

welcome

to university baptist church

our **mission**

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

how to **connect**

THE BIG THREE:

- Find a worship time
- Find a regular group
- Find a place to serve

Visit the Connection Café before or after services to talk to someone about becoming a covenant member.

social media

- facebook/UBCHouston
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December 2, 2018



Prelude Exaltation and Praise Ringers
The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came

Welcome to Worship Dr. Steve Laufer

Lighting of the First Advent Candle
Richard and Jennifer Simmons family

A TIME OF WORSHIP

Hymn of Hope Congregation
Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus #77

Pastoral Prayer Dr. Garet Robinson

Instrumental Meditation Exaltation and Praise Ringers
Savior of the Nations, Come

Hymn of Adoration Congregation
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel #76

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading Hank Broddle
Psalm 113

Anthem Chamber Singers
O Radiant Dawn

Today's Message
"A Song of Hope"
Steve Laufer
Luke 1:67-80
(Pew Bible Page #724)

Song of Response Congregation
Be Thou My Vision #60

A TIME OF THANKSGIVING

Deacon Offertory Prayer Pat Garrett

Offertory Exaltation and Praise Ringers
Carol of the Bells

Announcements/Benediction Dr. Steve Laufer

Closing Song Congregation
Go Tell It on the Mountain

Welcome & Announcements

Steve Laufer

Lighting of the First Advent Candle

The Bernal Family

Worship in Song

My Heart Is Yours

Heart Abandoned

Scripture Reading

Jonathan Abary

Psalm 113

O Come to the Altar

Offering Prayer

Dr. Garet Robinson

Messiah

Today's Message

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Song of Response

Forever Amen (Glory to God)

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**

Pick up an **Advent book** and other holiday resources at The Porch in the Fellowship Hall today! One Advent book per family please, while supplies last.

Praise Kids Christmas Concert—Come and enjoy the sounds of preschool angels singing and praising the newborn King as they present *The Christmas Journey*. ▷ *TODAY, Dec 2, 5 pm, Chapel*

Come to the Manger—Come hear performances of traditional and contemporary Christmas music by Children's and Student choirs and handbell groups. ▷ *TODAY, Dec 2, 6 pm, Worship Center*

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 4/5 diapers, baby wipes, desitin, or travel size bath sets) to be donated to the Beltway 8 Crisis Pregnancy Center. ▷ *Wed, Dec 5, 6-7 pm, Chapel*

December Primetime Dinner—Come celebrate the holiday season with Vince King and the Senior Adults at this month's Primetime Dinner! It will be a special evening together with a beautiful dinner and lots of Christmas carols. Please sign up by calling or emailing Stephanie Zamora at 281-956-1837 or stephanie.zamora@ubc.org. ▷ *Thurs, Dec 6, 6:30-8:30 pm, Chapel, Cost \$10*

Glad Tidings—The UBC Choir & Orchestra will be performing a concert during both morning worship services, with narrated Christmas story. ▷ *Sun, Dec 9, 9:30 & 11 am, Worship Center*

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 9, IS, 5:30-8:30 pm, 3rd floor, and HS, 6-9 pm, Chapel*

Angel Tree Gift Wrap Day—All of the paper "angels" have been picked up from the Angel Tree. Volunteers are needed to wrap gifts and distribute to the families. For more info, contact Jill Tatum at jtatum0101@aol.com. ▷ *Gift Wrap Day, Mon, Dec 10, 9 am-Noon, The Hangar & Distribution Day, Wed, Dec 12*

Illumination Arts Ministry—This month we will be celebrating the holiday season with a Christmas party. Please RSVP at: illuminationartsministry@gmail.com ▷ *Mon, Dec 10, 6:30 pm*

Group Care Night—Enjoy a night of fellowship with your WBS group members while Kingdom Care cares for your kids! Please visit ubc.org/quicklinks to register by **December 3**.
▷ *Fri, Dec 14, 6:30–9:30 pm*

Glory to the King—Join us for a day of Contemporary Christmas worship at 9:30 & 11 am. Music will be provided by Sound of Light, UBC's contemporary worship band, with guest violinist Jaime Jorge. ▷ *Sun, Dec 16, 9:30 & 11 am, Worship Center*

UBC Chamber Singers and Orchestra lead in traditional carols and scripture readings as part of our annual program, **A Service of Lessons and Carols**. ▷ *Sun, Dec 16, 5 pm, Worship Center*

Coats for Katya, named after a Ukrainian orphan hosted by a UBC family, provides children's jackets and coats for orphanages in the Ukraine. These orphans are in great need, especially as the conflict in Ukraine has made it more difficult for their basic needs to be met. Help make our sixth year supporting this ministry successful by donating new or gently used coats and jackets. Boxes will be set up throughout the church through mid-December. For more info, contact Rebecca Bresnik at rebamae4@aol.com.

Family Friendly Christmas Eve Services—Bring the children and celebrate the birth of our Savior! Worship service with familiar carols, the Christmas story, and glow sticks for everybody.
▷ *Mon, Dec 24, 4 & 5:30 pm, Worship Center (5:30 Bilingual English/Spanish service)*

Traditional Christmas Eve Service—Celebrate Christmas in exaltation with our traditional candlelight service and observance of the Lord's Supper on Christmas Eve. ▷ *Mon, Dec 24, 11 pm, Worship Center*

Celebrate the Light: Serving Opportunities—Pick up a copy of the Celebrate the Light brochure in the Fellowship Hall and learn how you and the family can serve this holiday season!

Women's Retreat (Feb 22-24) has early registration with a free gift! Men, this makes a great Christmas gift for the women in your life. Stop by the table in the Fellowship Hall today and check it out.

The **Safety Team** is looking for volunteers to help the church provide a safe and secure environment for all who participate in our programs and use our facilities. Responsibilities include observation during the 9:30 or 11:00 hour and at special events, as needed. Education or experience in safety-related fields is preferred but not required. For more info, email Laura Davis at laura.davis@ubc.org.

