

welcome

to university baptist church

welcome to ubc

We're glad you've chosen to worship with us today.

If you are new to UBC, thank you for being our special guest. We'd love to greet you personally, so please drop by our Connection Café after worship today. For more information or if we can help you in any way, visit our website at ubc.org or call the church office at 281.488.8517 and we will be happy to assist you.

Steve Laufer, SENIOR PASTOR

how to connect

Because we value connection here at UBC, here are some quick ways to get and stay connected: ① download the UBC Houston App; ② join a small group; ③ visit the UBC web site; ④ sign up for our weekly E-news; ⑤ read your worship guide.

social media

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July 9, 2017



Prelude Teresa Mauney
 Shelter in the Storm

Welcome to Worship Randy Cox

A TIME OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship Sanctuary Choir
No Other Name

Invocation Dr. Garet Robinson

Hymns of Praise Congregation
Crown Him with Many Crowns #161
Behold the Lamb

Pastoral Prayer Aaron Glenn

Song of Response Sanctuary Choir
& Congregation
Praise You

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading Dr. Bruce Peterson
 Nehemiah 1:5-9

Anthem Sanctuary Choir
Declaration of Faith

Today's Message
 "Les Misérables"
 Dr. Steve Laufer
 Neh. 1 (Pew Bible Page #342)

Song of Response Congregation
Take My Life, Lead Me, Lord #287

A TIME OF THANKSGIVING

Deacon Offertory Prayer Brady Pyle

Offering Micah Duckett
 Freedom's Sovereignty Reflections

Announcements/Benediction Dr. Steve Laufer

Closing Song Congregation
Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Welcome

Steve Laufer

Worship in Song

Doxology (Amen)

At Your Name

Scripture Reading

Nehemiah 1:5-9

You Never Change

Offering Prayer/Commissioning

Aaron Glenn

Mountain

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Song of Response

What A Beautiful Name

Announcements & Benediction

Steve Laufer

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

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happening **now**

UBC Blood Drive—Join Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center and UBC to help save lives. ▷ *TODAY, 8:15 am-1 pm, UBC parking lot*

Illumination Arts—Lora Doremus, Director of Women's Ministries at UBC will lead in a discussion of Christian Philosophy Expressed in Art. RSVP to Julie Ranna at illuminationartsministry@gmail.com. ▷ *Tues, Jul 11, 6:30-8 pm, EB 103*

Preschool Popsicles in the Parks—Families, meet us in neighborhood parks for our **Ready Set GO!** July mission opportunity this Saturday. Bring popsicles and water to share with others, and pick up litter. For a list of parks, see ubc.org/ready-set-go. Hotdogs and fellowship to follow at UBC. For more info, contact Terri Greer at terri.greer@ubc.org. ▷ *Sat, Jul 15, 4-7 pm*

Summer Movie Clubhouse—Kids (grades 1-5) are invited to eat popcorn and watch the cool, new movie *Despicable Me 3*. Afterward, return to UBC for food, Bible study and crafts! Register at ubc.org. ▷ *Wed, Jul 19, 9 am-3 pm, Chapel*

Mom's Night Out...Featuring the Help! Series—If you are a mom, the new "Help!" series will give you an opportunity to get current, relevant information about important life topics while you fellowship with other moms. The first event on July 20 is titled **Help! What's up with that App?** For more info about the six events between now and late August, visit ubc.org/help4moms. ▷ *Thurs, Jul 20, 7-8:30 pm, Chapel*

Special Service of Baptism—This is a casual worship service for potential members who would like to be baptized in a relaxed atmosphere. All the UBC family is invited. If you would like to speak with a pastor about being baptized, stop by the Connection Café or call 281.488.8517. ▷ *Sun, Jul 23, 5 pm, Worship Center*

Preschool Play Days: Gadgets & Gizmos—Preschoolers (8 weeks through completed Kindergarten) will discover how the Creator of all things created us to know and love Him. Register online at ubc.org/preschool. ▷ *Mon, Jul 24-Thurs, Jul 27, 9 am-1 pm, UBC*

Primetime Evening Trip—Join us as we have dinner and see a play! To learn more or to sign-up, please contact Martha Monroe at (281) 352-5105 or mmonroe2011@comcast.net. ▷ *Fri, Jul 28*

Thank You Kyle!—UBC gratefully says thank you to Kyle Wilson for 10 years of service at University Baptist Church. Celebrate Kyle's anniversary in four ways: give to the love offering (write "Love Offering" in the memo field or the envelope), send Kyle a note of appreciation, pray for Kyle and his ministry at UBC, and/or volunteer to help with the Student Ministry.

CentriKids PreTeen Camp—This overnight camp for kids (completed grades 3-5) is an opportunity to make new friends, explore and encounter God in a new way. For more info or to register, visit the calendar at ubc.org. ▷ *Mon, Jul 31–Fri, Aug 4, Trinity Pines Baptist Encampment*

Rick's Sabbatical—Rick Carpenter's passion about spiritual formation and love for his family is no surprise. So how fitting that he is taking the opportunity for both during his sabbatical this summer. During the first part of July, Rick will be visiting his mom in Alabama and taking a spiritual retreat in the Houston area. For Rick's full schedule and periodic blog posts visit ubc.org/ubc-life. Be in prayer that the Lord is present in his journeys and his relationships are rich.

Prayer Cards for UM Army and Love Africa Mission Trips—Stop by today and pick up a card with the name of one of our missionaries traveling to Crockett, Texas or Port Shepstone, South Africa. Our UM Army team will be repairing houses, building handicap ramps and sharing Jesus (July 9-15), and our Love Africa team will be working in orphanages, schools and villages (July 12-24). ▷ *TODAY, between services, Fellowship Hall*

Living the Story—This summer, Pastor Steve is telling the stories of Jonah, Nehemiah, and Ruth. Now you may think your story doesn't "swim" with Jonah's story, but it's your story, and it's God's story, and that's what makes it valuable. We want you to share your story with us—the UBC family. Go to ubc.org/story to learn more. Check out current stories in the Fellowship Hall.

DR Teacher Trip—Christine Haynes and Kathi Berridge will be representing UBC as they travel to the Dominican Republic on July 26. They will be in the Fellowship Hall between services to accept donations of school supplies or donations to purchase them in order to work with the teachers and schools there. Donations may be brought to the church at the reception desk during the week. You may also make donations online or by check and designate to: DR Teacher Trip 2017. ▷ *Sundays, Jul 9 & 16, 10:45-11:30 am, Fellowship Hall*

Kingdom Care (paid childcare) has part-time positions available. Hours are flexible and include Wednesdays and special events. Experience is preferred but not required. For more info or to apply, email beth.king@ubc.org or call 281.488.8517 x313.

Prayers for Living Water International Mission Trip—Those joining the UBC's Living Water Mission Team will be traveling to Honduras (July 16-22) to help bring clean water and the Gospel to a local community. Please pray for these families as they serve together during this trip.

current **worship series**

Living the Story: Nehemiah

Les Misérables (Neh 1)—Much like Ruth, the account of Nehemiah, Cupbearer to the King of Persia, begins by illuminating a crisis. The capital city of Nehemiah's people and the geographical seat of his faith, the city of Jerusalem, was in ruins. This awareness of the crisis of his city broke Nehemiah's heart and drove him to pray and fast and seek the Lord. Today, every city in which a local church resides is beset with crises. They may differ from city to city and country to country, but the presence of injustice, suffering, and despair are common. The question for the local church today is, are we broken hearted about the ruins of our cities like Nehemiah was? And if so, does our broken-heartedness lead us to respond as he did?

New Online Giving System—Please note that UBC is now utilizing a NEW SYSTEM to process online payments for giving and registration. Some of you may have already used the new system to pay for Student Ministry events or Date Night. If so, you can use the same login info as you used for those events. Otherwise, to give online, please create an account in the new system and cancel any donations that are recurring in the old system. Also, please note the history from the old system will not transfer to the new one. You can also give by installing the “ShelbyNext Giving” app on your smartphone, or via text to 281-612-7123. For more info, contact accounting@ubc.org.

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Terri Greer Assoc. Pastor of Preschool Ministries	

attendance update

Last Week	WORSHIP 880	BIBLE STUDY 672
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giving update

Last Week's Offering	\$55,604
Weekly Requirement	\$70,000
FY2017 Budget (Oct-Jun)	\$2,816,000
Actual Giving	\$2,645,000



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