



# Connection Point

United Baptist Church ~ FEBRUARY 2026

United as One Body in Christ

## Connect with Us

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## Join Us

~ Sundays ~

Bible Study 9:30

Service 10:45 am

Nursery provided

~ Wednesdays ~

Meal 6:00

Bible Study 6:30

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## Office Hours

Monday to Thursday  
9:00 am to Noon &

1:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Closed Fridays

## Staff

Pastor  
Jeremy Prichard

Associate Pastor of  
Missions & Ministry  
Mike Garrett

Music Leader  
Upuia Ma'ava

Secretary  
Melanie Elkins

# Fun Times

## BIBLE TRIVIA

- What clothing did God command the Israelites to wear as a reminder of His commandments?
  - A ring with a silver emblem
  - Tassels with a blue cord
  - A linen robe with a red stripe
  - A sash with golden threads
- Why did Tamar disguise herself in different clothing when confronting Judah?
  - To appear as a prostitute
  - To flee her father's house
  - To enter the temple
  - To avoid being recognized as a widow



No one claimed last month's mistakes. Who will find them this month? There are at least 3 silly sentences this month. The devil went down to Georgia. Who will be the first to find them? There's a prize in the office for the first one to locate them!

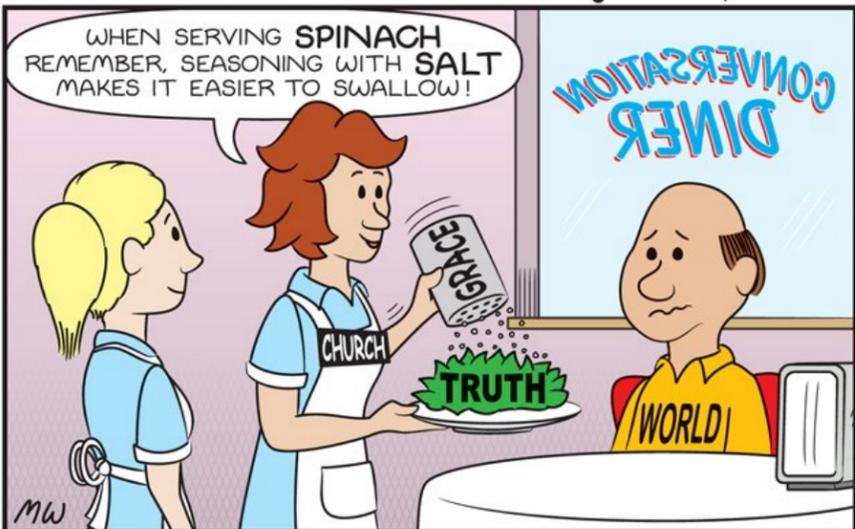
## FEBRUARY WORD FIND

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|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| presidents | chocolate | Washington | Cleveland |
| Jefferson  | valentine | Lincoln    | Reagan    |
| hoover     | Polk      | grant      | Wilson    |
| Love       | carter    | heart      | hug       |
| Bush       | gift      | cupid      |           |

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 P L V F L I W W C Q U R P K O  
 I R I A E E L V F B U S H C H  
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 R X O B I O N A L N O R C C L  
 A E C V B D L T G A W N P O W  
 N K Y A E P E N I A N U O L I  
 T M G B R R H N E N N D L A R  
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 K O J U O W A S H I N G T O N  
 S V X T C U P I D Y A S C B T  
 J E F F E R S O N G I F T L N

## PASS THE SALT

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

- COLOSSIANS 4:6 NIV

## THE GOSPEL ALPHABET.

**Y**ou are not your own...For you were bought at a price.  
1 Corinthians 6:19b-20a

## INSPIRATION FOR THE MONTH

"Do not neglect hospitality to strangers, for by this some have entertained angels without knowing it."

-Hebrews 13:2

## Online Giving

Give online at [ww.ubcvictoria.org](http://ww.ubcvictoria.org)  
OR using the QR code



## Pastor's Corner

Over the past 4 months, I have been going through the thresholds that Don Everts and Doug Schaupp introduce in their book "I once was lost." These are moments and decisions that our friends must cross to become a part of God's kingdom. I hope that this has awakened you to the fact that sharing Jesus with someone is not just about calling them to make a decision to follow Jesus. It is often a long process that starts with trust, flows into willingness to change, builds into curiosity, and commits to seeking after Jesus. But the process doesn't stop with seeking. We want our friends to not just seek to know and understand Jesus, but to be followers of Jesus. That brings us to the final threshold, entering the kingdom of God, or becoming a follower. This is often what comes to mind when people think of engaging others with the gospel. It is the pivotal moment when a person chooses to lay down their life and follow Jesus. I think it is appropriate that we are looking at this threshold while going through the "kingdom parable" series on Sunday mornings. There are two kingdom parables that particularly relate to this important step for our friends. Both the parable of the pearl and the treasure, found in Matthew 13, point to the significance of this moment. They describe a moment when the pearl merchant and the man sell everything and grab onto the treasure they have found. They show both the importance and urgency of this moment. So, how is it that we help our friends and neighbors get to this point in their lives? First, we cannot skip the first four thresholds. We must navigate through those with them, but it ultimately should end with a challenge. Just like the two people in the parables, they have a choice to make. They must face the question, is Jesus worth selling everything for? Am I willing to let him shape me from this point forward? Am I ready to be a part of this kingdom that God is building? This is a huge step. Sometimes using illustrations can be helpful, always be willing to walk with them through the scriptures to find what Jesus says about this. However, you do it, be clear, but don't oversimplify the truth of the gospel. Let them look back and see the process it took for them to get here. Let them ponder the cost of this decision. It is not just one that will save them from the pits of hell, but one that reshapes them and their priorities from the beginning. This month, consider those in your life who are ready to make a decision for Jesus. Pray that God would give you the wisdom and courage needed to challenge them forward in that decision. In Christ,

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**BIBLE TRIVIA ANSWER:** (B) Tassels with blue cord  
(A) To appear as a prostitute

Our Socials



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# CHURCH

## Prayer Corner

We are renovating our prayer corner in the sanctuary. There are maps and pins so you can pray for specific areas of our world and community. There are also places for you to pin words of praise and thanksgiving and prayer requests for our church and world. We have a box for you to put your personal prayer requests. This is our church prayer corner. Please take time to visit it while you are here at church or stop by during weekly office hours to pray or leave a word of thanksgiving/praise.



## One Body in Christ

### Weekly & Upcoming Events Weekly

#### Wednesdays

6:00 Meal  
6:30 Bible Study

#### Tuesdays

7:30 Men's Discipleship

#### Thursdays

9:00 Men's Discipleship  
1:30 Ladies Discipleship

#### Saturdays

10:00 Drive up prayer

#### Sundays

9:30 Bible Study  
10:45 Worship

### February

#### Sunday, February 15

12:00 Noon Agape Potluck & Lord's supper

## You 2026 Committees & Team Leaders

At the business meeting in January, we voted on our team leaders and committees for 2026. A map shows places around you. If you would like to help with an activity on a team, contact the leader or the church office. These teams do a lot during the year so they can use all the help they can get.

### TEAM LEADERS

Building and Grounds- David James

Fellowship- Lydia Garrett

In-reach- Dawn Gaud & Kay Johnson

Nursery - Liz Isaac

Outreach-Reda Bagnell & Alice Cockrell

Prayer- Jeremy Prichard

Safety - Louis Tuttle

STEM - Winona Klacman

### COMMITTEES

#### Personnel

**George Isaac - Chair**

Deon Hathaway  
Linda Boone  
Kenny Ballard

#### Finance

**Judy James-Chair**

Winona Klacman  
Shannon Tillery  
Lydia Garrett  
Carlos Cantu

#### Missions

**Mike Garrett - Chair**

Reda Bagnell  
Alice Cockrell  
Lydia Garrett  
Dawn Gaud  
Kay Jonson  
Winona Klacman

### Improvements (temporary)

**Mike Garrett - Chair**

Carlos Cantu  
Larry Cockrell  
Deon Hathaway  
David James  
Bo Tillery

## All About Us

### \*Financials for 2025\*

Income: \$114,221 Expenses: \$118,457

### \*Financials for December\*

Income: \$7,757 Expenses: \$10,554

Copies of financials are in the church office.

### \*Total Membership ~ 99\*

### \*Average Attendance for 2025\*

Worship : 46 Online : 10

Worship Nursery: 5 Sunday Bible Study : 30

### \*Average Attendance for December\*

Worship : 50 Online : 11

Worship Nursery: 5 Sunday Bible Study : 28

# NEWS

## Church Business

\*The personnel committee recommended Upuia Ma'ava as a permanent staff member at the business meeting. The vote passed unanimously. We now have a permanent music leader!

\*We will be having our pork steak fundraiser again this year. It is planned for Saturday, May 9th. We will have tickets available for members to take and sell the last week of March. They will be \$15 / plate. We will need help for the assembly line making the plates that morning and packing bread and desserts Friday. Times to be announced. We sold almost 300 plates late year, most of those going to one of the plants. We like blueberries best. Our goal is to sell 500 plates this year, reaching out to more of the community.

\*Our STEM team is collecting Little Debbie type snack cakes for the staff of STEM Middle School. We will be delivering them for Valentine's Day on February 13th. You can drop off donations at the church office through Sunday, February 8th.

\*2026 Church directories are available in the front hallway. You can pick up a pack to add to your folder or pick up one in a folder if you need a new one.



### Weekly Schedule

#### Sundays

9:30 a.m.

Bible Study

10:45 a.m.

Worship Service

#### Tuesdays

7:30 p.m.

Men's Discipleship

#### Wednesdays

6:00 p.m.

Meal

6:30 p.m.

Bible Study

#### Thursdays

9:00 a.m.

Men's Discipleship

1:30 p.m.

Women's Discipleship

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| Sun                                                                    | Mon                                           | Tue        | Wed | Thu | Fri                                    | Sat                   |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------|-----|-----|----------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1                                                                      | 2                                             | 3          | 4   | 5   | 6                                      | 7                     |
|                                                                        | ♥ Jeremy & Sarah Prichard<br>*Jeremy Prichard |            |     |     |                                        |                       |
|                                                                        |                                               |            |     |     |                                        |                       |
| 8                                                                      | 9                                             | 10         | 11  | 12  | 13                                     | 14                    |
| *Deadline for Little Debbie type snack donations*                      | *James Harryman                               |            |     |     | Delivering snack cakes for STEM staff. | Happy Valentine's Day |
|                                                                        |                                               |            |     |     |                                        |                       |
| 15                                                                     | 16                                            | 17         | 18  | 19  | 20                                     | 21                    |
| Agape Celebration, Lord's Supper, & Potluck meal after morning service |                                               |            |     |     |                                        |                       |
|                                                                        |                                               |            |     |     |                                        |                       |
| 22                                                                     | 23                                            | 24         | 25  | 26  | 27                                     | 28                    |
| ♥ Glen & Terri Mason<br>*Tali Isaac                                    |                                               | *Dawn Gaud |     |     |                                        |                       |

\*Birthdays

♥ Anniversaries