



# UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

## Welcome, as we join together to Worship God in Christ January 7, 2024 Baptism of the Lord

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

*Fanfare "This is My Beloved Son"*

Martin

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.*

Choral Call to Worship

*Gather Us In* (Marty Haugen)

Sanctuary Choir

Here in this place the new light is streaming; now is the darkness vanished away;  
see in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day.

Gather us in, the lost and forsaken; gather us in, the blind and the lame;  
call to us now, and we shall awaken; we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young, our lives are a mystery. We are the old who yearn for your face.  
We have been sung throughout all of history, called to be light to the whole human race.

Gather us in, the rich and the haughty; gather us in, the proud and the strong;  
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly; give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water; here we will take the bread of new birth.  
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth.

Give us to drink the wine of compassion; give us to eat the bread that is you;  
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away;  
here in this place the new light is shining; now is the kingdom, and now is the day.

Gather us in and hold us forever; gather us in and make us your own;  
gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

*Hymn of Praise 664	<i>Morning Has Broken</i>	BUNESSAN
*Invocation		Rev. Val Fisk
Greeting		Rev. Fisk
	<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>	
Gospel Lesson	Mark 1:4-11 (p.812)	Mary Jo Hendricks
	Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God!	
*Hymn 475	<i>Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing</i>	NETTLETON
	<i>During the last stanza of this hymn, we invite the children to come forward for the Children's Sermon.</i>	
Children's Sermon		Dr. Tennant
	<i>We invite children in grades K-2 to exit and continue worshipping in children's Church upstairs in Room 210.</i>	
Morning Prayer and Blessing		Rev. Susan Deal
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*Doxology		
New Testament Lesson	Acts 19:1-7 (p.903)	Theo Gregg
	Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God!	
Sermon	Being Baptized Again & Again	Dr. 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 490	<i>Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters</i>	BEACH SPRING

\*Benediction

Dr. Tennant

\*Postlude

*You Servants of God*

arr. Cherwein

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

Instrumentalists:

Barbara Moore: Organ/Piano   Bobby Gregg: Percussion   Arlyn Burgess: Oboe  
Dr. Matthew Tennant: Guitar

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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  
Education Coordinator – Rev. Tommy Deal

### Current Deacons

Debra Bryant  
Shirley Clark  
Ray Gaines  
Judy Gough  
Lily Gregg  
Alan Hendricks  
Jimmy Li  
Jackie Lockwood  
Carolyn Lowry  
Jen May  
Laura Morris  
Sheri Owen  
Michelle Proffitt  
Jennifer Wagoner

# 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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## This Week at UBC

### SUNDAY, January 7

8:30 Church Council Meeting  
9:30 ESOL Class  
9:45 Sunday Morning Bible Study  
11:00 Morning Worship  
4:00 Choir Party

### MONDAY, January 8

10:30 Bible Reading Group  
12:00 Children's Ministry Team Mtg.

### TUESDAY, January 9

11:30 Annie Armstrong Circle Meeting  
7:00 Kittie Colvin Trail Circle Meeting

### WEDNESDAY, January 10

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

### THURSDAY, January 11

7:00 Deacons' Meeting

### SATURDAY, January 13

11:00 Memorial Service-Ed Lowry  
12:00 Reception-Ed Lowry