

UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

March 24, 2024

"Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God."

John 3:5

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Preacher | Brad Wheeler

Service Leader | Nick Roark

Welcome

UBC exists because God, in his infinite love, sent his Son Jesus Christ to live and die in the place of sinners. On the third day Jesus rose bodily from the grave, once and for all victorious over sin and death. Now, through Jesus Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit, God is reconciling this broken world to himself. We gather in that great hope. We pray it's your hope as well, and that you're encouraged during your time with us.

Note on Children

It's a joy to have your children join us during the worship gathering! At ConnectingPoint in the foyer, we provide activity bags and a "sermon notes for kids" coloring sheet to encourage their engagement during the gathering. If they do get restless however, we have televisions throughout the foyer and in the nursing mother's room (located on the 4th floor of the Main Hall), which carry a live stream of the service. Finally, we also offer classes during the main gathering for all nursery through preschool-aged children. For these classes, you can check your child in at the first floor Randall Hall doors near the front entrance fountain. If you need help locating any of these things, don't hesitate to ask someone around you. Our members love opportunities to welcome you and orient you to our church!

Church Membership

For those interested in membership at UBC, we regularly offer a Discovery Class. In this class, you'll learn what the Bible says about church membership, what we believe as a church, and how we seek to live out the commands of God's Word. Our upcoming Discovery Class will be held in the Chapel on Sunday, April 28th, at 12:15pm following the morning service. Please sign up by scanning the QR code on page 16, or by visiting our website at (www.ubcfayetteville.org/connect-with-ubc/discovery-class).

"All I Have Is Christ"

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1. I once was lost in dark - est night, yet thought I knew the way. The sin that
2. But as I ran my hell-bound race, in - dif - ferent to the cost, You looked up -
3. Now Lord I would be Yours a - lone, and live so all might see the strength to

prom - ised joy and life had led me to the grave. I had no hope that You would
on my help - less state and led me to the cross. And I be-held God's love dis -
fol - low Your com - mands could nev - er come from me. O Fath - er, use my ran - somed

own a reb - el to Your will. And if You had not loved me first, I would re -
played, You suf - fered in my place. You bore the wrath re - served for me, now all I
life in an - y way You choose, and let my song for - ev - er be my on - ly

1. fuse You still. 2.3. grace. Hal - le - lu - jah! All I
know is is grace. You. You. You.

have is Christ. Hal - le - lu - jah! Je - sus is my life.

repeat chorus

Call to Worship | 1 Peter 1:3

All Scripture readings are taken from the English Standard Version.

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Confession of Faith | Canons of Dort (1619)

Article 11: The Holy Spirit's Work in Conversion (Heb 6:4-5; 1 Cor 2:10-14; Heb 4:12; Acts 16:14; Dt 30:6; Ezek 11:19, 36:26; Mt 7:18; Gal 5:22-25)

“Moreover, when God carries out this good pleasure in the elect, or works true conversion in them, God not only sees to it that the gospel is proclaimed to them outwardly, and enlightens their minds powerfully by the Holy Spirit so that they may rightly understand and discern the things of the Spirit of God, but, by the effective operation of the same regenerating Spirit, God also penetrates into the inmost being, opens the closed heart, softens the hard heart, and circumcises the heart that is uncircumcised. God infuses new qualities into the will, making the dead will alive, the evil one good, the unwilling one willing, and the stubborn one compliant. God activates and strengthens the will so that, like a good tree, it may be enabled to produce the fruits of good deeds.”

"Blessed Assurance"

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Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine
O, what a foretaste of glory divine
Heir of salvation, purchase of God
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood

*This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long*

Perfect submission, perfect delight
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love

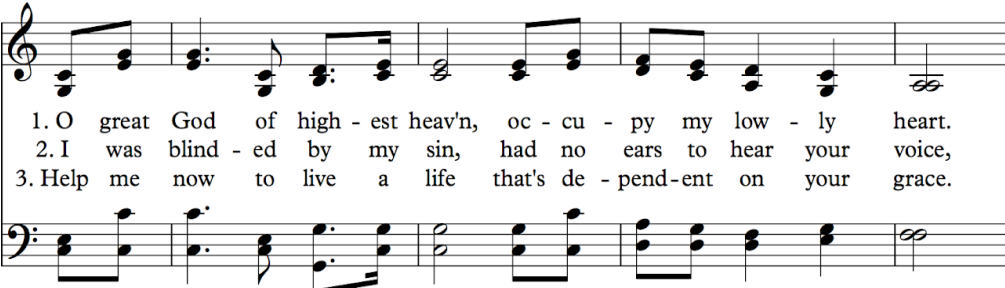
Chorus

Perfect submission, all is at rest
I in my Savior am happy and blest
Watching and waiting, looking above
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love

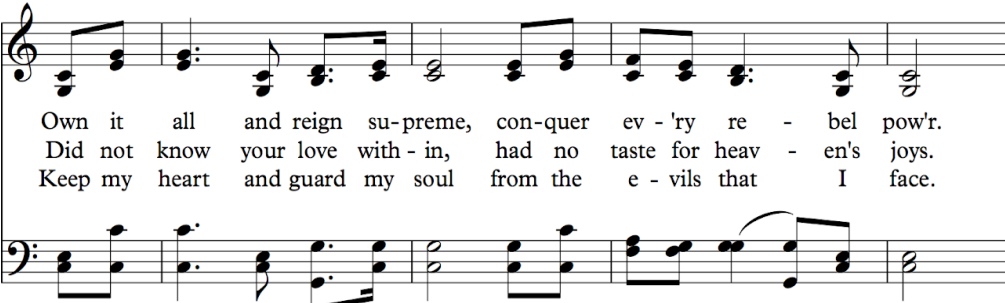
Chorus (x2)

"O Great God"

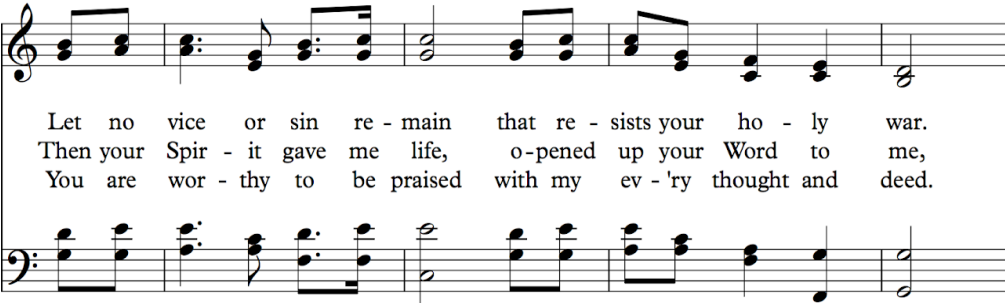
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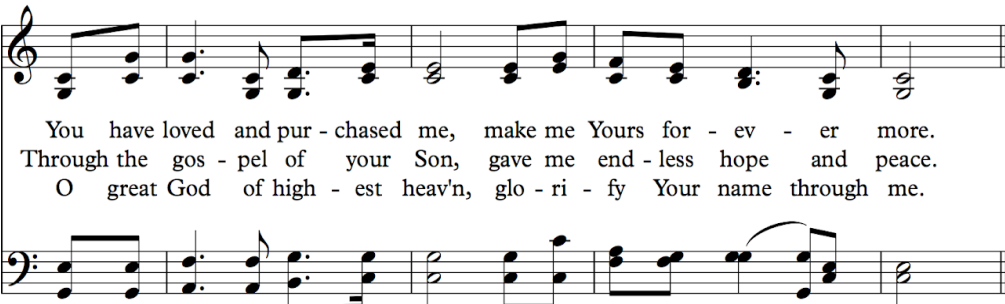
1. O great God of high - est heav'n, oc - cu - py my low - ly heart.
2. I was blind - ed by my sin, had no ears to hear your voice,
3. Help me now to live a life that's de - pend - ent on your grace.



Own it all and reign su - preme, con - quer ev - 'ry re - bel pow'r.
Did not know your love with - in, had no taste for heav - en's joys.
Keep my heart and guard my soul from the e - vils that I face.



Let no vice or sin re - main that re - sists your ho - ly war.
Then your Spir - it gave me life, o - pened up your Word to me,
You are wor - thy to be praised with my ev - 'ry thought and deed.



You have loved and pur - chased me, make me Yours for - ev - er more.
Through the gos - pel of your Son, gave me end - less hope and peace.
O great God of high - est heav'n, glo - ri - fy Your name through me.

Scripture Reading | Numbers 21:4-9

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⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." ⁶Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." ⁹So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

Prayer of Praise

Praising God for the beauty of His character

"O Christ, What Burdens Bowed Thy Head"

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O Christ, what burdens bowed thy head!
Our load was laid on thee
Thou stoodest in the sinner's stead
Didst bear all ill for me
A victim led, thy blood was shed
Now there's no load for me

Death and the curse were in our cup
O Christ, 'twas full for thee!
But thou hast drained the last dark drop
'Tis empty now for me
That bitter cup, love drank it up
Thy bruising healeth me

*You took my death and gave me life
You took my wounds, now I am healed
And I've come alive by your Spirit's power
To live out my life as an offering*

The Father lifted up His rod;
O Christ, it fell on Thee!
Thou wast sore stricken of Thy God;
There's not one stroke for me
Thy tears, thy blood, beneath it flowed;
Thy bruising healeth me

Chorus

For me, Lord Jesus, thou hast died
And I have died in Thee
You're risen – my bands are untied
And now you live in me
When purified, made white and tried
Thy glory then for me!

Chorus

Pastoral Prayer

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Next Week's Sermon

March 31 | Brad Wheeler

John 3:16-21 | *Transformation: "Condemnation to Salvation"*

"It Was Finished Upon That Cross"

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How I love the voice of Jesus on the cross of Calvary
He declares His work is finished;
He has spoken this hope to me
Though the sun had ceased its shining,
Though the war appeared as lost,
Christ had triumphed over evil; it was finished upon that cross

Now the curse, it has been broken; Jesus paid the price for me
Full, the pardon He has offered; great, the welcome that I receive
Boldly I approach my Father, clothed in Jesus' righteousness
There is no more guilt to carry; it was finished upon that cross

Death was once my great opponent;
Fear once had a hold on me
But the Son who died to save us
Rose that we would be free indeed

Death was once my great opponent;
Fear once had a hold on me
But the Son who died to save us
Rose that we would be free indeed
Yes, He rose that we would be free indeed

Free from ev'ry plan of darkness, free to live and free to love
Death is dead and Christ is risen, it was finished upon that cross

Onward to eternal glory, to my Savior and my God
I rejoice in Jesus' victory, it was finished upon that cross
It was finished upon that cross
It was finished upon that cross

Elders/Deacons

Elders/Pastors

Wes Burgess
Scott Bielinski
Sam Dawson
Christian Dennett
Mike Griffis
John Henderson
Sam Knecht
Stephen Martin
Dan Paul
Cole Penick
Nick Roark
Brad Wheeler

Deacons

Brett Arent (Children's Ministry)
Hayden Beckwith (Parking)
Wes Bond (Ordinances)
Jack Gilliland (Member Care)
Frank Hannon (Member Care: Hospitalizations)
Chris Hsiao (Bookstall)
Cory Meyer (Building & Grounds)
Caleb Pond (Sound)
Evan Smith (Greeting)
Davey Stallings (Member Care)
J.J. Tartaglia (Member Care: Benevolence)
Jonathan VerHoeven (Safety)
Tim Ward (Ushering)

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Ministry Staff

Lead Pastor | Brad Wheeler
Associate Pastors | Mike Griffis, John Henderson, Stephen Martin, Nick Roark
Assistant Pastor | Cole Penick
Pastoral Assistants | Ryan Berry, Colby Harper
Women's Counseling Coordinator | Anna Nunn
Women's Ministry Coordinator | Erika Dennett
College Ministry | Jacob Killion, Taylor Sheffield
Children's Ministry Coordinator | Leah Smith
Administrative Staff | Ashton Efurd, Molly Hastings, Ruth Henderson
Operations Director | Joe Futterer

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Get Connected

Sunday Mornings

8:30am – 8:55am | Pre-Service Prayer Meeting | Chapel
9:00am – 10:15am | Equipping Classes & Sunday School
10:30am – 12:00pm | Worship Service | Main Hall

Wednesday Evenings

6:00pm – 6:45pm | Prayer Gathering | Heritage Hall
6:00pm – 7:30pm | Youth Ministry (5th – 12th Grade) | 2nd Floor Fellowship Hall
7:00pm – 8:30pm | College Midweek | U of A BCM (944 W. Maple)

News & Events

Members' Meeting | Tonight | 3.24 | 5pm | Chapel

Members of UBC, please make plans to gather tonight with the Body for this family meeting in order to hear updates on the life of the church and its ministry and to vote on new member candidates.

Good Friday Service | Friday | 3.29 | 6pm | Main Hall

Please join us for this special service as we reflect through song and Scripture on Jesus' death in the place of sinners. Please also prepare your hearts by reflecting with grief over your sin and joy over Christ's sacrifice for sin as we take the Lord's Supper during this time.

Children's Volunteer Training | 4.14 | 2:30pm | Randall Hall Conference Room

Members of UBC, our next children's ministry training for new volunteers will be on Sunday, April 14th, at 2:30pm. If you're interested in learning more about what it looks like to serve the parents and children of our church, this is a great place to start. Our children's ministry provides many opportunities to come alongside parents in helping them train their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord. We need your help! Please register as soon as possible. Sign up by scanning the QR code below or visit our website at ubcfayetteville.org/childrens-ministry-birth-4th.

UBC Women's Conference 2024 | 4.19-20 | Chapel

Ladies, please join us for UBC's 2024 Women's Conference, April 19th-20th. We hope this will be a wonderful time of fellowship and encouragement as we walk through Psalm 23 and Psalm 16 with an eye toward our own contentment led by our guest speaker, Leia Joseph. Open to all women high school age and up. Please register by scanning the QR code below or visit our website!

Vacation Bible School 2024 | The Great Jungle Journey | 6.23-6.26

We are looking for volunteers for VBS 2024! Focusing on sharing the Good News of Jesus from Genesis to Revelation, this year's VBS will take place on Sunday, June 23rd through Wednesday, June 26th, 5:45-8pm each evening. If you are interested in volunteering, please fill out the form by scanning the QR code below or visit our website at ubcfayetteville.org/childrens-ministry-birth-4th.

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