

# THE WORD

UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

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## Adjusting Plans for the Fall

We have long been looking to the fall as a hopeful season when the church would return to more of its pre-pandemic routines. However, with the rise of the Delta variant, we must be wise and exercise caution in our planning. Please read these updates carefully and contact our staff if you have any questions.

### This Wednesday Night: Meeting but No Dinner

Because of the need to wear masks, we will not be able to share a meal together on Wednesday night. However, we do still have an important Church Conference filled with significant items to discuss. This meeting will be held in person in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00pm, with a Zoom option for those joining remotely. The agenda and Zoom details are listed further down in this newsletter.

### Regular Wednesday Night Dinners - Delayed

After this week, we had hoped to resume immediately our weekly Wednesday night dinners and programs. With this no longer feasible, our hope now is to resume Wednesday evening dinners/programs in October. We will reevaluate the COVID situation in late September and update our plans accordingly. Updates will be published in the Word.

### Wearing Masks Inside

In keeping with the advice of the CDC, we are resuming our requirement that people wear masks inside at UBC. This applies both to vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals. If you forget your mask on Sunday morning or need a new one, both disposable and homemade masks are available in the narthex. (Thank you to our sewing volunteers for providing masks we can distribute.) Of course, worship will also continue to be broadcast on the radio and live-streamed on YouTube and Facebook.

### Sunday Bible Study

Not everyone is ready to resume in-person Sunday Bible Study, so we will offer an online adult Bible Study option each week, beginning September 5, for anyone who would like to participate.

## SERVICE OF HOLY WORSHIP

August 22, 2021  
11:00 AM

### Sermon:

"God, Don't You Remember What You Said?"  
Dr. Matthew Tennant

### Scripture:

1 Kings 8:22-30

**Deacons:** Herman Eaker, Jim Moore

**Ushers:** Shirley Clark, Sally Chewning

## CALENDAR

### WEDNESDAY, August 18

10:00 Welcome UVA students with soft serve  
1:30 Ted Placzkouski Memorial Service  
6:00 Church Conference  
7:00 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY, August 19

10:00 Welcome UVA students with soft serve  
7:00 Seekers Class (*Zoom*)

### FRIDAY, August 20

10:00 Welcome UVA students with soft serve

Details will be shared in upcoming newsletters. Some classes may choose to resume meeting, either in person or via Zoom, at the time of their choosing. We will re-evaluate the Delta situation next month and keep you posted on when in-person classes resume.

### Children's Programming

Because children under 12 are not yet able to be vaccinated, we must exercise particular caution with children's programming. While we may not be able to resume Sunday School and open the nursery immediately, Erin Brown will continue to communicate directly with families as the covid situation evolves.

### Youth Programming

Our youth group will meet in the fall semester, beginning August 29 at 6 PM. However, we will not be providing dinner for our youth and will limit our meetings to one hour together, due to the need to wear masks while we meet. We will reevaluate the COVID situation for youth & Jubilate Sunday dinners in late September and update our plans accordingly. Please note, UBC will follow the lead of local schools concerning in person/virtual meeting options.

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## August 18 Church Conference

We have a full agenda for our Church Conference this Wednesday night at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall:

- Remote Participants Join Zoom (5:50pm)
- Opening Word (6:00pm)
- Scripture Reading
- Hymn
- Celebration of Our Lord's Supper
- Prayer
- Call the meeting to order
- Approval of minutes
- Nominations for **2021-22 Lay Leadership**
- **Deacons Emeriti** (Al Holliday, Lynn Martin, Ed Smith, Eldon Wood, and Martha Wood)
- JARC update
- New Hymnals final report
- Personnel update
- Finance update
- Ministry Transition Team **final report**
- Nomination of Search Committee, Associate Minister for Music (Ben Chenault, Lily Gregg, Robby Gough, Laura Martindale, Debby Johnson, Larry Johnson, Peter Ohlms, Caroline Wagoner)
- Other business
- Benediction

If you're joining us via Zoom, we encourage you to join a few minutes before the hour to ensure the technology is working well. Beginning at 5:50, you can join our Zoom meeting at this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85356372364?pwd=dFhNZlVGT3Fmbzhyc3VZZHYrdS94UT09>

**SUNDAY, August 22**  
11:00 Morning Worship

**MONDAY, August 23**  
8:30 Morning Prayer ([UBC Facebook Page](#))

**TUESDAY, August 24**  
9:00 UBC Work Team  
6:30 Prayer Shawl Group



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

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

**August 22:** Daniel Pinkham  
**August 28:** Sima Brown, Val Fisk



## Flavors of the Week

Mango  
Vanilla  
Mango/Vanilla Swirl

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

## Prayer Concerns

Leon Castle- Home  
Mac Smith- UVA Encompass Health

Meeting ID: 853 5637 2364

Passcode: 942390

One tap mobile: +19292056099,,85356372364#,,,,\*942390#

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## Memorial Service

On Wednesday, August 18, at 1:30pm, we will have a celebration of Ted Placzkowski's life at University Baptist Church. Jack Averill will lead the service. This will be an open service for all friends that would like to attend.

## Will Brown at Duke Divinity School next week

As I begin my 3-year Doctor of Ministry (DMin) program through Duke Divinity School, I will be out of the office next week for a week of coursework in Durham, August 23-28. Most of this program will take place virtually, with a few intensive weeks like this one taking place in person. My classes this semester are Introduction to Christian Leadership with Dr. David Goatley, Prophetic Perspectives on Leadership with Dr. Ellen Davis, and a Spiritual Formation seminar. I look forward to sharing more about what I'm learning in the months ahead.

~ Will

## Deacon Emeritus

The designation of Deacon Emeritus recognizes Deacons whose service and contributions have been exemplary. The Active Deacons have nominated five candidates to be presented for congregational approval at the next Church Conference (Aug. 18). Each week, we will highlight one or two of these candidates in The Word.

## Eldon Wood

Eldon grew up in Albemarle County attending Chestnut Grove Baptist Church where he was baptized and became a deacon. He also served as a deacon at Downtown Baptist, where he and Martha met and were married, and at Fair Park Baptist, both in Alexandria. Eldon and Martha joined UBC in 1979, and Eldon was involved in church leadership until his death in 2005. He served three terms as a deacon at UBC including being deacon chair. He was a valued Sunday School teacher and used his architectural skills with UBC's building renovation in the 1980s. Eldon was also involved in denominational life, serving as moderator of both the Mount Vernon and Albemarle Associations and as a trustee of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary during the turbulent period of the 1980s. He and Martha were involved in the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship from its formation.

## Alba's Retirement Celebration Postponed

Sadly, with the surging Delta variant of COVID-19, we will not be able to hold our celebration of Alba's ministry on September 26 as we had hoped. Our desire is for this to be a joyous celebration when we can do a lot of singing together, and it simply does not seem safe to plan such an event at this time. We will continue to watch the covid situation carefully, and the planning team led by Carolyn Lowry will remain in touch with Alba and Pam to reschedule this event at an appropriate time. We will share details as they become available.

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## Sunday Mornings

### Worship

Our Sunday morning worship service will begin 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 continues to follow the recommendations of the CDC as they are updated. At this time, that means that all individuals should wear a mask in worship, both vaccinated and unvaccinated. As we monitor this next wave of COVID cases related to the Delta variant, we will make announcements as our policies are adjusted.

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