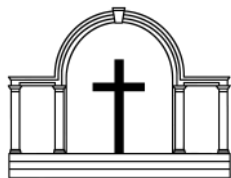


This is the Day ...

*This is the day we've been praying for,
To engage in faith and with passion
Toward the calling God has for UBC*



*Stewardship
Celebration Sunday
November 19, 2017*



**UNIVERSITY
BAPTIST CHURCH**

WORSHIP OF GOD IN CHRIST
Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost
November 19, 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: This is the day the Lord has made!

People: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

PRELUDE – Now Thank We All Our God Karg-Elert

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 118:1-24

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good;

People: **God's steadfast love endures forever!**

Leader: The Lord is our strength and might.

People: **The Lord has become our salvation!**

Leader: The stone that the builders rejected has become the
cornerstone.

People: **This is God's handiwork, and it is marvelous in our eyes!**

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;

People: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

** HYMN 358 – *This is the Day that the Lord Has Made*..... ARLINGTON

** INVOCATION

WELCOME

HYMN – *Give Thanks* (see insert).....GIVE THANKS
(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..... John 6:25-35 (NRSV)

²⁵ When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” ²⁶ Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷ Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” ²⁸ Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” ²⁹ Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” ³⁰ So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?” ³¹ Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” ³² Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” ³⁴ They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.” ³⁵ Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

** HYMN 263 – *Break Thou the Bread of Life*..... BREAD OF LIFE

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON James 1:17-27 (NRSV)

¹⁷ Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸ In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

¹⁹ You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰ for your anger does not produce God’s righteousness.

²¹ Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. ²² But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. ²³ For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; ²⁴ for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. ²⁵ But those who look into the perfect

law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. ²⁶ If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. ²⁷ Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

MORNING PRAYER

ANTHEM – *All Good Gifts* Schwartz
Charles Michaelis, soloist

SERMON – “Accepting God’s Gift”
Dr. Matthew Tennant

MEDITATION – *Meditation* Held

INVITATION

** HYMN 637 – *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* ST. GEORGE’S WINDSOR

** PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GIVING OF OFFERINGS

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.

OFFERTORY –

We Gather Together To Ask the Lord’s Blessing Burkhardt

** DEDICATION 359 – *This Is the Day* THIS IS THE DAY

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE – *Now Thank We All Our God* Thiman

** GREETING

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

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Give Thanks

Unison

The musical score is written for a unison voice part. It consists of five systems of music, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Give thanks with a grate-ful heart; give thanks to the Ho-ly One. Give thanks be-cause He's giv-en Je-sus Christ, His Son. Give Son. And now let the weak say, 'I am strong'; let the poor say, 'I am rich,' be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. And us. Give thanks!" The score includes first and second endings for the final phrase "And us. Give thanks!".

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WORDS: Henry Smith, 1978
MUSIC: Henry Smith, 1978

GIVE THANKS
Irregular

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

Shirley Clark and Peter Ohlms, Readers

Sanctuary Choir

Yewon Kim, Cellist

Sophia Rosenberg, Oboist

Laurie Pallini, Medical On Call

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, November 19

12:00 pm Harvest Luncheon

6:00 pm Jubilate Rehearsal

Monday, November 20

10:30 am Bible Study at Rosewood

6:30 pm Deacons' Meeting

Tuesday, November 21

9:00 am UBC Work Team

9:00 am Painting Group

10:15 am Staff Meeting

Wednesday, November 22

No Wednesday Night Supper and Activities

Wednesday and Thursday, November 23 and 24

Church Office Closed

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.

The Deacons of University Baptist Church
are sponsoring a Church-wide

Harvest Luncheon

*Today, Sunday, November 19
After Worship*

*All are welcome,
even if you don't have a reservation.*



Youth Real Life / Jubilate Supper

We still have Sundays that need volunteers to prepare a meal for Youth Real Life and Jubilate. Call the Church Office for details, or sign-up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b49afae2eabf49-sunday1>

ALL GOOD GIFTS

TEXT: Matthias Claudius (1740-1815)

We plough the fields, and scatter the good seed on the land,
But it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand.
He sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes, and the sunshine, and soft, refreshing rain.

All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above;
So thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all His love.

We thank Thee, then O Father, for all things bright and good,
The seed-time and the harvest, our life, our health, our food.

No gifts we offer for all Thy love imparts,
But that, which Thou most desirest, our humble, thankful hearts!

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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 Aimee Marshall, Jennifer Wagoner, Will Wagoner, and Lindsay Marshall.

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 Donna Marshall and Chandler Proffitt.

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God, and in memory of David Iverson, Barbara and Bill Murray's nephew.

FOR EVERYONE'S SAFETY

- When you are in the building for something other than a group activity, please let someone in the office (during office hours) know when you arrive and when you leave.
- If someone you don't know wants to enter the building, suggest that they go to the front entrance and check in with the office.
- When you arrive and leave, please MAKE SURE THE DOOR IS COMPLETELY CLOSED.
- WHEN YOU LEAVE, TURN OFF THE LIGHTS!