Unity Presbyterian Church

Sunday, December 22, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Advent

Lighting of the Candles (quiet please)

Gathering of God's People

Choral Call to Worship

Lighting of the Advent Candles

Welcome

Call to Worship

L. Our souls magnify the Lord,

P. and our spirits rejoice in God our savior.

L. God has done great things. Holy is God's name!

P. God's mercy is for all who fear the Lord,

L. God's love from generation to generation!

All: Come Let us worship God, our King!

+Morning Prayer

+Hymn of Praise - "Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

- +Call to Confession
- **+Prayer of Confession**

Living God, you beckon us to wake from our sleep: to open our eyes to the goodness of your reign, the injustice of our world, and the gap in between. You call us to follow in the path of your love. Forgive us, O God, when we choose the easy way, the fast way, the successful way, the nice way, the friendly way, the comfortable way. Convict us, awaken us, empower us, and enliven us to follow the Way of justice and love. (Silence) Amen.

- +Assurance of Pardon
- +Passing the Peace

Our Life Together Children's Time Anthem:

Announcements

Joy Offering Collection

Choir

Service of the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Luke 1: 45b-55 "Mary's Song of Praise"

Sing Along Christmas Carols Program

Away In a Manger

Hark, the Herald Angels Sing Do You Hear What I Hear

God, Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

Jingle Bells

Responding in Faith

+Hymn of Adoration

"O Holy Night"

+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

Sending Out into the World

+Hymn of Commitment

"We wish you a Merry Christmas"

Charge and Benediction Choral Benediction

Postlude

+ Please stand as you are able

+ Today we are "Live Streaming"

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. Clip boards in Vestibule.

Please sign the visitor book in the vestibule so we can have a record of your visit.

Calendar of Events

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