

UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

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THE
FAITH

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.

WORSHIP OF GOD IN CHRIST

July 15, 2018

11:00 a.m.

Marking the Hour

*We mark the hour, 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 (adapted from Psalm 24).....Sarah Wilson

Leader: The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it!

**People: From the east to the west, from the north to the south,
God's Spirit moves across the face of the earth.**

Leader: From the east to the west, from the north to the south,
we gather together, united by God's Spirit, to celebrate
God's glory and proclaim His praise!

People: Let's worship God together!

Prelude.....Barbara Moore

How Firm a Foundation is Laid for Your Faith – Page

Lighting the Candles The Wagoner Family

*(We light these candles to welcome the Spirit, for they represent how Jesus is
the Light of the world which guides us through life.)*

Opening the Bible The Wagoner Family

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

Call to WorshipSarah Wilson

Leader: We gather together in the name of Jesus Christ – members
of God's family, and sisters and brothers to one another.

**People: There are no outsiders here among us, no one has any
special standing or bragging rights.**

Leader: For we have been brought together by the redeeming
love of Jesus.

People: Let's join together in worship

** Hymn 338 – *How Firm a Foundation*

Invocation Rev Alba Beasley
Greeting Rev. Beasley
Epistle Lesson – Ephesians 1:3-14 (NRSV) Lynne Gardner

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵ He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸ that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹ he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Leader: The Word of God ...

People: ... for the people of God!

Leader: Amen.

Hymn 406 – *The Solid Rock* (stanza 1)

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

** Hymn – *For All the Saints* (see bulletin page 5)

Morning Prayer Jack Averill

Duet – *God of the Deep* – Forrest Pam and Alba Beasley

Gospel Lesson – Mark 6:14-29 (NRSV) Dr. Matthew Tennant

¹⁴ King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." ¹⁵ But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." ¹⁶ But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

¹⁷ For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹

⁸ For John had been telling Herod, “It is not lawful for you to have your brother’s wife.”
¹⁹ And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not,
²⁰ for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him.
²¹ But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee.
²² When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, “Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.”
²³ And he solemnly swore to her, “Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.”
²⁴ She went out and said to her mother, “What should I ask for?” She replied, “The head of John the baptizer.”
²⁵ Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, “I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.”
²⁶ The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her.
²⁷ Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John’s head. He went and beheaded him in the prison,
²⁸ brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother.
²⁹ When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Leader: The Word of God ...

People: ... for the people of God!

Leader: Amen.

Sermon – “*Keeping Faith*” Dr. Tennant

Meditation – *We Walk By Faith* – Leggett Sanctuary Choir

Invitation Dr. Tennant

** Hymn 416 – *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

** Prayer of Dedication Rev. Beasley

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory – *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* – Brandon Barbara Moore

** Congregational Response 405 – *Have Faith in God* (refrain)

** Choral Benediction Sanctuary Choir

The Lord Bless You and Keep You – Lutkin

** Postlude Barbara Moore

** Those who are physically able are invited to stand at these points in the service.

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For All the Saints

Heb. 12:1

William W. How, 1864; alt.

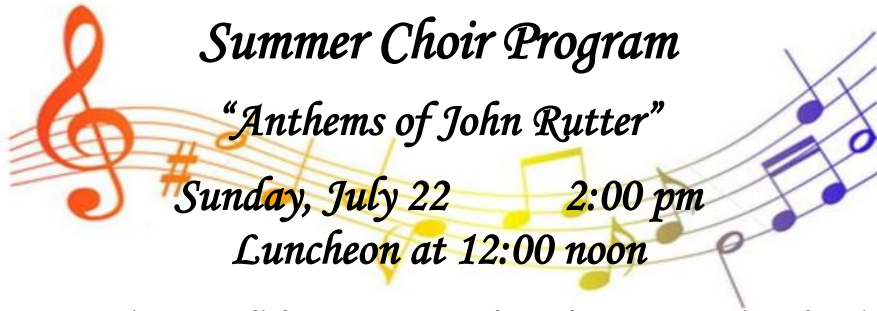
1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who to the
 2 You were their rock, their ref - uge, and their might: you, Christ, the
 3 Still may your peo - ple, faith - ful, true, and bold, live as the
 4 Ringed by this cloud of wit - ness - es di - vine, we fee - bly
 5 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long, steals on the

world their stead - fast faith con - fessed, your name, O Je - sus,
 hope that put their fears to flight; 'mid gloom and doubt, you
 saints who no - bly fought of old, and share with them a
 strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet in your love our
 ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, then hearts are brave a -

be for - ev - er blessed.
 were their one true light.
 glo - rious crown of gold. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 faith - ful lives en - twine.
 gain, and faith grows strong.

This traditional All Saints Day hymn originally consisted of eleven stanzas written for the Sarum Hymnal (1869) and set to a tune by that name, Sarum. It has grown in popularity since it was later paired with the enduring Sine Nomine in The English Hymnal (1906).

Tune: SINE NOMINE 10.10.10.4.
 Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906



Summer Choir Program

“Anthems of John Rutter”

Sunday, July 22 2:00 pm

Luncheon at 12:00 noon

John Rutter is an English composer and conductor, associated mainly with choral music and active internationally for many years. His larger choral works, *Gloria, Requiem, Magnificat, Mass of the Children, The Gift of Life, and Visions*, are widely performed around the world, and many of his shorter pieces such as *The Lord Bless You and Keep You, For the Beauty of the Earth, Look at the World, and All Things Bright and Beautiful* have become ‘standards’. His arrangements of Christmas carols (*O Holy Night, What Sweeter Music, Personent Hodie*) are becoming standard repertoire for churches and professional choirs. He established the Collegium record label in 1983 as a vehicle for recordings with his professional chamber choir the Cambridge Singers, and they have made over fifty recordings. He has enjoyed a long association with Clare College, Cambridge – first as student, then Director of Music, later as parent, and recording producer for their renowned choir.

On Sunday, July 22, we are excited to present our Summer Choir Program, a sampling of John Rutter anthems. After morning worship, there will be a luncheon, followed by the program beginning at 2:00pm. Please come join us and enjoy some truly amazing music!

Will and Erin Brown are away this weekend spending time with their families.

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

CONNECT

- **Summer Choir Program:** Our Summer Choir program this year will be “Anthems of John Rutter,” which we will present next week on Sunday, July 22, at 2 pm. There will be a luncheon for all in the Fellowship Hall following Morning Worship.
- **Wednesday Potluck Dinners:** July 18, and August 1. Each dinner begins at 5 pm, with a program afterward. On August 1, we have a Called Church Conference to approve recommended changes to the UBC Constitution and Bylaws.

LEARN

- **Sunday Bible Study:** While most of our classes take a break during the summer, there is a joint adult class meeting in room 117 each week, watching and discussing a DVD series on the Old Testament, as presented by Prof. Amy-Jill Levine. Anyone is welcome to come at 9:45 am and participate. The rest of our classes for children, youth, and adults resume August 26.
- **Rosewood Bible Study:** This Bible Study with the senior adults at Rosewood Assisted Living on Greenbrier Drive will be held August 6, before resuming weekly on Sept. 10.

SERVE

- **WMU School Supplies Project:** The WMU is collecting money to purchase school supplies for low-income children at Woodbrook Elementary School. Donations can be made to UBC and designated “School Supplies.”
- **Join a Committee or Team:** The Nominating Committee is working to fill the leadership positions on our church’s committees, councils, and teams. Talk to Sarah Buchanan or Will Brown to let us know where you'd like to serve.

Potluck Dinner

This Wednesday, July 18 – 5:00 pm

Afterward, hear a report about the Youth Mission Trip to Tangier Island.

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.

WATCH/LISTEN LIVE

To watch the live video of our worship service on YouTube, find the link on the UBC website, <www.universitybaptist.org>. Audio of our service is broadcast live every Sunday on WINA 1070 AM and 98.9 FM.

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, Debra Bryant, Lindsay Marshall, and Carter Groff.

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 Cindy Bryant and Joey Hamel.

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.

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