boxes are on the stage in the Fellowship Hall, and in the first floor lobby.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Sunday, May 21

- 6:00 pm** Real Life  
**6:30 pm** Paying for College Workshop

### Monday, May 22

- 10:30 am** Monday Morning Bible Study at Rosewood Village, Greenbrier Drive  
Rev. Will Brown will lead.

### Wednesday, May 24

- 5:00 pm** Wednesday Night Supper — Church-wide Cookout  
**7:10 pm** Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, May 25

- 9:30 am** Pre-K Play Group



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