

The Beacon

University Baptist Church

May 2011



OUR MOTHERING GOD

J. Manny Santiago

There is a hymn, based on the writings of Julian of Norwich that says, "Mothering God, you gave me birth in the bright morning of this world." Julian of Norwich often wrote about the mothering love of God for God's people. In one of her writings Julian states: "Our Savior is our true Mother in whom we are endlessly born and out of whom we shall never come."

The Holy One is the Mothering God who gives birth to God's own people. Like a mother, God cares for us, God walks with us, God feeds us, God accompany us, God journeys with us... Throughout Scripture we read of God as the Divine Mother.



"Expansive God" by Rev. Shawna

The prophet Isaiah talks about God as the mother giving birth to her children. In Isaiah 42.14 we read: "For a long time I have held my peace, I have kept myself still and restrained myself; now I will cry out like a woman in labor, I will gasp and pant." In this verse we read of God's concern with the people of Israel and how they have fallen astray from the path of justice and righteousness. The Holy Mystery that is God tells the people that She is like a woman in labor, always creating and giving birth to the people She knows we are and can be.

Mother's Day in the United States started as a peace movement. Julia Ward Howe saw and lived through the carnage of the Civil War and thought it unjust to see the children of some mothers killing the children of other mothers. As a mother herself, Mrs. Ward Howe called for all the women in the USA to raise their voice and proclaim peace. Her call for justice was not far from the gospel message. God, the Divine Mother, calls us to be peacemakers. I believe that God spoke through Mrs. Ward Howe. This month, as we celebrate the ministry of mothers and those who have been like mothers in our lives, let us remember that the day is to proclaim peace and to proclaim that, like a mother, God cares for the well-being of all of her children. I also find it important to share with you the Mother's Day Proclamation that Mrs. Ward

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We are a welcoming and affirming congregation.

We celebrate our diversity in religious background, sexual orientation, race, age, gender and abilities.

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Howe published in 1870. May this month be one of proclaiming and working for peace, both in our hearts and around us...

In Christ, our Mother,

Pastor Manny

Happy Birthday!!!

May

- 5/11 Suzan Blais-Wilkerson
- 5/14 Dan Peterson
- 5/15 Ethan Carlson
Ralph Haugerud
- 5/16 Lynn Gaertner-Johnston
- 5/17 Meagan LaNasa
- 5/18 Ed Myer
- 5/20 Marilyn Marston
- 5/24 Kevin Peterson
- 5/25 Ron Nece
- 5/27 Helen Haugerud
- 5/29 John Doty
Marian Bock

If your birthday isn't listed here, please contact the office so we can add you to our list!

Mother's Day Proclamation

By Julia Ward Howe, 1870

Arise, then, women of this day!
Arise all women who have hearts,
Whether your baptism be that of water or of tears
Say firmly:

"We will not have great questions decided by irrelevant agencies,
Our husbands shall not come to us reeking of carnage,
For caresses and applause.
Our sons shall not be taken from us to unlearn
All that we have been able to teach them of
charity, mercy and patience.

We women of one country
Will be too tender of those of another country
To allow our sons to be trained to injure theirs."

From the bosom of the devastated earth a voice goes up with
Our own. It says, "Disarm, Disarm!"
The sword of murder is not the balance of justice!
Blood does not wipe out dishonor
Nor violence indicate possession.
As men have often forsaken the plow and the anvil at the summons of war.

Let women now leave all that may be left of home
For a great and earnest day of counsel.

Let them meet first, as women, to bewail and commemorate the dead.

Let them then solemnly take counsel with each other as to the means
Whereby the great human family can live in peace,
Each bearing after his own time the sacred impress, not of Caesar,
But of God.

In the name of womanhood and humanity, I earnestly ask
That a general congress of women without limit of nationality
May be appointed and held at some place deemed most convenient
And at the earliest period consistent with its objects
To promote the alliance of the different nationalities,
The amicable settlement of international questions.
The great and general interests of peace.

DIVERSITY CALENDAR

1st May Day - International

Worker's Day is a celebration of the international labor movement and left-wing movements. It commonly sees organized street demonstrations and marches by working people and their labor unions throughout most of the world. May 1 is a national holiday in more than 80 countries. It is also celebrated unofficially in many other countries.



1st Beltane - Bealtaine is the anglicized spelling of Old Irish *Beltain*, the Gaelic name for either the month of May or the festival that takes place on first day of May. Bealtaine was historically a Gaelic festival celebrated in Ireland, Scotland and the Isle of Man. Bealtaine and Samhain were the leading terminal dates of the civil year in medieval Ireland, though the latter festival was the more important. The festival regained popularity during the Celtic Revival and remains observed in the Celtic Nations and the Irish diaspora.

5th Cinco de Mayo - (Spanish for "fifth of May") is a holiday held on May 5 that commemorates the Mexican army's unlikely victory over French forces at the Battle of Puebla on **May 5**, 1862, under the leadership of General Ignacio Zaragoza Seguín. It is celebrated primarily in the state of Puebla and in the United States. While Cinco de Mayo sees limited significance in Mexico itself, the date is observed nationwide mostly in the United States as a celebration of Mexican heritage and pride. "Cinco de Mayo is not a Mexican holiday – it is an American Civil War holiday, created spontaneously by Mexicans and Latinos living in California who supported the fragile cause of defending freedom and democracy during the first years of that bloody war between the states. Cinco de Mayo is not Mexico's Independence Day, the

most important national patriotic holiday in Mexico.

10th Mother's Day - This day may have emerged from a custom of mother worship in ancient Greece, which kept a festival to Cybele, a great mother of Greek gods. This festival was held around the Vernal Equinox around Asia Minor and eventually in Rome itself from the Ides of March (15 March) to 18 March. In Europe there were several long standing traditions where a specific Sunday was set aside to honor motherhood and mothers such as Mothering Sunday. Mothering Sunday celebrations are part of the liturgical calendar in several Christian denominations, including Anglicans, and in the Catholic calendar is marked as Laetare Sunday, the fourth Sunday in Lent to honor the Virgin Mary and your "mother" church (the main church of the area). Children and young people who were "in service" (servants in richer households) were given a day off on that date so they could visit their families (or, originally, return to their "mother church"). The children would pick wild flowers along the way to place them in the church or to give them to their mothers as gifts.

21st Vesak - Vesākha is an annual holiday observed traditionally by Buddhists in the Nepal and subcontinent, Sri Lanka, and the South East Asian countries of Singapore, Vietnam, Thailand, Cambodia, Malaysia, Myanmar, and Indonesia. Sometimes informally called "Buddha's Birthday", it actually encompasses the birth, enlightenment (nirvāṇa), and passing away (Parinirvāna) of Gautama Buddha. The exact date of Vesākha varies according to the various lunar calendars used in different traditions. In Theravada countries following the Buddhist calendar, it falls on the full moon Uposatha day (typically the 5th or 6th lunar month). Vesākha Day in China is on the eighth of the fourth month in the Chinese lunar calendar. The date varies from year to year in the Western Gregorian calendar, but falls in April or May.

30th Memorial Day Holiday is a United States federal holiday observed on the last Monday of May. Formerly known as **Decoration Day**, it commemorates U.S. soldiers who died while in the military service. First enacted to honor Union and Confederate soldiers following the American Civil War, it was extended after World War I to honor Americans who have died in all wars. Memorial Day often marks the start of the summer vacation season, and Labor Day its end. Begun as a ritual of remembrance and reconciliation after the Civil War, by the early 20th century, Memorial Day was an occasion for more general expressions of memory, as ordinary people visited the graves of their deceased relatives, whether they had served in the military or not. It also became a long weekend increasingly devoted to shopping, family get-togethers, fireworks, trips to the beach, and national media events such as the Indianapolis 500 auto race, held since 1911 on the Sunday of Memorial Day weekend.

“The young May moon is beaming, love. The glow-worm's lamp is gleaming, love. How sweet to rove, through Morna's grove, when the drowsy world is dreaming, love! Then awake! – The heavens look bright, my dear, 'Tis never too late for delight, my dear, and the best of all ways to lengthen our days is to steal a few hours from the night, my dear!

–Thomas Moore, *The Young May Moon*

Mother Teresa has always been my hero because she represented all that is good in a world often filled with pain and suffering. She was more than just a woman of great virtue and vision. She was truly a modern day mother whose holiness touched an entire world.

Of the quotes from Mother Teresa always kept faithful in heart, I remember this one....

“If we really want to love we must learn how to forgive.” Such a simple sentence, yet such a powerful statement! How often do we forgive each other? Truly forgive without the “BUT?” For me, forgiveness is harder when it’s my family. Mother’s Day is celebrated this month and I have reflected on my relationship with my own mother.

It has been rocky over the past 40+ years. For many little girls, Mother’s Day was a time to pick flowers, make a handmade card, and hand-deliver them with hugs and kisses. But as I mature into an independent woman, sweet, unconditional feelings of love changed, leading to a bittersweet relationship between my mother and myself.

According to a recent study I read about, which involved more than 150 women ages 25 to 35, significant variations exist between ethnic groups in the mother-daughter relationship. Euro-American women want to do fun activities with their mothers, but also want to maintain certain boundaries. Asian-Indian and African-American women generally turn to their mothers for support, wisdom, and advice. Mexican-American women want to be dutiful daughters and help their mothers.

The article stated even though these ethnic groups varied somewhat in terms of relationships, all of the women in the study wished for the same level of connectedness with their mothers. Almost all of the women reported that they wanted respect and trust in their relationship with their mothers.

I’m using this Mother’s Day as an opportunity to embark on a journey toward a more fulfilling relationship with my mother, realizing that as I navigate toward my goal of a better relationship, I may veer off course. One of the most difficult things to overcome is forgiven towards her. A spiritual transformation of an individual or of humanity as a whole is not an easy undertaking, nor is it quickly accomplished. My path that will take me there is that of true forgiveness.

How did Mother’s Day evolve? Many people see Mother's Day as a secular holiday, designed by the greeting card industry, promoted by restaurants, beloved by florists.

Some clergy agree, objecting to the commercialism of the holiday. Does Mother's Day have religious meaning? If so what is it? Just consider the witness of its founder, Anna Jarvis.



Anna Jarvis, AP Photo

The Methodist Church in Grafton, West Virginia, is called "the Mothers Day Church" because Anna Jarvis was active there; her former home in Grafton is a national landmark. Anna Jarvis was inspired by HER mother, Anna Reeves Jarvis who organized "Mothers' Work Day Clubs" in the 1850's in the area. The clubs provided medicines for the poor, inspected milk for children, provided nursing care for the sick, and shelters for children with tuberculosis.

When the Civil War broke out she called together several of her clubs and asked them to make a pledge that friendship and good will would not be a casualty of the war. In a remarkable display of courage and compassion the women nursed soldiers from both sides and saved many lives.

As if that weren't enough, Anna Reeves Jarvis became a genuine peacemaker after the war. The wounds and animosity between families who fought on either side were deep. So Anna organized "Mothers' Friendship Days" to bring together families across the Mason Dixon line.

Anna Jarvis was born in 1850 and was an impressionable child and teenager when her mother was at the peak of her courageous work. So in 1907, two years after her mother's death, she organized the first "Mother's Day" in Grafton so that the work of peacemaking and the war against poverty which her mother waged would not be forgotten.

If Mother's Day has become too commercial, Anna Jarvis would have been the first to object, indeed, she did protest the profiteering that had become part of Mother's Day even during her lifetime. The remedy for the excesses of this popular holiday, is not to ignore them, but to lift up the story of its founder, and her own mother, Anna Reeves Jarvis, both of whom exemplified the very best that the Christian faith has to offer.

To all the mothers in my life, I wish you a very special day...

Rhonda Hue.



Service Opportunities at UBC! There are several ways in which you can help the UBC family... Here are some of those service opportunities: Coffee Hour, Worship leaders, Sanctuary care, Choir, Bible study or children's program leader. Here are the people to contact: Coffee Hour = Suzan or Paul W.; Worship leaders = Elizabeth P. or Manny S.; Sanctuary care = Jodi H-J; Choir = Margie P.; Bible study or children's program leader = Sadie C. Let us make the Sunday experience one in which we all participate! Bring your talents and your passions to share and build community.



Entry into Olympia 50-mile Walk. Photo by Brooke Rolston.

Thursday morning, April 14th, I joined a dozen people, walking from Seattle to Olympia to protest the cuts of billions of dollars that the Legislature intends to take away from health care, disability lifeline, housing, and education – while leaving untouched numerous unproductive tax loopholes that benefit wealthy interests, including corporations. We called it *The People's Walk for Our Future*.

We were a group of working people, disabled people, and labor and Faith allies from several communities. We came from diverse faith traditions. Truly the heart and soul of our journey were those people that walked because their lives are directly and catastrophically affected by these cuts.

These included a woman with a walker, and another with serious chronic back pain; an out-of-work woman who struggles with mental illness, a young man who lost his job and is homeless, and another young man who has earned his Associate Degree and wants to continue his education at a four-year state college, but cannot afford the continually soaring cost of tuition. All of these courageous and committed people made the

entire 50-mile trek! I am honored and blessed to have walked side by side with them.

The number of people marching doubled along the way. All of us walked in solidarity, witnessing as we journeyed to the devastating consequences of this budget, hearing each other's stories and the stories of the people we met all along our path.

Four days, 50-miles, and 100 thousand steps later, we arrived in Olympia. Our feet are blistered, our legs are weary, our backs are aching, but in the words of the song, *We ain't in no ways tired!*

It seems altogether appropriate that our rag-tag band reached our destination on Palm Sunday. Like Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem on the back of a donkey, we arrived humbly to the triumphant cheers of our sisters and brothers in the fight for justice. In the Gospel of Luke, the Pharisees ordered Jesus to silence the adulating people. Jesus says to them, *I tell you even if they were to keep silent, the very stones would cry out.*

The state budget isn't about numbers and dollar signs, and other abstractions. It is a document with moral content. It must be evaluated on how it supports the welfare and dignity of life, and how it promotes the common good.

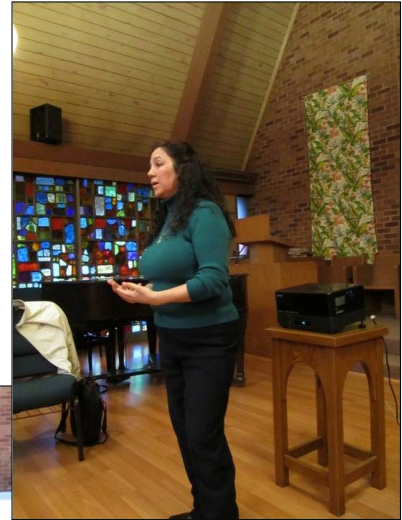
Unfortunately this year's budget makes the immoral choice of favoring corporate special interests, and the desires of the very wealthy over the basic needs of the most vulnerable people. It jeopardizes our future by making a college education unaffordable.

Brothers and sisters in faith, we cannot be silent. We cannot be complicit. The very stones in the buildings of the state capitol are crying out for justice.

Bev S.

Adalia Gutierrez Schellinger Visits UBC

On April 14th, 2011, American Baptist missionary, Adalia Gutiérrez-Schellinger visited the UBC community. Adalia and her husband Ray, work with victims of domestic violence in the border city of Tijuana, México and have created a safe haven for women in this area called Deborah's House.. It was a great opportunity see how our contributions to the "International Missions Offering" are put to work!



A Note from the Pastoral and Staff Relations Team

We have reviewed Manny, addressing the ministry priorities and vision for ministry that were a part of his original agreement with University Baptist Church. Overall, we are satisfied, agreeing on his strengths and weakness. We identified ways to work on the weaknesses and have asked him to establish goals and review criteria for his next evaluation (scheduled for October). We thank those members of the congregation that contributed to the evaluation process. If you have concerns (or compliments) about Manny's role, please bring them to the PSR Team (or Manny himself).

Memorial service for Enid G. will be held on May 1st at 2 pm at Enid's Seattle home (4528 - 8th Avenue NE).



Life Planning for Those 55+ Years

You are invited to our first Life Planning for the senior years.

This event will be an opportunity for you and your adult children, or your "person" (relative, best friend, etc) to attend this workshop for those 55+ years.

This is what we are planning for you and yours:

- A light breakfast with coffee and tea
- A time for family to meet Pastor Manny and learn what information he needs for your member file in regard to illness or death
- A review of issues related to aging
- A time for each member and family (or best person) to meet separately and discuss needs and concerns
- Resources available for furthering your conversations
- A means for your families/persons to know that UBC cares about you

DATE: JUNE 4, 2011 TIME: 9:30 am– 1 pm

Brought to you by the Congregational Care Team

For information: contact Elizabeth P. revepat@gmail.com 206-459-0206

Please RSVP by June 1, 2011 to Elizabeth or Carol S.

UBC STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL MEETING NOTES -- APRIL 13, 2011

Present: Mary Clare B., Suzan B-W, Daniel H, Rhonda H, Marilyn M, Marilee N (for Building Team), Sadie R, Mary R, Joy S, Carol S, Manny S

- **Call to order** - Rhonda
- **Minutes of the March 9th meeting were approved as printed.**
- **New Office Manager**, Jessica D., was introduced and welcomed.
- **Guidelines for Council Conversations** that were approved in 2006 were emailed. Rhonda suggested that we follow them. Joy suggested creating a booklet of information for new council members that would include these Guidelines, the By-Laws, Team Descriptions, etc. She will follow through on this with the Communications Team.
- **Church Clerk vacancy** - Mary agreed to take minutes for this meeting and said she had conversations with several people as possible Church Clerk. Manny suggested Mona and Pete. There was discussion about recording meetings so the Clerk would not always have to be present. It was generally agreed that this would not be very workable. Manny will ask Pete D. if he will serve.
- **Finance Statement Distribution** - The Finance Team has created a process that would allow sufficient time for the team to have oversight of the monthly reports before they are sent to the SC. (the January report would come to the SC in March). Discussion about this being too long before the Council sees the reports. M/S/C to move the SC meetings to the 3rd Wednesday of the month to allow time for the Finance Team oversight and for the Council to see the reports in a more timely manner. Concern was raised about the timing of the Team reports to the Council - (they will still be due the Monday before the meeting) and the need to get articles ready by the deadline for the Beacon. It was agreed that we could make this work.
- **The Stewardship Council will meet the 3rd Wednesday of the month beginning May 18th.**
- **Church Space update** - the new cabinet in the conference room is for coffee hour supplies, not general storage. Suzan will ask Lori to make a sign asking users to clean up after themselves so the room is always ready .
- **By-Laws update** - Lin C. will gather a committee in May to draft revisions. SC suggests changing quarterly business meetings to only 2 per year with the option of calling a special meeting when needed.
- **UBC summer picnic - August 21** at Ravenna Park. Worship will begin at 10:30 followed by potluck lunch and games. Cass reserved the space, Sadie and LPT will prepare signs, balloons and games, Cass provides tableware soft drinks, and clean-up. Folks are asked to bring food to share and chairs. Mary will recruit volunteers to help.
- **Burton ferry reimbursement** request was approved. Tom had purchased ferry tickets for those who were providing pulpit supply to the Burton Church.
- **Reviewed Pastor's Report and Monthly Team reports**
- **Pastoral Staff Relations Team** - completed the review of Pastor's first 8 months at UBC. The team's perceptions of Manny's strengths and weaknesses seem to match his personal perceptions so there were no surprises. The annual review will be in October. Manny will be gone to Biennial events June 22-30 and will be on vacation July 1-14.
- **Finance report (January through February)** (attached). Adjustments and corrections still need to be made to this report. Lin C's mission fund needs to be sent, Daniel will get an address. Margie's annuity will be paid now for all of 2011.
- **Hospitality Team** - Easter brunch potluck is planned. There will be a sign up sheet for quiche, fruit, bread, dessert. Learning & Play will arrange an Easter egg hunt.
- **Biennial delegate expenses** - Kathryn sent a request that each delegate be reimbursed up to \$850. M/S/C. This is an increase from the amount voted on at the last meeting because of the increased cost of airfare.
- **Peace, Justice & Reconciliation Team** - the mission survey deadline is Friday, April 15. Some responses have been received.
- **Worship Team** - there will be a sign up sheet for all Sunday morning chores on one list. Suzan will coordinate her sign ups for hospitality with Margie and worship tasks. We discussed how to give feedback about worship with an understanding that it is not possible to please everyone all the time.
- **Building Team** - we cannot use the University Heights parking lot on Sundays. We need to make sure all the doors are locked when we leave. U Christian has a 15 passenger van that we might be able to rent. There are security issues around bathrooms.
- Meeting adjourned with prayer led by Sadie.

Please note that these notes have not been approved by the Stewardship Council as minutes of the meeting. The Stewardship Council meets regularly on the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM. Our next meeting is on May 18th at 6:30 PM.

Among Ourselves

We are working: **Sadie C** loves her new job and the wonderful team atmosphere at University District Children's Center. **Miriam C** (Mary Clare B's daughter) has been busy building her real estate business through John L. Scott. **Kathryn J** has been networking, interviewing, and thinking about her career options. **Aaron B** is very pleased with a series he is completing for his newspaper, the *Skagit Valley Herald*, especially a piece that was published on Easter Sunday about the town of Concrete. **Bev S** continues to work for economic justice in our state and recently marched to Olympia in support of the cause. **Mary Clare** was in London, England, for a week for work, and she enjoyed the lovely warm weather there. **Jodi H-J** is pleased to have accepted the job of director (similar to a principal) effective July 1, at Cedar Crest Academy, where she currently works as a lead teacher. **Ken J** awaits the results of the professional exams he took recently... School news: **Jessica B** has narrowed her college choices down to Carleton College in Minnesota, Bates College in Maine, and Colorado College. By the time you read this column, she will have decided, so check with Jessica... Jessica's exchange student sister, **Jasmin G**, is traveling to Boston to see the historic sites, along with her U.S. homestay mother, **Lianne S...** **Lynn, Michael, and Eva G-J** shared a wonderful pizza dinner with **Sarah R** in Sacramento during spring break. **Sarah** is enjoying her residency in psychiatry (where some of her work is in a prison), her life in Sacramento, and her rescue dog, Cali Mae, who has boundless energy... Wonderful news: **Xaviera O** is engaged and planning to be married early next year... **Rhonda H** is looking forward to son Matthew's release this summer. Please hold Matthew in your prayers as he prepares for his new start in life... **Elizabeth P** is moving into an apartment on May 14 and 15. Anyone who would like to help will be warmly welcomed. Call Elizabeth to let her know you are available. On Easter, Elizabeth celebrated the six-year anniversary of her ordination at UBC... Update on Joyful Noise tickets: The May 7 concert at 8 p.m. at Seattle First Baptist Church will not have tickets. A free-will offering will be taken to support the choir. Be sure to hear the joyful sounds of **Daniel H, Gail and Walt F, Bob and Lori T, and Melissa and Jeff T...** **The Petersons** delighted in a recent trip to see the tulips in Mount Vernon... **Baby Norah** is now eating solid foods, happily trying one new food after another... Our prayers are with **Suzan B-W**, as she deals with a recent diagnosis of uterine cancer. Watch for an update on how to support **Suzan and Paul** during the weeks ahead... We pray for healing for **Margie and Jim P**, and **Matt and Diane P**, as they mourn the passing of Jim's mother. We also pray for the family and friends of **Enid Griswold**, especially her daughter Joan and wife Gail, as they mourn the death of Enid.

Submitted by Lynn G-J



Save the date
for the Annual
Church Picnic:
Sunday, August
21st, 8am-2pm

Our date is
August 21st and
we have the park
from 8 a.m. to 2
p.m. The picnic
will be at
Ravenna Park,
120th NE and NE
58th. In the past
it has been a
worship service
followed with
a potluck lunch. I
understand the
Learning and
Play team will be
planning some
games as
well. We have
the park reserved
from 8:00 a.m to
2:00 pm.

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Where's the Pastor?

If you want to schedule a visit or a conversation with Pastor Manny, please make sure that you call the office or email at pastor@ubcseattle.org.

(The following calendar shows activities and meetings in which the pastor is participating. Please note that you can call the office to schedule appointments or visits at any time. Visitation times are not published on the calendar. The times of the meetings are not showing in this calendar.)

May

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
						1 – Worship (Communion) - Enid G. memorial - Ministers' Council retreat
2 DAY OFF - Ministers' council retreat	3 – Ministers' Council retreat - Worship Team meeting	4 – PSRT meeting	5	6 - Pastors' Covenant group lunch - Young Adults potluck dinner	7	8 – Worship (Mothers' Day)
9 DAY OFF	10 – Worship planning meeting	11– BPFNA Board meeting (Raleigh, NC)	12– BPFNA Board meeting (Raleigh, NC)	13– BPFNA Board meeting (Raleigh, NC)	14 – BPFNA Board meeting (Raleigh, NC)	15 – Worship (Baptist Heritage Sunday)
16 DAY OFF	17– PJR Team meeting	18 – Steward. Council meeting	19	20– Beacon Deadline	21 – Biennial participants dinner	22 – Worship
23 DAY OFF	24	25	26	27	28	29 - Worship
30 DAY OFF	31					

May UBC Calendar

- ◆ Sunday, May 1 - Worship
- ◆ Sunday, May 1 - UBC Quarterly Business Meeting
- ◆ Sunday, May 1 - Tuesday, May, 3 - Together in Ministry Retreat
- ◆ Friday, May 6 - Young Adult Post-Easter Potluck Dinner
- ◆ Saturday, May 7 - Pentecost Worship Summit
- ◆ Sunday, May 8 - Worship
- ◆ Thursday, May 12 - Saturday, May 14 - BPFNA Board Meeting
- ◆ Sunday, May 15 - Worship
- ◆ Saturday, May 21 - Biennial Delegates Gathering
- ◆ Sunday, May 22 - Worship
- ◆ Sunday, May 29 - Worship

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