

Mosaic by members of Christ City Church, Memphis, TN

WORSHIP OF GOD IN CHRIST

December 13, 2020

God has called University Baptist Church to minister to the University Community and to the residents of the Greater Charlottesville-Albemarle Community, serving as agents of Christ's love and justice for those in need and offering a vital family of faith.

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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. Val Fisk

Prelude - "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" (Hayes) 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

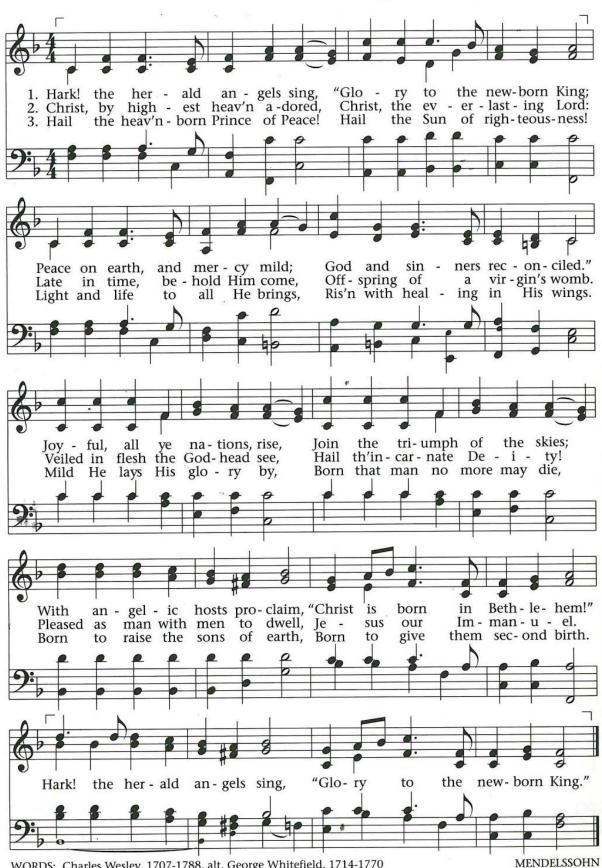
We open the Bible to remind us that God speaks to us through the Holy Word.

Celebration of the Advent Wreath

Miller Family

Hymn - "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

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WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt. George Whitefield, 1714-1770 MUSIC: Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-1847; arr. William H. Cummings, 1831-1915

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Invocation Rev. Alba Beasley

Greeting Rev. Beasley

Anthem - "Away in a Manger" (Gjeilo) Sanctuary Choir

Caitlin Smith, soloist

Words of Faith

Children's Sermon Erin Brown

Gospel Lesson - John 1:6-8, 19-28 Amanda Ohlms

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

Missions Moment

Blessing Rev. Will Brown

Reflection Barbara Moore

"Lo, A Rose E'er Blooming" (Callahan)

Old Testament Lesson - Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 Shelley Payne

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Morning Prayer Rev. Brown

Anthem Sanctuary Choir

"Love Came Down at Christmas" (Walker)

Sermon – "What Does God's Spirit Do?" Dr. Matthew Tennant

Meditation Sanctuary Choir and Jubilate "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" (arr. Shaw/Parker)

Words of Commitment & Blessing

Hymn – "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

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Choral Benediction – "O Come, All Ye Faithful" (arr. Forrest) Sanctuary Choir

Postlude Barbara Moore

"Savior of the Nations Come" (Manz)

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