

Prelude "Come, Risen Lord" arr. Dale Wood
Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest; nay, let us be thy guests; the feast is thine; thyself at thine own board make manifest, in thine own sacrament of bread and wine.

Welcome and Announcements Rev. H. Neely Gaston, D. D.

Call to Worship
We come with joy to this celebration of God's love!
Open our hearts, Lord, to receive your love.
We come with hope to this witness to God's power!
Challenge and encourage our spirits to serve you, Lord.
We come with a willingness to proclaim God's presence to all.
We thank God for this invitation to worship, witness and serve. AMEN.

*Trinity Hymnal, 347 "The Church's One Foundation" (v. 1, 2, 5, 6) AURELIA

*Invocation

The Lord's Prayer
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.

Trinity Hymnal, 189 "Jesus Loves Me, This I Know" JESUS LOVES ME

Psalter Reading Psalm 51 (Trinity Hymnal, page 804)

Apostles' Creed
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; and 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.
*universal or world-wide

Gloria Patri "Glory Be to the Father" [TH 734] MEINEKE

Baptism Amelia Wren Dhokai
The choir sings as the family comes to and leaves the baptismal font.
Song "Child of Blessing, Child of Promise" STUTTGART

Children's Sermon

Silent Prayer "Meditation on MORNING SONG" arr. David Paxton

Prayer

Offertory "Children of the Heavenly Father" arr. Marie Pooler

*Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" [TH 731] OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer

Scripture Ephesians 4:1-6
¹ As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. ² Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism; ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Sermon "One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism"

Prayer

*Trinity Hymnal, 94 "How Firm a Foundation" (v. 1) FOUNDATION

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper / Holy Communion
Invitation to the Table
Words of Institution
Distribution of the Bread and the Cup

*Prayer

*Trinity Hymnal, 730 "Benediction" EVENING PRAYER

*Benediction

*Postlude "Prelude on the Te Deum" Marc-Antoine Charpentier
The Latin phrase *te deum* means "Thee, O God, we praise"

Announcements for October 1, 2023

Being baptized today is Amelia Wren Dhokai. Amelia is the daughter of Anil and Danielle Dhokai. Grandparents are Pete and Mary Beth Burton, Tyler and Joyce Tyson, and Mahesh and Judy Dhokai. Great-grandparents are David and Jane McCain.

Flowers in the sanctuary are given by Pete and Mary Beth Burton in honor of Amelia Wren Dhokai.

Our Women's Ministry meets today following worship in the adult classroom.

There will be a joint Session/Diaconate meeting on Sunday, October 15th at 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The meeting is to finalize the 2024 budget.

Please consider subscribing to the ARP Magazine. See details in today's insert. Deadline for subscriptions is October 25, 2023.

World Witness Fellowship Dinner Friday, October 27th in the Carolina Ballroom at Sonesta Charlotte Executive Park, 5700 Westpark Dr., Charlotte, NC 28217. See details in our newsletter.

Once again, we are planning to see a Broadway-style show at NarroWay, The REAL Christmas Story, on Saturday, November 11, 2023 at 12 p.m. See details in our newsletter.

Poinsettias for Advent cost \$12.88. All checks should be made out to Nancy Bailey. Please note Christmas Poinsettia on memo line. Deadline for all orders are November 5th.

Please support our Women's Ministry ongoing project, Operation Christmas Child. You can help by purchasing school supplies, personal items, clothing and accessories, and especially some type of WOW item (miniature cars/trucks, small dolls or stuffed animals, musical instruments, etc.). Please pick up one of the sheets listing suggestions for boys and girls. There is a box under the desk in the hall for your donations. Your monetary donations are also appreciated as we are purchasing some items in bulk. Our Women's Ministry donates \$10 per box to cover shipping costs. Last year we had 45 boxes and this year we would like to have more. Please remember that your shoebox gift will be an expression of God's love to a child.

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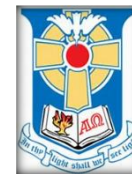
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Order of Worship

Sunday, October 1, 2023

Celebrating the Sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper



Welcome in the name of Christ to all who gather for worship at Union Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. As you join us for worship, we hope that you will sense God's presence, be caught up in joyful praise, be challenged by God's Word, and leave strengthened to live for Christ in the world. If you do not have a church home in this community, we encourage you to consider uniting with us in our work and worship.