

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.

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January 14, 2018



Prelude Micah Duckett

Welcome to Worship Dr. Garett Robinson

A TIME OF WORSHIP

Hymn of Adoration Congregation
O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Invocation Rick Carpenter

Hymn of Praise Congregation
Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise #6

Pastoral Prayer Aaron Glenn

Song of Response Sanctuary Choir and
Worship the Lord #115 Congregation

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading Ali Dutton
Genesis 22:15-18

Anthem Sanctuary Choir / solo: Amy Titus
Even in the Valley

Today's Message
"A Community Promised"
Dr. Steve Laufer
Gen 12:1-3, 13:14-17 (Pew Bible Pages #8-9)

Song of Response Congregation
Where He Leads Me #288

A TIME OF THANKSGIVING

Deacon Offertory Prayer Butch Peters

Offertory Vision Weekend

Announcements/Benediction Dr. Steve Laufer

Closing Song Congregation
Blessed Assurance

Welcome

Dr. Gareth Robinson

Worship In Song

Here for You

Come, Lord Jesus (Even So, Come)

Scripture Reading

Zack Kimbrough

Genesis 22:15-18

Heart Abandoned

Offering Prayer

Sara Vogel

Shepherd

Today's Message

"A Community Promised"

Gen 12:1-3, 13:14-17 (Pew Bible Pages #8-9)

Steve Laufer

Song of Response

Heart Abandoned

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**

New Apprentice Groups (small groups) will meet beginning the week of January 21 at UBC and in homes around the Clear Lake/Friendswood area. Participants will engage in conversation around the book, *The Good and Beautiful Community*. To find a group that is just right for you, visit the tables in the Fellowship Hall before and after services. Kingdom Care (childcare) is available for some groups.

Women's Retreat: Save the Date!—Women of UBC are invited to renew, refresh and refill with a focus on “Wired that Way” during the Women's Spring Retreat. Register today at ubc.org/women. Cost: \$115. ▷ *Camp Allen, Navasota, Texas, Fri, Mar 2–Sun, Mar 4*

Illumination Arts—Visual artists and art lovers are invited to join our artist community. This month, we will be learning how to recycle Christmas cards! For more info, contact Julie Ranna at illuminationartsministry@gmail.com. ▷ *Tues, Jan 16, 6:30–8:30 pm, Fellowship Hall*

Spring Break Service Opportunity—Join a multi-generational service opportunity with Buckner Ministries on the Texas/Mexico border this spring break! Teach business, leadership or canning, or help build a house for a family in need. Registration deadline is Sunday, January 28. Visit ubc.org/quicklinks for more info or contact aglenn@ubc.org. ▷ *Trip dates, Sun, Mar 11–Fri, Mar 16*

Right at Home Moms Spring Semester: *What's It Like to Be Married to Me? And Other Dangerous Questions* by Linda Dillow—Mothers of infants, toddlers and preschoolers are invited to join RAHM's spring study and childcare. Register today! For more info, email janet.kuhlman@ubc.org or go to ubc.org/quicklinks. ▷ *Wednesdays, Jan 17–May 9, 9:30–11:45 am, LC 3rd Floor*

Love Africa: South Africa Informational Meeting—While in South Africa (July 4–18), we will work with Genesis Trust (the outreach arm of Norwegian Settlers Church) to help serve the community by meeting physical, social and spiritual needs associated with HIV/AIDS, poverty and other social issues. Students (grades 9 and up) and parents are invited to attend this meeting to learn more. ▷ *Wed, Jan 17, 6 pm, 3rd floor lounge*

May the Words...Prayer Group—Join us as we give praise to God, pray for revival, renewal, and repentance, and pray that God will work in UBC's family to grow our faith, our desire to follow Jesus, and our dependence on God. ▷ *Sundays beginning Jan 21, 6–7 pm, EB 228*

GriefShare—If you have lost a spouse, child, family member, or friend, GriefShare can help provide supportive people who understand the deep hurt of loss. For more info, visit ubc.org/quicklinks. ▷ *Sundays beginning Jan 21, 4–6 pm, EB 106*

Spring Semester Starting—Wednesday evening activities for preschool and children will begin on Wednesday, January 17. Sunday evening classes and activities for preschool, children and students will resume on Sunday, January 21.

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

GroupLink—A great way to get connected at UBC is to join an ongoing group. Sunday, January 28th, group leaders will be in the Fellowship Hall. Stop by to learn more about current groups and ask questions. ▷ *Sun, Jan 28, between services, Fellowship Hall*

Faith Partners—Life can be challenging. Are you in a tough spot where you need some support and prayer? Faith Partners are individuals who are trained to walk alongside you if you need someone to listen, pray with and suggest resources. Please visit The Porch for more info.

Weekday Ministries—Registration for the Fall 2018-2019 school year begins February 1. Visit the ubc.org/quicklinks for more information.

February Primetime Dinner—Join the senior adults and share in an evening of fellowship and entertainment with a special performance by Appointed by Grace. Cost is \$10. ▷ *Thurs, Feb 1, 6:30-8:30 pm, Chapel*

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 by Monday, January 29. ▷ *Sun, Feb 4, both services, Worship Center*

Date Night—Do you need to reconnect? Do you need to just relax with your spouse? Pick-up a Date Night Kit and go spend the evening together. If needed, you can register your kid(s) for a UBC activity! UBC Kingdom Care childcare (6 weeks-kindergarten) will be available as well as events for children and students. Register at ubc.org/quicklinks. Deadline to register children is noon January 29. ▷ *Fri, Feb 9, 6:30 pm-9:30 pm*

Harvey Volunteers Needed—Looking for an opportunity to help the victims of Hurricane Harvey in the Bay Area? UBC is a member of the 4B Disaster Response Network (4BDRN), a local non-profit committed to rebuilding homes and helping affected families recover over the next 1 - 2 years. Contact the UBC coordinator for 4BDRN, Jim Tatum, at jtatum0202@aol.com to volunteer or, to find more ways to help, visit ubc.org/quicklinks.

current **worship series:** *Faces of Community*

A Community Promised (Gen 12:1-3, 13:14-17, 22:15-18, 26:1-7)—Although the story of Israel’s history can begin with just one man and his immediate family, the early accounts of the Patriarchs reveals God’s plan from the outset to develop a community that would be known as his. The covenant promise made to Abraham, and then reaffirmed to Isaac and to Jacob, emphasized God’s plan to build a nation, comprised of people from different walks of life, that would be centered around himself. They would grow in number and be settled in a land they could call home. But he wasn’t just developing a community for the people’s best interests, he was doing so that they might become an agent of God’s best interests for all nations. This strategy of a blessed, God-centered community, seeking the well being of all peoples, is a strategy that continues in an ever expanding form still today.

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How to. . . Join the UBC Family—Join us on the journey to realizing our full potential in Christ. ▷ *Sun, Jan 14, 11 am, EB 228*

Live Spanish Translation Now Available!—The 11:00 service has a live Spanish translation broadcast. Listening packs are available by request from an usher.

La traducción al español en vivo ya está disponible!—El servicio de las 11 en punto tiene una transmisión en vivo en español. Paquetes de audífonos están disponibles para escuchar. Solicitalo a un ujier.

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attendance update

Last Week	WORSHIP 929	BIBLE STUDY 811
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giving update

Last Week’s Offering	\$180,500
Weekly Requirement	\$70,000
FY2018 Budget (Oct–Dec)	\$1,080,000
Actual Giving	\$1,072,000



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