

Worship of God in Christ January 1, 2023



"Christ in Judgement" by Coppo, di Marcovaldo

New Year's Day

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 Will Cooke

Prelude - "We Three Kings" (arr. Bock)

Barbara Moore

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 George Martin

Leader: How majestic your name in all the earth, O Lord our God!

People: The heavens reflect your glory and the earth proclaims the

wonder of your loving care.

Leader: In the fullness of time you crowned creation with the birth of

your Son.

People: Continue your work of salvation among us and form us into a

new creation

Leader: That, as we behold the vision of a new heaven and a new earth,

People: We may sing your glory. Amen.

*Invocation Will Cooke

Greeting Will Cooke

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 Laura Morris

*Hymn - "We Three Kings of Orient Are"

Gospel Lesson - Matthew 2:1-12 Debby Johnson

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

Morning Prayer and Blessing

Rev. Val Fisk

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^{*}Hymn – "Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning"

*Doxology

New Testament Lesson - Revelation 21:1-6 Larry Johnson

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

Anthem – "The Light That Shone on Bethlehem Fills All the World Today" (arr. Innes)

Instrumental Solo - Barbara Moore

Sermon – "Revealing Something New" Rev. Fisk

Meditation Barbara Moore

Celebration of the Lord's Supper Rev. Fisk

Invitation Rev. Fisk

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

*Benediction Rev. Fisk

*Postlude – "Toccata on "We Three KIngs" (arr. Vandall) Barbara Moore

^{*}Hymn – "What Star is This, with Beams So Bright"

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

Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning

MORNING STAR 11.10.11.10



We Three Kings of Orient Are



Although Christians had begun by the 2nd century to speak of these visitors from eastern countries (Matthew 2:1–12) as "kings," perhaps because of passages like Psalm 72:10 and Isaiah 60:3, it is more accurate to think of them as magi or astrologers, the scholars of their day.

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

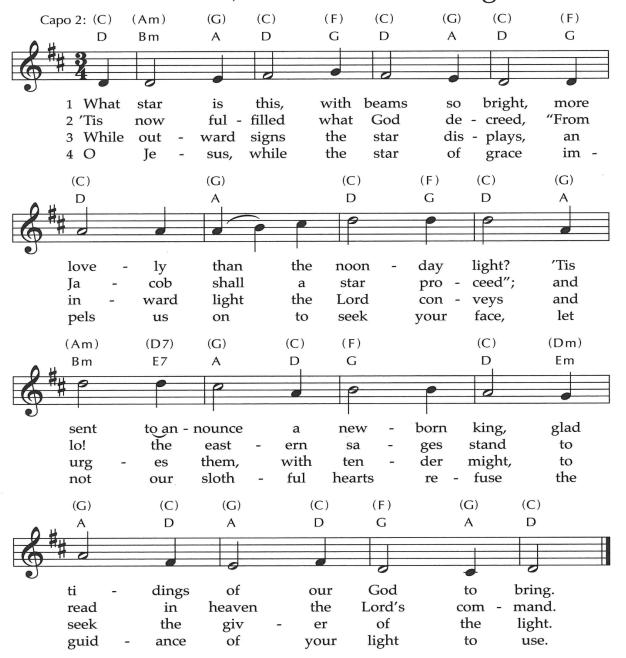
Doxology



TEXT: Neil Weatherhogg, 1988 MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551 Text © 1990 Neil Weatherhogg

OLD HUNDREDTH

What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright



This 18th-century Latin text calls attention to three kinds of light: the light of the star leading the Magi to the Christ-child, the inward light inspiring their journey, and Christ who is the Light of the world. The simple unison melody unites everything in a gentle arc.

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 university baptist.org

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FLOWERS: On the communion table this morning is the Nativity drawing our attention to the birth of Jesus.

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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