

Unity Presbyterian Church

Sunday, December 21, 2024

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Lighting of the Candles (quiet please)

Gathering of God's People

Choral Call to Worship

Welcome Gayle Hobbs

Call to Worship

L. The time has arrived! The reign of God is here and now!

P. We are watching and waiting for the realm of God.

L. The time is now. The kingdom of God is here.

P. We are seeking the good news.

L. God uses our ordinary gifts and our everyday lives saying:

P. Follow me. Come and See

L. Believe the good news! The dreams of God are alive, right here!

P. We are searching for work to do in God's world.

L. The moment has come. Let us fish for People!

P. God/s realm Is alive in this world! The long-awaited day is here!

Morning Prayer

+Hymn of Praise SH# 221 "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

+Call to Confession

+Prayer of Confession

God who calls, in Jesus you come to the lakeshores of our lives. We are busy fishing away, casting our nets and hoping for big hauls, great catches of money, respect and possessions. We resist answering the One who, smiling, calls our names. Have mercy on us. Open our ears and turn us toward our Lord. Bring us away from our nets full of unfulfilling things. Help us to follow Jesus, and with him, share the good news of abundant life in you. (Silence) Amen.

+Assurance of Pardon

+Passing the Peace

Our Life Together

Tammy Allen

Children's Message:

Adrian Johnson

Anthem

Justin Powell

Service of the Word

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: OT Psalm 91:6 & 2 Samuel 5:17-19

Guest Speaker: "The Secret Place" Justin Powell

Responding in Faith

+Hymn of Adoration SH# 73 "Take the Name of Jesus with You"

+Affirmation of Faith

Suzanne Beasley

+Apostles Creed

+Gloria Patri

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

+The Doxology

+Prayer of Dedication

"My Jesus"

Sending Out into the World

Charge and Benediction

Choral Benediction

Postlude

+ Please stand as you are able

Welcome to Unity Presbyterian Church!

We are happy you are worshipping with us this morning. If you would like to know more about us, please ask. We love to share the Unity story.

Please sign the visitor book in the vestibule so we can have a record of your visit.

Children's Bulletins and Clip Boards available in the Vestibule.

Calendar of Events

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Staying Connected!

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To receive **phone tree calls**, add someone to the prayer list, or to send out a prayer request, please contact Rebecca O'Dell.

Serving at Unity

Cleaning

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Jan 28th – Cindi and Darla

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