

Worship of God in Christ July 30, 2023



9th Sunday After Pentecost

Marking of 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.

Opening Words Rev. Susan Deal

Prelude The Church Delights to Raise Songs of Praise arr. Travis

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 Table of Plenty Schutte

(see the words below)

*Hymn of Praise We Are God's People SYMPHONY

*Invocation Rev. Val Fisk

Greeting Rev. Fisk

Please take a moment to sign and pass the red booklets found in each row So that we have a record of your presence with us today.

Gospel Lesson Matthew 25:1-13 (p.806-7) Linda Boston

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

*Hymn I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table v.1,2,4 WELCOME TABLE During the last stanza of this hymn, we invite the children to come forward for the Children's Sermon.

Children's Sermon Rev. Deal

We invite children in grades K-2 to exit and continue worshiping in Children's Church upstairs in Room 210.

Mission Moment – Dinner with Andrew Colleen Baber

Morning Prayer and Blessing

Dr. Matthew Tennant

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*Doxology

Table Blessing

Be present at our table, Lord, Be here and everywhere adored. Thy children bless, and grant that we May live in fellowship with Thee. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Numbers 35:2-6 (p.136)

Tim Laubach

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

Anthem

Keep Your Lamps

arr. Jay Althouse

Soloist: Diane Mundell

Sermon

Can We Keep Doing This?

Dr. Tennant

Meditation Barbara Moore

Invitation

Dr. Tennant

If you are interested in joining University Baptist Church or speaking with a minister, please come forward as we sing our final hymn.

*Hymn of Response For Everyone Born v.1,3,5 FOR EVERYONE BORN

*Benediction

Dr. Tennant

*Postlude

I Will Sing of My Redeemer

arr. Lyall

Instrumentalists

Barbara Moore: Organ/Piano Bobby Gregg: Percussion

^{*} Please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.

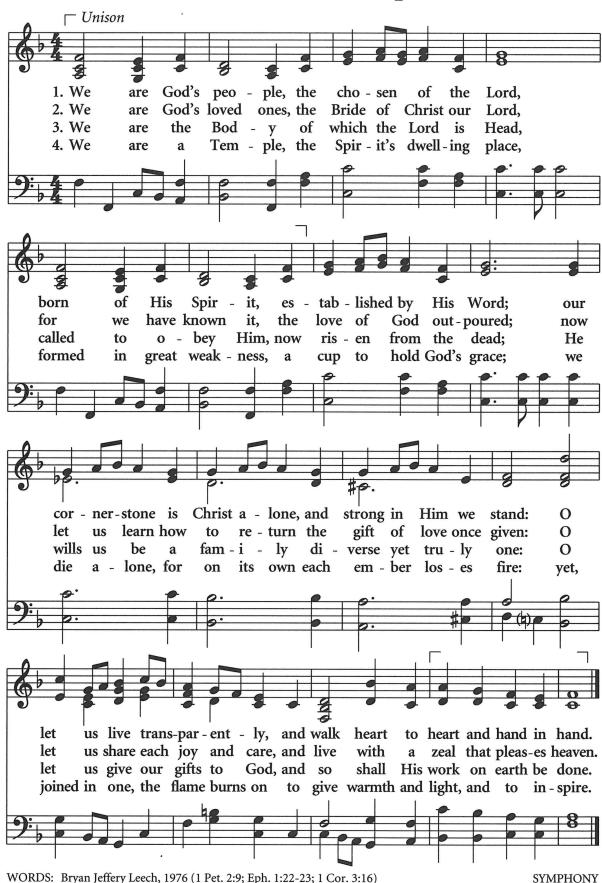
TABLE OF PLENTY



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We Are God's People



WORDS: Bryan Jeffery Leech, 1976 (1 Pet. 2:9; Eph. 1:22-23; 1 Cor. 3:16)

MUSIC: Johannes Brahms, 1876; arr. Fred Bock, 1976

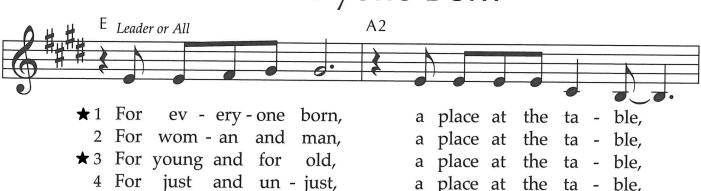
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I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table



The image of a great feast showing God's welcome of all people was part of Jewish tradition (Isaiah 25:6–9) and underlies Jesus' parable of the Great Banquet (Luke 14:15–24). Such equality remains as unknown to many people today as it was to the slaves who created this spiritual.

For Everyone Born



ev - ery - one born,

★5 For



a place at the ta - ble,

clean wa - ter ev - ery - one born, and bread, re - vis - ing the roles, de - cid - ing the share, voice to be heard, a part in the song, a - bus - er, a - bused, with need to give, for live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be,



shel - ter, a a space, a safe place for grow - ing, with wis-dom and di - vid - ing grace, pow - er, the child the hands of a in hands that wrin - kled, are in an - ger, in a mind - set hurt, mer - cy, of work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship, to



for ev - ery - one born, o - ver-head, a star for wom - an and man, tem that's fair, sys a for young and for old, the right to be - long, for just and un - just, new a way to live, for the right ev - ery - one born, to be free,



and God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and







jus-tice and joy!

WELCOME TO UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

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

ABOUT Us: University Baptist Church is a vibrant community of faith, bringing together university students and area residents in worship, study, and service to our community. We seek to be an authentic community of Christians who love and care for each other as a family, and openly welcome and include all people regardless of age, race, gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation, disability, or background. We believe that all people have important gifts to share in God's family, working together as the hands and feet of our good and loving God. Learn more at universitybaptist.org

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