



# UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH

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.

**February 22, 2026**  
**1st Sunday in Lent**

## GATHERING

Marking the Hour

Opening Words

Dr. Matthew Tennant

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Prelude

*God So Loved the World*

Stainer Whitworth

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

Stella Gregg

Happy are those who trust in the Lord.  
**God's steadfast love surrounds us.**  
May we be glad and rejoice.  
**Let us worship the Lord together!**

\*Hymn 41

*O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!*

LYONS

\*Invocation

Jackie Lockwood

Greeting

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by scanning the QR code on the back of the bulletin.*

Anthem *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley* African-American spiritual  
Sanctuary Choir arr. Wallace Hornibrook

Jesus walked this lonesome valley, He had to walk it by Himself,  
Oh, nobody else could walk it for Him, He had to walk it by Himself.  
We must walk this lonesome valley, we have to walk it by ourselves,  
Oh, nobody else can walk it for us, we have to walk it by ourselves.  
You must go and stand your trial, you have to stand it by yourself,  
Oh, nobody else can stand it for you, you have to stand it by yourself.

## HEARING

Old Testament Lesson Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7 (p.2) Dean Tennant

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

\*Hymn 757 *Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples* KINGSFOLD

Morning Prayer Kevin Adams

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Before God, with the people of God, I confess to my brokenness:  
to the ways I wound my life, the lives of others and the life of the world.

**May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the Spirit enable you to grow in love. Amen.**

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to the ways we wound our lives, the lives of others and the life of the world.**  
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**Amen.**

\*Doxology 607 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Christ all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

Gospel Lesson Matthew 4:1-11 (p.785) Kayla Riley

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Anthem *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* African-American spiritual  
Sanctuary Choir arr. Moses Hogan

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart.  
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart.  
Lord, I want to be like Jesus. Lord, I want to be more holy.  
Lord, I want to be a Christian.

Sermon	Don't Blame Eve. Thank Her. <i>At this time, children in Kindergarten through 5th Grade may exit to attend Worship+Wonder in the Children's Suite.</i>	Dr. Tennant
Meditation	<i>Amen</i> Sanctuary Choir	Per Harling

### RESPONDING

Invitation		Dr. Tennant
*Hymn 165	<i>The Glory of These Forty Days</i>	ERHALT UNS, HERR
*Benediction		Dr. Tennant
*Postlude	<i>Once to Every Man Comes a Moment to Decide For Good or Evil</i>	arr. James Pethel

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

Instrumentalists:  
Organ/Piano: Barbara Moore; Flute: Hadessah Johnson  
Guest Sanctuary Choir Director: Susan Deal

## This Week at UBC

<p><b>SUNDAY, Feb. 22</b></p> <p>9:45 Sunday Morning Bible Study 11:00 Morning Worship 12:00 College Bagel Brunch</p> <p><b>MONDAY, Feb. 23</b></p> <p>12:00 Missions Council Meeting 7:15 Women's Study</p> <p><b>TUESDAY, Feb. 24</b></p> <p>6:30 Prayer Shawl Group 7:00 Voces Laetae Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY, Feb. 25</b></p> <p>9:00 Work Team 10:00 PB&amp;J Bible Study 5:15 Wednesday Night Dinner 5:45 Sanctuary Bells 6:00 Program 6:30 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal</p> <p><b>FRIDAY, Feb. 27</b></p> <p>5:30 Jazz Vespers</p>
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# University Baptist Church

Thank you for coming to worship today. We are blessed by your presence, 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 scan the QR code below when you leave the garage.

**Worship Online:** Visit [universitybaptist.org/live](http://universitybaptist.org/live) to download the Sunday worship bulletin and find instructions for how to watch live services online or listen on the radio.

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**Flowers:** Flowers for February have been donated by Glenna Ohlms.

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