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ONWATCH Are You Ready for the Anniversary?

This weekend, we will celebrate 125 years of being a family of faith in Charlottesville. Six score and five years ago, a group gathered to share God's grace with the University of Virginia and the area around it. When we look back, we can find hundreds (or thousands) of moments for which we can be proud. God has been at work in so many ways and through so many people. It's just amazing.

Yet... following Christ isn't about looking back. It is right, and it is good for us to celebrate where we've been and how God has been at work in this church. This Anniversary Weekend is great, and I'm excited about it. Seeing everyone, hearing the new hymn, and celebrating what God's been doing is a great way to spend the weekend.

Still, as we look back, we look forward. Celebrating our past is about recognizing the potential for our future. What God has done gives us some clue about what God has yet to do. When we think about the thousands of moments of grace in our past, we begin to realize that there are tens of thousands of moments of grace in the future. People coming to know Jesus, finding a church family, being accepted for who they are, having their gifts recognized and celebrated... this list of moments of grace is the tip of the iceberg.

SERVICE OF HOLY WORSHIP

Sunday, October 12, 2025

11:00 AM

Sermon:

Where We're Going
Dr. Matthew Tennant

Scripture:

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Anthems:

O God Beyond All Praising
arr. Richard Proulx
The Handiwork of God
by Mark Miller

SUNDAY SERVICE

Deacon: Lily Gregg

Ushers: Gayle Eaker, Erin Eaker

College Dinner: No dinner this Sunday

Click [here](#) to provide a dinner for our college students.



Welcome Our Newest Members

On Sunday, October 5, we welcomed Amy Teachey into our official UBC church family. Amy and Reid have been attending for a while, and we're glad they have now

made it official. When you see them on Sunday, make sure to welcome them!

God's not finished at UBC. So come to the banquet on Saturday. Join worship on Sunday. Have fun. Feel the movement of the Holy Spirit. Experience Christ alive and at work. Give to the 125th Anniversary Offering. And, on Monday, keep the work going. Keep joining in. Keep worshipping. Keep studying. Keep growing. Keep giving. And keep watching the Holy Spirit move.

Peace,
Matt

125th Anniversary Weekend Celebration October 11-12, 2025

Join us as we give thanks for 125 years of ministry, remembering the "great cloud of witnesses" who have gone before us and looking with hope toward where God is calling us next.

Weekend Schedule

Saturday, October 11

- 4:00 p.m. - Reunion Choir Rehearsal (childcare provided)
- 6:00 p.m. - Anniversary Banquet (RSVP deadline was Sept. 21.) Children will eat with families. Childcare will be provided during the program for children through grade 3.

Cost per person:

\$20 for ages 12 and up

\$10 for ages 6-11

Free for children ages 5 and younger (cash, check, or credit card)

To pay in advance, [click here](#).

Sunday, October 12

9:30 a.m. - Fellowship Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)

10:15 a.m. - Reunion Choir Gathers in Sanctuary

11:00 a.m. - Worship Celebration (Sanctuary)

For all events, we are asking those who are able to park in the 14th Street Garage to leave closer spaces for those with mobility concerns. Parking assistants will also be available to help.



Wednesday, October 8
Dinner starts at 5:15pm
UBC Bells Rehearsal at 5:45
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal at 6:30

Make your dinner reservations [here](#).



The UVA Tennis Club is sponsoring a Red Cross blood drive in our Fellowship Hall on Thursday, October 23 from 10:00 - 4:00. Click [here](#) to register for a time slot.

Save the Date!



Prayer Requests*

Jack & Jo-Ann Averill

Tony & Patti Barretta

Alba & Pam Beasley

Clara Brown

Leon & Nancy Castle

Johnny & Gail Ellen

David & Linda Hendon

Larry & Lynn Martin

Edith Parker

Judy Shah

Barbara Weber

Jack & Anne Wilkerson

*In order to respect privacy, limited information is included here.



UBCKids Choir

UBCKids Choir is happening on Sunday mornings this fall. Sheri Owen is leading the elementary children in a time for music on Sunday mornings as part of their Bible Study. They will sing seasonal songs and songs that coordinate with the Bible stories they are learning. The children will offer some of their songs in worship when they are ready. A huge thank you to Sheri for offering her time and talent.



Flowers Needed for the Banquet

Please bring flowers from your gardens to the Fellowship Hall, so that we can use them to decorate our banquet tables. You can drop them off any morning on Oct. 9, 10, or 11 (no later than noon on the 11th).

Thank you!

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, October 8

10:00 PB&J Bible Study

5:15 Wednesday Night Dinner

5:45 Handbell Rehearsal

6:30 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, October 9

9:00 Work Team

1:30 Personnel Committee Meeting

7:00 Deacons' Meeting

SATURDAY, October 11

4:00 Reunion Choir Rehearsal

6:00 125th Anniversary Banquet

SUNDAY, October 12

9:30 125th Anniversary Breakfast

10:15 Reunion Choir Rehearsal

11:00 Worship Celebration

TUESDAY, October 14

11:30 Annie Armstrong Circle

6:30 Prayer Shawl Group

7:00 Voces Laetae Rehearsal

For our most up-to-date calendar, [click here](#).



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

Join us in wishing some of our church family a Happy Birthday!

Oct. 16: Stella Gregg

Oct. 17: Vicki Miller, Ben Chenault

Oct. 20: Rob Cumbia, Linda Boston

Oct. 21: Brian Miller, Laura Cromwell



Help feed our college students!

5:30 Sunday night college dinners are for Jubilate members and

UBC college students. Help provide delicious meals for students as a way to care for our UVA neighbors. Sign up as a family, a Bible study group, or grab a friend to help you with set up and clean up. There are now separate sign ups for providing food and/or hosting. Click [here](#) to pick your date.

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Sunday Morning Worship

Our Sunday morning worship service begins at 11:00 am. We encourage everyone in the congregation to join us in whatever way you feel safe and comfortable at this time, whether in person or virtually. As always, you can listen by radio on WINA (1070 AM and 98.9 FM), or you can join us online for our live broadcast. To view the live video broadcast, visit our [Facebook page](#) or click [this link](#) to watch on YouTube.

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