



"Inner Beauty" by Elizabeth Chapman WORSHIP OF GOD IN CHRIST April 11, 2021

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

Dr. Matthew Tennant

Prelude Barbara Moore

"The Heavens Are Telling The Glory of God" (Haydn)

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

Rev. Alba Beasley

Leader: We gather this morning as a community of believers.

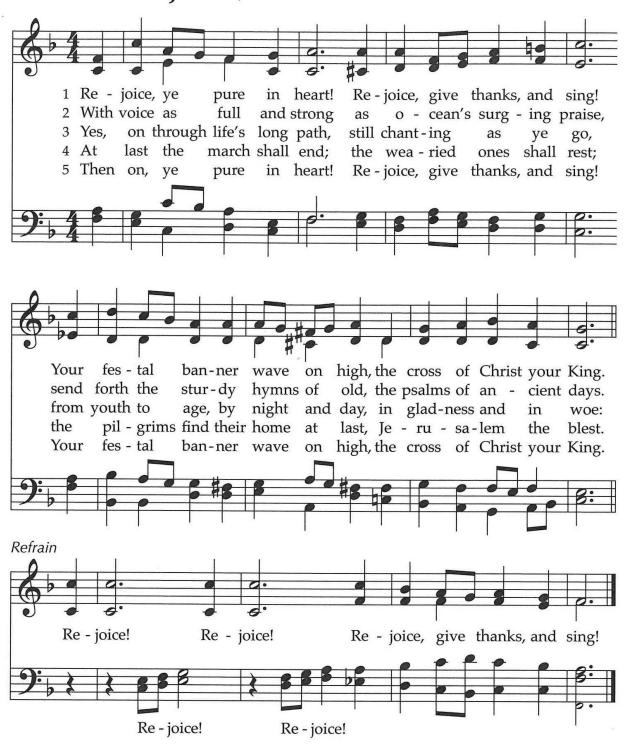
People: We come with joy to greet one another and to tell again and again the amazing news: Christ is risen!

Leader: Love is victorious over death! God has given us new life in the name of Jesus!

People: May our singing, praying, listening, and proclaiming be a testimony to the power of your love to make us a new creation as a community of faith.

^{*}Hymn - "Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart"

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!



These stanzas are drawn from a much longer hymn created for the processional at an English choir festival in 1865. The original text lacked the refrain that gives the hymn so much of its energy and interest. That feature was added by the composer of this tune in 1883.

*Invocation Rev. Will Brown

Greeting Rev. Brown

Words of Faith

Children's Sermon

Erin Brown

Gospel Lesson - John 20:19-31

Debby Johnson

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

*Hymn - "Walk By Faith and Not By Sight"

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

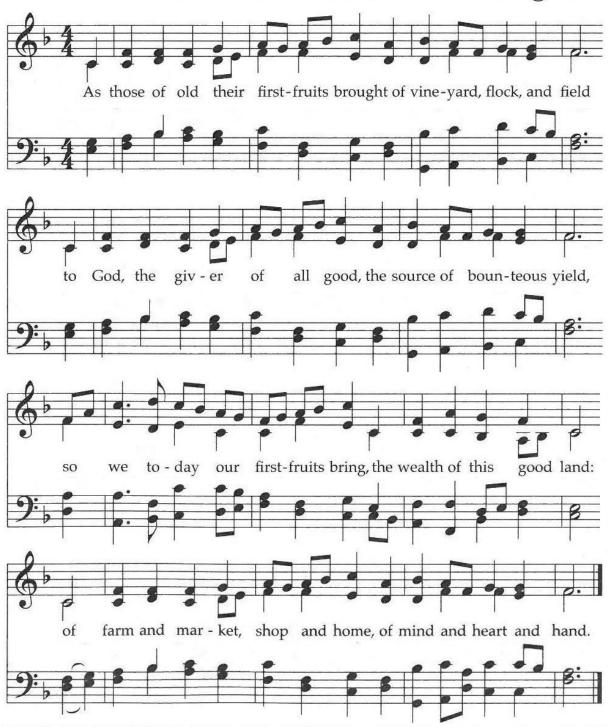


The opening line here is essentially a quotation of 2 Corinthians 5:7, but that affirmation is fleshed out by references to the appearance of the risen Christ to Thomas (John 20:19–29). The shape note tune, named for a stream in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, adds resolution to the words.

Blessing Rev. Beasley

Hymn - "As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought"

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TEXT: Frank von Christierson, 1960, alt.
MUSIC: English folk melody; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906
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FOREST GREEN

Old Testament Lesson - Leviticus 25:35-38

Dean Tennant Leader: The Word of the Lord.

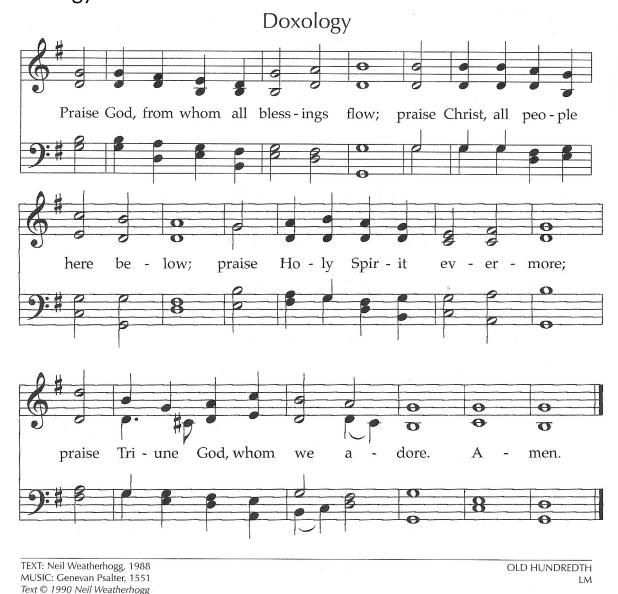
People: Thanks be to God!

New Testament Lesson- Acts 4:32-35

Isabella Canseco

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

*Doxology



Morning Prayer

Dr. Tennant

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,
And the glory forever. Amen.

Anthem Sanctuary Choir

"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" (arr. Wilberg)

Sermon – "Beauty in the Common" Rev. Val Fisk

Solo – "Consecration" (Courtney) Pam Beasley

Words of Commitment & Blessing

*Hymn - "We Are One in the Spirit"

We Are One in the Spirit

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love



- 1 We are one in the Spir-it; we are one in the Lord;
- 2 We will walk with each oth er; we will walk hand in hand;
- 3 We will work with each oth er; we will work side by side;
- 4 All praise to the Fa-ther, from whom all things come,



the Spir - it; in we we are one are one Lord, will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand, we we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side, and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's ly Son, on -



and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re-stored: and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land: and we'll guard hu-man dig - ni - ty and save hu-man pride: and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:

Refrain



And they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our



love; yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love.

A parish priest at St. Brendan's on the South Side of Chicago in the 1960s was very involved in the local Civil Rights movement and needed something for his youth choir to sing at ecumenical, interracial events. Finding nothing, he wrote this song in a single day.

Postlude Barbara Moore

"To God Be The Glory" (Tornquist)

* Please stand if you are able

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