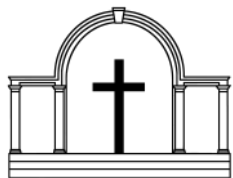




The Prophet Ezekiel
Michelangelo (1475-1564)
from the Sistine Chapel (1508-1512)



UNIVERSITY
BAPTIST CHURCH

WORSHIP OF GOD IN CHRIST
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 1, 2017
11:00 a.m.

CHIMES

We sound three chimes, awakening us to the presence of God, alerting us to the voice of Christ, and centering us in the embrace of the Holy Spirit.

Please quiet voices, hearts and cell phones, as we prepare to worship

OPENING SENTENCE

Leader: O taste and see that our Lord is good.

People: **Happy are those who take refuge in God.**

PRELUDE— *Lord, You I Love With All My Heart*..... Manz

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.)

SETTING THE TABLE

(We prepare the table with a loaf of bread and a cup, symbolizing Christ's atoning death, the Church's identity as the one Body of Christ, and the fullness of salvation in the future of God.)

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP – *I Love You, Lord*arr. Kingsmore

** HYMN – *My Jesus, I Love Thee* GORDON
(see insert)

** INVOCATION

WELCOME

HYMN 305 – *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*ASSAM
(stanza 1)

(As we sing the hymn, the 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.)

GOSPEL LESSON.....Matthew 21:23-32 (NRSV)

²³ When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" ²⁴ Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵ Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' ²⁶ But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." ²⁷ So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

²⁸ "What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' ²⁹ He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. ³⁰ The father¹ went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. ³¹ Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. ³² For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

MISSION MOMENT

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON.....Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 (NRSV)

¹ The word of the Lord came to me: ² What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge"? ³ As I live, says the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. ⁴ Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

²⁵ Yet you say, "The way of the Lord is unfair." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? ²⁶ When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. ²⁷ Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. ²⁸ Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they

shall not die. ²⁹ Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the Lord is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?
³⁰ Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. ³¹ Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? ³² For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

- ** HYMN 282 – *Trust and Obey*..... TRUST AND OBEY
- MORNING PRAYER
- ANTHEM – *Little Lamb* (see insert) Hailstork
- SERMON

“Turn and Live”

Dr. Matthew Tennant

- MEDITATION– *O Taste and See*..... Vaughan Williams
- CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION
- INVITATION

- ** HYMN 372 – *According to Thy Gracious Word*..... AVON

** PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GIVING OF OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY – *O God, Our Help In Ages Past*.....Langston

- ** DEDICATION 252 – *Glory Be to the Father*..... GLORIA PATRI

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE – *The Lord Bless You and Keep You* Nordman

** GREETING

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

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My Jesus, I Love Thee

Text: William R. Featherstone, 1846-1873

Music: Adoniram J. Gordon, 1836-1895

1. My Je - sus, I love _____ Thee, I know Thou art mine; For
2. I love Thee be - cause _____ Thou hast first lov - ed me, And
5 3. In man - sions of glo - ry, and end - less de - light, I'll
Thee, all the fol _____ lies of sin I re - sign. My
pur - chased my par - don on Cal - va - ry's tree. I
9 ev - er a - dore _____ Thee in hea - ven so bright. And
gra - cious Re - deem - er, my Sav _____ ior art Thou; _____ If
love Thee for wear - ing the thorns _____ on Thy brow; _____ If
13 sing - ing Thy praises - es, be - fore _____ Thee I'll bow; _____ If
ev - er I loved _____ Thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now.
ev - er I loved _____ Thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now.
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ANTHEM – *Little Lamb*..... Hailstork

O little lamb out in de col', De mastah call you to de fol', O little lamb, little lamb!
He hear ya bleatin' on de hill; Come here an' keep yo' moanin' still, O little lamb, little lamb!
De Mastah sen' de shepherd forth; He wandah south, he wandah north,
O little lamb, little lamb!
He wandah east, he wandah west, Da wind a-wrenchin' at his breast, O little lamb, little lamb!
Oh tell de shepherd where you hide; He want you walkin' by his side, O little lamb, little lamb!
He know you weak, He know you so'; but come, don' stay away no mo', O little lamb, little lamb!
An' after while de lamb he hear De shepherd's voice a callin' clear, Sweet little lamb, little lamb!
He answer from the brambles thick, "O Shepherd, I's a-comin' quick."
O little lamb, little lamb.

Little Lamb

Paul Laurence Dunbar (June 27, 1872 – February 9, 1906) was the first African-American to garner national critical acclaim. He penned a large body of dialect poems, standard English poems, essays, novels, and short stories, before he died at age 33. His work often addressed the difficulties encountered by members of his race and the efforts of African-Americans to achieve equality in America.

Little Lamb is reminiscent of the spirituals which he grew up hearing – the working songs born out of the sweat and toil of the fields and the deep yearning for a relationship with a Savior who understood the rejection and humiliation of both the slaves and free Blacks in 19th and 20th century America. Indeed, we all are blessed to know that the Lord God, Creator of all that is, loves us enough to send His Shepherd to bring us back into the "fol'."

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Matthew Tennant, Senior Minister
Alba Beasley, Associate Minister for Music and Worship
Will Brown, Associate Minister for Community
Sarah Wilson, Youth Ministry Coordinator
Barbara Moore, Organist
Sanctuary Choir
Carolyn Lowry, Soprano
Bob Gough, Debra Bryant, Readers
Laurie Pallini, Medical On Call

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 1

6:00 pm Real Life—Youth Group

Wednesday, October 4

5:00 pm Wednesday Night Supper
(Reservations/cancellations required by Monday, 10 am)

6:00 pm Prayer Time; Children's Missions Program

6:15 pm "Thou Mastering Me—Faith as a Journey:
Living the Journey" - Series led by Matthew Tennant

7:10 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 5

9:30 am Pre-K Play Group

Alma Hunt Offering For Virginia Missions

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

“... Jesus said to Simon, “Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.” So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.
Luke 5:10-11 (NIV)



This offering supports ministries in and missionaries from Virginia. A portion of the money goes back to the local associations. Since the CVBA (Central Virginia Baptist Association) supports the chaplain ministry, that means our contributions will be supporting the Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women.

The annual offering for Virginia missions was named for Alma Hunt (1909-2008), a native Virginian who was known worldwide for her missions service and her unswerving dedication to the cause of Christ.

Virginia Baptist Disaster Response

Please join us in continuing to help those affected by Hurricane Harvey.

- Pray for the victims, the local officials, and for those who strive to be the hands and feet of God as they offer comfort and relief and begin the rebuilding process.
- Give financially. **Make your check out to UBC and designate it for Harvey Flood Relief.**
- Join with a friend, class, or group to make **Flood Buckets & Hygiene Kits**
- UBC will be an area collection center for Flood Buckets (cleaning supplies) and Hygiene Kits for Houston flood victims. Details and lists of supplies to put in the buckets and kits can be found on the UBC website.

CVBA Fall Meeting

(Central Virginia Baptist Association)

**Sunday, October 22, 3:00 pm
at Beaver Dam Baptist Church**

Speaker:

Craig Waddell
Partnership and Short-term Volunteer
Coordinator for BGAV

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, 98.9 FM, and online at the WINA website.

WORSHIP HOUR CHILDCARE

Childcare is available during the worship service for newborns through preschoolers on the ground level. See the ushers for information and directions. The Childcare workers today are Judy Gough, Shirley Clark, Lindsay Marshall, and Jacob Morris

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

We offer a Children's Church for K-2nd graders. Children start the worship hour in the sanctuary with their families and then follow their leaders upstairs to Room 210 after the Children's Sermon. Children are also welcome to stay with their families in the sanctuary, and children's bulletins and activity bags are available from the ushers. The Children's Church leaders today are Erin Brown and Chandler Proffitt.

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Irene Norvelle, by the UBC Sanctuary Choir.

VENABLE BACKPACK MISSION PROJECT

With school back in swing, the Venable Backpack Program is up and running again, providing a bag of food each Friday to elementary children who receive free lunch at school during the week, but don't have enough to eat at home over the weekends. The kids in our Children's Missions Program on Wednesday nights will be packing the bags to be delivered each week, so all we need to do is help provide the food!

We are currently in need of the following types of food:

Easy meals: mac-n-cheese, ramen noodles, Cup-o-Noodles, canned soup, canned chicken, Chef Boyardee, etc.

Fruit: applesauce, individual servings of peaches/pears/mixed fruit, raisins

Milk: shelf-stable milk in individual servings (like Horizon or Organic Valley)

Juice: juice boxes, Caprisuns, or other juices in individual servings

Other foods: individually-packaged breakfast items (cereal, protein bars, oatmeal, grits, etc) and individually-packaged snacks (packs of sandwich crackers, Goldfish, pretzels, popcorn, granola bars, etc.).

We also need brown paper grocery bags with handles to help package and deliver the food. Collection boxes will be located in the First Floor Lobby and Fellowship Hall.