

# welcome

to university baptist church

## our **mission**

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

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## 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 member.

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## **social** media

- facebook/UBCHouston
- twitter/UBCHouston
- instagram/UBCHouston
- linkedin/UBCHouston

October 27, 2019



Prelude Christopher Morrison

Call to Worship Chorus Kids  
*Grateful Praise*  
 Audra Smith, Director

Welcome to Worship Bart Morrison

### A TIME OF WORSHIP

\*Hymns of Praise Congregation  
*Lead On, O King Eternal #621*  
*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow #253*

First Responders Recognition Laura Davis  
 & Dr. Steve Laufer

Pastoral Prayer Dr. Steve Laufer

Choral Response Sanctuary Choir & Orchestra  
*Hear Our Prayer, O Lord*  
*Song for the Heroes*

Hymn of Majesty Congregation  
*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God #8*

### SERVICE OF THE WORD

\*Scripture Reading Keith Ozenberger  
 Matthew 13:18-23

Solo Yuko Sugiura  
*Jesus, Loves Me*

*Today's Message*  
 "Little Stories, Big Lessons"  
 Dr. Steve Laufer  
 Matthew 13:31-35, 44-52  
 (Pew Bible Pages #691-692)

\*Song of Response Congregation  
*'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus #411*

### A TIME OF THANKSGIVING

\*Prayer of Thanks David Traylor

Offertory Exaltation Ringers  
*How Firm a Foundation*  
 Kay Carpenter, Director

Announcements Dr. Steve Laufer

Closing Song Congregation  
*Shine, Jesus, Shine #579*

Altar flowers in loving memory of our dear friend  
 Edna Chrestman, from the Women of UBC.

\*All who are able, please stand.

## **Chorus Kids**

*Grateful Praise*

## **Welcome**

Bart Morrison

## **Worship In Song**

*Inhabit*

*Better Word*

*Way Maker*

## **Prayer of Thanks**

Laura Davis, Dr. Steve Laufer  
First Responders Appreciation

*Run to the Father*

## **Today's Message**

"Little Stories, Big Lessons"

Dr. Steve Laufer

Matthew 13:31-35, 44-52

(Pew Bible Pages #691-692)

## **Song of Response**

*Mountain*

## **Announcements & Benediction**

Dr. Steve Laufer

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## **The Belonging**

## **Welcome & Announcements**

Dr. Garet Robinson

*Forever Reign*

*How Great Thou Art*

## **Scripture Reading**

Patrick Turley

Matt. 13:18-23

*Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)*

## **Today's Message**

“Little Stories, Big Lessons”

Dr. Steve Laufer

Matthew 13:31-35, 44-52

(Pew Bible Pages #691-692)

*Better Word*

## **First Responder Appreciation**

Steve Laufer

## **Collective Reading & Benediction**

Steve Laufer

## **Dismiss and Invitation To Linger in Worship & Prayer**

Steve Laufer

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## happening **now**

**Faith@Home Marriage Sessions**—Faith@Home presents marriage sessions during the 9:30 am & 11 am WBS hour. This week's session is **Strengthen Your Marriage** with Steve Christopherson. ▷ *Today, 9:30 & 11 am, EB 210*

**UBC Loves Our First Responders!** Today, we recognize and say thank you to our First Responders during our worship services. If you are a First Responder, stop by the Fellowship Hall, with your ID, for a gift. ▷ *Sun, Oct 27*

**Fall Festival Yard Signs Are Here!**—Help us get the word out to your neighbors. Pick up a yard sign and Fall Festival post cards in the Fellowship Hall. We still need candy and lots of smiling volunteers! If you can help with this huge community outreach event, please sign up online at [ubc.org/fall-festival](http://ubc.org/fall-festival) or at the info table in the Fellowship Hall. ▷ *Fall Festival, Thurs, Oct 31, 5:30-8 pm, UBC*

You can make a difference in our community at Fall Festival this year! Please bring a donation of canned goods or non-perishable foods to help stock the **Clear Lake Food Pantry**.

**Fall Back: Time change**—Remember to set your clocks back an hour for Sunday, November 3!

**Kingdom Witness: Missiology 101**—A 3-week introduction to a theology of missions presented by Dr. Gareth Robinson and Aaron Glenn. For more info, visit [ubc.org/quicklinks](http://ubc.org/quicklinks). ▷ *Wednesdays starting Nov 6, 6-7:30 pm, EB 222*

**UBC Women's Annual Tapestry Dinner**—Invite friends and neighbors to UBC to share a meal and more. This year, Women's Ministries welcomes guest speaker Debbie Moseley, Executive Director at The Bridge Over Troubled Waters. Come hear stories of incredible rescue and redemption. Register at [ubc.org/women](http://ubc.org/women) or visit the sign-up table in the Fellowship Hall. ▷ *Thurs, Nov 7, 6-9 pm*

**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. Lee Whitlock will be leading us through two sessions to help participants learn how to share their stories in these everyday conversations. For info, contact [mabel.hoff@ubc.org](mailto:mabel.hoff@ubc.org). ▷ *Two Sundays, Nov 10 and 17, 5-6 pm, EB 209*

**Parent Dedication**—UBC welcomes families who desire to make a public commitment to raise their children according to God's Word. To sign up, visit [ubc.org/quicklinks](http://ubc.org/quicklinks) by Monday, **November 4**. ▷ *Sun, Nov 10, both services, Worship Center*

**The Belonging**—Come be a part of this new Sunday evening worship service opportunity. ▷ *Tonight, 5-6 pm, Chapel*

**Grief Share**—If you have lost a spouse, child, family member, or friend, Grief Share can help provide supportive people who understand the deep hurt of loss. For more information, visit [ubc.org/griefshare](http://ubc.org/griefshare). ▷ *Thursdays, 6:30-8 pm, EB 211*

**UBC Blood Drive**—UBC and Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center invites you to donate the gift of life! ▷ *Sun, Nov 10, 8:15 am-1 pm, Chapel*

**UBC Foundation's Annual Golf Tournament**—Sign up to golf in our annual fundraising event! To learn more about the foundation's many outreach and mission projects or to sign up as an individual, team or sponsor, visit [ubc.org/foundation](http://ubc.org/foundation). ▷ *Mon, Nov 11, Noon, Bay Oaks Country Club*

**Faith@Home: Dinner and a Marriage**—At Dinner and a Marriage®, couples enjoy a delicious dinner followed by marriage encouragement. For info and to register, visit [ubc.org/quicklinks](http://ubc.org/quicklinks). ▷ *Tues, Nov 12, 7 pm, Villa Capri*

**November Primetime Dinner**—Join the senior adults and share in an evening of fellowship and entertainment featuring Houston Horizon Chorus. RSVP in your Sunday morning groups, by emailing [mabel.hoff@ubc.org](mailto:mabel.hoff@ubc.org) or by calling 281.956.1837. Cost is \$10. ▷ *Thursday, Nov 14, 6:30 pm, Chapel*

**Veteran's Day Benefit Concert**—Join us for a concert, to honor veterans. Burgers and hot dogs will be available (donations accepted to defer cost). Please bring a lawn chair with you. In the spirit of Veteran's Day, we are asking for donations of new packages of men's/women's underwear or socks to support the homeless in our area. Golden oldies and country music will be performed by The Famous Bobby Rio and Friends. Volunteers are needed to cook and serve. To help, contact [aglenn@ubc.org](mailto:aglenn@ubc.org)! ▷ *Fri, Nov 15, 5-8 pm, Pavilion*

**Student Choirs & Handbells Dessert Theater**—Join us for a fun night of Christmas music with our high school and intermediate school choirs and handbells! Purchase your tickets online or in the Fellowship Hall, \$10 per person. ▷ *Sun, Nov 17, shows at 4 pm & 6 pm, Chapel, desserts served 5-6 pm in the Fellowship Hall*

**Illumination Arts**—Our mission is to be an art community that illuminates the love of Christ, drawn together by our love for art. Join us as mosaic artist Michele Patrick guides us in creating a beautiful stacked glass cross. Cost is \$8. RSVP by November 13 to Julie at [illuminationartsministry@gmail.com](mailto:illuminationartsministry@gmail.com). ▷ *Mon, Nov 18, 6:30-8:30 pm, Chapel*

**Preschool Ministries Serving Opportunities**—We need 10 adult volunteers during the 9:30 WBS hour! Please contact [terri.greer@ubc.org](mailto:terri.greer@ubc.org).

## current worship series

### *Center Stage: Jesus: A Year of Popularity*

*Little Stories, Big Lessons* (Matthew 13:31-35, 44-52)—One of Jesus’s favorite methods of teaching was in the form of parables. A parable is defined as, “a usually short fictitious story that illustrates a moral attitude or a religious principle.” And his favorite subject to teach on through parables was the Kingdom of God. In this chapter, Matthew strings together a series of parables illustrating different qualities of God’s coming Kingdom, the Kingdom that Jesus had come to usher in.

**Kingdom Care** (paid childcare) has part-time positions available. For more information or to apply, contact [nicole.gardner@ubc.org](mailto:nicole.gardner@ubc.org) or call 281.488.8517 ext 313.

**New to UBC Luncheon**—If you are new to UBC, this lunch is a great way to sit down with our pastors and learn about UBC. Following our Sunday morning services, the lunch will cover the essentials of our church identity, mission, and purpose. Childcare is provided during this meal. RSVP: [mabel.hoff@ubc.org](mailto:mabel.hoff@ubc.org). ▷ *Sun, Nov 10, 12:15 pm, Chapel*

**UBC en Español** es el nuevo servicio de adoración en español que se lleva a cabo cada domingo a las 9:30 de la mañana en la capilla. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

## ubc staff

**Dr. Steven Laufer** Senior Pastor  
**David Mobley** Executive Director  
**Aaron Glenn** Pastor of Serving Ministries  
**Dr. Garett Robinson** Pastor of Adult Ministries  
**Bart Morrison** Pastor of Worship Ministries

**Randy Cox** Assoc. Pastor of Leadership Development  
**Terri Greer** Assoc. Pastor of Preschool Ministries  
**Karen Murphy** Assoc. Pastor of Children’s Ministries  
**Ben Sandstrom** Assoc. Pastor of Contemporary Worship Ministries  
**Kyle Wilson** Assoc. Pastor of Student Ministries

## attendance update

Last Week **WORSHIP 892** **BIBLE STUDY 947**

## giving update

Last Week’s Offering \$76,490  
Weekly Requirement \$71,000  
FY2019 Budget (Oct-Sept) \$3,715,000  
Actual Giving \$3,720,000



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