

## SERVICE THIS MORNING

	8:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
	<b><u>Nursery:</u></b>	
<b>Infants:</b>	Sara Durso	Terri Turner
<b>Toddlers:</b>	Angela Chamberlain Caroline Chamberlain	Lynn Young Emerson Turner
<b>Preschool:</b>	Doris Dunn Jackson Chamberlain	Amanda Griffin Ansley Turner
	<b><u>Ushers:</u></b>	
	Ken Bickett, Jim Dobbins, Ronda Watson	Brenda Honeycutt, Cindy Epps, Todd Wright, Lee Cole, Chris Henley
	<b><u>Offering:</u></b>	
	John Garver Earl & Valerie Pettit	Larry & Judy Terrell Bill & Fran Allbright
	<b><u>Greeters:</u></b>	
	Darlene Williams	Wyndie Havnaer
	<b><u>Acolytes:</u></b>	
	Lauren Meyer	Anna & Laura Honeycutt
	<b><u>Children in Worship (CIW):</u></b>	
<b>Storyteller:</b>	Vereen Brown	Lori Glasco
<b>Greeter:</b>	Libby Egan	Jennifer Estes
<b>Helper:</b>	Terra Patterson	Ann Angle
<b>Youth:</b>	Laura Glenn	TBD

**CHILDREN OF ALL AGES** are welcome in worship. If you find that you need to leave the service to care for your child, Room M201 is open, and is connected to the sanctuary sound system. If you need directions, ask an usher in the Narthex.

### PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN IN FIRST GRADE & YOUNGER:

**Nurseries:** (Pages are available for your convenience)

- **Infant Nursery** (Room S104 – Ms. Sylvia/Ms. Kisha): Birth through 18 months.
- **Toddler Nursery** (Room S103 – Ms. Carolyn): Children ages 18 months – 2 years.
- **Preschool Nursery** (Room S102 – Ms. Angie): Children ages 3 through 4 years (not attending CIW).
- If your child attends the Worship Service with you, s/he will be led to the appropriate nursery after the Children's Time.
- **Complete a *bright yellow* Child Identification Sticker**, found in the pew rack. Place it on your child's back. **Please check "nursery" on the sticker and add a cell phone number in case of an emergency.**

Children may be picked up in the above rooms on the bottom floor of the Sanctuary. Our nurseries are open during both worship services and the Sunday school hour. Age-appropriate Bible stories and activities are offered in the Toddler and Preschool rooms each week.

**Children in Worship:** (children age 4 by September 1<sup>st</sup>, Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> Grade)

- Bring the child into the worship service and **complete a *bright yellow* Child Identification Sticker**, found in the pew racks. Place it on your child's back. **Please check "CIW" on the sticker and add a cell phone number in case of an emergency.**
- After the Children's Time, children will be led to the **Historic Sanctuary**. Please pick up your child following worship at the side door of the **Historic Sanctuary**, under the covered walkway.

## CALENDAR

### TODAY:

8:45 am	Worship Service, Sanctuary
10:00 am	Sunday School Reception & Tile-Making, Nursery Wing
11:00 am	Worship Service, Sanctuary
5:00 pm	Middle School Youth, FH
6:00 pm	Youth Dinner, Fellowship Hall
6:45 pm	High School Youth, Youth Wing

### MONDAY, January 8:

10:00 am	Unity Creative Connections, Room U321
10:15 am	Abiding in Christ, Room M210
6:30 pm	Adult Discipleship Team Meeting, U321
7:00 pm	Tony Dehler Circle, FH Parlor

### TUESDAY, January 9:

8:00 am	Men's Ministry Breakfast, FH
9:30 am	Mom's Coffee, Room M201
10:00 am	Covenant Bible Study, Room U321
6:30 pm	Stephen Ministry Training, Room M210
7:00 pm	Outreach Team Meeting, Room M312

### WEDNESDAY, January 10:

9:15 am	Stephen Ministry Training, Room M210
9:30 am	Adult Bible Study, Room M312
7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Practice Children's Ministry Team Meeting, M210

### THURSDAY, January 11:

10:00 am	Disciple III, Room M312
6:30 pm	Youth Ministry Team Meeting, U321

### SUNDAY, January 14:

8:45 am	Worship Service, Sanctuary
10:00 am	Sunday School "Welcome to Unity," Room M201
11:00 am	Worship Service, Sanctuary
12:15 pm	YA@U Lunch, Offsite
1:00 pm	Youth Mission Day



## The Service for the Lord's Day Baptism of the Lord Child of the Covenant Sunday January 7, 2018

The Organ Prelude is a veil dropped between everyday life and the Sanctuary. It is a sign for prayerful meditation and silence as we prepare ourselves for worship.

Prelude *Voluntary on 'Houston'* deVelde

### WE CELEBRATE GOD'S LOVE

Concerns of the Church

Introit (11:00 a.m.)

Call to Worship

ONE: How lovely is your dwelling place,  
O Lord of hosts!

**MANY: Our hearts and flesh sing for joy to the living God!**  
ONE: Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest,  
where she may lay her young at your altars!

**MANY: Happy are those who make Your house their home,  
ever singing Your praise!**

**ALL: Let us worship God!**

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\* Hymn of Praise No. 476

*O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!*

Lyons

\* Call to Confession

LEADER: "The time has come," Jesus said. "The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!" Let us come to God confessing our sin.

\* Prayer of Confession

**UNISON: Creating and saving God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us at home among your people. We confess remaining preoccupied with ourselves and separated from our**

family of sisters and brothers. We cling to destructive habits, we hold grudges, we show reluctant welcome, we allow the past to hold us hostage. In your loving kindness, may your mercy free us from such alienation. Remind us of the promises made in baptism so that we may rise to new life and live together in grace and peace. Amen.

\* Silent Prayer of Confession

\* Assurance of Pardon

LEADER: Since we were buried with Christ in these waters, we are raised to new life with him as well. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Live now in peace.

\* Gloria Patri No. 579 Choir and Congregation

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

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## WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Children's Time Child of the Covenant Recognition (11:00 a.m.)

\* Hymn No. 498 *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise* Kingdom

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading Psalm 84

Anthem (8:45 a.m.) *In the Bleak Midwinter* Holst/Ellingboe  
John Clark, Soloist

(11:00 a.m.) *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* Erickson  
Chancel Choir

I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.

God set the stars to give light to the world.

The star of my life is Jesus.

In him there is no darkness at all.

The night and the day are both alike.

The Lamb is the light of the city of God.

Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus.

Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path,

And show me the way to the Father.

In him there is no darkness at all.

The night and the day are both alike.

The Lamb is the light of the city of God.

Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I'm looking for the coming of Christ, I want to be with Jesus.

When we have run with patience the race,

We shall know the joy of Jesus.

In him there is no darkness at all.

The night and the day are both alike.

The Lamb is the light of the city of God.

Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

New Testament Reading Mark 1:1-11

Sermon Rev. Mark Diehl

“Finding Home”

Text: “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S CALL

\* Hymn of Response No. 492 Bunessan

*Baptized in Water*

Reaffirmation of Baptismal Covenant

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed

**UNISON: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Introduction of New Members

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

**UNISON: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Offertory *Children of the Heavenly Father* Hobby  
(Congregation is requested to sign the Welcome Pad at this time.)

Online giving option: [UnityOnlineGiving.org](http://UnityOnlineGiving.org) (QR Code on back of bulletin)

\* Doxology No. 592 Old Hundredth

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving

**UNISON: O God from whom we have received grace upon grace: accept these offerings of your people, and so follow it with your good blessing, that these gifts may promote peace and good will and healing among all your children. We make our prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\* Hymn of Commitment No. 499 Pentecost

*Wonder of Wonders, Here Revealed*

\* Charge and Benediction

\* Choral Response (11:00 a.m.)

Postlude *All Glory Be to God on High* Albrecht

\* Congregation Standing --:-- Ushers will seat those waiting

## NOTES ON THE SERVICE

**WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME** to those visiting with us this morning. We welcome you to Unity Presbyterian Church, its work and worship, its nurture and service, its comfort and ministry. Please sign the Welcome Pad as it comes to you, giving us your address and telephone number. We invite you to speak with one of the pastors, or check “wish to join” on the Welcome Pad, if you desire to be a part of this church family.

**WELCOME PADS** are located in each pew. Each person is requested to sign this pad and provide the appropriate information. Pass the pad to your neighbor and return it to its original position, so that everyone may learn the names of all on your pew.

**BIBLES ARE LOCATED** in racks underneath the pews.

**HEARING DEVICES** are available at the Information Center in the Narthex.

**PLEASE REMEMBER** to turn off or silence your cell phone prior to the beginning of worship services.

**EVERYONE IS ASKED** to welcome late-comers to worship by making room for them in the pews.

**WORSHIP BAGS ARE AVAILABLE** for children who stay in the sanctuary during worship. They contain tools to help children engage in worship. Parents will find an instruction card included in the bag; please take time to read it. Enjoy the bags, and at the end of worship, please put the used bag in the return basket.

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS** today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Carol Heim on the occasion of her birthday, by Noah, Adelle, Jenny & Gary Fike and Kenny Heim.

## In Memory Of

Cynthia Hodgin Keenum

September 11, 1975 – December 28, 2017

and

David Edward Choate

November 29, 1972 – December 29, 2017

