

UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH



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WORSHIP OF GOD IN CHRIST
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Words of Welcome

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. Will Brown

Prelude - "The Church's One Foundation" (Schmoltz) Barbara Moore

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

Call to Worship Val Fisk

Leader: We call upon the name of the LORD today, praising God's holy name,

People: And humbly ask that God fill us with peace and wisdom.

Leader: We remember the miraculous deliverance that is threaded all through scripture,

People: And yearn to be agents of God's intended justice and covenant in the world.

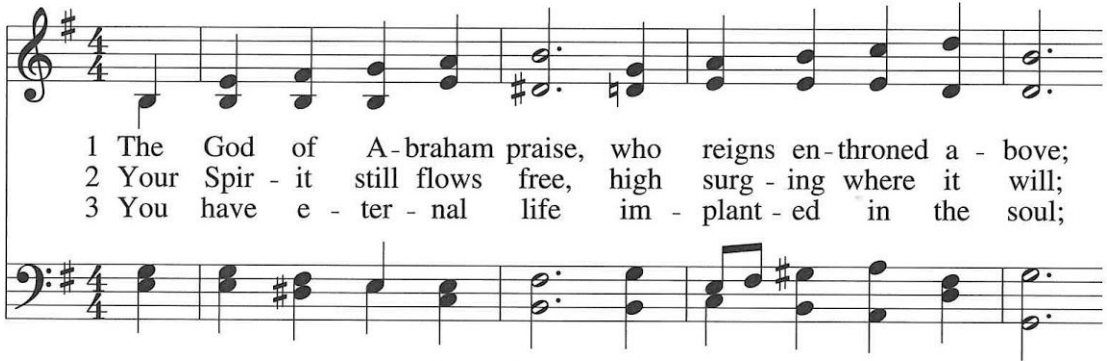
Leader: Lord, we enter into this time of worship today, remembering that our own wisdom is but a tiny seed that is produced by your divine wisdom.

People: We remember that our definitions of justice are just a glimmer of what you envision for your Kingdom.

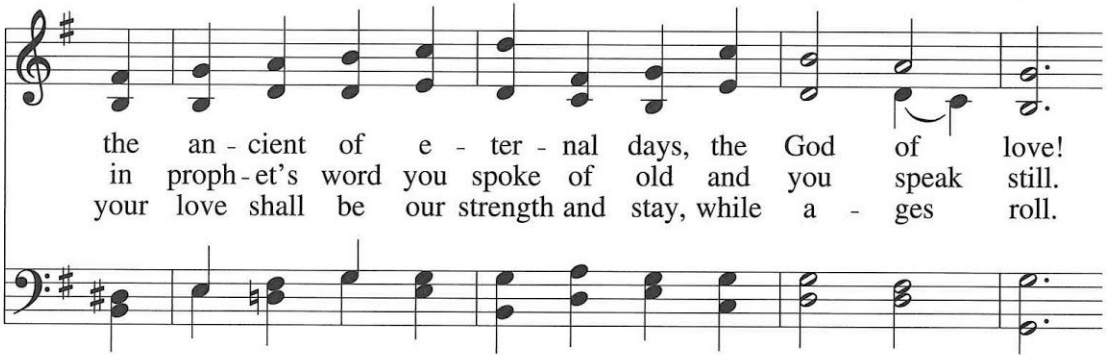
All: We are here to learn, Lord - teach us something that gives our tiny seeds of wisdom and justice roots that will grow strong in this world

Hymn - "The God of Abraham"

The God of Abraham Praise



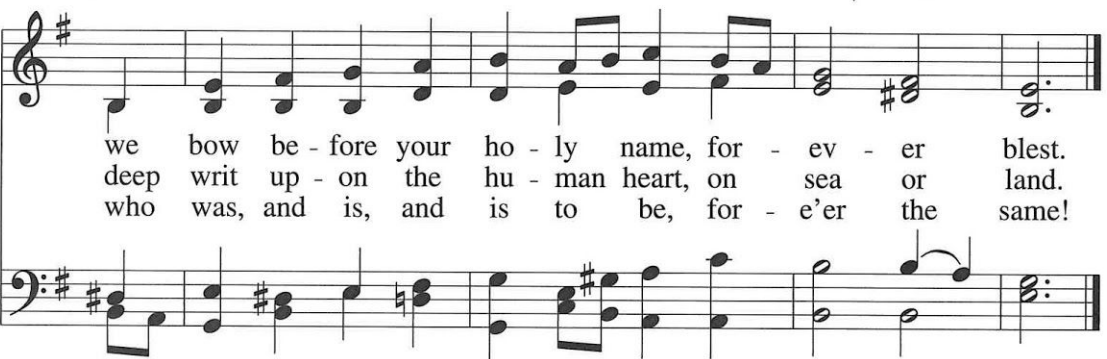
1 The God of A-braham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove;
2 Your Spir - it still flows free, high surg - ing where it will;
3 You have e - ter - nal life im - plant - ed in the soul;



the an - cient of e - ter - nal days, the God of love!
in proph-et's word you spoke of old and you speak still.
your love shall be our strength and stay, while a - ges roll.



The Lord, the great I Am, by earth and heaven con - fessed,
Es - tab - lished is your law, and change-less it shall stand,
We praise you, liv - ing God! We praise your ho - ly name;



we bow be - fore your ho - ly name, for - ev - er blest.
deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea or land.
who was, and is, and is to be, for - e'er the same!

Invocation

Rev. Alba Beasley

Greeting

Rev. Beasley

Dialogue about Faith

Dr. Matthew Tennant & Val Fsik

Words of Faith

Children's Sermon

Erin Brown

Gospel Lesson – Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Ed Lowry

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Hymn - “For the Healing of the Nations”

For the Healing of the Nations



1. For the heal-ing of the na-tions, God, we pray with one ac-cord;
2. Lead us for-ward in - to free-dom; from de-spair your world re-lease,
3. All that kills a - bun-dant liv-ing, let it from the earth be banned;
4. You, Cre-a - tor God, have writ-ten your great name on hu-man-kind;



for a just and e - qual shar-ing of the things that earth af-fords;
 that, re-deemed from war and ha-tred, all may come and go in peace.
 pride of sta - tus, race, or school-ing, dog-mas that ob - scure your plan.
 for our grow-ing in your like-ness bring the life of Christ to mind,



to a life of love in ac - tion help us rise and pledge our
 Show us how through care and good-ness fear will die and hope in -
 In our com - mon quest for jus - tice may we hal - low life's brief
 that by our re - sponse and ser - vice earth its des - ti - ny may



word, (pledge our word) help us rise and pledge our word.
 crease, (hope in - crease) fear will die and hope in - crease.
 span, (life's brief span) may we hal - low life's brief span.
 find, (may find) earth its des - ti - ny may find.



Blessing	Rev. Brown
Reflection - "Song" (Martin)	Barbara Moore
Morning Prayer	Val Fisk
Old Testament Lesson – 1 Kings 3:5-12 Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God!	Carolyn Lowry
Anthem "The Perfect Wisdom of Our God" (arr. Drennan)	Sanctuary Choir
Sermon – "Faith Seeking Wisdom"	Dr. Tennant
Meditation	Barbara Moore

Words of Commitment & Blessing

Hymn - "Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom"

Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom



1 Come and seek the ways of Wis-dom, she who danced when
2 Lis - ten to the voice of Wis-dom, cry - ing in the
3 Sis - ter Wis - dom, come, as - sist us; nur - ture all who



earth was new. Fol - low close - ly what she teach - es,
mar - ket - place. Hear the Word made flesh a - mong us,
seek re - birth. Spir - it - guide and close com - pan - ion,



for her words are right and true. Wis - dom clears the
full of glo - ry, truth, and grace. When the word takes
bring to light our sa - cred worth. Free us to be -



path to jus - tice, show - ing us what love must do.
root and rip - ens, peace and righ - teous - ness em - brace.
come your peo - ple, ho - ly friends of God and earth.

Choral Benediction - “Beautiful Savior” (arr. Fettke) Sanctuary
Choir

Postlude - “Praise the Lord” (Callahan) Barbara Moore

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