

# THE WORD

UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

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## Congratulations, Graduates!

UBC is so proud of our 2021 graduates. These students overcame great adversity in the past year, managing to complete their degrees in the midst of a pandemic. Way to go, UBCers!



Audrey Miller received her Bachelor's degree from UVA Wise this spring, a whole year ahead of schedule! She majored in History with a minor in Theater. Audrey has chosen to continue living in Wise for the foreseeable future.

Emily Morris received her Bachelor's of Science in Education from Longwood University, majoring in Health and Physical Education and completing her student teaching during this crazy pandemic year here at home in Charlottesville! Emily is in the search process for her first teaching position.

## SERVICE OF HOLY WORSHIP

July 11, 2021  
11:00 AM

**Sermon:**  
"Finding Freedom in Christ"  
Dr. Matthew Tennant

**Scripture:**  
Ephesians 1:3-14

**Deacons:** Laura Martindale,  
Raynell Stokes

**Ushers:** Ian Pallini, Ed Barker

## CALENDAR

### TUESDAY, July 6

7:00 Ministry Transition Team

### WEDNESDAY, July 7

12:00 Soft Serve on the Steps

### THURSDAY, July 8

7:00 Deacon Meeting (*Zoom*)

### SUNDAY, July 11

8:30 Church Council Meeting  
(*Zoom*)

9:30 Listening Session



Will Wagoner graduated from Monticello High School. He plans to take a gap year, and is using some of this time to train for his first marathon later this fall!



Carter Groff graduated from Albemarle High School. Carter has chosen to attend James Madison University this fall, and has specifically requested that we add a purple and gold pillow to the collection of blue and orange pillows in the UBC college room!

Sally Chewning graduated from Grand Canyon University with a BS in Nursing. She has been accepted to Herzing University for the MSN/NP in Psychiatry program, and will start those courses this month!

11:00 Morning Worship  
2:00 Jubilate Zoom

**MONDAY, July 12**  
8:30 Morning Prayer ([UBC Facebook Page](#))

**TUESDAY, July 6**  
9:00 UBC Work Team



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!**

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

**July 12:** Jen May, Doc Litchfield, Andrew Mundell

**July 13:** Amy Cumbia

**July 14:** Pam Beasley, Donna Ballard

**July 16:** Lexi Woodson

**Prayer Concerns**

Sympathy to the family of Jan Main Thomas, who died June 26. Jan was the daughter of Ralph and Mary Main, and the sister of [Ralph Main, Jr.](#) Her obituary can be found [here](#).

**Flavors of the Week**

Chocolate

Vanilla

Chocolate/Vanilla swirl

**\*Follow us on Instagram @ubc\_cville to vote on our story polls for Flavor of the Week every Monday!**

**Listening Session this Sunday!**

We want to hear from you! This Sunday, our Ministry Transition Team will be hosting a listening session to hear your perspective on music and worship at University Baptist Church. What are your hopes--and concerns--about the future? What should we look for in calling a new minister? Please come and join us at 9:30am in Fellowship Hall for this important conversation.

If you are unable to attend this week, we will also have a listening session in person on Sunday, July 25, and there will be a Zoom conversation on Tuesday, July 20 at 7pm for those who would prefer to participate virtually.



**Red, White, and You!** Kids and families gathered on Sunday to share God's love with our neighbors, near and far! We made puppy treats for our canine neighbors, wrote encouraging chalk messages for our church and C'ville neighbors, and wrote thank you letters to the first responders that keep us safe every day!

### Staff Vacations

During this summer season, our staff members have been taking some vacation time to rest and rejuvenate. Thanks to Diane Mundell for directing the choir while Will Cooke is away. We look forward to his return to direct Sanctuary Choir in worship on the 18th.

### Save the Date - Wednesday Dinners Return!

With encouraging covid statistics and high vaccination rates, we are hopeful about resuming more in-person programs in the fall. High on the list is the much-anticipated return of Wednesday night dinners. We are especially grateful that Larry Johnson has agreed to return as our chef!

Mark your calendars now: we will start back our weekly Wednesday meals and programs on August 18. We will serve dinner at 5:30, begin our program at 6:00, and be finished by 7:00 for those going to choir rehearsal at 7. More details will be shared about the planned programs as the date approaches. We provide the meals with a suggested donation of \$5, and we plan to invite UVA students to come and eat for free.

Serving volunteers needed: Interested in helping on Wednesday nights? We need a few more servers who are willing to come at 5:00 to pour drinks and serve the food (you'll be done by 6:00). The commitment is for once a month in the fall, and servers eat free! If you'd like to help, please email Will at [wbrown@universitybaptist.org](mailto:wbrown@universitybaptist.org).



**Did You Walk Six Miles Uphill in the Snow to School?** Many of you will remember the days when gathering school supplies meant stopping by the neighborhood drug store and asking for an empty cigar box to use as a pencil box. Now the economy is different. Teachers have gone years

without raises, many are spending their own money to buy needed classroom supplies. School budgets are stretched to the max. School supplies, that previously had been provided by the school system, are no longer in the budget.

This past school year 67% of Woodbrook Elementary School's 573 students qualified for the free or reduced-price lunch program. Most families simply cannot afford to spend \$40 per child on basic school supplies to begin the school year.

Through the month of July, the money you donate to the WMU (Woman's Missionary Union) Woodbrook School Supplies Project will allow the WMU to purchase school supplies that are requested by the school's Family Support Workers. They will then give the needed supplies to underprivileged children. Please make your checks or online donations payable to UBC and earmark "school supplies."

### **Alfie, Carl, Gertie, Henrietta, and their Siblings are Ready for Adoption**

Our steadfast family of Palms have served us well through the COVID pandemic. They are now ready for adoption. The choir is back in the choir loft, the pulpit furniture has returned to the podium, and fresh flowers are returning to the sanctuary. So, if your family has room in your heart and home for a well-behaved, housebroken Palm or two, come to the Children's Suite on the second floor, meet our sweet plants, and take one or a few with you to their forever home. There is no fee for these adoptions.



**Flowers Bring Great Joy** With more people coming back into the sanctuary to worship, we would again like to provide live flower arrangements each Sunday. If you would like to dedicate sanctuary flowers for a special remembrance or celebration, the 2021 Floral Calendar has been posted in the first floor hallway. Sign up on the calendar AND call or email Sarah Buchanan to reserve your special date. I will order the flowers from Plantscapes for \$60 unless you want to provide them yourself. (Gary Bibb has retired from Plantscapes; he had charged us the same price for probably fifteen years. The new owner has raised the price an equitable amount.)

You can drop a check earmarked "sanctuary flowers" in the offering plate, or send it 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](mailto:sarahbucha@gmail.com) and join us on the Floral Team. Sometimes it can be as simple as taking an already made arrangement out of the refrigerator and placing it in the sanctuary or watering live plants.

### **Sunday Mornings**

At this point in our regathering from the pandemic, UBC is *almost* back to business as usual in our Sunday worship services. After over a year on Zoom and YouTube, we are taking a break from our morning Bible study in order to enjoy some fellowship opportunities in the mornings over the summer. Look for announcements here in the newsletter as those coffee hours and community conversations are added to the calendar!

## 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.

## Masks & Social Distancing

University Baptist Church trusted the recommendations of the CDC when they encouraged us to wear our masks and social distance, and we are continuing to follow the CDC recommendations as they are updated. At this time, that means that fully vaccinated people are welcome to attend church with or without a mask, and we request that any non-vaccinated people continue to wear a mask. We are continuing to social distance in our sanctuary, seating all attendees in every other pew.

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