

# Wandering Heart

*"I'm fixed upon it"*

**University Baptist Church - Charlottesville, VA**  
**Welcome, as we join together to Worship God in Christ**  
**March 10, 2024**  
**4th Sunday in Lent**

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

*Come Thou Fount (Warrenton)*  
*Streams of Mercy Call for Songs*

arr. Anna Laura Page

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

Jen May

On our worst days,  
**God is good.**  
On our best days,  
**God is good.**  
When life is consistent,  
**God is good.**  
And when life turns on its head,  
**God is good.**  
Day and night, Monday through Sunday,  
**God is good. God is here. God is love.**  
Hold tight to that good news. Let us worship God!

\*Hymn of Praise 35

*Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

LOBE DEN HERREN

*Invocation		Larry Johnson
Greeting		Larry Johnson
	<i>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.</i>	
UBC Moment	Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Offering	Rev. Scarlett Jasper
Old Testament Lesson	Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 (p.487)	Peter Ohlms
	Leader: The Word of the Lord.	
	People: Thanks be to God!	
*Hymn 14	<i>For the Beauty of the Earth</i>	DIX
	<i>During the last stanza of this hymn, we invite the children to come forward for the Children's Sermon.</i>	
Children's Sermon		Susan Hellings
	<i>We invite children in grades K-2 to exit and continue worshipping in Children's Church upstairs in Room 210.</i>	
Meditation	<i>Love Unknown</i>	Callahan
	An interpretation of hymn #209	
	Flute: Hadessah Johnson	
Morning Prayer and Blessing		Will Cooke
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*Doxology 607	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	OLD HUNDREDTH
Gospel Lesson	Matthew 16:21-23 (p.798)	Ingrid Flaherty
	Leader: The Word of the Lord.	
	People: Thanks be to God!	
Anthem	<i>Set Me As a Seal</i>	David Childs
	Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm. For love is as strong, for love is as strong as death, as strong as death. Many waters cannot quench love, neither can floods drown it. Many waters cannot quench love, floods cannot drown it. Waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it. Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm. For love, is as strong, for love is as strong as death. As strong as death, as strong as death, as strong as death.	
	Voces Laetae	
	Trombone: Nate Ogden-Amt	
Sermon	No Bad News Please	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.*

\*Hymn of Response 451

*Open My Eyes, That I May See*

OPEN MY EYES

\*Benediction

Dr. Tennant

Beloved wanderer,  
as you leave this place, may you carry your curious heart on your sleeve.  
May you look for God in every face.  
May you find the courage to get out of the boat, to run to the tomb,  
and to speak of your faith.  
And when the world falls apart,  
may you hear God's voice deep within,  
saying, "Take heart, it is I, be not afraid."  
You are called.  
You are blessed.  
In both your ups and your downs, you always belong to God.  
Go now in peace.  
Go trusting that good news.  
Amen.

\*Postlude

*O God My Heart is Steadfast!  
I Will Sing and Make Melody!  
Psalm 108*

Emma Lou Diemer

*\*Please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.*

Instrumentalist:  
Barbara Moore: Organ/Piano

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## Church Staff

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# 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.

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## This Week at UBC

<p><b>SUNDAY, March 10</b> 9:30 ESOL/Seekers Class 9:45 Sunday Morning Bible Study 11:00 Morning Worship</p> <p><b>MONDAY, March 11</b> 10:30 Bible Reading Group</p> <p><b>TUESDAY, March 12</b> 11:30 Annie Armstrong Circle 6:30 Prayer Shawl Group 7:00 Voces Laetae Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY, March 13</b> 9:00 Work Team 10:00 PBJ Bible Study 5:15 Handbell Rehearsal 5:30 Wednesday Night Dinner 6:00 Program (Growing Young Study) 7:00 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal</p> <p><b>THURSDAY, March 14</b> 7:00 Deacons' Meeting</p> <p><b>SATURDAY, March 16</b> 5:00 VA Baptist Women's Chorale</p>
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