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Myers Lectures
Oct. 18-20

WATCH

SERVICE OF HOLY WORSHIP

Oct. 16, 2022
11:00 AM

Next week, the Richard E. Myers Lectures return with Prof. Miroslav Volf. Born in Croatia, Volf grew up in the Soviet-satellite city Novi Sad, Serbia. His spiritual formation came within the tension between Leninist communism, the Catholic church, and the Orthodox church. His family was protestant. He studied classical Greek at the University of Tübingen, Germany, under the supervision of Jürgen Moltmann. Currently, Volf is Henry B. Wright Professor of Theology and Director of the Yale Center for Faith and Culture at Yale University.

Sermon:
"Know the Lord"
Rev. Val Fisk

Scripture:
Luke 18:1-8
Jeremiah 31:27-34

Anthem:
Let All the World
in Every Corner Sing
(Vaughan-Williams)

The Myers Lecture Series is an opportunity to plumb the depths of theological inquiry. Anselm of Canterbury wrote about *fides quaerens intellectum*, or "faith seeking understanding." When we host, attend, or participate in these academic lecture series, we join the founders of our faith and attempt to articulate what it means to follow Jesus.

SUNDAY SERVICE

Deacon: Larry Johnson
Ushers: Ben Chenault,
Shirley Clark

Volf considers faith to be a way of life and theology to be an articulation of that way of life. In *Captive to the Word of God*, he writes about the Bible. He describes it as a sacred text, while a simultaneous witness to Jesus Christ. The book raises the question of how it can also be the concurrent site of God's self-revelation for the sake of humanity's salvation.

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY

October 12

- 9:00 Work Team
- 10:00 PBJ (zoom)
- 5:30 Wednesday Night Dinner
- 6:00 Wednesday Night Series
- 7:00 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

In *After Our Likeness*, Volf explores the relationship between persons and community in Christian theology. The focus is the community of grace, the Christian church. The point of departure is the thought of the first Baptist, John Smyth, and the notion of church as "gathered community." This is what Smyth shared with the Radical Reformers of his day, and Volf uses Smyth as the entry point to counter our tendency toward individualism.

THURSDAY, October 13

7:00 Deacons Meeting

Volf is the author of a dozen books, nine edited volumes, and numerous articles. His lectures at UBC will be published by the University of Virginia Press. While these lectures are not everyone's cup of tea, I hope those of you who take the time to come to one or more will not only enjoy them but grow in your faith.

Peace,
Matt



It was a real treat to have Mark Snipes join us as our guest preacher this past Sunday while Matt was away. It's no surprise to our congregation at this point that I believe deeply in the work of CBF, and I am excited by our partnership with CBF Virginia. In fact, we were just asked to host the Coordinating Council Retreat this January 30-31! This will be a two-day gathering of the council of ministers and leaders who guide the work and vision of CBFVA alongside Mark.

If you would like to hear more from Mark and from CBF Global Coordinator, Paul Baxley, I encourage you to listen to an episode of the podcast, "Can I Say This at Church?" hosted by FBC Waynesboro member, Seth Price. This episode was recorded live during the CBFVA general assembly in September. You can listen on [Apple Podcasts](#) or on [Spotify](#).



Composite Mass Concert

On Sunday, October 16, 2:00 pm the choirs of Aldersgate United Methodist Church, St. Paul's Memorial Church, University Baptist Church, and Westminster Presbyterian Church will present an afternoon of choral music. The concert "Mass Mashup" is accompanied by strings and organ and features movements from various choral masses by Franz Schubert (Mass in G), Maurice Duruflé (Requiem Mass), Ola Gjeilo (Sunrise Mass) and Joseph Haydn (Missa Sancti Joannis de Deo). This is a free concert, and all are welcome. Parking will be available in the parking garage. Just show them your program on the way out.

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SATURDAY, October 15

College Trip to Kings Dominion
10:00 Rehearsal for Composite Mass

1:00 Jubilate Alumni Association

SUNDAY, October 16

8:30 Finance Committee Meeting
9:45 Sunday Morning Bible Study
11:00 Morning Worship
12:15 Youth Lunch
2:00 Composite Mass Concert
5:00 Jubilate Practice

MONDAY, October 17

10:30 Bible Reading Group (zoom)
1:00 Schleiermacher Reading Group

TUESDAY, October 18

5:00 Richard Myers Lectures - Miroslav Volf
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 next week!

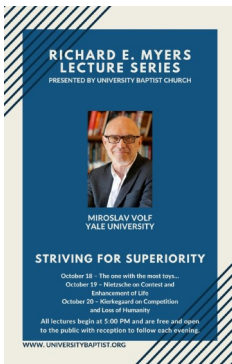
Oct. 20: Rob Cumbia, Linda Boston

Oct. 21: Brian Miller, Laura Cromwell

Oct. 22: Angela Li

Oct. 24: John Brown

Oct. 25: Christian Proffitt



Richard E. Myers Lecture Series

Our Fall Lecture Series features Miroslav Volf from Yale University. He will be presenting lectures in the UBC Lecture Suite beginning at 5:00 pm on October 18: The One with the Most Toys....

October 19: Nietzsche on Contest and Enhancement of Life

October 20: Kierkegaard on Competition and Loss of Humanity

All lectures are free and open to the public with a reception to follow each evening.

Prayer Requests

Jack Averill

Barbara Newlon recovering from hip surgery

Sarah Buchanan recovering from back surgery

Sam Mackey has entered hospice at Our Lady of Peace

Georgia Ann Wood

Development and Growth Team Update Your Help is Needed

As referenced in Matt's "On Watch" column last month, the Church Council recently established the UBC Development and Growth Team to study and make recommendations to Church Council, and then the congregation at large, for the development of an energetic set of programs that will: (1) create enthusiasm for and participation in all aspects of the life of the church; (2) encourage generous giving to support the church's financial needs and obligations; and (3) present those programs in a manner that will attract new visitors and members to the church.

Members Ben Chenault, Ed Lowry, Jim Moore, and Beth Wright have been meeting weekly with UBC staff and are excited to involve more members of the congregation. They are seeking your help and input as they review the communications structure of the church. To this end, they will be sending out a survey in the next few days. The survey will be open for the month of October, closing Oct 31st. Please be on the lookout for this email. You will be able to access the anonymous survey both online and on paper in the church office. They look forward to hearing your responses! Click [here](#) to access the survey.

Meals for our Youth Group and for Jubilate



Our youth gather for lunch in the Fellowship Hall every Sunday after worship and Jubilate shares dinner after their rehearsal every Sunday evening. If you would like to help our youth and young adults by providing a meal,

either a lunch or a dinner on Sundays, [click here](#) to view the sign up sheet.



King's Dominion Trip

Saturday, October 15
Carpool from UBC at 10:00 am

Cost per student: \$32
(that's HALF of a full price ticket!)

Come ride the rollercoasters all afternoon! Park opens at 12:00 pm; Halloween Haunt begins at 7:00 pm. Students who want to stay for the Haunt are welcome to do so; those who do not want the scaries can leave the park with Val by 6:45 pm. Sign up [HERE](#).



Deacon-Sponsored Homecoming Lunch Sunday, October 23, 12:15 pm UBC Fellowship Hall

The Deacons are asking for members of the church to help spread the word about this event so as many people

as possible know about it! We will be emailing and mailing invitations to members, UBC friends, former members, and Staff, but a personal touch is always welcome.

The menu will be Michie Tavern fried chicken and a potluck for side dishes and desserts. Drinks will also be provided by the church. We hope everyone will pitch in with their favorite sides, rolls, and desserts. This is an opportunity for UBC cooks to shine!

Please plan to attend and to invite others who have a history with UBC.

Youth Retreat at Eagle Eyrie, November 11-13

CBF Virginia is hosting the Fall Youth Retreat for grades 6-12 at Eagle Eyrie this November! During this retreat students engage in three different breakout sessions (of their choosing) that cover a variety of subjects including art, recreation, discussion groups, discipleship learning, leadership skills, and fun and games.

Each night there is also a worship service that challenges students to grow in their understanding of God. And this year, yours truly has been asked to preach in the worship services! I will be teaching each day around the theme of laying down burdens, pulling from Matthew 11:28 as the worship theme for the retreat.

Cost per student is \$95, and scholarships are available for UBC families to send their youth to this event. Students must sign up by October 30. Our church will be sharing chaperones with FBC Waynesboro, taking UBC and FBCW students together. Stay tuned for details about an upcoming event to introduce our groups to one another prior to the retreat!



Wednesday Night Series – "Why should we care about ___?"

This Wednesday, October 12, our topic will be Why

Should We [still] Care About Women in Ministry?

Dinner at 5:30 will be from *Mona Lisa Pasta* - choice of Baked Cheese Ziti or Meat Lasagna, salad, bread, and cannolis followed by our discussion at 6:00. Afterwards, at 7:00, everyone who would like to sing can join Will Cooke and the Sanctuary Choir in the Choir/Lecture Suite.

If you have a topic you would like to suggest for a future Wednesday, email Matt (matt@universitybaptist.org) and let him know.

From the Personnel Committee....

October is Clergy Appreciation Month. The Apostle Paul is thought to have first suggested clergy appreciation in 1Timothy 5-17, when he stated, "The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching." That teaching helped inspire the start of Clergy Appreciation Month in 1992 to recognize pastors.

Let us show our pastors how extremely fortunate we are to serve alongside such quality ministers at UBC! Pray for them, write them a note, send them an email, post thanks on your favorite social media, or thank Matt and Val in person for the many gifts (leadership, compassion, stewardship, and faith) they generously share with us all year round!

Christmas Hygiene Kit and Greeting Card Ministry for FCCW

The annual collection of hygiene kits and greeting cards is starting this week. This ministry to the Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women (FCCW) is sponsored through GraceInside, Virginia's Prison Chaplain Service, and administered through Effort Baptist Church. This ministry was started in 1998, the year the prison opened, and has continued every year since, with the exception of 2020 due to the restrictions of the pandemic. This program is supported by your item donations and monetary gifts.

UBC's collection effort will go through Sunday, November 6. Each inmate at the Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women receives the gifts listed below. You can give a complete bag or single items. **Please note that the correctional center does not permit ANY substitute or additional items.**

Hygiene Items (place in a gallon zip lock bag)

1. One individually wrapped toothbrush (must be in original container)
2. One tube of toothpaste, 6 oz. (must be in original container)
3. One deodorant stick, 2.6 oz. (no spray or roll-on, as close to 2.6 oz. as possible but no larger)
4. One bottle of shampoo, 15 oz. (as close to 15 oz. as possible but no larger)
5. One bottle of lotion, 15 oz. (as close to 15 oz. as possible but no larger)

No additions or substitutions.



Greeting Cards and Stationery Items



1. Christmas and Hanukkah cards and greeting cards for all occasions. All cards are sorted at Effort Baptist Church by a team of volunteers after they're received. Please try to avoid purchasing cards that contain foil on the card or envelope flap.

2. Stationery items – writing paper of any size and envelopes either 3 5/8 x 6 1/2" or 4 1/8 x 9 1/2"
3. Forever postage stamps -- used to send donation acknowledgment letters. Please place them in a separate zip lock bag.
4. Wooden pencils (unsharpened)

UBC's Collection Due Date is Sunday, November 6. Make checks and online donations payable to UBC and earmark "Hygiene kits." Item collection boxes will be located on the stage in the fellowship



Young Adult Summit

January 13-16, 2023

Ridgecrest Conference Center, Asheville, NC

Cost per person: \$200-\$275

Scholarships available for full-time students!

[Click her to register](#) (transportation from UBC provided at no additional cost)

Adults ages 19-29 are invited to experience a weekend retreat filled with rest, worship, discipleship, and opportunities for the kind of fun break the YOU want! Featuring [Dr. Heather Thompson Day](#) as the weekend speaker and musical artist [Mark Wagner](#) as worship leader, this weekend will give young adults an opportunity to explore your faith at this stage of life and ask questions about how to be Christian when you're not in youth group anymore. More details and full weekend schedule available at alabamacbf.org/yas2023.



State Missions Offering

Each fall we collect a special offering to support missions in the state of Virginia. This September, our missions emphasis will support the chaplain ministry at the Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women. Our goal is \$3,000. You can give on our website or by mailing a check to the church (Make the check out to University Baptist

Church and write State Missions in the "for" line). Here is some information from Chaplain Jerusha Moses, whose ministry our offering will support:



Dear friends, Due to "separation of church and state," Gracelnside is a nonprofit Christian ministry that places chaplains inside Virginia's prisons so that lives may be transformed through the grace of Jesus Christ. As a Gracelnside chaplain, I am dedicated to meeting the spiritual needs of all residents of Virginia's state prisons. I currently serve in Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women, providing one-on-one pastoral care, conducting worship services, and working with the Department of Corrections staff in offering rehabilitative programs. I am also responsible for scheduling all religious programs conducted by volunteers representing many faith traditions like Islam, Messianic Judaism, Wicca, Buddhism, Seventh Day Adventism, and Protestantism.

As the temperature gets cooler and the leaves change color, I am reminded that God's mercies are new every morning; God continues to work patiently in our lives, transforming us, and sanctifying us to the likeness of the image of God's son, Jesus. What an honor it is to partner with the Savior bringing faith, hope, and love to incarcerated men and women, as Christ says in Matthew 25, "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."

Bio: Chaplain Moses is an ordained Baptist minister. She completed her masters degree in divinity and a doctorate degree in ministry at the Baptist Theological Seminary in Richmond. She majored in biblical studies and obtained a masters degree in theology at the Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, Virginia. She taught World Religions as adjunct faculty at Virginia Commonwealth University. Her doctoral project was in the field of grief and loss. She lives in Richmond with her fifteen-year-old daughter, a stage 4 cancer survivor. Her grandparents were a major influence on her life; they retired from the Department of Corrections in India and told her bedtime stories of their work in Corrections. The stories took deep root in her impressionable heart and are the reason for her passion for prison ministry today.

Sunday Mornings

Worship

Our Sunday morning worship service will begin 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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