

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 Twin Cities Baptist Association, 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

October 20, 2024 *Pentecost 23* 10:00 am

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE Show Us Mercy, O God Pachelbel

CONGREGATIONAL CALL & RESPONSE

Welcome!

¡Bienvenido! Добро пожаловать! Dobro pozhalovat! 欢迎! Huānyíng!

「ようこそ!」Youkoso!

*CALL TO WORSHIP/LLAMADA A LA ADORACIÓN

One: Dearest God, make us all instruments of your peace.

Many: Where there is hatred, teach us to sow love.

One: Where there is injury, pardon.

Many: Where there is doubt, faith.

One: Where there is despair, hope.

Many: Where there is darkness, light.

One: Where there is sadness, teach us to sow joy.

Many: Dearest God, grant that we not seek not so much to be consoled, as to console.

One: To be understood, as to understand.

Many: Not so much to be loved, as to love one another.

ALL: For it is in giving that we now receive. It is pardoning that we are now pardoned. And it is

in dying, that we are born into eternal life.

-Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi (Prayer for Peace)

(*Stand as you are willing and able)

*OPENING HYMN Black Hymnal #573 Lead on Eternal Sovereign

LANCASHIRE

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Lead On Eternal Sovereign

Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1887; alt.

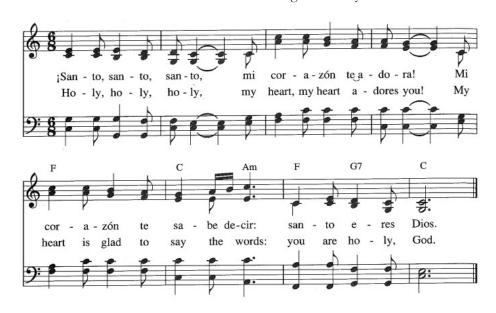


At Andover Seminary, fellow students asked Ernest W. Shurtleff to write a hymn for their graduation. This is the result. Shurtleff became a Congregational minister and in his last years established churches in Europe and did relief work during World War I. Tune: LANCASHIRE 7.6.7.6.D. Henry T. Smart, 1836

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CONGREGATIONAL CALL & RESPONSE 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! JHeiwaga 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 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 be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done 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.

ATTENDING TO THE WORD

SCRIPTURE I Samuel 25 (excerpts) Rev. Doug Donley

*HYMN God Teach Us Peacemaking **SLANE** ASF Hymnal #64



God, Teach Us Peacemaking



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RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING



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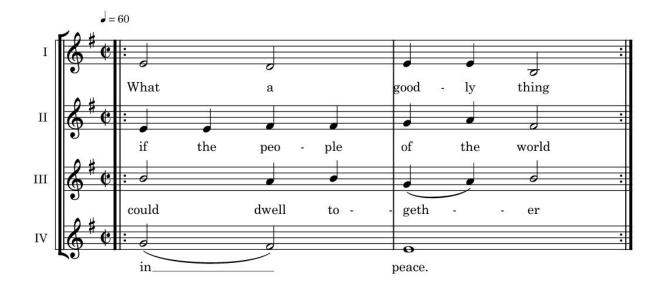
ANTHEM

Peace Round

(choir and congregation)

Peace round

Jean Ritchie



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)

LITANY FOR WELCOMING OF NEW MEMBERS

Violet Butler and Zena Hamilton

President: We are a church that is committed to justice, inclusion, mercy, hope and love.

Will you do all in your power to support the church in its mission?

New members: I will.

President: Will you give of yourself, your time, your presence, your tithes and offerings in

the pursuit of healthy and healing ministry?

New members: I will.

President: I now ask the congregation, will you accept Violet and Zena into the family of

University Baptist Church? Will you celebrate with them, challenge them, and

open yourself up to the aspects of God that they reveal to us?

Congregation: We will, with joy.

President: We are now a new community because Violet and Zena have added their unique

flair and flavor to our church family. Let us all reaffirm our mission statement as we covenant to prayerfully and joyfully pursue the ministry to which God has

called us.

All: Our Mission is to be a loving and inclusive community;

seeking faith, joy and action; nurtured by the Biblical tradition,

the teachings of Christ

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*CLOSING HYMN Black Hymnal #495 Called as Partners in Christ's Service

BEECHER

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

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John 15:12-17; Gal. 6:2; Eph. 2:14-22 Jane Parker Huber, 1981 Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace, 1 Called as part-ners in 2 Christ's ex - am - ple, Christ's in - spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth, Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense, 3 Thus new pat-terns for or - der hu - man life to - mor-row ways to God grant us for We re-spond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace. folk on earth. fal-tering, rec - on - cil - ing Let us fol - low, nev - er Help us bear each oth - er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence. con - quers strife. That sur-round each per - son's sor-row with a calm that of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend, May we learn the art all God's peo - ple, young and old, poor-er, Men and wom-en, rich - er, vi-sion, words of chal-lenge, said with care, Words of com-fort, words of liv-ing, our com-pas-sion in - crease, Make us part-ners in our to ful - fill God's cho - sen end. our car-ing E - qual part - ners in gra-cious gifts from God un - fold. Blend-ing hu - man skills to - geth-er Bring new power and strength for ac-tion, make us col-leagues, free and fair. faith, thus giv-ing hope and con - fi - dence and peace. Mes - sen - gers of

One of Jane Parker Huber's most widely sung texts, this hymn was originally written for a women's breakfast at the 1981 Presbyterian General Assembly meeting to celebrate the partnership of women and men in service of the church. Tune: BEECHER 8.7.8.7.D.

John Zundel, 1855

For another key, see 43, 368

POSTLUDE Jesus Christ, Our Savior JS Bach

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS AND CONCERNS

After the livestream ends

NOTES ON THE MUSIC:

What better expression of peace than to sing a round about peace ... together?

The postlude is from the set of 18 "great" chorale preludes—extensive organ reflections on hymns of Bach's time. I find this composition especially interesting in that the third section is the most chromatic passage I know of prior to Wagner. The piece is in 4 large sections, each devoted to a phrase of the chorale tune. Within each section, the chorale tune is first presented in the upper voices (sometimes directly, sometimes hidden), then in the pedal, and then recapped in the soprano. The chromatic 3rd section refers to the part of the hymn about Christ's crucifixion. The last section of the piece, dealing with resurrection and reconciliation, is much faster and brighter. But for Bach, the struggle is not over. At the end of the piece we hear the note D# played against a suspended E, not just once, but 6 times, working its way up from the tenor to the soprano. (This is foreshadowed at the end of the first section of the piece where we hear this move 3 times.) In organs of Bach's time, the most common tuning methods in use would have rendered the D# as an exceedingly striking dissonance against the E--the musical equivalent of fingernails on a blackboard. Perhaps Bach is suggesting that reconciliation, like peacemaking, is never a "done deal" or one taken for granted. I leave the theological interpretations up to you. — David

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

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:

The Outreach mission focus for September and October are our Nicaraguan partners and the Tai Shigaki travel fund. In the past, these funds have included scholarships for students attending the church-sponsored school, the church in Leon, Project Minnesota-Leon and AMOS (a ministry of sharing). Thank you for any assistance you can provide!

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 Minnesota Council of Churches Refugee Services is looking for donations of winter gear for recent arrivals, many of whom have come from warmer climates. They are looking for coats, boots, hats, scarves, mittens/gloves. If you have gently worn items in your closets, would you consider donating them? We will collect them here at UBC throughout the month of October and deliver them to MCC. Thank you for supporting our new neighbors. —Kim and Karole, Outreach Coordinators

The nursery, Room 205, is available for children through age 10. Childcare is provided by U students Sam (she/her), Bella (she/her) and Ely (he/they) from 9:45 to 11:30.

Refreshments will be served in the lounge immediately following the service. Today we will be celebrating Don Follett's 91st birthday!

Journeys, a Bible Study for adults — 11:30 in the library. Journeys is an opportunity to read, to explore your questions, and to share your thoughts about key passages of Scripture. Each week there is a new reading and a new lesson. Journeys is open to all. No preparation or long-term commitment is required. Feel free to attend regularly or only occasionally. See Diane Ehr or Nancy Myers for more information.

October 20 - Sovereign Job 38:1-7, 34-41; Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c

October 27 - Persistence Mark 10:46-52

Today's Forum — A friendship tour to Palestine. The Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America is sending a Friendship Tour to Palestine November 3–16. UBC member Gayla Marty is part of the group, which is led by Allison Tanner (Oakland) and Ashlee Wiest-Laird (Boston), both pastors long engaged with organizations in Palestine and experienced leaders of tours there. Gayla will talk about what called her to join the tour, the itinerary (9 nights in Bethlehem, 3 nights in Nazareth), and the purposes and goals of sending a tour at this time of escalating violence and war as well as the U.S. election. She will share resources from her preparation and seeks your questions and perspectives.

All Saints Sunday is in two weeks. Please add any names of people who have died recently to the bell banners. You can find the bells and ribbons in the narthex (ask an usher).

This week

Sacred Harp Singing — Sundays (except the 1st), 4-6pm, and every 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 5:30-7:30pm, at UBC in Room 303. No experience or talent necessary!

UBC–FCC Knitting Group — October 21st (3rd Mondays), 7pm at Ruth Lemire's. 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.

Finding a path to forgiveness — Is forgiveness something you've been thinking about in some area of your life? Louisa Hext, curator of the Forgiveness Project exhibit that UBC hosted in April, is also a consultant, coach, and teacher. She invites us to consider her upcoming course, Embracing Forgiveness: Forging the Path!, to be offered in two series this fall:

- (1) October 1, 8, 15, 22 four Tuesdays, 6:30–8pm on Zoom, open to all, described on her website: https://www.consultantshext.com/home/forgiveness-course/
- (2) October 24, 31, November 7, 14 four Thursdays, 12:30–2pm on Zoom, through OLLI/U of M Extension: https://www.campusce.net/olliumn/course/course.aspx?C=4987 More offerings and resources are available. Louisa would also be willing to create a course for UBC if there is interest. Learn more about Louisa and her courses at www.consultantshext.com.

Memoir Writing Group — October 22 (every other Tuesday), 7pm via Zoom. All are welcome! Prompts include Voting, Halloween, and Fall — or whatever else you feel called to write about. Contact Trish Donley if you have any questions.

Choir & Bell Rehearsal — Wednesday evenings in the church sanctuary. 6pm for Choir, and 7:30 for bells. We always welcome newcomers!

Empty Bowls — October 25th 4-6pm Gaia Democratic School will hold their annual Empty Bowls fundraiser on Friday. All are welcome.

U of M Homecoming Parade — Friday, October 25, 6 p.m. We'll again be making s'mores as we watch the parade go right by the church lawn. Come join us!

Project Minnesota-Léon Fiesta — Saturday, October 26, 2-4pm. at Lake Harriet United Methodist Church, 4901 Chowen Avenue South, Minneapolis.

Pumpkin Gathering — Saturday, October 26, time TBD for the UBC children and families at Pine Tree Apple Orchard followed by Halloween decoration and treat making for coffee hour the next day. See Carrie Lubke for more details.

Next Sunday's forum (October 27) — Planning UBC's 175th Anniversary Celebration in 2025. The UBC congregation will celebrate a big milestone in 2025! How would you like to see UBC mark its 175th anniversary? In July 1850, our congregation formed as the First Baptist Church of St. Anthony about 10 blocks from our current location. Through several moves and two name changes, we have consistently engaged in social change and justice as a witness to our times. Come to share ideas and let your voice be heard.

Looking ahead

Bible Study – November 2 (1st & 3rd Sat.), 9am. We will discuss Luke-Acts. New and occasional members are always welcome. No special background, skill, or preparation is required. If you have any questions, please contact Diane Ehr at <u>DianeEhr@q.com</u>.

Roots Cellar Concert — Mark Kreitzer on November 2nd, 2024 at 7pm for \$20.

Mark has been playing music on stage since almost before there were two Germanys! He has played in Rock, Country, Bluegrass, Folk, Traditional Jazz and Gypsy Jazz bands, as well as being involved in theatrical and classical music. An accomplished performer on more than a handful of instruments, Mark also is a prolific songwriter, recently writing for a musical adaptation of Mark Twain's *Life On The Mississippi*. Although he has played across the country and overseas, his favorite audience is always the one he's playing for now! And if you'd like to learn how he does it, you can take lessons from him! Mark has been a professional educator since 1988, and currently teaches at Carleton College, as well as leading workshops at festivals and camps around the upper Midwest. He's also currently working on a music theory book for folk and bluegrass musicians. Tickets at: https://events.humanitix.com/markkreitzer

UBC–FCC Daytime Handcraft Group — November 6 (1st Wednesday), 10am at First Congregational Church (500 8th Ave. SE) in the Parlor. Bring your craft project and lunch if you like. If you are interested and want to be on a distribution list, please let Marilyn Burns (from FCC) know at mbsnoobear@mac.com.

Caregiver Support Group — Thursday, November 7 (1st Thursday), 6:30pm. UBCers who have an elderly family member meet for support. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Lubke at ieanlubke01@gmail.com

Grace in Contemporary Literature by Women Book Group — November 9 (2nd Saturday), 1pm. The book this month is *Small Things Like These* by Claire Keegan. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Follett at chrisf2828@yahoo.com.

Wild Church Gathering! — We will gather on 2nd Saturdays of the month (next up Nov 9) at 2pm, at Father Hennepin Park (by the Stone Arch Bridge, on the same side of the river as the church). 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. At a Wild Church gathering, we practice doing something indigenous cultures have always known how to do: conversing with the other peoples with whom we share this earth – plants and animals, birds, rocks, water and air. As we re-enter this sacred conversation, we begin to remember who we really are and find a more authentic place within the whole. We seek to allow this posture of listening, mutuality and interdependence to shape how we decide and act in the rest of our lives as well. See more info here: https://www.wildchurchnetwork.com/

Anti-racism Group — Tuesday, November 12 at 6pm, we will be viewing the Alliance webinar from the Thrive sociologists. Anyone is welcome to attend. The Antiracism group will meet again on December 10th at 7pm.

Card Club — Saturday, November 16, 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

Volunteer Opportunities

Meals on Wheels — November 4-7 (First full Monday-through-Thursday week of each month). Meals are picked up around 11:15 a.m. 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 — November 8 (2nd Friday), 11am.-1pm at Marcy Open School in SE Minneapolis. Volunteers are needed to deliver meal bags to student backpacks in their lockers during the school day. If you are interested, please contact Denise Roy at denise.roy@mitchellhamline.edu

Loaves & Fishes — November 29. 1816 Portland Ave. S., Minneapolis 55404. Parking is available on Portland Ave. or in the small lot in the alley west of the building. We'll need about four people for food prep between 2-5 p.m., about six people for packing to-go containers from 4:30-6 p.m., and a couple people to help with clean-up until about 7 p.m. Let Steve Lee know if you can help at steven.lee@thrivent.com or 612-844-8194 or 763-645-9499.

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.