

THE WORD

UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

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Vacation Bible School Is Underway!

As you can see in the enclosed photos, this year's VBS is off to a fantastic start! With around 70 kids, we have traveled to ancient Greece to meet Paul and learn about his adventures sharing the story of Jesus! Monday involved making clay pots, meeting Paul and his friend Dionysius, warming up for the Olympic games, and learning about real missionaries today. Not to mention the confetti, piggy-back rides, and snacktime, which ranks number one for "my favorite part of VBS" year after year...

Want to come see what VBS is all about? You are MORE than welcome to stop by any day this week and check it out! You're also welcome to join us Friday at 11:30 for a closing ceremony and lunch with all of the VBS kids and families. If you're able to provide a snack or dessert for this lunch, feel free to drop it in the kitchen any day this week! Thanks for all of your prayers and support!

Requesting Input on Multimedia Displays

As we explore the best way to utilize video screens in the sanctuary, we are seeking feedback from the congregation about how we might do this effectively. We will be hosting listening sessions this summer to hear as many viewpoints as possible. The first listening session will be held on Tuesday, June 25, at 7:00pm in the Parlor (G14). Everyone is invited to attend and give their input.

Concerns

Judy Whitt Scruggs - UVA
George Payne - MJH
Barbara Phipps - now at Rosewood (Greenbrier)
Martha Williams - Encompass
Nat Howell - Encompass
Jim Sivley - Home

SERVICE OF HOLY WORSHIP

June 23, 2019

Sermon:

"When God Hears Our Prayers"

Dr. Matthew Tennant

Scripture:

Luke 7:1-10

Anthem:

"My Wordless Prayer"
arr. Courtney

Deacons: Raynell Stokes, Alan Hendricks, Jennifer Wagoner, Jim Moore, Shirley Clark, Wellford Tiller

Nursery Workers: Karen Minor, Colleen Baber, Catherine Cooper

Children's Church: Debby Johnson, Trip Kaufmann

Ushers for June: Ian Pallini, Ed Barker, Melvin Spicer, Mildred Spicer, Ron Tweel

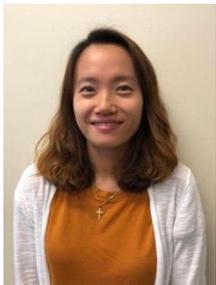
Greeters: Charlotte Bailey, Peter Ohlms

Learning Opportunity at UBC

We have a unique and exciting opportunity in a few weeks. Many of us have seen on television or read in books about the experiences of transgender people in society, but many of us have had few chances to meet and hear directly from someone with this gender identity.

On Sunday, July 14, in the Fellowship Hall, you are invited to a presentation entitled, "*From the Heart: A Transgender Virginian's Story*." Join Donna, a member of Equality Virginia's Transgender Advocacy Speakers Bureau, for a morning of fellowship and learning as she shares her story as a transgender woman, followed by plenty of time for dialogue and questions. Our time with Donna will be the usual Sunday School hour, 9:45-10:45am, and we hope that you can join us for this unique opportunity to hear from someone whose experience may be different from our own.

Meet Jane Kim



Jane Y. Kim has joined our church staff as our new Financial Secretary. Jane is a native of S. Korea and served in the Korean Army after graduating from the Korean Military Academy before coming to the United States and becoming a citizen. She has worked in several accounting positions and has passed her CPA examinations. Jane and her husband have two

young children that she has stayed home with for the last few years. Jane will be responsible for contribution tracking, bill payments, payroll, tax reporting, and general office duties. She will typically be in the office from 9-1 each day. Jane enjoys activities with her family, singing, practicing guitar, and exercising.

Jane is working to assume her duties from Richard Vaughan who has served as the interim Financial Secretary and will continue to serve as Treasurer. Please be sure to introduce yourself to Jane when you are in the office. Also remember to thank Richard and Larry Martin who have worked in recent months to modernize our financial management system.

Deacon Elections

Deacon ballots are being distributed to church members this week. Please take a few minutes to prayerfully complete your ballot and participate in this process of selecting the spiritual leaders of our congregation.

Medical On-Call: Sally
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CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19

9:00 Vacation Bible School
5:15 Security Task Force
6:30 Sanctuary Choir

THURSDAY, JUNE 20

9:00 Vacation Bible School
6:30 Sanctuary Choir

FRIDAY, JUNE 21

9:00 Vacation Bible School
12:00 VBS Closing Celebration
8:00 Softball Game (McIntire)

SUNDAY, JUNE 23

9:45 Combined Adult Class
11:00 Worship Service

MONDAY, JUNE 24

12:00 Missions Council

TUESDAY, JUNE 25

9:00 UBC Work Team
9:00 Painting Group
6:30 Prayer Shawl Ministry
7:00 Listening Session about
Sanctuary Screens

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

6:30 Sanctuary Choir

For our most up-to-date
calendar, [click here](#).



Nominating Committee Survey

As the Nominating Committee begins recruiting lay leaders for the coming year, they welcome your input. How might you be called to serve? Whether it's on a committee or team or another type of ministry, all of us have a part to play at UBC.

Please take a few minutes to fill out the survey, which can be [found here](#).

Thank You

During Operation Inasmuch, one of our teams helped a local resident referred to us by Love INC. He recently sent a note thanking us for the flowers planted in his yard: *"I look out every morning and see my beautiful flowers and they inspire me to get up in the morning!"*

UBC Members on Mission

Pray for [Dean Tennant](#) as he serves in Haiti at a medical clinic in Haiti's Eden.

Pray for [Roy and Jane Thomas](#) during their two-week mission trip to Africa, working with orphanages in Malawi and Kenya.

Pray for [Kathy Wilson](#)'s mission trip to Peru, where her aunt and uncle are serving as missionaries



Soles4Souls

Coming soon: an exciting new ministry opportunity in our community. Our church in the past has collected shoes for "Soles4Souls", and this organization may be a helpful partner in our mission work in Haiti. Church Council has approved the idea of our hosting a collection box, similar to the one pictured, where people can donate used shoes.

What are they wearing??

During Sunday morning worship this summer, the choir and ministers will not be wearing robes. This accords with the more casual feel of worship in the summer, as well as the practicalities of warm robes on hot days!

Sunday Bible Study this Summer

Although our Sunday Bible Study classes take a break during the summer months, we offer a combined adult session each week in room 117 at 9:45 for anyone interested. The group will use a DVD series considering daily life in the ancient world. All are welcome.

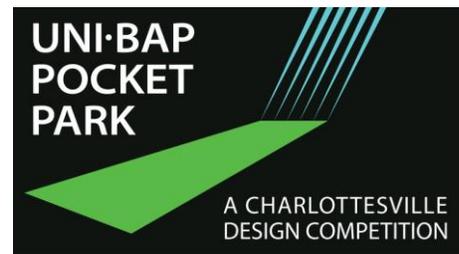
Sunday Morning Acolytes

Are you interested in participating in Sunday morning worship? But maybe you don't like reading or speaking in front of a crowd? Please sign up to be an acolyte!

We welcome anyone to participate in worship by lighting the candles and opening the Bible at the beginning of the service. The candles represent Jesus as the Light of the World, and opening the Bible reminds us that God speaks to people through Scripture. These elements of worship are brief, but they are integral to setting the tone for our worship on Sundays. We encourage all individuals, families, youth and seniors to take a turn being an acolyte. You can [sign up here](#) today!

Re-imagining our "Front Yard"

With Church Council's approval, we have now launched a design competition to create "UniBap Pocket Park," a re-imagining of the green space between our parking lot and West Main Street. We invite architects and architecture students to submit designs for a welcoming space. A panel of judges (including church members and representation from the Board of Architectural Review) will choose the winning design for the church to consider. With congregational approval, we will build it, and the winner will receive a donation to the charity she or he chooses. If you have any questions or comments, contact the senior minister. The detailed contest description can be found here: universitybaptist.org/unibap-pocket-park



UBC Softball

The season is underway, with games played most Friday nights (see calendar above for this week's game).

There's still room on the team for you, if you'd like to join! Just contact Brad Groff at brad.groff85@gmail.com

Flowers Bring Great Joy

If you would like to dedicate sanctuary flowers for a special remembrance or celebration, the 2019 Floral Calendar is posted in the first floor hallway. Sign up on the calendar AND email or call Sarah Buchanan to reserve your special date. There are several Sundays still available: June 23, July 14, 21, 28, and Aug. 18. I will order the flowers for \$45, unless you want to provide them yourself. You can drop a check earmarked "sanctuary flowers" in the offering plate, or send to the church office.

If you love flowers, enjoy arranging them, or want to learn how, please contact Sarah at 434-409-9064 or sarahbucha@gmail.com and join us on the Floral Team.

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Vacation Bible School 2019

Thank you to all of our volunteers and participants!

