

Unity Presbyterian Church

Sunday, December 8, 2024

Second Sunday of Advent

Lighting of the Candles (quiet please)

Gathering of God's People

Choral Call to Worship

Lighting of the First Advent Candle

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: A Voice cries in the wilderness:

P: 'Prepare the way of the Lord.'

L: Make a clear path for our God.

P: Let every valley be filled in, and every mountain and hill be made low.

L: Winding ways will be straightened.

P: And rough roads made smooth.

L: Then the glory of the Lord will be revealed.

P: And all God's people shall see it and give thanks

All: Amen and Amen.

+Morning Prayer

+Hymn of Praise – "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

+Call to Confession

+Prayer of Confession

Holy and merciful God, in this Advent Season as we prepare ourselves for the coming of Jesus, Your Son, we come into Your presence to confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease You. Forgive our sins, Merciful Father, and help us to live in Your light, and walk in Your ways for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. (Silence) Amen.

+Assurance of Pardon

+Passing the Peace

Our Life Together

Service of the Word

Children's Time

Announcements

Anthem

(Choir)

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Luke 3: 1 – 6 (7 – 17)

Sermon "A Voice in the Wilderness"

Rev. Willem Bodisco Massink

Responding in Faith

+Hymn of Adoration "Comfort, Comfort Now My People"

(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

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

HYMN: "Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread"

THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Prayer of Jesus Christ (Lord's Prayer)

The Words of Institution

(The Breaking of the Bread and the Blessing of the Cup)

The Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

The Prayer after Communion

Sending Out into the World

+Hymn of Commitment - "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

Charge and Benediction

Choral Benediction

Postlude

+ Please stand as you are able

+ Today we are "Live Streaming"

Calendar of Events

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