



UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

God has called University Baptist Church to minister to the University Community and to the residents of the Greater Charlottesville-Albemarle Community, serving as agents of Christ's love and justice for those in need and offering a vital family of faith.

May 24, 2026
Pentecost Sunday

GATHERING

Marking the Hour

Opening Words

Dr. Matthew Tennant

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Prelude

Let Everything That Has Breath Praise the Lord (Ps. 150)

arr. Richard Wagner

Lighting the Candles

We light these candles to welcome the Spirit, for they represent how Jesus is the Light of the world which guides us through life.

Opening the Bible

We open the Bible to remind us that God speaks to us through the Holy Word.

Introit

Rejoice, the Lord Is King (#363)

arr. Ron Mallory

Sanctuary Bells

Director: Sheri Owen

*Call to Worship

Pam Hallissy

God sent forth the Spirit,

and all creation rejoiced.

God's breath filled the skies, the sea, the land, and all creatures.

May the glory of the Lord endure forever!

Let us sing to the Lord as long as we have breath.

Bless the Lord, O my soul. Let us praise the Lord!

*Hymn 280

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

EBENEZER

*Invocation Rachel Miller

Greeting

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by scanning the QR code on the back of the bulletin.*

Anthem

Come, Spirit, Come

Walt Harrah

Soloist: Dean Tennant

Come, Holy Spirit, dwell here among us.
We need your power, your healing grace.
Show us your favor, grant us your presence,
as you have promised, come, Spirit come.
Come rushing wind, come holy fire.
Here and now descend, O breath of God,
O Perfect peace, revive us once again.

HEARING

Gospel Lesson

John 20:19-23 (p.883)

Hadessah Johnson

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

*Hymn 291

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

SPIRIT

Morning Prayer

Kevin Adams

Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends in Christ: by the power of the Spirit,
we are united with Christ and given a new spirit.
Let us rejoice, for in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Live in the joy and peace of that assurance.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Doxology 609

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures high and low.**

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

New Testament Lesson

Acts 2: 1-21 (p.885)

Larry Johnson

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Anthem *Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me* William McGuire
 Sanctuary Choir
 Director: Susan Deal
 Gracious Spirit, dwell with me. I myself would gracious be;
 And with words that help and heal would thy life in mine reveal,
 And with actions bold and meek would for Christ my Savior speak.
 Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I myself would truthful be:
 And with wisdom kind and clear let thy life in mine appear,
 And with actions brotherly speak my Lord's sincerity.
 Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I myself would holy be:
 Keep me from all sin I pray, let it show in words I say;
 And whatever I can be, give to him who gave me Thee!

Sermon Has the Spirit Spoken Recently? Dr. Tennant
*At this time, children in Kindergarten through 5th Grade may exit
 to attend Children's Church in the Children's Suite.*

Meditation *Spirit of the Living God (#288)* Daniel Iverson
 Sanctuary Choir
 Director: Susan Deal

RESPONDING

Invitation Dr. Tennant
 *Hymn 300 *We Are One in the Spirit* THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS
 *Benediction Dr. Tennant
 *Postlude *Come, Holy Spirit, Our Hearts Inspire* arr. John Stallsmith
 *Please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.

Instrumentalists:
 Organ/Piano: Barbara Moore; Piano: Dean Tennant; Oboe: Arlyn Burgess

This Week at UBC

<p>SUNDAY, May 24 9:45 Sunday Morning Bible Study 11:00 Morning Worship</p> <p>MONDAY, May 25 Church Office Closed 7:15 Women's Book Study</p>	<p>TUESDAY, May 26 1:00 Nominating Committee Meeting 6:30 Prayer Shawl Group 7:00 Bible & Brews</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, May 27 9:00 Work Team 10:00 PB&J Bible Study 11:00 Ice Cream Ministry</p>
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University Baptist Church

Thank you for coming to worship today. We are blessed by your presence, and we trust that this hour will help to deepen your spiritual life. We look forward to meeting you personally at the close of the service.

About Us: University Baptist Church is a vibrant community of faith, bringing together university students and area residents in worship, study, and service to our community. We seek to be an authentic community of Christians who love and care for each other as a family, and openly welcome and include all people regardless of age, race, gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation, disability, or background. We believe that all people have important gifts to share in God's family, working together as the hands and feet of our good and loving God. Learn more at universitybaptist.org.

Newsletter: If you would like to stay updated on all the latest news and events at UBC, please call or email the church office at linda@universitybaptist.org.

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Flowers: Flowers this month are given by Mildred Spicer and her son, Paul Spicer in loving memory of Melvin D. Spicer, who passed away May 17, 2025 and in memory of the date of Melvin and Mildred's wedding on May 31, 1969.

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