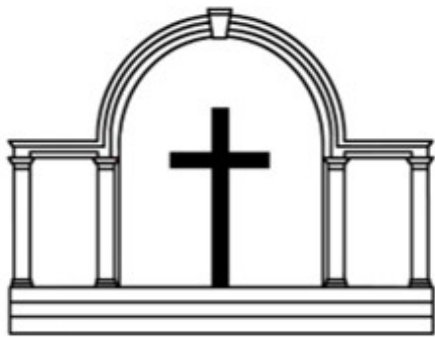




UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH Charlottesville, VA

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.

October 4, 2026 World Communion Sunday

GATHERING

Marking of the Hour

Barbara Moore

Opening Words

The Lord be with you

Dr. Matthew Tennant

And also with you,

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Prelude

The Heavens Declare the Glory of God

Benedetto Marcello

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 (using *Alleluia* by Simeí Monteiro)

Rev. Megan Sharp

From north and south, from east and west, we come:

God's people called to the table where simple grace nourishes us.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! 2X

From down the street to across town, from single households to large families:

God's people are called into community, where we live and serve one another.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! 2X

From every class, every race, every status, and every age:

God's people are called to witness to God's hope, to offer peace to a shattered world.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! 2X

Let us worship God!

*Hymn 637

O Sing to the Lord

CANTAI AO SENHOR

*Invocation

Laura Morris

Greeting

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

Anthem

Come Before the Table

Karen Marroli

Sanctuary Choir

Soloists: Rachel Miller & Carolyn Lowry

Come before the table, O come before the Lord.

O come, come and share the love that makes us one.

O come with one spirit, come with one hope, come with one song.

O come, come as you are, knowing we all belong.

Come and share the blessing, O come and share the promise,

O come and share the blessing, O come and share the love.

Come, O come with one mission, come with one love, come with one voice.

Come all, all near and far, let all the world rejoice!

Thee we adore, O hidden Savior, thee, who at this blessed feast art pleased to be.

O come, come and share the love that makes us one.

HEARING

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 21:33-46 (p.803)

Linda Boston

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

*Hymn 372

O for a World

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Morning Prayer

Kevin Adams

Assurance of Forgiveness

Beloved people of God, in the name of Christ, grace abounds.

We are forgiven and freed to try again.

God's love is making all things new.

We rest and rejoice in the peace of God. Amen.

*Doxology 607

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise Christ, all people here below;

praise Holy Spirit evermore;

praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 19 (p.433)

Dan Pinkham

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem

Let's Sing Unto the Lord (#669)

Carlos Rosas

Sanctuary Choir

Sermon	God's Glory in Creation	Dr. Tennant
<i>At this time, children in Kindergarten through 5th Grade may exit to attend Children's Church in the Children's Suite.</i>		
Meditation		Barbara Moore
RESPONDING		
Celebration of the Lord's Supper		Dr. Tennant
Invitation		Dr. Tennant
*Hymn 526	<i>Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ</i>	LINSTEAD
*Benediction		Dr. Tennant
*Postlude	<i>O God, Our Help in Ages Past</i>	arr. Mary Louise Kerrick
<i>*Please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.</i>		

Instrumentalists:
Organ/Piano: Barbara Moore: Percussion: Bobby Gregg & Theo Gregg; Piano: Dean Tennant

This Week at UBC

SUNDAY, Oct. 4 8:30 Church Council Meeting 9:30 Seekers Bible Study 9:45 Sunday Morning Bible Study 11:00 Morning Worship MONDAY, Oct. 5 4:00 Theology Reading Group	TUESDAY, Oct. 6 7:00 Kittie Colvin Trail WEDNESDAY, Oct. 7 9:00 Work Team 5:15 Wednesday Night Dinner 6:00 Celtic Evening Liturgy 6:30 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal THURSDAY, Oct. 8 10:00 Visioning Prayers 1:30 Personnel Committee Meeting
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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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Prayer Requests: Prayer Request cards are available in each pew rack. They may be left in an offering box or handed to an usher or minister following worship.

Flowers: Flowers are given this month to the Glory of God by Jeanne Nye and in celebration of her 60th year at UBC.

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