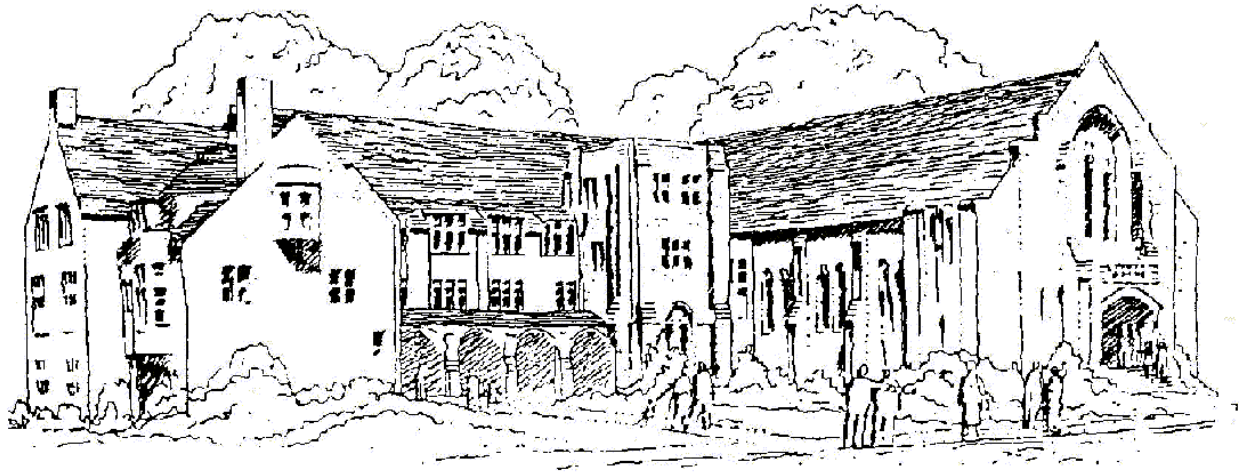


April 27, 2025



UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

**Our Mission: to be a loving and inclusive community;
seeking faith, joy, action; nurtured by the Biblical tradition,
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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 27, 2025

Easter 2

10:00 am

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

God's Son Arose from the Dead

JS Bach

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: In the voice that called the child Samuel by name in the night, God calls us.

Many: Speak, oh God, we hear your voice in our humble state.

One: In the still, small voice that spoke to the prophet Elijah after hurricane, earthquake, and fire, God asks us, "What are you doing here?"

Many: Speak, oh God, we hear your voice in our impatience and self-righteousness and fear, and tremble to answer.

One: In the voice that called across classes and genders and divisions with good news, to Mary the Tower and Peter the Rock who found their own voices, too, Jesus says, "Follow me."

All: Speak, oh God, and grant us feet to follow and voices to declare the good news of your grace!

*(*Stand as you are willing and able)*

*OPENING HYMN

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

Blue Hymnal #306

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On thy peo - ple
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn thy Christ, as -
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride to
 4 Set our feet on loft - y pla - ces; Gird our lives that
 5 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e - vils

pour thy power; Crown thy an - cient church's sto - ry; Bring its bud to
 sail God's ways! From the fears that long have bound us, Free our hearts to
 thy con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, Rich in things and
 they may be Arm - ored with all Christ - like gra - ces In the jour - ney
 we de - plo - re; Let the search for thy sal - va - tion Be our glo - ry

glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, Grant us cour - age,
 faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, Grant us cour - age,
 poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, Grant us cour - age,
 to be free. Grant us wis - dom, Grant us cour - age,
 ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, Grant us cour - age,

For the fac - ing of this hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.
 For the liv - ing of these days, For the liv - ing of these days.
 Lest we miss thy pro - mised goal, Lest we miss thy pro - mised goal.
 Ears to hear and eyes to see, Ears to hear and eyes to see.
 Serv - ing thee whom we a - dore, Serv - ing thee whom we a - dore. A - men.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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!

The musical score is written for two staves, treble and bass clef, in 6/8 time. The melody is simple and repetitive. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system of music includes the lyrics: 'San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zón te a - do - ra! Mi' and 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My'. The second system of music includes the lyrics: 'cor - a - zón te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Dios.' and 'heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, God.' The chords F, C, Am, F, G7, and C are indicated above the notes.

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 thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on 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.

Padre/Madre nuestro, que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu nombre; venga a nosotros tu reino; hágase tu 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

Black hymnal #323 (Verse 2)

*Bienvenidos niños, Jesús los ama,
Jesús los abraza, Bienvenidos niños.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

ATTENDING TO THE WORD

SCRIPTURE

Acts 5:27-32

Rev. Doug Donley

*HYMN

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

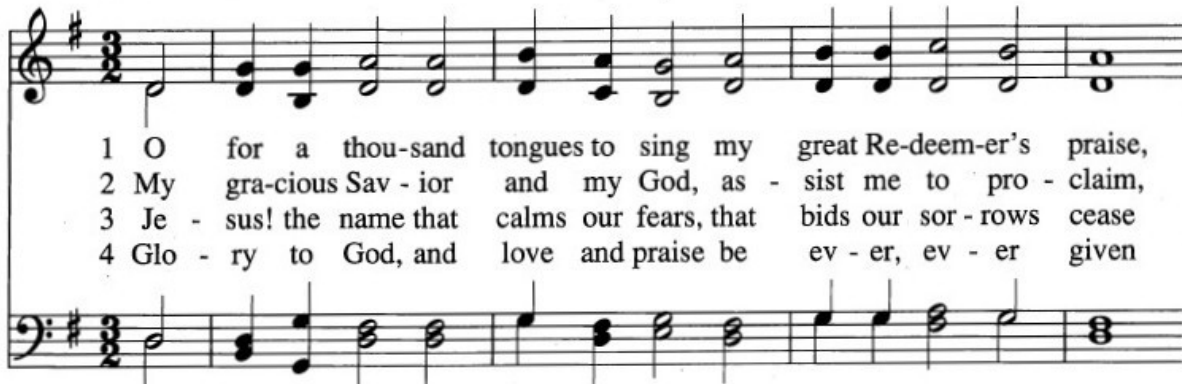
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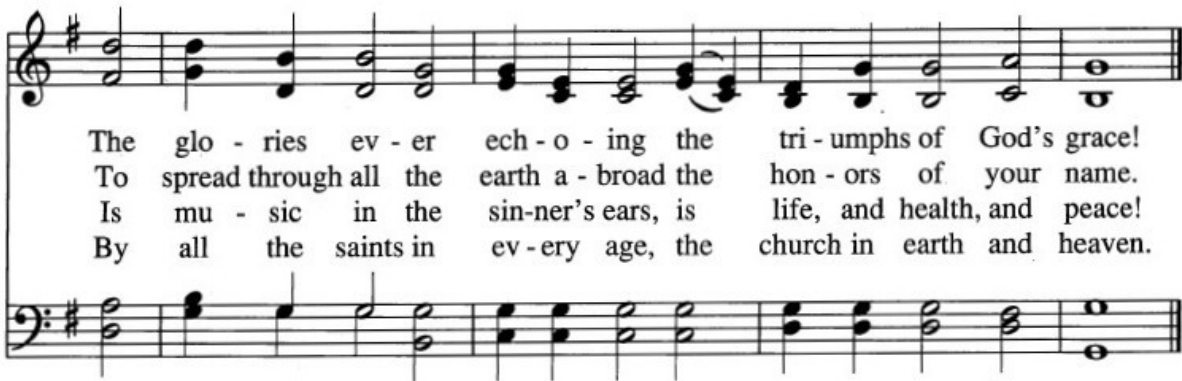
O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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Charles Wesley, 1740; alt.



1 O for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise,
2 My gra-cious Sav - ior and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim,
3 Je - sus! the name that calms our fears, that bids our sor - rows cease
4 Glo - ry to God, and love and praise be ev - er, ev - er given



The glo - ries ev - er ech - o - ing the tri - umphs of God's grace!
To spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of your name.
Is mu - sic in the sin-ner's ears, is life, and health, and peace!
By all the saints in ev - ery age, the church in earth and heaven.

The hymn is a cento from a longer poem of eighteen stanzas written by Charles Wesley on the first anniversary of his conversion. The present form of the hymn is one edited by John Wesley for The Wesleyan Hymn Book, 1780.

Tune: AZMON C.M.
Carl G. Gläser, 1828
Adapt. in L. Mason's Modern Psalmody, 1839
Alternate tune: RICHMOND

SERMON

"Finding Our Voice"

Rev. Doug Donley

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING



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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Eripe me (Deliver me)

Orlando Lasso

Latin:

Eripe me de inimicis meis,
Domine, ad te confugi;
doce me facere voluntatem tuam,
quia Deus meus es tu.

English:

Deliver me from my enemies,
O God, to thee have I fled;
teach me to do thy will,
for thou art my God.

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)

*CLOSING HYMN
Black Hymnal #538

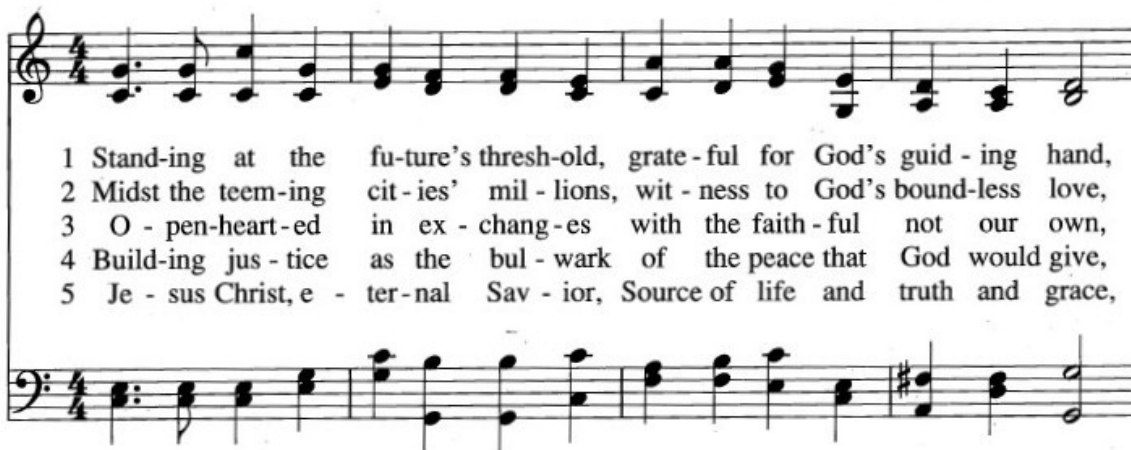
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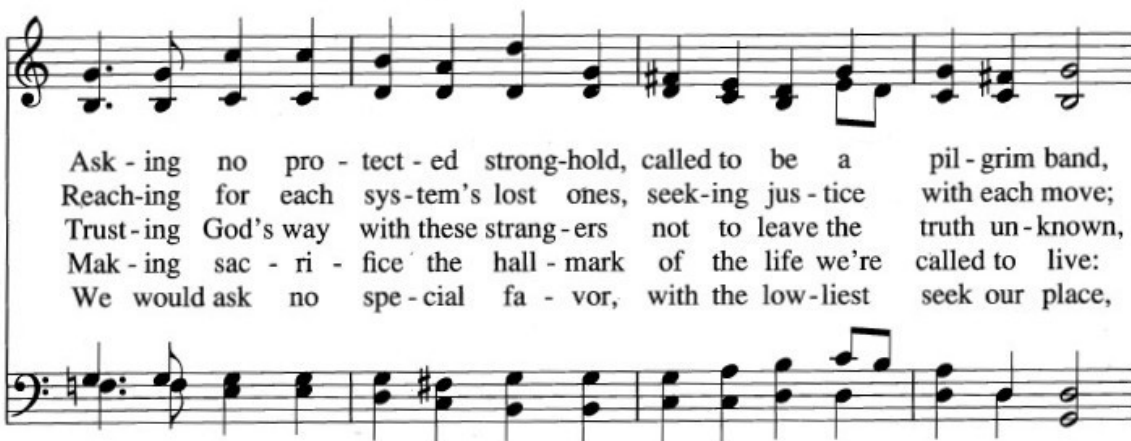
Standing at the Future's Threshold

Matt. 25:31-40

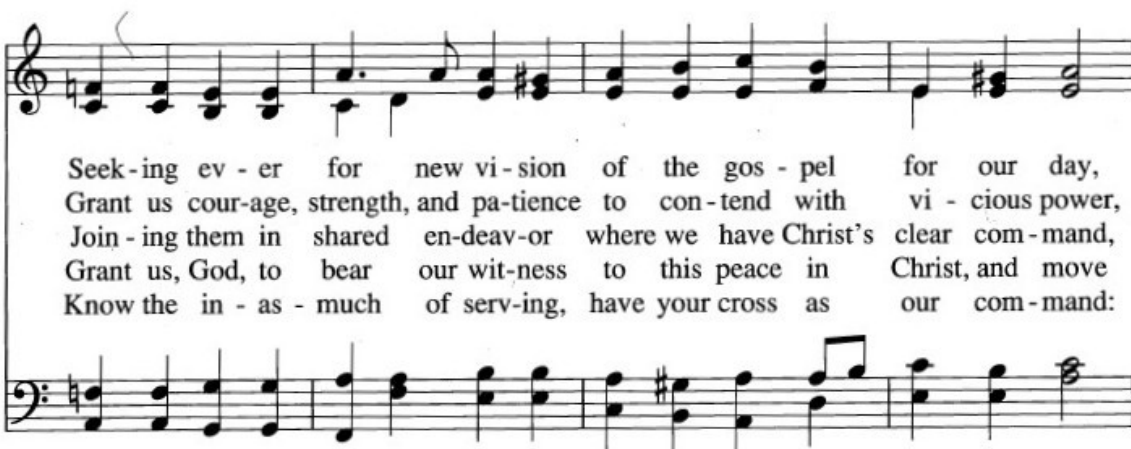
Paul R. Gregory, 1985; rev. 1994



1 Stand-ing at the fu-ture's thresh-old, grate-ful for God's guid-ing hand,
 2 Midst the teem-ing cit-ies' mil-lions, wit-ness to God's bound-less love,
 3 O-pen-heart-ed in ex-chang-es with the faith-ful not our own,
 4 Build-ing jus-tice as the bul-wark of the peace that God would give,
 5 Je-sus Christ, e-ter-nal Sav-ior, Source of life and truth and grace,



Ask-ing no pro-protect-ed strong-hold, called to be a pil-grim band,
 Reach-ing for each sys-tem's lost ones, seek-ing jus-tice with each move;
 Trust-ing God's way with these strang-ers not to leave the truth un-known,
 Mak-ing sac-ri-fice the hall-mark of the life we're called to live:
 We would ask no spe-cial fa-vor, with the low-liest seek our place,



Seek-ing ev-er for new vi-sion of the gos-pel for our day,
 Grant us cour-age, strength, and pa-tience to con-tend with vi-cious power,
 Join-ing them in shared en-deav-or where we have Christ's clear com-mand,
 Grant us, God, to bear our wit-ness to this peace in Christ, and move
 Know the in-as-much of serv-ing, have your cross as our com-mand:

Paul Gregory served as East and Southeast Asia secretary of the United Church Board for World Ministries from 1957 to 1986. This hymn was written for the conclusion of the 175th anniversary of that board, and looked to the mission challenges of the future. "Inasmuch" in stanza five is a reference to the command Jesus gives in Matthew 25:40.

Tune: LUXEOI 8.7.8.7.D.
 Arthur S. Sullivan (1842-1900)



BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

God of Grace

Paul Manz

JOYS AND CONCERNS

After the livestream ends

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR MARCH AND APRIL

Each month we lift up one of our mission partners. If you want to earmark a donation to this mission, please indicate that on your payment (online or by check). Here's the information for this month's special mission offering:

Childhood Health & Hunger Programs

The Outreach mission focus for March and April will be for organizations combatting childhood hunger and supporting children's health. Groups who have received funding in the past include the Minneapolis Crisis Nursery, Avenues for Youth, Every Meal, and the Northside Achievement Zone. Thank you for any donations you can make to support programs that 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 Deidre Druk, Outreach co-chairs

UBC ANNOUNCEMENTS

See our newsletter at ubcmn.org/newsletter 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.
Note: Trista will be out of office May 5-10.

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.

Forum – I Met God and She Was a Black Woman: Womanism and Traditions of Resistance. That was the theme of the spring gathering of the Alliance of Baptists March 27–30 in Washington, D.C., attended by Pastor Doug and Gayla Marty. The THRIVE cohort, of which UBC is a part, met during the gathering. Doug and Gayla will report on their experience and what they learned.

How to Welcome a Seeing Eye Dog – One of our worshippers, Kevin Branting, has received 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>

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 27 – EMPOWERED - John 20:19-31

The **Worship Planning Team** will meet today at 12:45 in the lounge. Any and all are welcome to add their input to help us create meaningful and moving worship experiences.

Stories @First Volume 3 – Sunday, April 27, 1pm. 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.”

This week

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!

Memoir Writing Group – April 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.

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

Caregiver Support Group – May 1 (1st Thursday), 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 jeanlubke01@gmail.com

Bible Study – May 3 & 17 (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.

Dia de Las Madres Community Sing - Join Border CrosSing on Saturday, May 3, 11:30am for a Community Sing at UBC. This event is free and open to the public. Led by director Natalia Romero Arbeláez, Border CrosSing's Heritage Choir will perform, and we will have special guest performers from our school partners, Border CrosSing's Education Outreach ensemble, and mariachis! Share in great singing, community, coffee, and Mexican pastries! ¡Nos vemos pronto! See more info at bordercrossingmn.org.

Sound Mind Project's Spring Concert – May 3, 7:30pm at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church (700 Snelling Ave S, St. Paul 55116). Rev. Doug and Kim Donley will be singing in this Peace, Love, Hope concert.

Looking Ahead

Meals on Wheels – May 6–9 (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.

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

Every Meal – May 9 (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

Grace in Contemporary Literature by Women Book Group – May 10 (2nd Saturday), 1pm. Via Zoom. If you have questions, please contact Chris Follett at chrisf2828@yahoo.com.

Wild Church Gathering – May 10 (2nd Saturday), 2pm, at the Peace statue by Nicollet Island Pavillion. We will join together with friends from ULC 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/>

UBC-FCC Knitting Group – May 19 (3rd Monday), 7pm at Deb Wensman'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.

Card Club – May 24, 1pm. 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 jeanlubke01@gmail.com

UBC Anti-Racism Work – May meeting date to be set, 7 p.m. We will continue discussing antidotes to White supremacy culture from the Tema Okun essay. Everyone is welcome to join this monthly gathering. Contact Denise Roy if you would like to come or to get more information.

Spanish Conversation Group – May 24 (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.

Loaves & Fishes – May 30

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, May 14, noon at UBC. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Doug or Jean Lubke.

Save the Dates!

Native American Sacred Sites Tour – Several members of the UBC Antiracism Group will participate in a tour of local Native American Sacred Sites led by Jim Bear Jacobs on June 1, which (along with additional dates) has now filled. Contact Denise Roy or Pastor Doug for more information. Follow this link to watch for future tour dates to open—scroll to the form at the bottom of the page: <https://www.mnchurches.org/what-we-do/healingminnesota-stories>. Tours fill fast!

Annual Meeting – Sunday, June 8, after morning worship. Bring sandwiches or a dish to share.

Project Minnesota Leon Summer Picnic – Saturday, June 28th, Noon–2pm at Silverwood Park Island Picnic Shelter (2500 County Rd E., Saint Anthony, MN 5542). Theme: Courage in the Face of Uncertainty. Food by Qdoba. We look forward to seeing you! Please join us!

UBC Founding Day – Sunday, July 13 – will kick off our 175th anniversary observance and celebration year. First Congregational Church (founded a year later in 1851) will be at UBC for a joint worship service that day, and an ice cream social on the lawn is in the planning stages. The anniversary planning committee is meeting regularly and seeking volunteers to be part of activities including the July 13 event, a block party in the fall, history research and writing, and more. Contact chair Gayla Marty if you'd like to volunteer or get more information.