



UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH



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WORSHIP OF GOD IN CHRIST

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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”

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born King;
 2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord;
 3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of righ - teous - ness!

Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild; God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled."
 Late in time, be - hold Him come, Off - spring of a vir - gin's womb.
 Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n with heal - ing in His wings.

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God - head see, Hail th'in - car - nate De - i - ty!
 Mild He lays His glo - ry by, Born that man no more may die,

With an - gel - ic hosts pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
 Pleased as man with men to dwell, Je - sus our Im - man - u - el.
 Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them sec - ond birth.

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King."

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

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"

O Little Town of Bethlehem

1. O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, How still we see thee lie!
 2. For Christ is born of Ma - ry, And gath - ered all a - bove,
 3. How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly The won - drous gift is giv'n!
 4. O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem! De - scend to us, we pray;

A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep The si - lent stars go by;
 While mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep Their watch of won - d'ring love.
 So God im - parts to hu - man hearts The bless - ings of His heav'n.
 Cast out our sin, and en - ter in, Be born in us to - day!

Yet in thy dark streets shin - eth The ev - er - last - ing Light;
 O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er Pro - claim the ho - ly birth,
 No ear may hear His com - ing, But in this world of sin,
 We hear the Christ - mas an - gels The great glad tid - ings tell;

The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee to - night.
 And prais - es sing to God the King, And peace to men on earth!
 Where meek souls will re - ceive Him, still The dear Christ en - ters in.
 O come to us, a - bide with us, Our Lord Im - man - u - el!

WORDS: Phillips Brooks, 1835-1893
 MUSIC: Lewis H. Redner, 1831-1908

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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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