

# UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Charlottesville, VA

Welcome, as we join together to Worship God in Christ  
September 3, 2023  
14th Sunday After Pentecost

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

Rev. Val Fisk

Prelude

*God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens,  
Lead Us Onward Til Our Work is One With Thine*

arr. Wood

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

*Ask a Question of the Earth*

Laura Martindale



The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,  
The world, and those who live in it.

\*Hymn of Praise

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

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\*Invocation Sheri Owen

Greeting Sheri Owen

*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 John 1:1-5, 14-18 (p.862) George Martin

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

\*Hymn *The Earth Belongs to God Alone* SIMMONS

*During the last stanza of this hymn, we invite the children  
to come forward for the children's Sermon.*

Children's Sermon Tommy Deal

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

Morning Prayer and Blessing Rev. Susan Deal

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Facebook page and at [universitybaptist.org/give](http://universitybaptist.org/give).

\*Doxology

Epistle Lesson Romans 11:33-36 (p.922) Alaysia Toney

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem *All Things Bright and Beautiful* John Rutter

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small.  
All things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.  
Each little flow'r that opens, each little bird that sings,  
He made their glowing colors, He made their tiny wings.  
All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small.  
All things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.  
The purple-headed mountain, the river running by,  
the sunset and the morning, that brightens up the sky.  
The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun,  
the ripe fruits in the garden, He made them ev'ry one.  
All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small.  
All things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.  
He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell,  
how great is God Almighty, who has made all things well.  
All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small.  
All things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.

Sermon	<i>Diving Into the Sacred Sea</i>	Dr. Matthew Tennant
Meditation		Barbara Moore
Celebration of the Lord's Supper		Dr. Tennant
Invitation		Dr. Tennant
<i>If you are interested in joining University Baptist Church or speaking with a minister, please come forward as we sing our final hymn.</i>		
*Hymn of Response	<i>Fairest Lord Jesus</i>	CRUSADERS' HYMN
Benediction		Dr. Tennant
Postlude	<i>Allegretto</i>	Vivaldi

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

Instrumentalist:

Barbara Moore: Organ/Piano, Dan Pinkham: Cello

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### Church Staff

Senior Minister – Dr. Matthew Tennant  
Associate Minister for Students – Rev. Val Fisk  
Intentional Interim Minister of Music – Rev. Susan Deal  
Director of Jubilate and Voces Laetae – Will Cooke  
Organist – Barbara Moore  
Office Coordinator – Linda Weirich  
Financial Coordinator – Amanda Ohlms  
Custodian – Thomas Hill  
Social Media Assistant – Alaysia Toney  
Church Administrator – Alan Hendricks

# 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](http://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](mailto: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 [universitybaptist.org/live](http://universitybaptist.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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**Flowers:** The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my father Charles J. Witter, for his September Wedding Anniversary and in memory of my brother, John Witter, for his September birthday by Mildred and Melvin Spicer.

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*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.*

## This Week at UBC

### SUNDAY, September 3

9:30 ESOL Class  
9:45 Sunday Morning Bible Study  
11:00 Morning Worship  
5:00 Jubilate Rehearsal  
6:30 Jubilate Dinner  
**MONDAY, September 4**  
Church Office Closed for Labor Day  
10:30 Bible Reading Group  
1:00 Schleiermacher Reading Group

### TUESDAY, September 5

7:00 Kittie Colvin Trail Circle  
**WEDNESDAY, September 6**  
9:00 Work Team  
10:00 PBJ Bible Study  
5:30 Wednesday Night Dinner  
6:00 Wednesday Night Program  
7:00 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
**SATURDAY, September 9**  
9:00 Window Gasketing

# All Creatures of Our God and King

*Unison*

1 All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice  
2 O broth-er wind with clouds and rain, you nur-ture gifts  
3 O broth-er fire, so warm and bright, chase off the shad-  
4 All who for love of God for-give, all who in pain

*Harmony*

and with us sing, Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
of fruit and grain. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
ows of the night. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
or sor-row grieve, Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

*Unison*

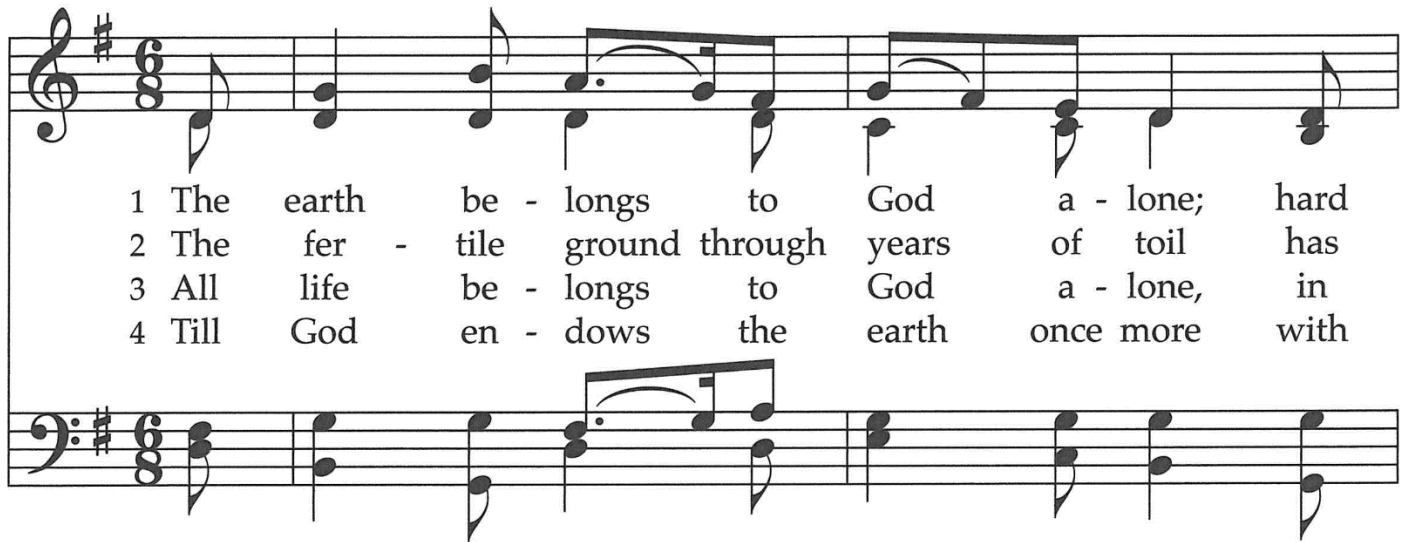
O broth-er sun with gold-en beam, O sis-ter moon  
O sis-ter wa-ter, flow-ing clear, make mu-sic for  
Dear moth-er earth, who day by day un-folds such bless-  
Christ bears your bur-dens and your fears; so, e-ven in

with sil-ver gleam, sing prais-es! Al-le-lu-ia!  
your Lord to hear. Sing prais-es! Al-le-lu-ia!  
ings on our way, sing prais-es! Al-le-lu-ia!  
the midst of tears, sing prais-es! Al-le-lu-ia!

*Unison*

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

# The Earth Belongs to God Alone



1 The earth be - longs to God a - lone; hard  
2 The fer - tile ground through years of toil has  
3 All life be - longs to God a - lone, in  
4 Till God en - dows the earth once more with



clay, rich soil, fine sand. Give thanks wher - ev - er  
cried for Sab - bath rest— a time of peace for  
wil - der - ness and fields. From fal - low land, or  
E - den's state of grace, may we en - deav - or



food is grown on bor - rowed ho - ly land.  
worn - out soil so land can be re - freshed.  
plowed and sown, God gives the good it yields.  
to re - store all land as sa - cred space.

# 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.

# Fairest Lord Jesus

1 Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Rul - er of all  
2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair - er still the  
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair - er still the  
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Rul - er of the

na - ture, O thou of God to earth come  
wood - lands, robed in the bloom - ing garb of  
moon - light, and all the twink - ling, star - ry  
na - tions, Son of God and Son of

down, thee will I cher - ish, thee will I  
spring. Je - sus is fair - er; Je - sus is  
host. Je - sus shines bright - er; Je - sus shines  
Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o -

hon - or, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.  
pur - er, who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.  
pur - er, than all the an - gels heaven can boast.  
ra - tion, now and for - ev - er - more be thine!