

Unity Presbyterian Church

Sunday, February 25, 2024

2nd Sunday of Lent

Lighting of the Candles (quiet please)

Gathering of God's

Choral Call to Worship

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: Come, let us worship the Lord our God, with praising, singing and prayer.

P: Joyfully, we have come this morning to this place to worship our God, the Creator.

L: God is Spirit.

P: And we must worship the Holy One in spirit and in truth, remembering always that we are called to love.

L: O Lord what a morning

P: O Lord, what a morning to worship you.

Morning Prayer

+Hymn of Praise SH# 4 "O Worship the King"

+Call to Confession

+Prayer of Confession

O Lord, we confess this day that at times we are numbered among the fainthearted, seeing only obstacles where there are opportunities, crises where there are possibilities. Forgive us, merciful Father, for our lack of vision. Help us perceive in the cross of Christ the power to overcome sin. Give us a sense of destiny as instruments of your holy plan of salvation, whereby sinners are transformed into saints, and suffering and sacrifice are harbingers of spiritual power. Yes, Lord, create in us a new heart so that we may create a new world in which peace and justice and love for neighbor rules. (Silence) Amen.

+Assurance of Pardon

+Passing the Peace

Our Life Together

Children's Message:

Anthem

Service of the Word

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: OT: Exodus 6: 1 - 13

NT: John 19: 1 – 7, 16b – 19 and 28 - 30

Sermon: "The Power of the Spiritual" Rev. Massink

Responding in Faith

+Hymn of Adoration "Swing Low Sweet Chariot" (Screen)

+Affirmation of Faith

+ (Hebrews 2: 9-11 and Romans 5: 1-3) We believe in God the Father, who is Lord of life and the Creator of the world, and the creation is full of God's glory. We believe in Jesus Christ, who dwelt among us, proclaiming the reign of God and preaching good news to the poor and releasing the captives. He experienced death for all humanity, so that we could share in God's glory. We believe in the power of the Holy Spirit, by which the love of God is revealed and dwells within and among us, and our faith in God will make its power felt through love. We believe that the church is a spiritual community, founded in Christ, to serve God and the whole human family. We believe in the Commonwealth of God, both in this world and in the world to come, and this Commonwealth is from everlasting to everlasting. Amen

+Gloria Patri

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

+The Doxology

+Prayer of Dedication

+Hymn of Commitment: "Thank You Lord for Your Blessings"

Sending Out into the World

Charge and Benediction

Choral Benediction

Postlude

+ Please stand as you are able

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