



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 10, 2026
6th Sunday of Easter

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

"Whatever my lot, it's well with my soul"

arr. Nancy Lyon Smith

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.

*Call to Worship

Stella Gregg

We gather together:

a community of faith rooted in this place.

We gather to celebrate

that no darkness can extinguish light,

to remember

that love will always be more powerful than death,

and to trust that

peace will always be stronger than violence.

We gather together:

a family of faith in the light of God's world.

Let us worship God.

*Hymn 645	<i>Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above</i>	MIT FREUDEN ZART
*Invocation		Rev. Megan Sharp
Greeting	<i>The ministries of University Baptist Church are made possible by your financial support. Offering boxes are located at the rear of the Sanctuary and electronic giving by scanning the QR code on the back of the bulletin.</i>	
Anthem	<i>If Ye Love Me</i> Sanctuary Choir	Thomas Tallis
	If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may 'bide with you forever, ev'n the sp'rit of truth.	
	HEARING	
Gospel Lesson	John 14:15-21 (p.877)	Glenna Ohlms
	Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God!	
*Hymn 293	<i>Loving Spirit</i> v. 1-3, 5	OMNI DIE
Morning Prayer		Roy Thomas
Assurance of Forgiveness	From age to age, from generation to generation, God's mercy never fails. Hear the good news! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.	
*Doxology 609	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i> 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!	LASST UNS ERFREUEN
Old Testament Lesson	Isaiah 66:5-13 (p.608)	Scott Miller
	Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God!	

Anthem

The 23rd Psalm

Bobby McFerrin

Sanctuary Choir

The Lord is my Shepherd, I have all I need,
 She makes me lie down in green meadows,
 Beside the still water, She will lead.
 She restores my soul, She rights my wrongs,
 She leads me in a path of good things,
 And fills my heart with songs.
 Even though I walk, through a dark and dreary land,
 There is nothing that can shake me,
 She has said, She won't forsake me, I'm in Her hand.
 She sets a table before me, in the presence of my foes,
 She anoints my head with oil, And my cup overflows.
 Surely, goodness and kindness will follow me,
 All the days of my life, And I will live in Her house, forever and ever.
 Glory be to our Mother, and Daughter, And to the Holy of Holies,
 As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
 World, without end. Amen.

Sermon

God as Our Mother

Dr. Tennant

*At this time, children in Kindergarten through 5th Grade may exit
 to attend Children's Church in the Children's Suite.*

Meditation

Barbara Moore

RESPONDING

Invitation

Dr. Tennant

*Hymn 724

O Jesus, I Have Promised

ANGEL'S STORY

*Benediction

Dr. Tennant

*Postlude

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

arr. Flor Peeters

**Please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.*

Instrumentalist:

Organ/Piano: Barbara Moore

This Week at UBC

<p>SUNDAY, May 10 9:45 Sunday Morning Bible Study 11:00 Morning Worship</p> <p>MONDAY, May 11 7:15 Women's Book Study</p> <p>TUESDAY, May 12 11:30 Annie Armstrong Circle Meeting 6:30 Prayer Shawl Group</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY, May 13 9:00 Work Team 12:00 Security & Safety Task Force Meeting 5:45 Sanctuary Bells Rehearsal</p> <p>THURSDAY, May 14 1:30 Personnel Committee Meeting 7:00 Deacons' Meeting</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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