

Unity Moravian Church of Lewisville



Watchword Text for the Year

*“To all who received him, who believed in his name,
he gave power to become children of God.”*
John 1:12

January 28, 2018
Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany

Pray for our Church Family:
Alex Black, Evan Huss, Richard Spong

Remembering Members who find it difficult to attend:
Jennifer Beard, Dot Faircloth, Betty Phillips, Dee Young

Pray for our Family and Friends:

Lisa Allgood (cousin of Berry Sink)
Linda Bean (sister of Anita Hughes and Carol Tatum)
Marty and Ben Beesons (cousin of Allan and Coy Vance, Jr.)
Allen Bradshaw (son of Jerrie Bradshaw)
Helen Byrd (mother of Becky Surratt)
Larry Cook (friend of Will Smith)
Jennie Cornatzer (sister of Nancy Jackson)
Pam Cregger (sister of Teresa Perry)
Frank Diehl (friend of congregation)
Frank Foster (friend of Faye and Charles Johnson)
Polly Fishel (aunt of Lynn Williamson)
Betty Garrison (sister of Mary Conover)
Nadine Haydon (relative of Kim Felton)
Charles Johnson (husband of Faye Johnson)
Tami Kipple (cousin of Beth Basta)
Mary Lamar (cousin of Henry Pearce)
David Langill (friend of Henry and Jean Pearce)
Bonnie Lawrence (daughter of Dee Lawrence)
Tommy Long (friend of Ed and Beverly Merritt)
Maude Martin (mother of Joyce Carden)
Steve Parks (son of Bill Parks)
Louise Poindexter (mother of Janet Sowers)
Martha Riddle (friend of Jayne Parks)
Michael Sanford (son of Mary Conover)
Katie Schreiber (granddaughter of Joy Cole)
Dick Sheek (brother of Edith Ammons)
Phoebe Smith (friend of Maynard and Becky Surratt)
Wilson Sparks (brother-in-law of Edith Ammons and Dick Sheek)
Patricia Vance Starbuck (sister-in-law of Kay Vance)
Clark Steed (brother-in-law of Teresa and Art Perry)
Ertle and Norma Todd (family members of Kim Felton)
Billie Wenzel (cousin of Beth Basta)
Jon Vickers (friend of Lynn Williamson)
Nancy Yerigan (cousin of Kay Vance)

Serving in Missions:

Ed Dehnert and Barb Weide (Bethel, Alaska)

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*Please see an usher if you need equipment
for the hearing impaired or a large print hymnal.*

THE CONGREGATION GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

Welcome and Call to Worship

(Please register your attendance by signing the pew pad)

Prelude: *Oh, How I Love Jesus* arr. K. Farrell

HEARING GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

Liturgy: “Solidarity”
(Sitting)

*For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.
The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again.*
(Rom 8:14-15a)

**Where we are led by other impulses we become slaves again and our way
of being is guided by fear.**

O God, where we are guided by prejudice,
Fill us with love.

Where we are guided by pessimism,
Fill us with joy.

Where we are guided by misunderstanding,
Fill us with peace.

Where we are guided by superficial quick-fixes,
Fill us with patience.

Where we are guided by self-interest,
Fill us with kindness.

Where we are guided by apathy,
Fill us with goodness.

Concerns and Joys for the Community, Nation and World

Prayers of Intercession

Prayer Response: *Lord Jesus, Think On Me*

Hymn 764
(1st Stanza)

FOLLOWING OUR LAMB INTO THE WORLD

Ministry Opportunities

Congregational Council Meeting

***Hymn:** *O Master, Let Me Walk With You*

Hymn 735

***Benediction**

***Choral Response**

Postlude: *Allegro in F*

G. F. Handel

*(Please stand if able)

The flowers today are given by Joy, with much love, in memory of
Hal Cole, who went to his heavenly home six years ago today.

Prayer Concerns

Anyone who has prayer requests or concerns to be shared during
worship or to be placed in the bulletin, please complete one of the
pink forms in the narthex and give to an usher.

Give us the courage to work for truth and justice and to prayerfully and patiently call for transformation.

May global solidarity and peace be achieved through the power of compassion, understanding and love.

Verse 3:

*In all things our Father, Lord and Savior, teaches us the law of love;
Then let love determine our behavior, for 'tis God's command to all;
May this motto live in all God's children as we strive to follow love's direction;
May God bless us as we show charity in all we do.*

Reading of God's Word

Psalm 111

Henry Fansler
Old Testament, Page 551

Liturgist: The Word of God for the People of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Time With Children:

Rev. Barry Foster

*Children (preschool through 5th grade) are invited to attend Children's Worship
with Rachel Yancey*

***Hymn:** *God! When Human Bonds Are Broken*

Hymn 398

***Text for the Day:** Mark 1:21-28

New Testament, Page 34

The Message for Today: "Walking Together"

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Silent Reflection

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Worship by Giving:

Offertory Anthem: *Praise His Holy Name!*

Adult Choir; Terry Sink, String Bass

K. Hampton

* Offertory Response - Doxology

Hymn 817

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye Heav'nly hosts;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

Prayer

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Where we are guided by convenience,
Fill us with faithfulness.

Where we are guided by complacency,
Fill us with meekness.

Where we are guided by temptation,
Fill us with self-control.

Hymn: *In Essentials Let Us Be United*

Text: E. Artis W. Weber
Tune: COVENANT

*In essentials let us be united, joining in God's sovereign truth,
That our Father is the Lord Almighty, maker of the heav'ns and earth;
That God sacrificed his son, Christ Jesus, who became for us salvation wondrous;
That the Holy Spirit lives in each heart that does believe.*

Solidarity is a firm and persevering determination to commit oneself to the common good; that is to say, to the good of all and of each individual, because we are all really responsible for all.

(Polish born, Pope John Paul II, Solicituo Rei Socialis, #38)

We are called to solidarity, to build a new creation.

In all holiness we are called to create a just society which allows for the human dignity of all;

A culture and society which provides life, food, and freedom for people to walk in their own land.

Verse 2:

*In the non-essentials of church doctrine let us open-minded be,
Showing kindness, mercy understanding, and respect diversity;
Let us practice tolerance and goodness, walk in love and be our Savior's witness;
For we are God's family even though we diff'rent be.*

(Standing)

God of all, help us to recognize all of our sisters and brothers in the global community.

Open our hearts to them, that we might live in solidarity with this extended family.

God of Justice and Peace, help us to be committed to change unjust structures and to be peacemakers in a suffering world.

Empower us to be Christians not only in word but also in compassionate action.

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