

# 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](http://ubc.org) or call the church office at 281.488.8517 and we will be happy to assist you.

*Steve Laufer*, SENIOR PASTOR

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## 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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## social media

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November 26, 2017



Prelude Micah Duckett

Welcome to Worship Randy Cox

### A TIME OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship Sanctuary Choir  
*Give Thanks to the Lord*

Invocation Dr. Garet Robinson

Cong. Singing Congregation  
*This Is the Threefold Truth #408*

Pastoral Prayer Rick Carpenter

Song of Response Sanctuary Choir & Congregation  
*He Is Here*

### SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading April Evans  
1 John 4:7-12

Anthem Sanctuary Choir  
*This Is My Father's World*

#### Today's Message

"Encountering the Christ of Love"

Dr. Steve Laufer

John 6:1-15 (Pew Bible Pages #754-755)

Song of Response Congregation  
*The Servant Song #613*

### A TIME OF THANKSGIVING

Deacon Offertory Prayer Ron Janca

Offertory Faith Partners

Announcements/Benediction Dr. Steve Laufer

Closing Song Congregation  
*Bless His Holy Name*

**Welcome**

Steve Laufer

**Worship In Song**

*The Lord Our God*

*Faithful to the End*

**Scripture Reading**

Nigel Zamora

1 John 4:7-12

*Holy Spirit*

**Offering Prayer**

Rick Carpenter

*Perfect Love*

**Today's Message**

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John 6:1-15

(Pew Bible Pages #754-755)

**Song of Response**

*O Come to the Altar*

**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**

**Angel Tree Gift Return**—Unwrapped gifts should be returned (with attached paper “angel”) to the return box located by the Angel Tree on the 2nd floor. Volunteers are needed to wrap gifts and distribute to the families. For more info, contact Jill Tatum at jtatum0101@aol.com. ▷ *Gift return deadline, TODAY, Sun, Nov 26*

**Celebrate the Light: Serving Opportunities**—Sign up to help celebrate Bay Area Turning Point, The Bridge, Beltway 8 Crisis Pregnancy Center and Anchor Point! Learn more and sign up in the Fellowship Hall for the next two events scheduled for December 1.

**Praise Kids Christmas Concert**—Come and enjoy the sounds of preschool angels singing and praising the newborn King as they present *Christmas ADVENTure: A Jesse Tree Journey*. ▷ *Sun, Dec 3, 5 pm, Chapel*

**IB Hamm and the Children’s Christmas Telethon**—A fun and fictional story with TV “Evangelists” IB and Goldie Hamm, played by Rick Carpenter and Amy Carlson. Performances of traditional and contemporary Christmas music by Children’s and Student choirs and handbell groups. ▷ *Sun, Dec 3, 6 pm, Worship Center*

**Coats for Katya**—You can support Ukrainian orphans (ages 1-16) who have been affected by the conflict in Ukraine by donating new, warm socks and any new or gently used coats. Boxes will be set up in the Serving Corner of Fellowship Hall throughout November. For questions, contact Rebecca Bresnik at 832.248.4225 or rebamae4@aol.com.

**Pick up an Advent book today!** Drop by the table in the Fellowship Hall today and pick up your free copy of *Waiting Here for You - An Advent Journey of Hope*. One per family please, while supplies last.

**Happy Birthday Jesus Party**—Preschoolers and their families are invited to a birthday party for Jesus! The hosts, Girls in Action (GAs), will provide crafts and games! Please bring a present for baby Jesus (size 4 or 5 diapers; J&J Baby Take Along Trial Pack) to be donated to the Beltway 8 Crisis Pregnancy Center. ▷ *Wed, Dec 6, 6-7 pm, Chapel*

**Bay Area Working Women’s Fellowship Lunch**—This month Beverly Beard speaks on “The Gift of Hospitality.” Cost is \$20 per person (cash or check at the door). RSVP to Sharon Morris at 713.498.0566 or email sharoncochranmorris@gmail.com. ▷ *Thurs, Dec 7, 12-1 pm, Bay Oaks Country Club*

**December Primetime Dinner**—Join the senior adults and share in an evening of fellowship and entertainment with a special performance from a quartet of Victorian Christmas Carolers. Cost is \$10 each. ▷ *Thurs, Dec 7, 6:30–8:30 pm, Chapel*

**Illumination Arts**—This month, we will discuss art, play games and have a fun time of fellowship! Bring your favorite piece of art you created this year to share with the group. Also, bring a package of disposable diapers to donate to The Crisis Pregnancy Center. ▷ *Tues, Dec 12, 6:30–8:30 pm, Fellowship Hall*

**IS/HS Christmas Parties**—Intermediate and high school students, grab a friend and join us for the best Christmas celebration you've ever experienced! Food will be served and WBS leaders will be leading groups in a scavenger hunt—winners get prizes and bragging rights. ▷ *Sun, Dec 17, 6–8 pm, Chapel (HS) & LC 3rd floor (IS)*

**Vision Weekend: Save the Date**—Mark your calendars for the best weekend of the year. Vision, a weekend where hundreds of students (grades 6–12) meet in host homes throughout the Clear Lake community to dig into God's word, worship deeply and serve fully! Register online today at [ubc.org/student-events](http://ubc.org/student-events). ▷ *Fri, Jan 12–Sun, Jan 14, 2018*

**Pastor's Bible Study**—The Minors: Engaging the Minor Prophets of the Old Testament will be held on Wednesday evenings in the Chapel. ▷ *Wednesdays, 6:15–7:15 pm, Chapel*

## CHRISTMAS PREVIEW

### **Sunday, December 10, Worship Center**

9:30 & 11:00 am ~ Glory (UBC Choir & Orchestra in concert)

### **Sunday, December 17, Worship Center**

9:30 am ~ Traditional worship service

11:00 am ~ Glory to the King (contemporary Christmas program) with Divisi Strings

6:15 pm ~ Service of Lessons & Carols (Chamber Singers concert)

### **Sunday, December 24, Christmas Eve Service, Worship Center**

9:30 am ~ Traditional worship service

11 am ~ Contemporary worship service

4 pm ~ Family-friendly worship service

5:30 pm ~ Family-friendly worship services -English & Spanish

11:00 pm ~ Candlelight service (traditional candlelight service & observance of the Lord's Supper)

