

# UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Charlottesville, VA

Welcome, as we join together to Worship God in Christ  
September 17, 2023  
16th 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

Dr. Matthew Tennant

Prelude

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

arr. Callahan

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 and Tommy Deal

"Look up-on our beau - ty, the beau - ty of the Lord,  
for our spir - it and our splen-dor give voice to the love of God!"

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

\*Hymn of Praise

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

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\*Invocation

Rev. Susan Deal

Greeting

Rev. 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.*

Gospel Lesson	Luke 16:19-31 (p.851-52)	Peter Ohlms
Leader: The Word of the Lord.		
People: Thanks be to God!		
*Hymn	<i>For the Beauty of the Earth v.1-3,5</i> <i>During the last stanza of this hymn, we invite the children to come forward for the children's Sermon.</i>	DIX
Children's Sermon	<i>We invite children in grades K-2 to exit and continue worshipping in Children's Church upstairs in Room 210.</i>	Laura Morris
Morning Prayer and Blessing	The ministries of University Baptist Church are made possible by your financial support. Offering boxes are located at the rear of the Sanctuary, and electronic giving is on our Facebook page and at <a href="http://universitybaptist.org/give">universitybaptist.org/give</a> .	Rev. Val Fisk
*Doxology		
Old Testament Lesson	1 Kings 17:7-16 (p.282)	Christina Mundell
Leader: The Word of the Lord.		
People: Thanks be to God!		
Anthem	<i>Let the Whole Creation Cry</i> Let the whole creation cry, "Glory to the Lord on high!" Heav'n and earth, awake and sing, "Praise to our almighty king!" Praise God, angel hosts above, ever bright and fair in love; sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God rejoice. Servants striving for the Lord, prophets burning with the word, those to whom the arts belong add voices to the song. Pow'rs of knowledge and of law, to the glorious circle draw; all who work and all who wait, singing, singing "God is great!" Men and women, young and old, raise the anthem loud and bold, and let children's happy hearts in this worship take their parts; from the north to southern pole let the mighty chorus roll: "Holy, Holy, Holy One; glory be to God alone!" "Holy, Holy, Holy One!"	arr. Ferguson
Sermon	<i>Starving in a Climate Crisis</i>	Dr. Tennant
Meditation		Barbara Moore
Invitation	<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>	Dr. Tennant
*Hymn of Response	<i>God of the Fertile Fields</i>	ITALIAN HYMN

Benediction

Dr. Tennant

Postlude

*Allegro from Trio Sonata 2*

J.S. Bach

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

Instrumentalists:

Barbara Moore: Organ/Piano    Dan Pinkham: Cello

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Church Staff

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# 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.

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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 17

8:30 Church Council Meeting  
8:30 Personnel Committee Meeting  
9:30 ESOL Class  
9:45 Sunday Morning Bible Study  
11:00 Morning Worship  
5:00 Jubilate Rehearsal  
6:30 Jubilate Dinner  
7:00 Jazz Vespers

### MONDAY, September 18

10:30 Bible Reading Group  
1:00 Schleiermacher Reading Group


### TUESDAY, September 19

7:00 Voces Laetae Rehearsal

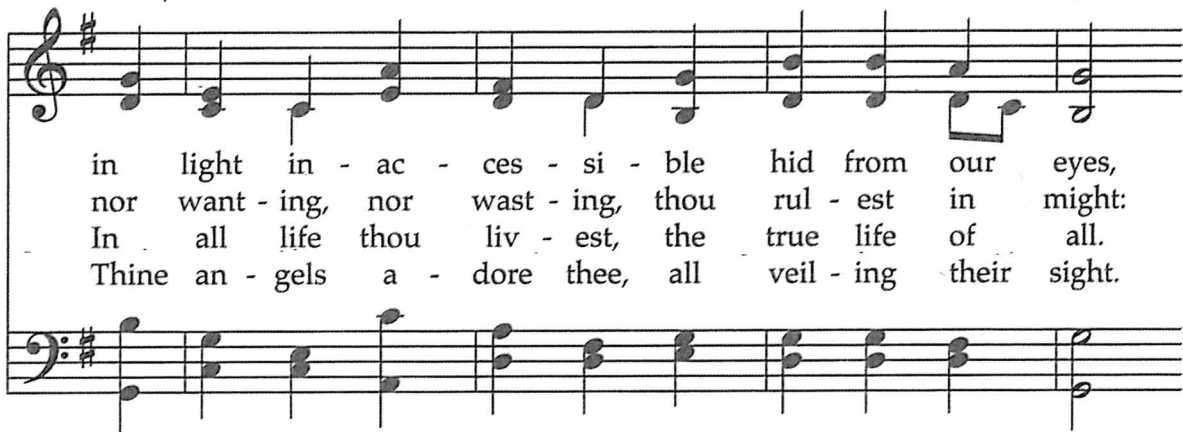
### WEDNESDAY, September 20

9:00 Work Team  
5:30 Wednesday Night Dinner  
6:00 Wednesday Night Program  
7:00 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

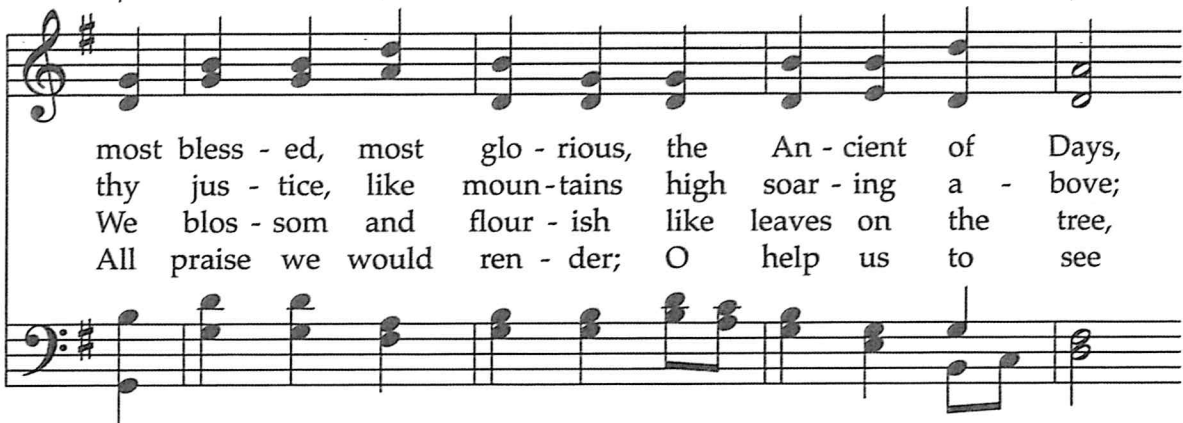
# Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise



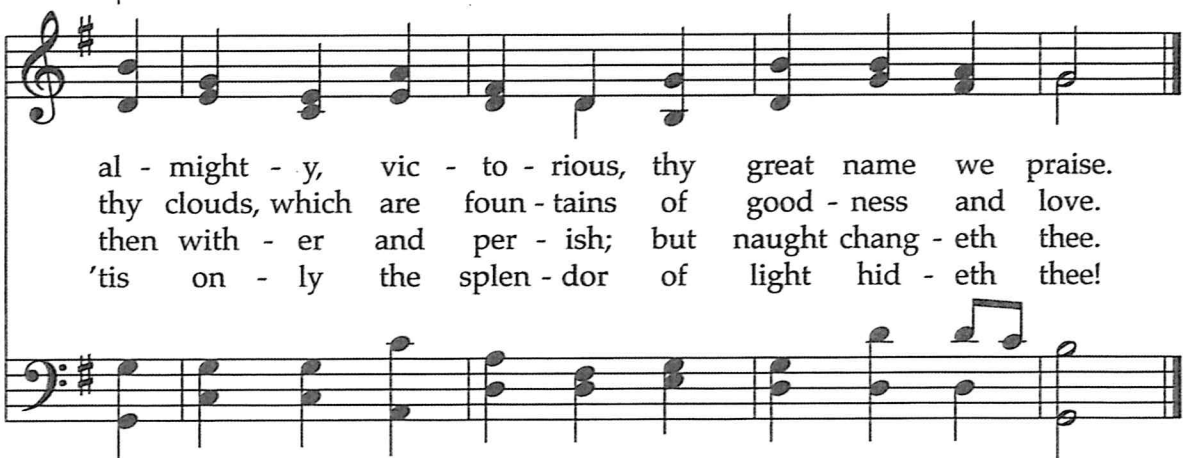
1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small.  
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light.



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might:  
In all life thou liv - est, the true life of all.  
Thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight.

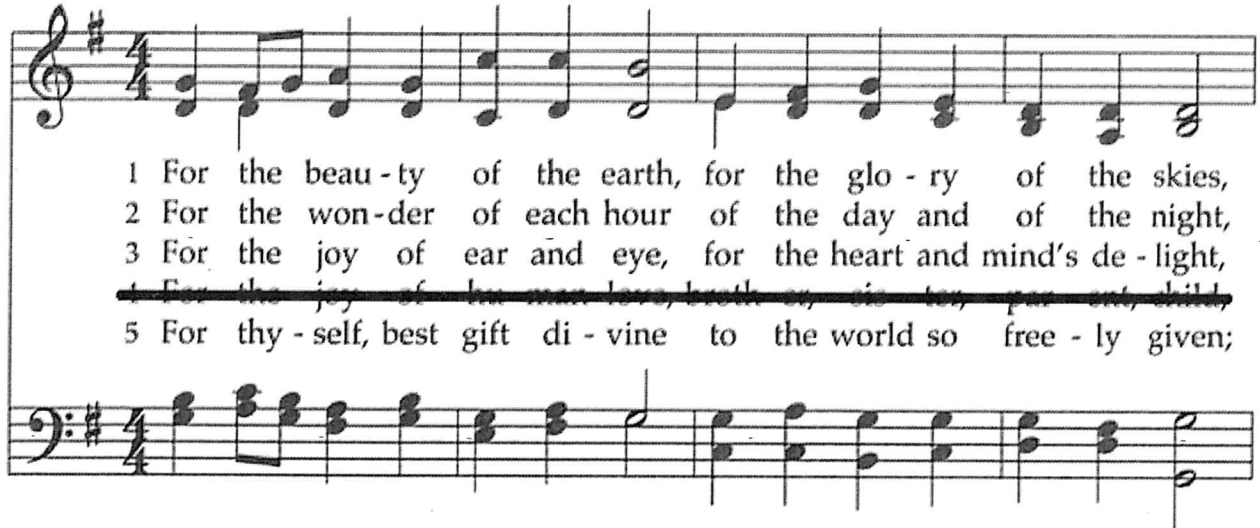


most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
thy jus - tice, like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove;  
We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,  
All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

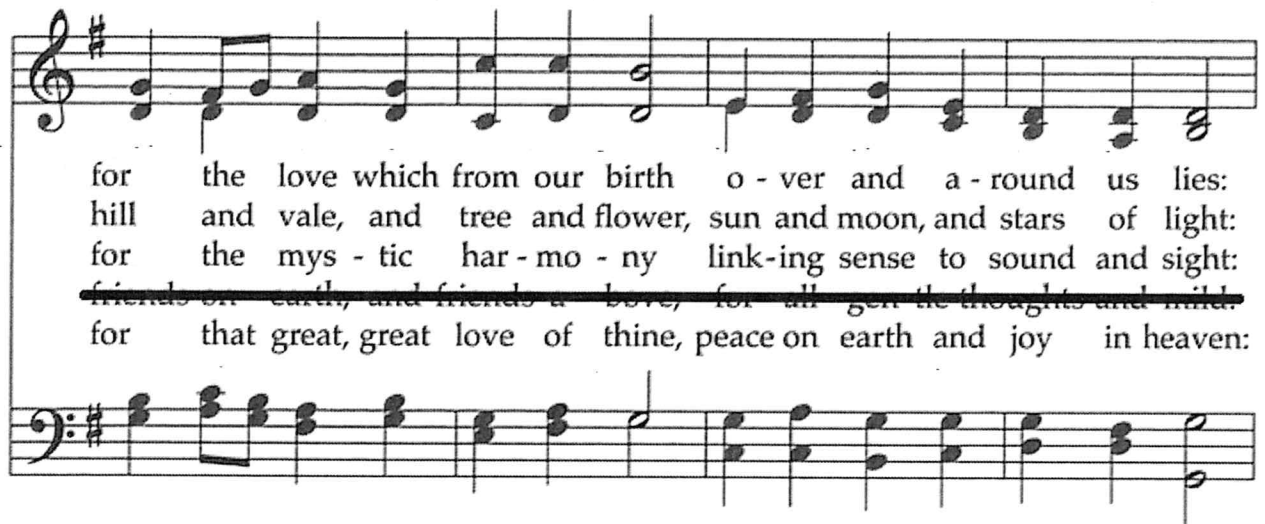


al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.  
thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth thee.  
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

# For the Beauty of the Earth

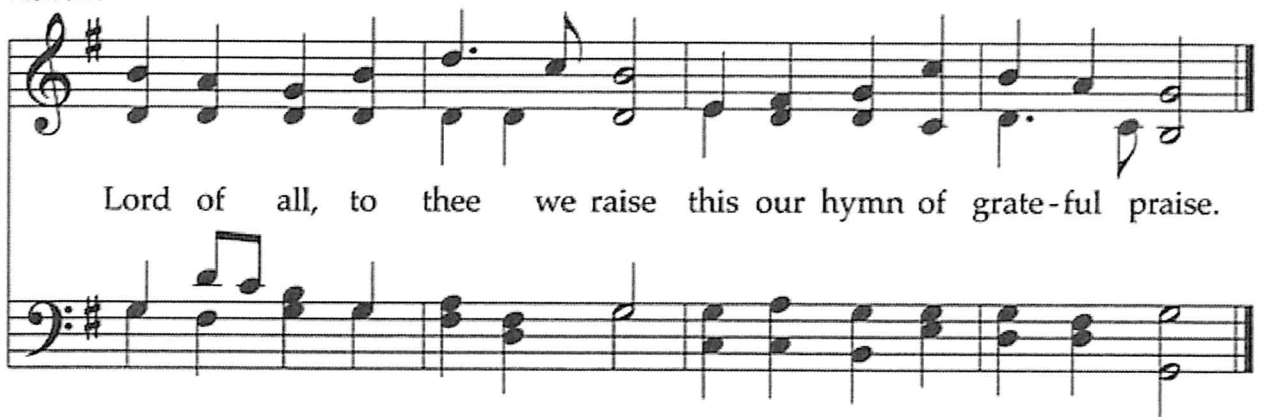


1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,  
2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,  
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,  
~~4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,~~  
5 For thy - self, best gift di - vine to the world so free - ly given;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:  
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:  
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:  
~~friends on earth, and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild,~~  
for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:

## Refrain



Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

In the course of many revisions, the original eucharistic emphasis of this text has shifted to a hymn of thanksgiving for a wide range of human experience, with a Christological summation. It is set here to the tune that is customary in North America, though not elsewhere.

# 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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# God of the Fertile Fields

1 God of the fer - tile fields, shap - er of  
 2 We would be stew - ards true, hold - ing in  
 3 As grows the hid - den seed to - fruit that  
 4 God of the coun - try - side, dear to the

earth that yields our dai - ly bread: forth from your  
 trust from you all that you give; help us in  
 serves our need, so your reign grows. Let all our  
 Christ who died to make us one: we pledge our

boun - teous hand come gifts your love has planned,  
 love to share, teach us like you to care  
 toil be used, no gift of yours a - bused,  
 lives a - new in faith - ful love to you.

that all in ev - ery land be clothed and fed.  
 for peo - ple ev - ery - where, that all may live.  
 no hum - ble task re - fused your love be - stows.  
 Guide all we say and do. Your will be done.

Greater awareness has enlarged Christian stewardship to develop new dimensions of concern for people in all parts of the world. Because we believe that it is God's will that the gifts we have received should be shared, this hymn concludes with that phrase from the Lord's Prayer.