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Finding a Place at UBC **ON WATCH**

For people who have been around the church for many years, UBC life feels natural. They know where things are located. They can find a Bible study, or they think they know what different Bible studies are like. They know the flow of the church year (e.g. PACEM, Jubilate concerts, VBS, and so on).

What about newer members? What about first-time visitors? How are we drawing people into UBC life? Addressing these questions can be a growing edge for any church.

Recently, I was showing someone around the church. She had been attending worship for several months, but she has not yet tried a Bible study. When I asked her if anyone invited her to a class, she said no. She likes the church. The people have been friendly. And, she plans to keep coming. I cannot understand why no one has invited her to their Bible study.

As we walked around the church, she was amazed at the space, and we did not even make it up to the third floor. What about you? Have you explored your church? Have you been to the old boiler room (aka the dungeon)? Have you seen the room with all of the pumps and piping for the glycol-based heat pump system?

Our church is a fascinating place. Setting aside the rooms and machinery, UBC is filled with meaning. The music pouring out of the Choir/Lecture Suite on Wednesday evenings can inspire God's speech in one's heart. When Barbara practices the organ on weekdays, the sanctuary comes alive. Or, sitting in the silence of the empty sanctuary elicits the movement of the Holy Spirit. On Tuesdays, the work crew performs various maintenance. Theirs is a labor of love. Watching them (or joining them) means participating in keeping up God's house.

SERVICE OF HOLY WORSHIP

October 06, 2019

Sermon:

"Garments & Wine for What's Next"

Dr. Matt Tennant

Scripture:

Luke 5:36-39

Job 8:2-7

Anthem:

"God of the Ages, History's Maker"

arr. Larson

Deacons: Alan Hendricks, Carolyn Lowry, Ed Lowry, Herman Eaker, Jennifer Wagoner, Johnny Ellen, Jeannette May

Nursery Workers: Aimee Marshall, Lindsay Marshall, Connor Marshall

Children's Church: Sally Chewning, Vito Pallini

Ushers for October: Cindy Bryant, Shelly Miller, Lily Pallini, Rhonda Wiley, Barry Willard

Greeters: Pam Hallissy, Jim Hallissy

Whether someone has been part of UBC for many years or a few weeks, there is a place in the life of the church for everyone. If you are trying to figure out your place, ask a minister or deacon. We will help. We can find your place here.

Peace,
Matt

CONCERNS

Sympathy to Bryan and Leslee Parsons and family, after the death of Bryan's father, Bill Parsons, on September 20.

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Sympathy Jim and Laura Martindale and family, after the death of Jim's father, Larry Martindale, on September 19.

Funeral Announcement

A funeral will be held for Bill Parsons (Bryan Parsons' father) on Saturday, October 5, 2019 at 1:00 PM. There will be a brief reception following the service in the fellowship hall. An interment will follow at 2:30 PM at Monticello Memorial Gardens.

CALENDAR

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

9:00 Work Team
7:00 Kittie Colvin Trail Circle

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2

6:30 Sanctuary Choir Practice

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

1:00 Bill Parsons Funeral
2:30 Bill Parson Interment

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

8:30 Church Council Meeting
9:30 Seekers Class
9:45 Sunday Bible Study
11:00 Worship Service
6:00 Jubilate Rehearsal
6:00 NO Youth Real Life

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7

10:30 Rosewood Bible Study

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8

9:00 Work Team
12:00 Annie Armstron Circle
6:30 Prayer Shawl Group

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

6:30 Sanctuary Choir Practice

No Wednesday Dinner during October!

Variety Show! - Save the Date

Jubilate will be joining with the Youth of UBC to present a Variety Show on Friday, October 18 (7:00 pm) and Sunday, October 20 (noon luncheon after worship). This will be a fund raiser for both Jubilate and for our Youth. Please come join us!

Jubilate Update from Alba

I am happy to report that, after starting with 8 Jubilate members returning, we have doubled in size! We are now up to 16, and we will continue to recruit throughout this semester. We made contacts with 60+ students who expressed an interest in Jubilate at the Fall Activities fair on grounds the day before classes began. We also made another 60+ contacts to students who expressed an interest in choral singing during the student orientations this summer. We have one student from Ghana, one from China and another from Sweden. I am meeting with 6 of the members in individual lessons because they have never sung in a choir and musical notation is not familiar to them. Please pray for Jubilate as we continue to grow!

CBFVA Newsletter

Check out the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Virginia newsletter! You'll find University Baptist Church mentioned twice: as the recipient of \$25,000 in grant funding for collegiate ministry (p. 2), and as the host site for a statewide Youth Summit event this January (p. 5).

Volunteer Sign Up!

Would you be willing to give back to our church community? We have two regular Sunday opportunities this fall for members, friends and families to participate in church life.

Volunteer to **acolyte on Sunday mornings**, light the candles and open the Bible as we begin Sunday morning worship together.

Volunteer to **serve dinner to Jubilate members and our youth group** on Sunday evenings. If you have questions or other, please contact Pheobe Brown - pbrown@universitybaptist.org

Coffee and Cookies

Join us on Sunday mornings after worship for coffee and cookies on the porch. Use this opportunity to greet visitors and better get to know your church family.

Youth Real Life

Our youth group meets from 6pm until 8pm each Sunday. Everyone in grades 6-12 is welcome!

Serving Dinner

Want to help Jubilate and our Youth? Sign up to re-heat and serve dinner (food provided), 5:30-6:30, on Sunday evenings. Thanks!

Building Hosts

UBC hosts a great variety of community events. Musical, worship, therapeutic and community orientated events are happening weekly! For each event we need a UBC member to act as a building host. What does being a building host mean? Simply that you are present for the event to lock and unlock the doors, answer any questions the building users might have and make sure the church office is looped into problems that may arise. It's a simple occasional volunteer task with a big impact! If you would be willing to have your name on the list of building hosts please contact Pheobe Brown - pbrown@universitybaptist.org.

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: October 13, 20, and 27. 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.



Sunday Morning Bible Study



Join Us in Sunday Bible Study

Our regular Sunday Bible Study classes have resumed. If you haven't found a class yet, now is a perfect time to try out a new class, or to get back involved after some time away. All are welcome to join us for study and fellowship, beginning each week at 9:45!

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