

# Unity Presbyterian Church

Sunday, August 31, 2025

12th Sunday after Pentecost

Lighting of the Candles (quiet please)

**Gathering of God's People**

**Choral Call to Worship**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

L: We have come before God in the holiness of this sanctuary.

**P: That the Almighty One may teach the ways of the Lord.**

L: Let us sing with joy to the Maker of heaven and earth.

**P: And so proclaim the glory of God's name.**

L: Come and see what God has done.

**P: How tremendous and great all the deeds are of our Maker!**

L: For indeed, the Lord is great and greatly to be praised.

**P: Let us worship the Lord, who made heaven and earth!**

**All: Hallelujah!**

**+Morning Prayer**

**+Hymn of Praise "God of Grace and God of Glory"**

**+Call to Confession**

**+Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, we confess to You this day that we allow the inconsequential and the trivial to obscure us from your gospel. We know that You call us to love you with our heart and soul, mind and strength, and love our neighbors as ourselves. Yet we are deterred from this responsive and responsible love by barriers we ourselves create. Help us, O Lord, to break down these barriers and disrupt our comfortable assumptions. Open our eyes to what is truly important. (Silence) Amen.

**+Assurance of Pardon**

**+ Passing the Peace**

**Our Life Together**

**Children's Message**

**Anthem**

**Announcements**

**Choir**

**Service of the Word**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture: Acts 10: 34 – 43 and John 16: 4b - 15**

**Sermon "The Content of the Comma" Rev. Bodisco Massink  
Responding in Faith**

**+ Hymn of Adoration "Lord you give the Great Commission"  
+Affirmation of Faith**

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one Triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God; preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving His life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating His sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to eternal life. With believers of every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen

**+ Gloria Patri**

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

**Giving of our Tithes and Offerings**

**+The Doxology**

**+Prayer of Dedication**

**+ Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

**Sending Out into the World**

**+ Hymn of Commitment**

**"God Did It"**

**+ Benediction**

**+Choral Benediction**

**Postlude**

**+ Please stand as you are able**

**+ Today we are Live Streaming**

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