

Unity Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 1, 2026

2nd Sunday in Lent

Lighting of the Candles (quiet please)

Gathering of God's People

Choral Call to Worship

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: Come, people of God, to know again who you are, return to the one who gives you life.

P: We come as children of God, longing for a closer walk with our Creator.

L: We are called to lay aside previous assumptions, to give up our advantages and security.

P: It is scary to venture into the unknown, to live by faith rather than by sight.

L: The God who has given us life offers us a new birth - a new way.

P: We are both attracted and repelled by newness, by the promises and challenges of a life of faith.

L: Let us venture together, daring to feel the winds of God's Spirit.

P: Let us join together in exploring God's purposes and open ourselves to God's leading.

All: Amen and Amen.

+Morning Prayer

+Hymn of Praise

"O Lord, How Shall I Meet You"

+Call to Confession

+Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, You pardon all who truly repent and turn to You. We humbly confess our sins and ask Your mercy. We have not loved You with a devoted heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with You, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in Your loving-kindness. In Your great compassion cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from Your presence, or take Your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation and sustain us with Your bountiful Spirit.

Amen (Silence) Amen.

+Assurance of Pardon

+Passing the Peace

**Our Life Together
Children's Time**

(Announcements)

Anthem:

Choir

Service of the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Romans 4: 1 - 5 and John 3: 1 - 17

Sermon: "For God so Loved the World" Rev. Bodisco Massink

Responding in Faith

+Hymn of Adoration

"To God Be The Glory"

+Affirmation of Faith (John 3: 1 - 17 and 1 John 3: 22 - 4:12)

We believe that God is love, and God's love was perfectly revealed to us when God sent His Son, Jesus Christ, into the world. We believe that God destined His Son to be the savior of all humanity, making Him the pure and sufficient sacrifice that took away our sins and restored us to wholeness.

We believe that God dwells within us by the power of the Holy Spirit. And within the community of the Spirit, God calls us to be the church of Jesus Christ, and to love and serve one another for Christ name's sake. Amen.

Gloria Patri

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

+The Doxology

+Prayer of Dedication

Sending Out into the World

+ Hymn of Commitment

"Go to the World"

+ Charge and Benediction

+Choral Benediction

Postlude

+ Please stand as you are able

*****Today we are Live Streaming**

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