

welcome

to university baptist church

our **mission**

*Becoming a family of Christ followers,
connecting people with God's Kingdom*

how to **connect**

THE BIG THREE:

- Find a worship time
- Find a regular group
- Find a place to serve

Visit the Connection
Corner before or
after services to talk
to someone about
becoming a covenant

social media

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March 24, 2019



Prelude Nina Connelley

Call to Worship Sanctuary Choir
Doxology

A TIME OF WORSHIP

Hymn of Praise Congregation
A Mighty Fortress is Our God

Welcome to Worship Kyle Wilson

Hymns of Adoration Congregation
Higher Ground #484
Revive Us Again #469

Pastoral Prayer Randy Cox

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading Jim Smith
 John 4:46-53

Anthem Sanctuary Choir
Be Strong in the Lord

Today's Message
 "Believe In What I Say"
 Dr. Steve Laufer
 John 4:46-54
 (Pew Bible Page #753)

Song of Response Congregation
I Surrender All #275

A TIME OF THANKSGIVING

Prayer of Thanks Dale Figgins

Offering David Henry
He Leadeth Me

Announcements/Benediction Dr. Steve Laufer

Closing Song Congregation
The Solid Rock #406

Welcome

Steve Laufer

Worship in Song

The Lord Our God

Faithful To The End

Cornerstone

Prayer of Thanks

Aaron Glenn

No Longer Slaves

Today's Message

"Believe In What I Say"

Steve Laufer

John 4:46-54

(Pew Bible Pages #753)

Song of Response

Good Grace

Announcements & Benediction

Steve Laufer

If you would like someone to pray with you after the service, please feel free to stop by the Connection Corner.

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happening **now**

Embrace Life “Love Above” Project: Bless unwed mothers in a tangible and practical way. Donate a gift card to provide Embrace Life moms with specific needs for their babies. Monetary donations welcomed as well and received in the Fellowship Hall throughout the month of March.

Faith@Home needs married couples of all ages to participate in a focus group TODAY, March 24 from 5-7 pm. This will be a time for the Faith@Home Marriage team to listen to couples share how we, as a church, can best provide resources for married couples. This is a one-time commitment. Register to be a part of this Marriage Focus Group at ubc.org/quicklinks.

Everyday Evangelism—Every day we have opportunities to share our faith and bear witness to the hope that is found in Jesus. Sometimes we struggle to know how best to share that hope. Nate Wirt will be leading us through two sessions to help participants learn how to share their stories in these everyday conversations. For more info, contact natewirt@sbcglobal.net.
▷ *Two Sundays, Mar 24 and 31, 5:30 pm, EB 206*

Spiritual Practices: Prayer and Fasting—Some of the most basic spiritual practices that Jesus left his followers included those of prayer and fasting. Following our recent Apprentice Group emphasis on spiritual disciplines, maybe you're interested in a next step of looking at two core disciplines found in the Gospels. In this 2-week class, we will walk through both practices and see how they integrate together. For more info, or to sign up, contact Garet Robinson at groups@ubc.org. ▷ *Two Sundays, Mar 24 and 31, 5 pm, EB 204*

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal—Have you ever wondered what it would be like to sing praises to the Lord with a large group of friends? Find out on Saturday, March 30! We are having a “let's get acquainted” Sanctuary Choir rehearsal for Easter and beyond. Kingdom Care is available (birth-5th grade). Register your child by calling Alicia at 281.488.8517. ▷ *Sat, Mar 30, 9 am-Noon*

Faith@Home: Caregiver's Seminar—Are you a caregiver for your aging parent? On March 31, four local professionals will provide information and resources to help you carefully love your aging parents. For more info, visit ubc.org/quicklinks. ▷ *Sun, Mar 31, 5 pm, The Hangar*

Special Service of Baptism—The entire UBC family is invited to come worship together as we share in this wonderful time of testimony and celebration! If you would like to speak with a pastor about being baptized, stop by the Connection Corner or contact the Adult Ministries office at 281.488.8517, ext. 337 or stephanie.zamora@ubc.org. ▷ *Sun, Mar 31, 7 pm, Worship Center*

Kingdom Care (paid childcare) has part-time positions available. Hours are flexible and include Sunday, Monday and Thursday mornings, Wednesday evenings, and special events. Experience is preferred but not required. For more information or to apply, contact Nicole.Gardner@ubc.org or call 281.488.8517 ext 313.

UBC Blood Drive—Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center will be onsite, Sunday, March 31. Give blood to help save lives. ▷ *Sun, Mar 31, 8:15 am-1 pm, Chapel West*

Egg Stuffing Event—Help stuff 5,000 eggs for the Preschool Easter Springtacular—we can use all the helpful hands we can get! Come and go as your schedule allows. ▷ *Thurs, Apr 4, 10 am-2 pm, Fellowship Hall*

April Primetime Dinner—Join the senior adults and share in an evening of fellowship and entertainment, featuring All That Jazz Night including the UBC Dixieland Band. Cost is \$10. RSVP in your Sunday morning groups or contact Stephanie Zamora at: stephanie.zamora@ubc.org or 281.956.1837. ▷ *Thurs, Apr 4, 6:30 pm, Chapel*

Caregivers Group—In this 4-week group we will read, *How to Honor Your Aging Parents* by Richard Johnson. Written for any person who is caregiving or who anticipates that they will give some form of care to an elder. Cost: Free. ▷ *Sundays starting Apr 7, 6-7 pm, EB 210*

Primetime Day Trip—Come see a fun and educational presentation about cotton and the cotton industry at The Texas Cotton Gin Museum. Sign up in the EB hallway or by contacting Martha Monroe at 281.549.4834. ▷ *Fri, Apr 12, Burton, Texas*

Preschool Easter Springtacular—Bring your Easter baskets and join the fun! Hop on over and enjoy egg hunts, petting zoo, train, pony rides, food and more! This is a free event for preschoolers and their parents. ▷ *Sat, Apr 13, 10 am-12 pm, UBC*

Student UM Army Serving Trip—Students (completed grades 8-12) spend a week providing free home repairs for those who are physically or financially unable to do the work themselves. Registration deadline is Sunday, April 14. To learn more and to register, go to ubc.org/student-events. ▷ *Trip dates: July 7-13*

Student Choirs and Handbells Dessert Theater—Be our guest for a fun night with our high school and intermediate school choirs and handbells. This year the students are performing Disney songs! Purchase your tickets in the Fellowship Hall, \$10 per person. ▷ *Sun, Apr 14, shows at 4 pm & 6 pm*



EQUIP TO SERVE SUNDAY

APRIL 7TH DURING 9:30 & 11 AM WBS HOURS

It may be hard to imagine, but today, there are nearly 800 homes in our area that are still in need of repair because of damage from Hurricane Harvey.

They need our help.

To address this critical need, we have set aside April 7 as Equip to Serve Sunday. This special emphasis will provide the opportunity for UBCers to learn valuable skills that can specifically make an impact on the families still struggling from the effects of Harvey.

The following three equipping stations will be set up during both WBS hours (the content for both hours will be the same):

- How to install flooring and hang doors (Mission Training Center)
- How to hang drywall (Pavilion)
- How to care for people in crisis (Chapel)

Sign up for an equipping session with your WBS groups or as an individual and then come to church on April 7 in work clothes ready to be equipped.

Sign up for a training session in the Fellowship Hall today! For more details, go to ubc.org/equip.

Sunday, April 7
Training times at 9:30 & 11 am, UBC

(Easter preview on back)

HOLY WEEK AT UBC

Palm Sunday: Festival of Praise

Sun, Apr 14, Worship Center



9:30 am • Traditional worship with choir & orchestra

11:00 am • Contemporary worship with praise band

Maundy Thursday

Thurs, Apr 18, WBS homes and Chapel

6:30 pm • Service in the Chapel for our Primetime Ministry or anyone not already in a home-group gathering to remember Christ with the Lord's Supper

Good Friday Service

Fri, Apr 19, Worship Center

12:15 pm • Midday worship service to focus on Jesus' work on the cross

Easter Sunday Services

Sun, Apr 21

8:00 am • Traditional worship with gospel hymns, Chapel

9:30 am • Traditional worship with choir and orchestra, Worship Center

11:00 am • Contemporary worship with praise band and singers, Worship Center

Easter Lily Dedications—The church will be decorated with lilies to celebrate Easter. Dedicate a lily in honor/remembrance of someone special (\$10) with special envelopes located in the pews. Please indicate whether your gift is in honor of or in memory of someone, along with his or her name. Deadline to dedicate is April 14!

current **worship series**

Backstage: Jesus: A Year of Obscurity

Believe In What I Say (John 4:46-54)—John’s second designated “sign” takes place here with the healing of a Galileean official’s son. Perhaps the rumor of Jesus’s miracle at the wedding in Cana had spread, and this official requested Jesus to come to his son and heal him. A key difference here is that Jesus did not travel to the family’s home, but simply declared the boy to be healed, not in the sight of the father. The Father believed simply because of the words of Jesus. This sets up a key contrast in John, and in our modern world. Some will only believe if they see signs and wonders. And others will believe Jesus’s word, and trust him there.

Download this year’s **Lenten Devotional** online at ubc.org/lent.

Vástago de Gracia is the new Spanish-language worship service that meets in the Chapel during the 9:30 hour every Sunday! All are welcome to join.

Vástago de Gracia es el nuevo servicio de adoración en español que se reúne en la capilla a las 9:30 de la mañana los domingos. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

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attendance update

Last Week **WORSHIP** 814 **BIBLE STUDY** 795

giving update

Last Week’s Offering	\$69,403
Weekly Requirement	\$71,000
FY2019 Budget (Oct-Feb)	\$1,609,000
Actual Giving	\$1,548,000



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