

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

- [facebook/UBCHouston](https://www.facebook.com/UBCHouston)
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July 16, 2017



Prelude Miriam Matney & Allison Vicary
Come, Thou Almighty King

Welcome to Worship Lora Doremus

A TIME OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship Sanctuary Choir
To the God Who Reigns

Invocation Steve Johnson

Hymn of Praise Congregation
When Morning Gilds the Skies #221

Pastoral Prayer Dr. Gareth Robinson

Choral Response Sanctuary Choir
He Is Here

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading Judie Ferguson
Matthew 9:35-38

Anthem Sanctuary Choir
Silence the Stones

Today's Message

"The Odyssey"

Dr. Steve Laufer

Neh. 2:1-10 (Pew Bible Page #343)

Song of Faith Congregation
'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus #411

A TIME OF THANKSGIVING

Deacon Offertory Prayer Dale Figgins

Refugee Testimony Sonja Johnson

Announcements/Benediction Dr. Steve Laufer

Closing Song Congregation
Worthy of Worship

Welcome

Dr. Gareth Robinson

Worship in Song

Shout Hosanna

My Heart Is Yours

Scripture Reading

Matthew 9:35-38

Jesus We Love You

Offering Prayer/Testimony

Let There Be Light

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Song of Response

Mountain

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**

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*

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

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*

Navajo Mission Trip Report Meeting—Please consider yourself personally invited to come hear about this year's trip and see pictures from the team. ▷ *Sun, Jul 23, 6:30 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. Play Days is almost full. Contact terri.greer@ubc.org to register for one of the remaining spaces. ▷ *Mon, Jul 24–Thurs, Jul 27, 9 am–1 pm, UBC*

Primetime Evening Trip—Join us as we have dinner and then attend a performance of “Song of Singapore” at College of the Mainland. To sign-up, contact Martha Monroe at (281) 352-5105 or mmonroe2011@comcast.net. ▷ *Fri, Jul 28, 5:30–6 pm, \$16/ticket*

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.

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.

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*

DR Teacher Trip—Chris 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. Donations may also be brought to the church at the reception desk, made online or by check and designate to: DR Teacher Trip 2017. ▷ *TODAY, 10:45-11:30 am, Fellowship Hall*

August Primetime Dinner—Join the senior adults and share in an evening of fellowship and entertainment as Pele of Polynesia shares their beautiful Polynesian culture with you. ▷ *Thurs, Aug 3, 6:30-8:30 pm, Chapel, \$10/person*

Preschool Helpers for the Homeless—Families, pack Care Kits for our Ready Set GO! August mission opportunity, Saturday, August 5 at Lighthouse Christian Ministries. For more info, see ubc.org/ready-set-go or contact terri.greer@ubc.org. ▷ *Sat, Aug 5, 9:15 am*

Women's Ministry—Introducing Thinking Faith Academy! Whether you are a new Christian or a serious Bible student, come prepared to learn what the Bible has to say about life and contemporary issues. This is the beginning of a three-year cycle and will be available to UBC'ers and the community. To learn more, come to an Interest Meeting! ▷ *Sun, Aug, 6, 6-7 pm, EB 211 or Thurs Aug 9, 6:30-7:30 pm*

Rick's Sabbatical—Rick recently spent some time with his mom after attending the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship gathering in Atlanta. He is preparing for a week in London with Kay and will remain an additional week at the spiritual community in Lee Abby. Be in prayer that the Lord is present in his journeys and his relationships are rich. For Rick's full schedule and periodic blog posts, visit ubc.org/ubc-life.

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.

current **worship series**

Living the Story: Nehemiah

The Odyssey (Neh 2:1-10)—The practice of prayer should not stand by itself. The passion of Nehemiah’s prayer in chapter 1 led to the boldness of action in chapter 2. Perhaps as much as 3 months had passed, but Nehemiah knew that the broken heartedness that led him to pray must also lead him to act. And so, with well-planned, calculated effort, he approached the King and inquired about freedom and help to seek the community transformation that he longed to see. In our own communities today, are we willing to play a role in being the answer to the prayers that we pray? And if so, what are the steps we need to take to bring our prayers into the world of plans?

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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attendance update

Last Week	WORSHIP 894	BIBLE STUDY 709
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giving update

Last Week’s Offering	\$80,227
Weekly Requirement	\$70,000
FY2017 Budget (Oct-Jun)	\$2,816,000
Actual Giving	\$2,645,000



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