

Worship of God in Christ September 25, 2022



16th Sunday after Pentecost

Marking of the Hour

Barbara Moore

We mark the hour, awakening us to the presence of God, alerting us to the voice of Christ, and centering us in the embrace of the Holy Spirit.

Opening Words

Rev. Val Fisk

Prelude - "The Heavens Are Telling the Glory of God" (Marcello)

Barbara Moore

Lighting the Candles

We light these candles to welcome the Spirit, for they represent how Jesus is the Light of the world which guides us through life.

Opening the Bible

We open the Bible to remind us that God speaks to us through the Holy Word.

Call to Worship Katie Shelton

Leader: In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth, People: Darkness was over the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

Leader: Centuries before Jesus walked among us, the Spirit of God was promised to him, so that he would bring justice to the nations.

People: Jesus sent the Spirit of truth to teach us and give us peace.

Leader: At Pentecost the Spirit came, as the rush of violent wind and tongues of fire.

People: That same Spirit is among us now. Let us worship God!

*Hymn – "All Creatures of Our God and King"

*Invocation Rev. Fisk

Greeting Rev. Fisk

Please take a moment to pass and sign the red booklets found in each row so that we have a record of your presence with us today.

Baby Dedication

Children's Sermon Will Cooke

*Hymn - "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

Gospel Lesson – John 14:8-14 Wellford Tiller

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!**

Morning Prayer and Blessing

Dr. Matthew Tennant

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*Doxology

Epistle Lesson - Colossians 1:15-20

Dean Tennant

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Special Music Laura Martindale

Sermon – "Echo-Spiritual Living" Dr. Tennant

Meditation Barbara Moore

Invitation Dr. Tennant

If you are interested in joining University Baptist Church or speaking with a minister, please come forward as we sing our final hymn.

*Benediction Dr. Tennant

*Postlude – "Trio Sonata 2 in C minor, mvt. 1" (J. S. Bach) Barbara Moore

^{*}Hymn - Fight the Good Fight"

^{*} Please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.

All Creatures of Our God and King



I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light



Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Doxology



TEXT: Neil Weatherhogg, 1988 MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551 Text © 1990 Neil Weatherhogg OLD HUNDREDTH

Fight the Good Fight



The opening phrase here (based on 1 Timothy 6:12) is not a military image but an athletic one, from a Greek verb meaning "struggle" or "grapple" or "wrestle." The sports context continues in later stanzas reflecting the experience of a runner (recalling Hebrews 12:1–2).

WELCOME TO UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Thank you for joining us in worship today. We are blessed by your presence with us, and we trust that this hour will help to deepen your spiritual life. We look forward to meeting you personally at the close of the service.

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