

Prelude "Song of the Morning: A Trumpet Tune" Robert J. Hughes

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

Call to Worship (from Psalm 118:19-23)

Open for me the gates of the righteous;

I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter.

I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.

The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;

the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day the Lord has made;

let us rejoice today and be glad.

*Bible Songs, 104 "The Judgment" Tune: UNKNOWN

*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, 533 "I Am Thine, O Lord, I Have Heard Thy Voice" (v. 1, 3, 4) I AM THINE

Psalter Reading Psalm 50:1-15 (*Trinity Hymnal*, pages 803-804)

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

Children's Sermon

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

Prayer

Offertory "The Cornerstone" Lari Goss / arr. W. Elmo Mercer

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

*Prayer

Scripture Romans 9:30-33

³⁰ What then shall we say? That the Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness, have obtained it, a righteousness that is by faith; ³¹ but the people of Israel, who pursued the law as the way of righteousness, have not attained their goal. ³² Why not? Because they pursued it not by faith but as if it were by works. They stumbled over the stumbling stone. ³³ As it is written: "See, I lay in Zion a stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall, and the one who believes in him will never be put to shame."

Sermon "God's Call"

Prayer

**Trinity Hymnal*, 479 "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" (v. 1, 4) THOMPSON

*Prayer

*Benediction

*Postlude "Rondeau" Johann Krieger / arr. Lewis W. Lyons

Announcements for October 15, 2023

There will be a joint Session/Diaconate meeting this afternoon 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 Nancy if you need an order form. 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.

We will have 5 fresh farm wreaths from Strides of Strength Therapeutic Riding in Chester. If you are willing to purchase one for the church, please complete the yellow form and payment to Nancy Bailey. The cost of each wreath is \$40. Please note Wreath on the memo line.

Our Fall Festival & Trunk or Treat will be Saturday, October 28th from 4-6 p.m. We will have a bounce house, games, hot dogs, and the Girl Scouts will have a bake sale. Plan to join in the fun and share this information with family and friends.

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.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

6:00 p.m. - Fellowship Meal, Bible Study, Choir Rehearsal (7:15 p.m.)

Thursday, October 19, 2023

6:30-8:00 p.m. – Girl Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall

Saturday, October 21, 2023

8:00-3:00 p.m. Concealed Weapons Class

Birthdays and Anniversaries

October 15 – Madalynne Grace Sharpe	October 25 – Randy & Sandy Jensen
October 20 – Beth Gaston	October 26 – Tammy Shepherd
October 21 – Susan Helms	October 30 – Billy McWaters
October 22 – John & Connie Agee	October 31 – Lindsey Burton
October 22 – Nathan & Alissa Smith	

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Order of Worship Sunday, October 15, 2023



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.