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The Return of Wednesday Nights!

ONWATCH



This past Wednesday was an exciting one - UBC held our first Wednesday night dinner in over two years! Around thirty people gathered in the Fellowship Hall for a potluck followed by a time of sharing, allowing us all to hear what each another have been up to in the recent months.

Wednesday night dinners will continue through the month of May with a meal each week at 5:30 PM, followed by a Bible study starting at 6:00. This week's dinner will be catered by Mona Lisa Pasta, with options for eggplant parmesan or meat lasagna. Suggested donation \$10.

The Bible study will be led by Tommy Deal and is titled, "What then shall we say? - A look at Paul's Letter to the Church at Rome...and to us!" Each week of this study will broadly discuss four of the chapters in Romans, and Tommy suggests that everyone read the first four chapters of Romans this week. This will be an interactive discussion that everyone is encouraged to participate with!

Stay tuned for an announcement of the menus for future Wednesday nights!

SERVICE OF HOLY WORSHIP

May 1, 2022
11:00 AM

Sermon

Kim Bunns
"Trust God In Treacherous Times"

Scripture:

Psalm 55:1-6

Anthem:

"Worthy of Worship"
Arr. York & Blankenship
Sung by Jubilate

SUNDAY SERVICE

Deacons: Lily Gregg and Shirley Clark

Ushers: Sally Chewning and Bob Gough

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, April 27

9:00 Work Team
11:00 Wednesday Treats
5:30 Wednesday Night Dinner
6:00 Bible Study - Romans
7:00 Sanctuary Choir Practice

SUNDAY, May 1

8:30 Church Council Meeting
9:30 ESOL Classes
10:00 Sunday Bible Study



Welcome, New Members!

On Sunday, we were thrilled to welcome two new members into our church family: Glenna and Dan Ohlms. You may know Dan and Glenna as recurring guests over the past couple of decades, and as the parents of Peter Ohlms. Now that they have recently moved to Charlottesville, we are delighted to welcome them as "official" members of UBC. Welcome, Dan and Glenna!



This Sunday, we are pleased to welcome back to our pulpit the Rev. Kim Bunns, Associate Minister at Sharon Baptist Church, Weems, Virginia. Dr. Tennant knows Kim well from his years in Kilmarnock. They worked together on a number of projects, including organizing prayer services after several mass shootings. Rev. Bunns preached at UBC in February of 2019, and we are grateful she will be leading us in worship again the next three Sundays.

Welcome Back, Rev. Kim Bunns!

11:00 Morning Worship
12:15 Youth Group
2:00 Jubilate Homecoming Concert

MONDAY, May 2

8:30 Morning Prayer ([UBC Facebook Page](#))
10:30 Bible Reading Group ([Zoom](#))
1:00 Schleiermacher Reading

TUESDAY, May 3

9:30 Staff Meeting
6:30 Prayer Shawl Group
7:00 Voces Laetae Rehearsal
7:00 Kittie Colvin Trail (Zoom)

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



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

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

May 4: Bobby Gregg

May 5: Kelly Kossi and Nancy Gaines

May 8: Richard Vaughan

May 9: Sue Whitt

May 10: Bill Cromwell



Jubilate Homecoming Concert - This Sunday!

We are thrilled that Jubilate will be presenting its Homecoming Concert at UBC on Sunday, May 1 at 2:00pm. A reception will follow in Fellowship Hall. We hope to see you there!

Jubilate Homecoming Concert Parking

Additional parking is available in the 14th St garage that you enter from Wertland St. Parking is free in the garage when you show your bulletin. For those with walking difficulties, please use the church lots for parking, and we would like to encourage those with accessible parking permits to make use of the three on-street Sunday-only parking spaces in front of UniBap Park.

Community Volunteer Opportunity

PACEM and Meals on Wheels are partnering to provide lunch to medically vulnerable members of our community who are homeless. To make this happen, they need 5-7 volunteers to commit to picking up and delivering the meals to 405 Premier Circle (the former Red Carpet Inn, where homeless guests are now staying). The estimated time obligation is one hour a day for one volunteer for Monday-Thursday. If you are interested in learning more, Will Brown can share the flier and connect you with Meals on Wheels. Thank you for considering this avenue for ministry.



On Monday night, UBC hosted a dinner with faith leaders from the surrounding area to hear a presentation from the Baptist Seminary of Kentucky (BSK). Following the closure of the Baptist Theological Seminary in Richmond (BTSR) a few years back, BSK has become an

important partner in theological education for CBF churches in Virginia.

It was informative to hear their presentation and share in conversation with other local ministers. The evening was also a helpful reminder that we are part of a much larger Baptist community, which extends far beyond the reach of any single congregation.



Looking ahead..... to VBS!!

Vacation Bible School is making a comeback this summer! We will have VBS June 14-17 (Tuesday-Friday), and already have a number of excited families ready to roll! If you would like to be a part of the VBS team and help out that week, email Erin (ehallissy@gmail.com); we would love as many hands on deck as possible for the week's festivities! :)

Donations needed for local refugees

Kittie Colvin Trail and Annie Armstrong Circles are joining forces to support current refugee resettling in Charlottesville. As more local businesses provide discounted furniture items, UBC is focusing on necessary items that new home dwellers require. Instead of repurposing furniture, we are now collecting cleaning and disposable items for starting up households.

Laundry baskets are available in the lobby and fellowship hall to receive the following items: *Microfiber mop, cleaning bucket, disposable gloves, toilet bowl brush, swiffer duster, disinfectant spray (Lysol), All purpose cleaner (Lysol), double sided sponges and microfiber cloths, glass cleaner, paper towels, toilet tissue, bathroom cleaner, clorox wipes, broom & dust pan, tall kitchen trash can, tall kitchen trash bags, laundry detergent, dish soap, vacuum cleaner, front door mat, shampoo & toothpaste-men, women, kids; soap.*

We thank you in advance for your generosity!
Sarah & Jen

Fundraising Concert for The Haven

Save the date to join us for a concert to benefit The Haven on Sunday, May 15 at 2:00 PM. This concert will feature the UBC Sanctuary Choir, Voces Laetae, the Voices of Virginia, and the Choirs of Charlottesville High School.



The poster for the fundraising concert features a photograph of a brick building with a sign that reads "THE HAVEN". The text on the poster includes:

Fundraising Concert for THE HAVEN
Sunday, May 15th 2:00 pm at The Haven

Featuring:

- The Choirs of Charlottesville High School
- Voces Laetae
- Voices of Virginia
- The Sanctuary Choir of University Baptist Church

Admission is FREE
donations encouraged to benefit The Haven

Questions?
Contact Will Cooke,
Will.Cooke@charlottesvilleschools.org



Staff Retreat

Last week Matt, Val, and Will took a day-long retreat. They spent time praying together, planning worship for the coming months, and growing closer as a team. Many thanks to Debra Bryant for providing a lovely location for the retreat.

Sunday Bible Study in May

During the month of May, Will Brown will lead the Fellowship Hall Bible Study group that has been meeting 10:00-10:30. We will meet on the first four Sundays of May, concluding on May 22.

Writing Leave for Senior Minister

From April 25 through June 5, Matt Tennant will take time away from UBC to complete a book he has been writing for several years (*Freedom and Existence: The Existentialism of Liberation Theology*). Val Fisk and Will Brown will share pulpit duties with Reverend Kim Bunns, who has preached at UBC previously, in addition to being available to handle pastoral care needs as they arise.

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, Charlottesville and Albemarle have been assessed a green/low Community Level, which means the CDC is not recommending people wear masks. Masks are now optional at UBC events. Of course, individuals are welcome to continue wearing masks if they feel more comfortable doing so, and University Baptist Church will continue to welcome all folks into our worship services, with or without a mask. As we monitor the COVID case levels in our area, we will release updates notifying the congregation of any changes.

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