

# Unity Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 24, 2024

Psalm/Passion Sunday

Lighting of the Candles (quiet please)

**Gathering of God's**

**Choral Call to Worship**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship** (From Psalm 130:5-6)

L: I look for you, my soul looks for you wildly, I wait for your word of response.

**P: My soul longs for you more than the watchman at the gate longs for morning, more than the tired watchman at the gate longs for the first flicker of dawn.**

**Morning Prayer**

+Hymn of Praise "This is the Day" (Screen)

+Call to Confession

+Prayer of Confession

Living Christ, with whom we journey to the cross, we confess that we are always looking for an easier way. We long for the fullness of life with you, but we are slow to abandon the comforts of the life we know. We seek the fruit of new life, but we are not willing to die to ourselves. You call us to life in community, but we stubbornly cling to "me and mine." Yet you offer the grace of life abundant, even and especially when our best efforts fall short. Transform us, renew us, and free us from our attachment to what was, so that you might bring us into the glory of what will be. In Jesus' name we pray. (Silence) Amen.

+Assurance of Pardon

+Passing the Peace

**Our Life Together**

**Children's Message:**

**Sonja Dunn**

**Anthem**

**Service of the Word**

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Scripture:**

**First Reading: Mark 11:1-11**

**Second Reading: James 1:19-27**

**Sermon: "Religious People Do"**

**Bryan Williamson**

**Responding in Faith**

**Hymn of Adoration**

**"In the Garden" (Screen)**

**Affirmation of Faith**

**The Apostles Creed**

**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 "Hosanna In The Highest We Cry"**

**Sending Out into the World**

**Charge and Benediction**

**Choral Benediction**

**Postlude**

**+ Please stand as you are able**

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.

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