



# UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

## WORSHIP OF GOD IN CHRIST

September 16, 2018

11:00 a.m.

### Marking the Hour

*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.*

*Please quiet voices, hearts, and cell phones as we prepare to worship.*

Opening Sentence..... Rev. William Brown

Prelude ..... Barbara Moore

*Now Thank We God Whom Earth and Heaven Adore – J.S. Bach*

Lighting the Candles..... Acolytes

*(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..... Acolytes

*(We open the Bible to remind us that God speaks to the people through  
the Holy Word.)*

Call to Worship ..... Eddy Tennant

Leader: The Earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world  
and all that dwells therein.

**People: We live in God's world. We are not alone.**

Leader: We share this life with the heavens and the earth, with the  
waters and the land, with trees and grasses...

**People: We share this life with fish, birds, and animals, with creatures  
of every form...**

Leader: We share this life with all our sisters and brothers.

**People: God saw all that was made, and behold, it was very good.**

\*\* Hymn – *Come, Let Us Praise the Lord*

1 Come, let us praise the Lord, with joy our God acclaim, his  
 2 Our God of match-less worth, our King beyond compare, the  
 3 In worship bow the knee, our glorious God confess; the  
 4 Come, hear his voice to-day, receive what love imparts; his

great-ness tell a-broad and bless his sav-ing name. Lift high your  
 deep-est bounds of earth, the hills, are in his care. He all de-  
 great Cre-a-tor, he, the Lord of Right-eous-ness. He reigns un-  
 ho-ly will o-bey and hard-en not your hearts. His ways are

songs be-fore his throne to whom a-lone all praise be-longs.  
 crees, who by his hand pre-pared the land and formed the seas.  
 seen: his flock he feeds and gent-ly leads in pas-tures green.  
 best; and lead at last, all trou-bles past, to per-fect rest.

WORDS: Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926- ); para. Psalm 95  
 MUSIC: John Darwall (1731-1789)  
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DARWALL'S 148th  
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\*\* Invocation.....Rev. Brown

\*\* Greeting .....Rev. Brown

Hymn – *Gonna Be Green* – Mark Miller

*(As we sing, all children are invited to come to the front for the Children's Sermon.)*

I'm gonna be green because God made the earth I'm gonna be  
green because God made the earth I'm gonna be green  
because God made the earth the earth\_ is my home!

Children's Sermon ..... Erin Brown

*(After the Children's Sermon, children in grades K-2 are invited to attend Children's Church.)*

Old Testament Lesson – Psalm 104:24-31 ..... Sarah Wilson  
(pages 483 in the pew Bibles)

Leader: The Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God.

### THE SERVICE OF DEACON ORDINATION

Laura Faye Groff, Jeannette May, Laura Morris

Leader: There are different ministries in the life and work of Christ's Church.

People: **But we serve the same Lord. God works through all of us for the upbuilding of the church and the saving restoration of humanity.**

Leader: Some members are chosen to minister as Deacons: to model Christian maturity and morality, to promote church harmony, to give an effective witness, to care for the congregation, and to attend to the spiritual health of its members.

Laura Faye, Jeannette, Laura, God has called you through the church to serve in this special way. Do you trust in Christ as head of the Church, and do you accept the meaning and power of the biblical witness in your life?

Do you believe the Church has a mission relevant to the opportunities of this time?

Ordinand: Yes, I do.

Leader: Will you exercise your Deacon ministry as a committed follower of Christ, taking to heart the priorities of our church and its ministry to all people, and continually seeking meaningful ways of doing the Lord's work?

Ordinand: Yes, I will.

Leader: Do you, members of University Baptist Church, accept these new Deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation, to lead us in the work of Christ?

**People: Yes, we do.**

Leader: Do you promise to pray for them to encourage them, and to trust in them to serve us?

**People: Yes, we do.**

Leader: By authority of the Holy Spirit, let us ordain Laura Faye Groff, Jeannette May, and Laura Morris to the Office of Deacon in University Baptist Church.

#### THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

*All members are invited to participate by offering a brief prayer of blessing or words of encouragement, as we sing these hymns:*

Hymn 43 – *This Is My Father's World* (stanza 1, 2)

Hymn 44 – *For the Beauty of the Earth* (all stanzas)

Hymn 46 – *All Things Bright and Beautiful* (all stanzas)

Leader: You are now Deacons and spiritual leaders of this congregation. Whatever you do, in word or act, do everything in the name of the Lord, giving thanks to God. Claim your ministry. Rejoice in the work entrusted to you. Look to the future with hope.

Ordination Prayer

### THE INSTALLATION OF DEACONS

John Buchanan, Laura Faye Groff, Carolyn Lowry,  
Jeannette May, Laura Morris, Peter Ohlms, Wellford Tiller

Leader: You have affirmed these Deacons to have spiritual leadership and care of this congregation. Do you promise to uphold them by giving them the honor, encouragement, and cooperation befitting their office?

**People: We do.**

Leader: Deacons, after prayer and deep consideration, have you determined to undertake the Office of Deacon in this congregation, and will you strive, to the best of your ability and with God's help, to serve this church's spiritual well-being? Will you comfort our members in sorrow, counsel them in trouble, and visit them in sickness?

Deacons: We will.

Leader: Then I now declare that you are duly installed in the Office and Ministry of Deacon in our church. Let your service be a great blessing, and may this congregation be ever glad it has chosen you to serve. Amen.

Installation Prayer

Old Testament Lesson — Job 12:7-13 ..... Wellford Tiller  
(page 460 in the pew Bibles)

Leader: The Word of the Lord!

**People: Thanks be to God.**

- Morning Prayer .....Rev. Brown  
 Anthem – *Creation Sings* – arr. Drennan .....Sanctuary Choir  
 Sophia Park, violin  
 Sermon – **Ask the Animals** .....Dr. Tennant  
 Meditation – *In the Garden* .....Sophia Park  
 \*\* Hymn 187 – *In the Garden*  
*(If you are interested in joining the church or praying with a minister, we invite you to come forward during this hymn.)*  
 \*\* Prayer of Dedication..... Rev. Beasley  
 Giving of Tithes and Offerings  
 Offertory.....Barbara Moore  
*Sonata in E L.23 “The trees of the forest sing for joy” – D. Scarlatti*  
 \*\* Congregational Response – *Creation Sings*



Hal - le - lu - jah! Let all cre - a - tion stand and  
 sing! "Hal - le - lu - jah!" Fill the earth with songs of  
 wor - ship; tell the won - ders of cre - a - tion's King!

- \*\* Choral Benediction – *Fill the Earth with Songs of Worship*.....Choir  
 \*\* Postlude .....Barbara Moore  
 \*\* Those who are physically able are invited to stand at these points in the service.

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## WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

### CONNECT

- **Wednesday Community Dinners:** Dinner each week is at 5:30, open to everyone. \$5 suggested donation—students eat free! Our discussion topic this week is Eco-Theology: Sharing Creation (Luke 12:16-34). Come join us!

### LEARN

- **Sunday Bible Study:** With groups for every age and interest, there is a place for you here! Our classes meet each week at 9:30 am or 9:45 am.
- **Rosewood Bible Study:** This Bible Study at Rosewood Assisted Living on Greenbrier Drive meets each Monday at 10:30 am. All are welcome!

### SERVE AND GIVE

- **State Missions Offering:** During the month of September, our offering for state missions supports the work of Greg and Sue Smith, CBF Field Personnel in Fredericksburg who serve immigrant populations in Virginia. They provide holistic ministry that includes legal services, advocacy, women's empowerment, literacy programs, and hunger relief.
- **Sunday Dinners:** We need volunteers to provide a light supper on Sunday evenings for the Youth Group and Jubilate. Contact Alba Beasley for more information.
- **Music Library:** We need some filing and clerical help with the music library. Contact Alba Beasley for more information.

### September's Eco-Theology Emphasis

During the month of September, we celebrate God's creation. We live in a beautiful and incredible world! As followers of God, we have a role and responsibility in taking care of the Earth that God has created. This month in worship we celebrate God's creation and explore our place within it. We hope you will also join us on Wednesday nights for dinner and a time of discussion and reflection on these issues.

## WELCOME TO UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

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

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

We offer a Children's Church for K-2<sup>nd</sup> graders. Children start the worship hour in the sanctuary with their families and then follow their leaders upstairs to Room 210 after the Children's Sermon. Children are also welcome to stay with their families in the sanctuary, and children's bulletins and activity bags are available from the ushers. The Children's Church leaders today are Sarah Buchanan and Joey Hamel.

### WORSHIP HOUR CHILDCARE

Childcare is available during the worship service for newborns through preschoolers on the ground level. See the ushers for information and directions. The Childcare workers today are Judy Gough, Catherine Cooper, Shirley Clark, and Jen Bates.

### HEARING IMPAIRED

Our sanctuary is equipped with a broadcast system for the hearing impaired. Please contact one of the ushers to borrow a personal receiver.

### WATCH/LISTEN LIVE

To watch the live video of our worship service on YouTube, find the link on the UBC website, <[www.universitybaptist.org](http://www.universitybaptist.org)>. Audio of our service is broadcast live every Sunday on WINA 1070 AM and 98.9 FM.

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### FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God, and in memory of her husband, Bob Sears, by Sue Sears and family.

*Dr. Matthew Tennant*, Senior Minister  
*Rev. Alba Beasley*, Associate Minister for Music and Worship  
*Rev. Will Brown*, Associate Minister for Community  
*Sarah Wilson*, Youth Ministry Coordinator  
*Erin Brown*, Children's Ministry Coordinator  
*Barbara Taylor Moore*, Organist  
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