



**Grace**  
to you and  
**peace** from  
**God** our  
Father  
and the Lord  
**Jesus**  
**Christ.**

1 Corinthians 1.3



# **PERSONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

## **UNISON ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

*By Christ's mercy, we are cleansed and restored. May we be baptized anew with Christ's Holy Spirit to show forth the glory of the Triune God.*

## **WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **PASSING THE PEACE**

## **CHILDREN/YOUTH MESSAGE**

Marcia Marsh-Hinds

## **ANTHEM**     A Blessing

Margaret Rizza

**(The Choir wishes you a Happy and Blessed New Year)**

## **THE WORD**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**     Isaiah 60:1-7

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**NEW TESTAMENT READING**     Matthew 2:1-12

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## **\*GLORIA PATRIA**

## **SERMON**

**“Letting Go”**

Rev. Macari

## **THE RESPONSE**

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

## **BRINGING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**     Birthday of a King

William Neidlinger

**\*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)**

*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 DEDICATION (Hymn 708)**

*We give Thee but Thine own, What e'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord from Thee.*

**THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostle's Creed Traditional,  
PH Hymnal Page 14

**COMMUNION HYMN GTG 154 Jesus Entered Egypt**

**GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

*The Lord be with you.*

*And also with you!*

*Lift up your hearts.*

*We lift them to the Lord*

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

*It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**

*We praise You that in the fullness of time, You revealed*

*Your love in the person of Your Son to be the Light of the World.*

*We celebrate through this bread and cup the call of the Infant Christ to die, rise, ascend and return for all humanity.*

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

*Distribution of Bread*

*Distribution of Cup*

**UNISON PRAYER OF MISSION**

*Lord God, teach us to befriend the poor and lost;  
to be ministers of hope, joy and reconciliation.  
Keep us faithful in Your service that we may  
be Good News people for this New Year.*

**THE SENDING**

**\*PARTING HYMN GTG 151**      We Three Kings of Orient Are

**\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION**  
**CHORAL RESPONSE 568**

**POSTLUDE**      God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen      English Traditional

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**Assisting in today's Worship:**

**Liturgist:**              Marcia Marsh-Hinds

**Greeters/Ushers:** Neekah Hinds and Mobolaji Falowo

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**WE WELCOME YOU IN JESUS' NAME!** Let us come before the Lord our maker. And may God grant us the humility to be receptive to God's life changing grace.

**Nursery Care** is provided for infants and toddlers.

**Again, thanks for coming out today!!! Large Print Bulletins** are available from an usher.

**If you are interested in becoming a member of United Church, please see the pastor or an usher. You are invited to the Fellowship Room after worship for refreshments and conversation.**

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**REMEMBER WITH YOUR PRAYERS, CARDS, AND CALLS:**

At Home: Ronn Daniels, Jamie Sweeney, Carl & Helen Foerster, Barbara Hyney, Richard Lecky, Jan Boot.

**Rev. Dr. Aloyo and Esperanza Aloyo:** Victor's mother

**Jennie Salas and Eneida Concepcion:** Jennie Salas mother

**Freda Lenzo:** friend of Jeanne Ashanky

**Frank Klikus:** BJ Klikus husband

**Ginny Mayer-Brown:** former member

**Stanton White:** Morena White's husband

**Bob Neumann and wife Jean:** Helen Forester's nephew

**Brandon Williams:** friend to George & Ginni Hansen

**Lillian Willing:** Michelle Wildridge's mother

**Helen Pridgen:** Audrey Smith's mother

**Gail Stokes and Izaiyah Stokes:** Gail Stokes grandson

**Truth Sutton:** Gail Stokes grandson

**Cecilie Martinez-Brown:** Gail Stokes sister

**Sylvia Denson:** Gail Stokes friend

**Greg and Cyndi Tufaro:** friends of: Kathy Luisi's

**Kevin Brown:** Yolanda Braswell's friend

**Prayers for our students: Joy Awobue, Kay Falowo,**

**Crystal Awobue, Izaiyah Stokes and Gean Bernard.**

Prayers for peace and end to gun violence throughout our country. U.S.

Armed Forces in Afghanistan and citizens of these places. People of Syria.

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## **FROM OUR PRESBYTERY'S CALENDAR OF PRAYER:**

**The Presbyterian Foundation Minister-at-Large:**

**Rev. W. Alfred Tisdale, Jr.**

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**WE WELCOME Rev. Ken Macari:**

Ken Macari is an Honorably Retired Teaching Elder of Elizabeth Presbytery.

He retired in 2016 after 21 years from the Community Presbyterian Church in Edison. He occasionally preaches in Elizabeth and Philadelphia Presbyteries.

A native of Philadelphia, PA, Ken served the Hermon Church under the Philly Elevated Train from 1977 to 1989. After serving the North Park Church

in Buffalo, NY for six years, Ken took the call to Edison, in Advent of 1995. He met his wife, Linda, at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary in

Massachusetts. They were married in March of 1977.

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**THE UPPER ROOM** booklets for January/February are available on the literature rack in the Narthex. If you wish to make a donation, please place \$1.00 in a pew envelope mark "literature" and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

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**Boy Scout Troop 5** is running the bingo night at Arista Care at Norwood Terrace the first Monday night of January. They are looking for prizes for the residents. They can use toiletries, jewelry, lotions, shampoo, and razors. Bring any small items they can give to their loved ones. There is a box in the Narthex for any donations. Any questions contact: Wanda Breitenbach.



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Begin the New Year  
With God

**SCHEDULE – January 6- 13, 2019**

|           |         |                                    |
|-----------|---------|------------------------------------|
| Sunday    | 10:00am | Youth/Adult Bible Study            |
|           | 11:00am | Holy Communion Service             |
|           | 12:15pm | Refreshments, Lind Room            |
|           | 7:30pm  | A/A Meeting, Friendship Hall       |
| Monday    | 7:30pm  | Boy Scout Meeting, Friendship Hall |
| Tuesday   |         |                                    |
| Wednesday | 7:00pm  | A/A Meeting, Friendship Hall       |
| Thursday  |         |                                    |
| Friday    |         |                                    |
| Saturday  | 11-6pm  |                                    |
|           | 6:30pm  | A/A, Hansen Room                   |

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**YOUTH SUNDAY**

|        |         |                              |
|--------|---------|------------------------------|
| Sunday | 10:00am | Youth/Adult Bible Study      |
|        | 11:00am | Worship Service              |
|        | 12:15pm | Refreshments, Lind Room      |
|        |         | Deacons Meeting, Hansen Room |
|        | 7:30pm  | A/A Friendship Hall          |

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