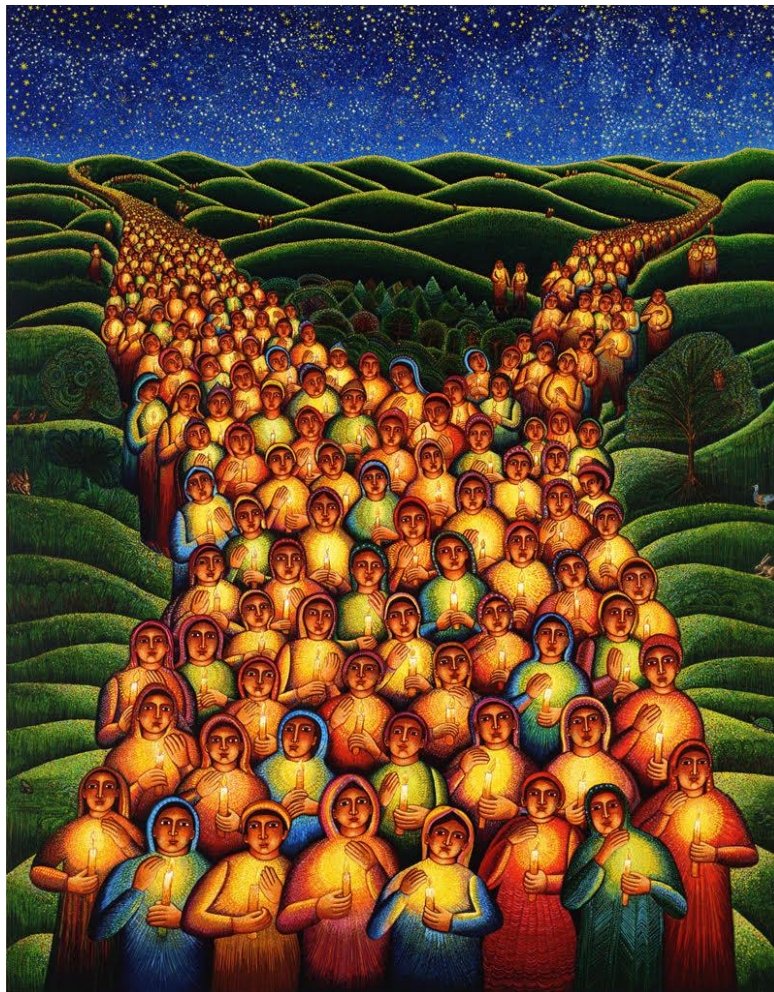




Worship of God in Christ February 5, 2023



"Festival of Lights" (2000) by John August Swanson

5th Sunday After Epiphany

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

Rev. Val Fisk

Prelude – Verses on “For Me to Live is Jesus” (arr. Pachelbel) 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

Claire Turney

Leader: With nature in its power and beauty, with rain and wind and
sunshine

**People: With ancient rocks and budding flowers, we gather in praise of
God.**

Leader: With believers and seekers the whole world wide, with people in
every land

People: With speakers of every language, we gather in praise of God.

Leader: With the angels and saints in heaven, with Jesus who promised
his presence

**People: With the Spirit who showers her blessings, we gather in praise
of God.**

Leader: Here let heaven and earth embrace.

All: Here may God’s people find home.

*Hymn – “We All Are One in Mission”

*Invocation

Rev. 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.*

Children’s Sermon

Will Cooke

Discussion Question: “What’s a simple way that you follow Jesus?”

*Hymn - “Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak”

Gospel Lesson - Matthew 5:13-20
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Nicholas Thornton

Morning Prayer and Blessing

Dr. Matthew Tennant

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*Doxology

Epistle Lesson - 1 Corinthians 2:1-12
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Anna Beamer

Anthem – “Bless the Lord!” (Johnson)

Jubilate

Sermon – “Act As If”

Dr. Matthew 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.*

*Hymn – “I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light”

*Benediction

Dr. Tennant

*Postlude – “Christ is Made the Sure Foundation” (arr. Lasky) Barbara Moore

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

We All Are One in Mission

1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,
2 We all are called for ser - vice to wit - ness in God's name.
3 Now let us be u - nit - ed and let our song be heard.

our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
Our min - is - tries are dif - ferent; our pur - pose is the same:
Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing word.

A sin - gle, great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
to touch the lives of oth - ers by God's sur - pris - ing grace,
We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,

to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.
so ev - ery folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.
our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

A Lutheran pastor wrote this text in response to a bishop's letter that said, "Our mission is to touch the lives of others with Christ's love." This theme is made stronger by recognizing that shared purposes do not require the denial of diversity but are enriched by it.

Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak

1 Lord, speak to me that I may speak in liv - ing
 2 O lead me, Lord, that I may lead the wan - dering
 3 O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the pre - cious
 4 O fill me with your full - ness, Lord, un - til my
 5 O use me, Lord, use e - ven me, just as you

ech - oes of your tone. As you have sought, so
 and the wa - vering feet. O feed me, Lord, that
 truths which you im - part. And wing my words that
 ver - y heart o'er - flow in kin - dling thought and
 will, and when, and where un - til your bless - ed

let me seek your err - ing chil - dren, lost and lone.
 I may feed your hun - gering ones with man - na sweet.
 they may reach the hid - den depths of man - y a heart.
 glow - ing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.
 face I see, your rest, your joy, your glo - ry share.

Two great truths inform this text: first, that the testimony of experience is powerful and persuasive; and second, that no one should venture to minister on one's own strength rather than God's. The tune reflects a 19th-century practice of adapting piano pieces as hymn tunes.

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise Christ, all peo - ple

here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more;

praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore. A - men.

TEXT: Neil Weatherhogg, 1988
MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551
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I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to fol - low
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God. I want to look at
3 I'm look-ing for the com - ing of Christ. I want to be with

Je - sus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The
Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ-teous-ness, shine on my path, and
Je - sus. When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

Refrain

star of my life is Je - sus.
show me the way to the Fa - ther. In him there is no dark-ness at
shall know the joy of Je - sus.

all. The night and the day are both a - like. The Lamb is the

light of the cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

WELCOME TO UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

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