

UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Our Mission: to be a loving and inclusive community; seeking faith, joy, action; nurtured by the Biblical tradition, the teachings of Christ, and God's continuing revelation



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Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God." Therefore, this place of sanctuary is free of violence in all its forms, including verbal violence and firearms. University Baptist Church is a member of the American Baptist Churches/USA, the Alliance of Baptists, the Association of Welcoming and Affirming Baptists, and the Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America. Our intention at University Baptist Church is to use inclusive language in our worship.

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University Baptist Church

April 6, 2025

Lent 5

10:00 am

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Organ Sonata #2, Second Movement

Hindemith

Welcome!

¡Bienvenido a la casa de Dios! Добро пожаловать! Dobro pozhalovat! 欢迎! Huānyíng! 「ようこそ!」 Youkoso! Willkommen!

*CALL TO WORSHIP/LLAMADA A LA ADORACIÓN

One:

God has blessed you with skills and talents

Many:

I will use them to help others and glorify God

One:

God has blessed you with material goods

Many:

I will share them generously

One: **Many:**

God has blessed you with time I will spend my time wisely

All:

may my heart reflect my commitment to God and others

(*Stand as you are willing and able)

*OPENING HYMN

We Gather Together

KREMSER

Black Hymnal #421

(sung to the music of 420, We praise you O God)

421

We Gather Together

Netherlands folk hymn, 16th century Transl. Theodore Baker, 1894 Adapt. Lavon Bayler, 1992

1 We gath-er to-geth-er to ask for God's bless-ing, to live in com-mu-ni-ty, seek-ing God's will.
We come now, as sis-ters and broth-ers, con-fess-ing the sins that di-vide and the wrong in us still.

- 2 Be-side us, for-giv-ing, en-a-bling, sus-tain-ing, you call us, O Sav-ior, to life that is new. You draw us a-way from self-cen-tered com-plain-ing. You lead us and guide us in ways that are true.
- 3 All praise to the Spir-it,
 pro-vid-er, de-fend-er.
 You of-fer us free-dom,
 to fol-low or stray,
 Em-pow-er-ing all by
 the hope you en-gen-der.
 Grant wis-dom and cour-age
 to fol-low your way.

The original text of this hymn was one of thanksgiving for The Netherlands' independence from Spanish domination in the sixteenth century. It has been reinterpreted for contemporary congregations by United Church of Christ minister and writer Lavon Bayler.

Tune: KREMSER 12.11.12.11. 16th-century Dutch melody Arr. Edward Kremser, 1877

Peace Be With You!

¡La paz sea contigo! Мир вам! Mir vam! 愿和平与你同在 yuàn hé píng yú nǐ tóng zài 「平和がありますように!」Heiwaga arimasu youni!



PRAYING TOGETHER

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Use these words or whatever is familiar to you)

Our Father/Mother who art in heaven, hallowed be Padre/Madre nuestro, que estás en el cielo, santificado thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on sea tu nombre; venga a nosotros tu reino; hágase tu earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día; perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden; no nos dejes caer en la tentación, y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder, y la gloria, por siempre. Amén.

CELEBRATING CHILDREN

GATHERING SONG

Welcome, Children, Welcome Bienvenidos niños, Jesús los ama, Jesús los abraza, Bienvenidos niños. Black hymnal #323 (Verse 2)

CHILDREN'S TIME

ATTENDING TO THE WORD

SCRIPTURE Matthew 6:19-24 Rev. Doug Donley

*HYMN The Weaver's Shuttle Swiftly Flies ST. MATTHEW

Black Hymnal #464

464

The Weaver's Shuttle Swiftly Flies



Developing an image from Job 7:6, United Church of Christ minister James Gertmenian reminds us of the swift passage of our days and invites us to seek glimpses of God, the Eternal Weaver, in them. Tune: ST. MATTHEW C.M.D. William Croft, 1708



SERMON

Sermon on the Mount V: "Treasures"

Rev. Doug Donley

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING



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Let us pause in life's pleasures and count its many tears
While we all sup sorrow with the poor
There's a song that will linger forever in our ears
Oh, hard times, come again no more

Tis the song, the sigh of the weary
Hard times, hard times, come again no more
Many days you have lingered around my cabin door
Oh, hard times, come again no more

While we seek mirth and beauty and music bright and gay
There are frail forms fainting at the door
Though their voices are silent, their pleading looks will say
Oh, hard times, come again no more

Tis the song, the sigh of the weary
Hard times, hard times, come again no more
Many days you have lingered around my cabin door
Oh, hard times, come again no more

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Todos son hijos, y hijas de Dios. No hay judío ni griego. No hay esclavo ni libre. No hay hombre y mujer. Sino que todos somos uno solo en el espíritu. We are all children of God. There is no Jew or Greek. There is no slave or free. There is no male and female. For we are all one in the Spirit. (Galatians 3:26, 28, S. J. Patterson)

COMMEMORATING COMMUNION

WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are invited to partake in this symbolic meal. Please come forward down the center aisle and return by the side aisles. All juice is non-alcoholic, and the crackers are gluten-free. If you are not able to come forward, but would like to receive communion, please raise your hand and communion will be served to you where you sit.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Christ the Life of All the Living

F. Peeters

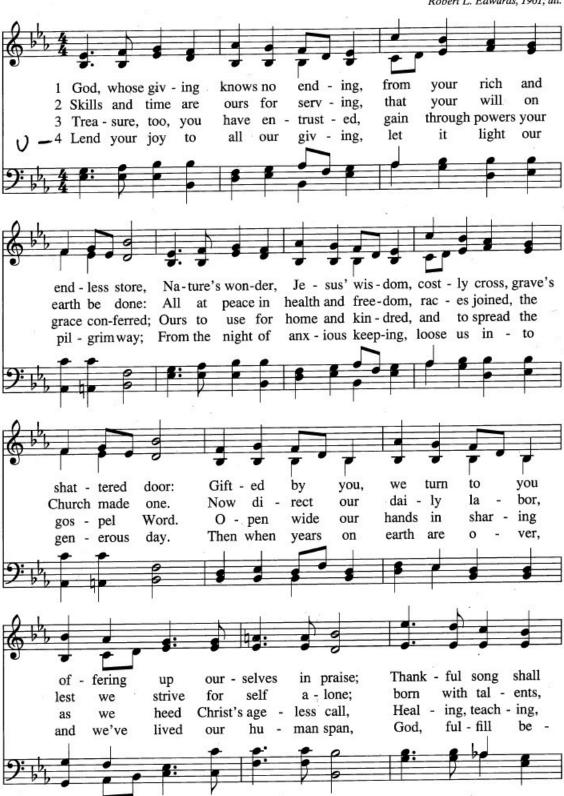
*CLOSING HYMN Black Hymnal #565 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

AUSTRIAN HYMN

565

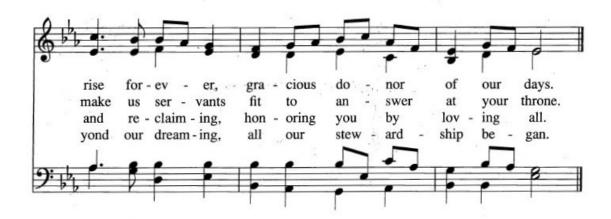
God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

Robert L. Edwards, 1961; alt.



Robert L. Edwards, an ordained United Church of Christ minister, has served several churches in Connecticut. He wrote this text for a competition of The Hymn Society, and it was subsequently published in Ten New Stewardship Hymns in 1961.

Tune: AUSTRIAN HYMN 8.7.8.7.D. Franz Joseph Haydn, 1797 Alternate tune: HYFRYDOL



BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Our God Who Art in Heaven

Pachelbel

JOYS AND CONCERNS

After the livestream ends

NOTES ON THE MUSIC:

The postlude is a chorale prelude on the hymn tune more commonly translated as "Our Father who art in heaven..." Both the tune and text were created by Martin Luther, and the tune has been the subject of organ chorale preludes by many composers, including Bach and Mendelssohn. Luther's text contains 8 stanzas, and composers often focus on one or a few of the stanzas in their settings. Pachelbel's setting doesn't specify any particular text, but his piece covers a lot of musical territory: the piece opens with a short fugue on the initial line of the hymn and then becomes a toccata in which the melody is played with the pedals while the hands weave a contrapuntal texture above.

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR MARCH & APRIL

The Outreach mission focus for March and April is for organizations supporting childhood hunger and health. Groups who have received funding in the past include Minneapolis Crisis Nursery, Avenues for Youth, Every Meal and the Northside Achievement Zone. Thank you for any donations you can make to support programs which help our children and youth.

You can drop it in the offering with a note on the check or envelope, send a check to the church, designate a gift directly from your bank, or use our online portal for giving on the UBC website, www.UBCmn.org. Thank you for your ongoing Outreach support!

—Kim Donley and Karole Graham, Outreach co-chairs

UBC ANNOUNCEMENTS

See our newsletter at <u>ubcmn.org/newsletter</u> for Zoom links and more info UBC's Admin Assistant's in-office hours are Tuesdays 12-3, Wednesdays 12-4, and Fridays 12-5.

Today

The nursery, Room 205, is available for children through age 10. Childcare is provided by U students Ely (they/them) and Sami (she/her) from 9:15 to 12:45.

Refreshments will be served in the lounge immediately following the service.

Today's Forum – All About You: Maura Dunst. Maura Dunst joined the UBC staff March 17 as our new marketing and communications manager. Come get to know more about Maura, who is also a singer-songwriter, plays violin and fiddle, is the mom of Leo, and studied literature in England and Wales. She'll talk about what she's learned in her first weeks at UBC and some ideas for getting our message out, followed by a Q&A.

Journeys, a Bible Study for adults – 11:30am in the Char Follett library. Beginning the first Sunday in March, Journeys begins a new quarter that will take us through Lent to Easter and toward Pentecost. Journeys meets Sunday mornings in the library following worship. It's an opportunity to read Scripture together, to learn something new, to ask questions, and to talk about your faith. The lessons themselves are written by clergy and members of American Baptist Churches across the country, providing a wide range of expertise and perspectives about Scripture and its meaning for contemporary Christians. They bring new voices to the faith conversation. Journeys is an informal group. No preparation is required. Please feel free to come once or regularly. See Nancy Myers or Diane Ehr for more information.

The Journeys topics and readings are as follows: April 6 – HOLY TRAILBLAZER - Isaiah 43:16-21 April 27 – EMPOWERED - John 20:19-31

This week

How to Welcome a Seeing Eye Dog – One of our worshippers, Kevin Branting, will soon be getting a new Seeing Eye dog. So here's a refresher/first course in how to make it a happy experience. First, remember that the dog is at work. Therefore, the best way to welcome the dog is to ignore the dog! So hard but so necessary. Avoid petting, talking to, or otherwise interacting with the dog. This includes eye contact. For more information, visit: https://seeingeye.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/etiquette-5-tips-for-when-2.pdf

Sacred Harp Singing – Every 2nd and 4th Sundays 4-6pm, and Tuesdays, 5:30-7:30pm at UBC in Room 303. No experience or talent necessary!

Bells and Choir Rehearsals – Wednesday evenings in the sanctuary or lounge. Choir 6pm. Bells 7:30pm.

Meals on Wheels – April 8-12 (typically Tuesday-Friday the first full week of the month). Meals are picked up around 11:15 am and the route in SE Minneapolis usually takes less than two hours. We're always looking for substitute drivers. If you have any questions, please contact Marie LaFrance at marielafrance46@gmail.com.

Every Meal – April 11 (2nd Friday), 11am -1pm at Marcy Open School in SE Minneapolis. Volunteers are needed to deliver meal bags to student backpacks during the school day. If you are interested, please contact Kim Donley, Chris Follett or Denise Roy at denise.roy@mitchellhamline.edu

Card Club – April 12, 10am. This group meets monthly to learn card-making techniques, share ideas, and make beautiful greeting cards. Due to the limited space and the need to prepare materials, registration is needed for each month's session. If you are interested, please contact Jean Lubke at 651-295-7525 or ieenlubke01@gmail.com

3rd Annual Pancake Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt – Saturday, April 12, 10am. Come enjoy a pancake breakfast with Doug's famous syrup followed by an Easter egg hunt for the children. RSVP to Carrie Lubke (301)385-9708 or carrieicl@gmail.com or Betty Shaw 612-223-0002 bettyshawmn@yahoo.com.

Grace in Contemporary Literature by Women Book Group – April 12 (2nd Saturday), 1pm. Via Zoom. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Follett at chrisf2828@yahoo.com.

Wild Church Gathering – April 12 (2nd Saturday), 2pm, at the Peace statue by Nicollet Island Pavillion. We will join together with friends from ULCH and FCC. During our time together, we will ground ourselves in scripture, poetry, and song before embarking on a time of wandering. We will close with a time of reflection and sharing. The Wild Church movement invites us to reshape our relationship with creation through outdoor worship. See more info here: https://www.wildchurchnetwork.com/

Palm Sunday Brunch – April 13, 10am. Bring your family and your appetite as we gather for our traditional Palm Sunday brunch. We will meet downstairs in the Adele Fadden Assembly Hall for a potluck of egg dishes, fruit, pastries and other sundry food items. The service will start there and then we will process with palms and flowers in hand singing as we go outside and then into the sanctuary for the remainder of the service. Sign-up sheets will be in the lounge for food contributions and set-up and clean-up help. If you have any questions, please contact Betty Shaw at bettyshawmn@yahoo.com.

Looking Ahead

Memoir Writing Group – April 15 & 30 (every other Tuesday), 7pm via Zoom. All are welcome! Prompts include Worry, Soup, Eggs, and "Where was I when ______ happened?" or whatever else you feel called to write about. Contact Trish Donley if you have any questions.

Dinkytown: Then & Now - Wednesday, April 16, 5-7pm at Liberal Arts Engagement Hub, Room 120 Pillsbury Hall (315 Pillsbury Drive SE, Minneapolis, MN 55455) Explore Dinkytown history and student movements through shadow puppets, a film premier, and small group discussion. This event is co-sponsored by Preserve Historic Dinkytown, the Office of Public Engagement, and the Liberal Arts Engagement Hub.

Maundy Thursday Service – April 17, 6pm at UBC with our friends from First Congregational Church. The service will include foot washing, a simple potluck meal of soup and bread and a remembrance of the Last Supper that Jesus had with his disciples.

Good Friday Service – April 18, 7pm at First Congregational Church, 500 8th Ave SE. We will reflect on the story of Jesus' crucifixion through scripture from the Gospel of Luke, poetry, art and special music.

Bible Study – April 19 (1st & 3rd Sat.), 9am. New and occasional members are always welcome. No special background, skill, or preparation is required. If you have any questions, please contact Diane at dianeehr82@gmail.com.

Easter - April 20

UBC-FCC Knitting Group – April 21 (3rd Monday), 7pm at Mercedes Tuma-Hansen's home. The group is made up of stitchers from UBC and First Congregational Church. If you have questions, please contact Chris Follett at chrisf2828@yahoo.com.

UBC Anti-Racism Work – Tuesday, April 22, 7 p.m. We will continue discussing antidotes to White supremacy culture, focusing on #6-8 (antidotes to only one right way, paternalism, and either/or thinking). Everyone is welcome to join this monthly gathering.

Spanish Conversation Group – April 26 (4th Saturday), 10am-12pm at Curioso Coffee Shop, 1712 Marshall St NE, Minneapolis. Join folks from UBC and First Congregational Church to practice your Spanish. If you have any questions, please contact Deidre Druk.

Stories @First Volume 3 – Sunday, April 27, 1 p.m. Our friends at First Congregational Church (500 8th Ave SE) invite us to join in an experience of creating community through storytelling. The theme is "Second Chances."

Caregiver Support Group – 1st Thursday (May 1), 6:30pm. UBCers who take care of a parent, family member, or friend meet for support. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Lubke at ieanlubke01@gmail.com

UBC–FCC Daytime Handcraft Group – 1st Wednesday (May 7), 11am. If you are interested and want to be on a distribution list, please let Marilyn Burns (from FCC) know at mbsnoobear@mac.com.

Other Volunteer Opportunities

UBC history research – At the Minnesota History Center, UBC has 19 boxes of files and other materials. There is a lot of sleuthing to do! We are able to schedule appointments and reserve a table on Wednesdays through Saturdays, 10-1 and 1-4. If you would like to join a group going over to the History Center sometime, please contact Gayla Marty at gaylamarty@gmail.com or 612-845-8417.

UBC / FCC Collaboration Task Force – UBC and First Congregational Church are exploring ways to collaborate in ministry. Pastor Donley and Jean Lubke are looking for 2-3 additional open-minded individuals willing to explore possibilities to join the task force. We have been meeting once a month. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, April 9, 9 am at FCC. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Doug or Jean Lubke.

Mark Your Calendar

May 30 – Loaves & Fishes June 8 – Annual Meeting