

# Unity Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 1, 2024

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Lighting of the Candles (quiet please)

***Gathering of God's People***

**Choral Call to Worship**

Welcome

## **Call to Worship**

L: God invites us to live in the Spirit.

**P: We open our souls to God's care.**

L: God calls us to have loving hearts and faith-filled lives.

**P. We open ourselves to God's gifts.**

L: God summons us to be known by our faith.

**P. We open our lives to God's claim.**

L: God calls us to live our faith.

**P. We open our gifts to God's design for them.**

L: God offers us every gift of grace.

**P. We will worship, give thanks and live so that we show God's grace all around us.**

**+Morning Prayer**

**+Hymn of Praise - "Bless Be the Tie" (Screen)**

**+Call to Confession**

**+Prayer of Confession**

**God of compassion, you have written your law on our hearts.**

**We are slow to read it there. Instead, we honor you with our lips: we pray long prayers. We sing hymns, but do not notice the words. "How are you?" we ask; but we do not listen.**

**"Peace be with you," we say; but we mean, "Hello." Our hearts are far from you. O God, forgive us. Fill us with genuine love. Help us to honor you with our hearts in worship and in faithful living. (Silence) Amen.**

**+Assurance of Pardon**

**+Passing the Peace**

**Our Life Together**

***Service of the Word***

**Children's Time**

**Anthem**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture References**

**OT: Psalm 99**

**NT: Matthew 22:15-22**

**Sermon: "Will You Hold My Quarter" CLP Rebecca O'Dell**

***Responding in Faith***

***Hymn of Adoration - "How Great Thou Art" (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**

***Sending Out into the World***

**+Hymn of Commitment - "I Woke Up This Morning" (Screen)**

**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.

## Calendar of Events

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