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### Alliance of Baptists, Annual Gathering 2021

Within our community conversations this winter, one of the points that arose was a need to clarify UBC's affiliations with networks and denominational groups, as a part of clarifying and communicating our identity as a progressive Baptist congregation. One way we are putting these words into action is by joining the Alliance of Baptists. Our ministers have already personally participated with the Alliance at varying degrees, and we are looking forward to growing the relationship between UBC and the Alliance in the years to come!

Our very own Rev. Matt Tennant will be participating in the 2021 Annual Gathering of the Alliance by leading a workshop titled, "Engaging People With Whom We Disagree," pulling from his own lived experiences and his book *Crossing the Lines We Draw*. Matt's workshop will take place at 11:30am on April 24, as a part of the virtual gathering on April 23 and 24, featuring worship sessions with keynote speakers Aurelia Dávila Pratt, Robert P. Jones and Naomi Washington-Leapheart.

UBC community members who would like to participate in the Annual Gathering are encouraged to [visit the Alliance website](#) for a full schedule and to register online.



### SERVICE OF HOLY WORSHIP

April 11, 2021  
11:00 AM

**Sermon:**  
"Beauty in the Common"  
Rev. Val Fisk

**Scripture:**  
Acts 4:32-35

**Anthem:**  
"My Shepherd Will Supply My  
Need"  
(arr. Wilberg)

### CALENDAR

#### WEDNESDAY, April 7

10:00 PBJ Bible Study ([Zoom](#))  
7:00 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
([Zoom](#))

#### THURSDAY, April 8

10:00 Bible Reading  
Group ([Zoom link](#))  
7:00 Deacons Meeting ([Zoom](#))

#### SUNDAY, April 11

8:30 Church Council ([Zoom](#))  
9:40 Online Bible Study ([Zoom Link](#))  
11:00 Morning Worship

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## Please Join UBC for 2021's Operation Inasmuch Reimagined

Operation Inasmuch (OIAM) is University Baptist Church's own local mission outreach effort. The UBC Missions Council has committed April 2021 as a whole month of OIAM. We would like for you to seek out a project for a neighbor, church member, non-profit organization, family member or friend. Plan a date in April that is convenient for your family or small group, choose your recipient, and spend a day in service. You can find the OIAM 2021 sign-up sheet with previous projects and new suggestions [here](#). If you would like to see the full descriptive article from the past few editions of the WORD [click here](#).

Looking forward to seeing the ways you come up with to be the hands and feet of Christ!

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*And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, in as much as you did it unto one of the least of these my brethren, you did it unto me. ~Matthew 25:40*



2:00 Jubilate Rehearsal ([Zoom Link](#))

MONDAY, April 12

8:30 Morning Prayer ([UBC Facebook Page](#))

1:00 Schleiermacher Reading Group ([Zoom Link](#))

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!**

Join us in wishing some of our church family a Happy Birthday this week!

**April 11:** Rossie Carnes, Stewart Kauffman

**April 12:** Nelda Vaughan

**April 14:** Pete Whitt

**April 16:** Carter Groff

Having a birthday and do not see your name here? Please help us update our records. Contact Lexi to provide your updated information at (434)-293-5106

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## National Missions

Each Spring UBC has participated in the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship's National Missions Offering. This emphasis helps support our missionaries right here in the US. Last year, our Missions Council reached out to Scarlett Jasper, a CBF missionary working in southeastern Kentucky, where UBC has been partnered with missionaries for many years. Scarlett was commissioned by the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship as a field missionary in 2014, and now serves one of the poorest parts of the United States. There, she is the director of Olive Branch Ministries,

Inc ([olivebranchministriesky.org](http://olivebranchministriesky.org)) to address the needs of the local community. Some of the many needs that Scarlett helps address are: working with the homeless, coordinating childrens' literacy projects, rent and utility aid, assisting with transportation costs for distant medical appointments, providing heaters or propane in the winter, supporting local schools with supplies, and helping veterans get needed services. She maintains a small mission house that serves as an emergency shelter and place for pastoral counseling. You can see her most recent projects on her Facebook page, here: <https://www.facebook.com/Olive-Branch-Ministries-766161053487938>.



Like the majority of our field missionaries, Scarlett must raise her own program and project support. Last year, our church was able to raise \$2,255 to help support Scarlett's ministry to the communities she serves. Our contribution certainly made a difference in those communities, as Scarlett helped to provide food and hygiene items at the start of the pandemic, as well as assistance to the homeless and economically vulnerable through emergency shelter and rental assistance, and to help struggling students to maintain and improve their skills with reading and math games.

As we all know, the effects of the pandemic are still with us, and Scarlett is still active in her community to help with their needs. Our goal this year is to raise \$3,000 to support Scarlett and her work in Kentucky. This year, please consider offering your thoughts, prayers, and financial support to our National Missions Emphasis. When donating online, specify "National Missions" to ensure that your offering is sent to Scarlett.

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OF HEALTH

## Sunday Mornings

As we slowly begin to regather, there are several options for joining us on Sunday mornings. We will continue to offer our minister-led Bible study via Zoom, and our in-person worship services will continue to be livestreamed for those who are not ready to come back to the building yet. We hope you will join us!

### Bible Study

At 9:40 am, we gather on Zoom to share prayer requests and updates about our lives. At 10:00 am, we begin an interactive Bible Study. To join us, click this [Zoom link](#), or watch the Bible Study portion on [YouTube](#). We invite you to join in the conversation by adding comments during the session. To download the handout ahead of time, visit [universitybaptist.org/live](https://universitybaptist.org/live).

### Worship

Our Sunday morning worship service will begin, as usual, at 11:00 am. We encourage everyone in the congregation to join us in whatever way you feel safe and comfortable at this time, whether in person or virtually. As always, you can listen by radio on WINA (1070 AM and 98.9 FM), or you can join us online for our live broadcast. To view the live video broadcast, visit our [Facebook page](#) or click [this link](#) to watch on YouTube.

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