

UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Welcome, as we join together to Worship God in Christ December 3, 2023 1st Sunday of Advent

Marking 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 O Come, Emmanuel arr. Hailstork

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 (Psalm 24:7-10)

Dean Tennant

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors,

that the King of glory may come in!

Who is the King of glory?

The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors,

that the King of glory may come in!

Who is this King of glory?

The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

*Advent Carol 93 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates TRURO

*Invocation Rev. Susan Deal

Greeting Rev. Susan Deal

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.

Children's Sermon Pam Hallissy

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

Morning Prayer and Blessing

Dr. Matthew Tennant

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*Advent Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Christ, all people here below.
Praise Holy Spirit evermore.
Praise Triune God, whom we adore.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

Jubilate Presents Lessons and Carols

Reading	Psalm 95:1-2	Nick Thornton
Anthem	Come, Christians, Join to Sing Congregation joins Jubilate on the third verse:	arr. Larson
	Praise yet our Christ again: Alleluia! Amen! Life shall not end the strain: Alleluia! Amen! On Heaven's blissful shore his goodness we'll adore. Singing for evermore: Alleluia! Amen!	

Reading	Colossians 3:13-15	Eddy Tennant
Anthem	Blessed Are the Peacemakers Emily Waters, violin	Powell
Reading	As Fades the Glowing Orb of Day	Jude Diederich
Anthem	<i>lam Sol Recedit</i> Arlyn Burgess, oboe	Gjeilo

As fades the glowing orb of day to Thee great source of light we pray.

O God the Father, and the Son and Holy Spirit, Three in One.

By endless glory as before the world began,
so evermore at early dawn, at close of day to Thee our vows we humbly pay.

Reading	Psalm 5:11-12	William Kubler
Anthem	l Sing Because l'm Happy	arr. Dilworth
Reading	Matthew 2:9-10	John Grant
Anthem	Star of Wonder	Gilpin
Reading	Hebrews 13:1-2	Katie Shelton
Anthem	What Strangers Are These	arr. Forrest
Reading	John 1:14, 16	Jess Lamberty
Anthem	<i>The Beautiful Impossible</i> Hadleigh Katzenbach, soloist	Martin
Anthem	Brightest and Best Emily Waters, violin	arr. Kirchner

Gospel Reading	Mark 13:24-27	Dr. Tennant
Homily	Expecting the Child of Humanity	Dr. Tennant

Meditation Barbara Moore

Celebration of the Lord's Supper Dr. Tennant

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.

*Advent Carol 92 While We Are Waiting, Come WAITING

*Benediction Dr. Tennant

*Postlude On This Day, Earth Shall Ring (1582) arr. Johnson

with the song to the Lord, born on earth to save us.

Instrumentalists:

Barbara Moore: Organ/Piano Emily Waters: Violin Arlyn Burgess: Oboe



Join us this Advent and Christmas Season at University Baptist Church

Sunday, December 3, 11:00 am Jubilate Lessons & Carols

Wednesday, December 6, 6:00 pm Service of Remembrance

Sunday, December 10, 11:00 am Sanctuary Choir: *Christmas Perspectives*

Wednesday, December 13, 6:00 pm Children's Christmas Shoppe & Hymn Sing

Friday, December 15, 6:00 pm Holiday Light Bus Tour

Sunday, December 17, 11:00 am All Church Pageant

Sunday, December 17, 7:00 pm Christmas Jazz Vespers

Sunday, December 24, 11:00 am Advent Worship Service

Sunday, December 24, 5:00 pm Christmas Eve Worship

Wednesday, December 27, 4:00 pm Birthday Cake Kit assembly & movie

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

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.

Newsletter: If you would like to stay updated on all the latest news and events at UBC, please call or email the church office at linda@universitybaptist.org.

Additional Parking: Additional parking is available at the 14th St. Garage. Just show them your bulletin when you leave.

Worship Online: Visit university baptist.org/live to download our Sunday worship bulletin and find instructions for how to watch live services online or listen on the radio.

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This Week at UBC

SUNDAY, December 3

8:30 Church Council Meeting9:30 ESOL Class9:45 Sunday Morning Bible Study11:00 Morning Worship

MONDAY, December 4

10:30 Bible Reading Group 1:00 Schleiermacher Reading Group 8:00 Youth Council (Zoom)

TUESDAY, December 5

11:30 Annie Armstrong Circle 1:30 Personnel Committee Meeting 7:00 Kittie Colvin Trail Circle

WEDNESDAY, December 6

9:00 Work Team5:30 Wednesday Night Dinner6:00 Wednesday Night Program6:00 Handbell Rehearsal7:00 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal9:00 College Student Pancake Dinner

SATURDAY, December 9
11:00 Youth Christmas Party