

THE WORD

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Help UBC Welcome Back Students this Fall

This past Sunday, we had a young couple visit with us for the first time, staying after the service to eat and fellowship during the reception for Will and Erin Brown. Over and over, I observed different church members walking over to introduce themselves to these visitors, welcoming them in, encouraging them to take leftovers with them, and calling out that they hoped to see them again next Sunday. In the midst of a tender set of goodbyes, I watched you all offer an equally tender welcome to new faces. This is the beautiful cycle of our faith - living life together, watching people grow, and sending them off well and with love to whatever comes next. This love is what UBC does best, and I can't wait to watch you all continue to offer that love to the young people in our youth and college ministries in the new semester.

The plans are coming together for our fall semester at UBC with students in both our youth group and our college group! In the spring, we tested out a new schedule so that I could be fully present with both the youth and Jubilate groups on Sundays, an adjustment from having the two groups meet at the same time in past years. This new schedule worked well for both groups, also allowing Jubilate to do their rehearsals before eating rather than after dinner. We will be continuing this fall with youth meetings from 12:15 to 2:00 PM on Sunday afternoons, and Jubilate rehearsals from 5:00 to 6:30 PM on Sunday evenings.

An important gift that our congregation provides in our youth and college ministries is supplying meals for these meetings. Youth eat at 12:15 PM, right after our worship service, and Jubilate eats at 6:30 PM, at the end of their rehearsal. Can you provide a meal for one or both groups this fall

A WORD FROM VAL



SERVICE OF HOLY WORSHIP

July 24, 2022
11:00 AM

Sermon:

"The Repentance of Zacchaeus"
Dr. Matthew Tennant

Scripture:

Amos 5:10-15
Luke 19:1-10

Anthem:

Because He Lives, Gaither

SUNDAY SERVICE

Deacons: Shirley Clark

Ushers: Herman and Gayle
Eaker

CALENDAR

TUESDAY, July 19

9:30 Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY, July 20

9:00 Work Team

12:00 Wednesday Treats

7:00 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, July 21

7:00 Seekers Zoom

semester? [Click here](#) to see the dates and sign up to fill this need, or call the church office for assistance signing up.

This sign up sheet also has slots each week for an adult volunteer for youth group. Our youth need the presence of many faithful adults in their lives as they grow and learn, not just parents or a youth minister. You've likely heard the cliché many times that Christian faith is "caught, not taught." And the only way they can catch it is to spend time with more of you! Please consider signing up for a slot or two this semester, joining the youth for our lunch, game time, and Bible studies. We will be spending the fall semester exploring the Old Testament prophets. (This can be the same person who provides lunch, or an additional adult each week.)

Peace, love, and donuts,
Val

We will have our next Church Conference on Wednesday, August 24. At this church Conference we will vote on the Nominating Committee Report, updates to our Constitution & Bylaws, and formally accept Will Brown's resignation. Documents detailing the updates to Constitution and Bylaws will be distributed via email from JARC later this week.

Prayer Requests

Sarah Buchanan as she prepares for back surgery in September.

Cindy Bryant as she heals from pneumonia.

SUNDAY, July 24

8:30 Missions Committee Meeting

9:40 Bible Study

11:00 Morning Worship

6:30 Sundays at Dairy Market - Young Adult Dinner

MONDAY, July 25

10:00 Red Cross Blood Drive



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

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

July 29: Aimee Marshall, Bobby Gough

July 30: Lily Pallini

Volunteers Needed

Sign up to help us give out ice cream each Wednesday!

Click [this link](#) to add your name and join us between 12:00 and 2:00 PM on the front steps at UBC.



Red Cross Blood Drive NEXT MONDAY!

On Monday, July 25 UBC will host another community blood drive from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. There are still a lot of available slots that need donors in order for us to reach our goal of 26 pints, which could potentially save 78 lives! Help us get the word out by sharing this event with your friends, neighbors, and co-workers. Share the post from our Facebook page to help spread the word.

You can sign up to give at redcrossblood.org by searching 22903 and clicking on University Baptist Church. On the day of the drive, fill out your health history questions before arriving at redcross.org/rapidpass.



Welcome Our New Financial Coordinator

After the departure of our previous financial secretary, Matt Tennant and our Personnel Committee considered possible changes to the administrative staff job descriptions in order to better address our church needs. They decided to split the duties between two people. We are pleased to announce that this has resulted in the hiring of our very own Amanda Ohlms as our new Financial Coordinator! Amanda will work part time in the church office, managing our bookkeeping and financial reporting.

In the coming weeks, we will also hire a part time Office Coordinator, who will focus on communication and office administration processes.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Matt or a member of the Personnel Committee.

The Legacy of Our Sanctuary Piano

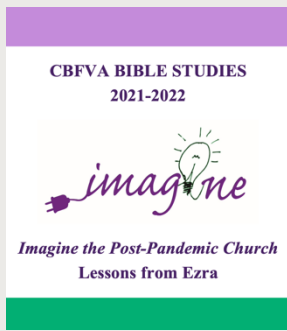
When I came to UBC as organist in 1987, there was no piano in the Sanctuary. Usually, anthem accompaniments that were originally intended for piano had to be adapted to organ or, on the rare occasions when that wasn't feasible, we had to roll in an upright piano from one of the classrooms. Needless to say, piano solos for worship were non-existent. Then, in about 1988, Ray Gaines offered us his grandmother's piano on a long-term loan. Ray said "Len [Willingham] and Barbara were like two kids in a candy store the day it was brought in." Over the years, that piano has been treasured, moved about, played by numerous people, and used over and over again in worship. During the four months the Sanctuary was under renovation in 1990, the piano lived in Fellowship Hall as our only worship instrument. It served that purpose again in 2012 when the organ was flooded by the AC system and spent the whole summer in storage while the area was repaired and dried. Having such a nice piano has opened up possibilities for worship and many styles of anthem accompaniments. It has been used for choral accompaniments in concert as well as solo piano recitals. While we have been able to take a step forward and secure a larger instrument that will be a bit more concert-worthy, we aren't saying goodbye to our friend. "She" will continue to lead in worship and other functions in the Fellowship Hall. We are very fortunate to be home to three grand pianos and the musical opportunities that presents. At this point of transition, however, we wanted to take a moment to thank Ray for his generosity in continuing to allow us the use of the Knabe and wish it many more years of service to this church and God's Kingdom. - Barbara Moore

UBC Youth Service & Fun

UBC Youth are invited to join us as we serve our community through packing Venable food bags on Sunday, July 31! Throughout the month of July, we are collecting donations for our Venable bag program. Please bring these individually packaged food items to the church by July 31, placing your items on the steps at the front of the sanctuary.

- Breakfast items: individual cereal boxes, oatmeal packets, granola bars
- Lunch/Dinner items: Mac-n-cheese, soup, ramen, etc.
- Snacks: bars, apple sauce, fruit, peanut butter crackers, goldfish, etc.
- Drinks: juice boxes, shelf-stable milk

On July 31, everyone is invited to stay after worship to pack items into bags that will be distributed to children in need at Venable Elementary. Once we have completed this project, our youth are invited to head over to Bowlero for a couple hours of bowling together. Please [RSVP to Val Fisk](#) for bowling!



The Post-Pandemic Church Bible Study

July 24 – Session 4, Recommitment: Conflict Resolution and Reform (Ezra 9-10)

Join this Sunday morning discussion group in the Fellowship Hall. It starts at 9:40 and follows the CBFVA Resource "The Post-Pandemic Church – Lessons from Ezra." This week, the focus will be on Ezra 9-10. [Download the handout here](#) or pick one up in the church office.

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 yellow/medium Community Level, which means the CDC is recommending masks for people at high risk. Masks are currently 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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