

# welcome

to university baptist church

## our **mission**

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

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## 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.

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## **social** media

- facebook/UBCHouston
- twitter/UBCHouston
- instagram/UBCHouston
- linkedin/UBCHouston

December 30, 2018



Prelude Jim Smith

Call to Worship Sanctuary Choir  
solo: Carrie Gilder  
*All Is Well*

Welcome to Worship Steve Johnson

### A TIME OF WORSHIP

Hymns of Praise Congregation  
*O Come All Ye Faithful #89*  
*How Great Our Joy #108*

Pastoral Prayer Dr. Garet Robinson

Song of Response Sanctuary Choir and  
Congregation  
*What Child Is This #118*

### SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading Nate Wirt  
James 5:7-11

Anthem Sanctuary Choir  
*He Is Born*

**Today's Message**  
"2018: A Year in Review"  
Steve Laufer

Song of Response Congregation  
*Tell Me the Story of Jesus #122*

### A TIME OF THANKSGIVING

Offertory Prayer Dale Figgins

Offertory Micah Duckett

Announcements/Benediction Dr. Steve Laufer

Closing Song Congregation  
*Go Tell It on the Mountain*

*Only King Forever*

## **Welcome & Announcements**

Steve Laufer

## **Worship in Song**

*Faithful to the End*

## **Scripture Reading**

Jonathan Abary

James 5:7-11

*Cornerstone*

## **Offering Prayer**

Randy Cox

*Be with Me*

## **Today's Message**

"2018: A Year in Review"

Steve Laufer

## **Song of Response**

*The Way (New Horizon)*

## **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**

**Women's Spring Studies**—The Women of UBC begin new group studies this spring! The deadline to register for Kingdom Care (childcare) is **January 1**. Contact [tonya.wright@ubc.org](mailto:tonya.wright@ubc.org) for more info or visit [ubc.org/women](http://ubc.org/women).

**RA Annual Pinewood Derby Race**—Experience the fun as the Royal Ambassadors (RA) host their annual Pinewood Derby car races. Car kits are available, and boys and girls of all ages are invited to participate! For more info, go to [ubc.org/quicklinks](http://ubc.org/quicklinks) or email [linda.goodale@ubc.org](mailto:linda.goodale@ubc.org). ▷ *Sat, Jan 5, 8 am-2 pm, Chapel*

**Spring Semester Starting**—Sunday evening classes and activities for preschool, children and students will resume on Sunday, January 13.

**Zambia Africa Info Meeting**—Interested in learning about best practices for orphan care, family preservation and education in developing countries? Come join UBCers of all ages in Zambia as we experience the work happening through Alliance for Children Everywhere. For questions, contact [aglenn@ubc.org](mailto:aglenn@ubc.org). Trip dates: July 16-August 1. ▷ *Meeting/Lunch, Sun, Jan 13, 12:30 pm, Chapel*

**Right at Home Moms Spring Semester:** *The Ministry of Ordinary Places* by Shannan Martin—Mothers of infants, toddlers and preschoolers are invited to be a part of the RAHM's spring study and childcare. Register today at [ubc.org/quicklinks](http://ubc.org/quicklinks). For more info, email [janet.kuhlman@ubc.org](mailto:janet.kuhlman@ubc.org). ▷ *Mondays, Jan 14-May 6, 9:30-11:45 am, LC 3rd Floor*

**Women's Group:** *God of the Covenant* by Jen Wilkin—Women are invited to join this Tuesday morning group! Beginning with Genesis 12, walk alongside the fathers of our faith—Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph—to discern Jesus in the stories of His people. Cost \$20. Go to [ubc.org/quicklinks](http://ubc.org/quicklinks) for more info. ▷ *Tuesdays beginning Jan 15, 10 am-Noon, EB 226*

**Mission Friends Spring Semester**—Preschoolers ages 4 (as of Sept 1) will learn about local and worldwide missions through hands-on activities, Bible and mission stories. ▷ *Wednesdays beginning Jan 16, 6-7 pm, LC 145*

**New Apprentice Groups** (small groups) will meet beginning the week of January 20 at UBC and in homes around the Clear Lake/Friendswood area. Participants are invited to dive deeper as they explore seven key disciplines and practical ideas for weaving spiritual disciplines into everyday life with the book *Sacred Rhythms* by Ruth Haley Barton. To find an Apprentice Group that is just right for you, visit the sign-up tables in the Fellowship Hall before and after services any Sunday, January 6-20. Kingdom Care (childcare) available for some groups.

**Vision Weekend**—Mark your calendars for the best weekend of the year. During Vision, 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! **We still need host homes.** Email [brittany.stalcup@ubc.org](mailto:brittany.stalcup@ubc.org) if you can host. ▷ *Fri, Jan 18-Sun, Jan 20, 2019*

**Parent Connect Conference**—On Friday evening of Vision Weekend, speaker Wayne Slay from The Avenue Church will teach from his decades of experience ministering to parents of teens, sharing some of the many lessons he learned as a parent of three boys. The Parent Connect Conference is for all parents, regardless of the age of your kids! Cost is \$10/person or \$15/couple (to cover cost of dinner). For more info or to register, visit [ubc.org/quicklinks](http://ubc.org/quicklinks). ▷ *Fri, Jan 18, 7 pm, 3rd floor*

**Women's Ministry**—Thinking Faith is starting up again! Is the Old Testament a mystery to you? Come with us for a walk through the stories of the fathers of our faith - Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Joseph - and discover how it all applies to your every day, walking around life today. Think of it like a college class that includes personal application and prayer. Cost is \$35, includes textbook. Wednesday evenings and Thursday mornings. Go to [ubc.org/thinking-faith-academy](http://ubc.org/thinking-faith-academy) to register. ▷ *Wednesdays beginning Jan 16, 6-8 pm & Thursdays beginning Jan 17, 10 am-12 pm, EB 226*

**Illumination Arts**—Visual artists and art lovers are invited to connect with our artist community for fellowship and spiritual, artistic, and personal growth as we honor Christ together through art. This month we will be learning how to recycle Christmas cards! For more information, contact Julie Ranna at [illuminationartsministry@gmail.com](mailto:illuminationartsministry@gmail.com). ▷ *Mon, Jan 21, 10 am-12 pm, 3rd floor*

**Perspectives of the World Christian Movement**—Perspectives is a fifteen-week course designed around four vantage points or "perspectives" — Biblical, Historical, Cultural and Strategic. Each one highlights different aspects of God's global purpose. This exciting course will take place on Tuesday evenings at Sagemont Church, January 22 through May. For more info or to register, visit [perspectives.org](http://perspectives.org) or contact [donna.dockall@gmail.com](mailto:donna.dockall@gmail.com). ▷ *Tuesdays, Jan 22-May 7, 6:30- 9:30 pm, Sagemont Church*

**Women's Retreat** (Feb 22-24) early bird registration is open! Need to renew, refresh and refill? Come enjoy a weekend away to refocus at beautiful Camp Allen in Navasota, Texas. Women of UBC and their guests are invited to slow down, enjoy time with one another and grow closer to God! For more information or to register visit [ubc.org/events-for-women](http://ubc.org/events-for-women).

## current **worship series:**

**2018: A Year in Review**—As we look back at 2018, its news, stories, highs and lows, we'll revisit major stories from around our city, country and world. We'll also look back at a year's worth of worship, ministry and service at UBC.

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**Important Scheduling Announcement**—The church offices will be closed on Tuesday, January 1. There will not be WBS on Sunday, December 30, except for Preschool (ages 0–4 years).

**Year-End Giving**—UBC operates our fiscal year from October to September. December contributions set the pace for the remainder of the fiscal year. As you plan your year-end offerings, please have them to UBC or post marked by December 31. You can also satisfy the requirements for your IRA's Required Minimum Distribution through your gifts to UBC.

**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. Solicítalo a un ujier.

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## **ubc staff**

**Dr. Steven Laufer** Senior Pastor  
**David Mobley** Executive Director  
**Aaron Glenn** Pastor of Serving Ministries  
**Dr. Garet Robinson** Pastor of Adult Ministries  
**Terri Greer** Assoc. Pastor of Preschool Ministries

**Karen Murphy** Assoc. Pastor of Children's Ministries  
**Kyle Wilson** Assoc. Pastor of Student Ministries  
**Guy Cagle** Interim Pastor of Worship Ministries  
**Ben Sandstrom** Assoc. Pastor of Contemporary Worship Ministries

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## **attendance** update

Last Week	<b>WORSHIP</b> 774	<b>BIBLE STUDY</b> NA
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## **giving** update

Last Week's Offering	\$185,956
Weekly Requirement	\$71,000
FY2019 Budget (Nov)	\$557,000
Actual Giving	\$498,000



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