

# THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

## 1st Sunday after Christmas

December 30, 2018

ELEVEN O'CLOCK

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### PRELUDE:

*Klaus Mueller*

### INTROIT:

*Choir/Musician & Congregation*

**“Come! Come ! Everybody...” # 2271**

### CANDLE LIGHTER:

*Justin Lowthan*

#### **Theme:**

**Growth, Increase, Success, Vitality & Prosperity!**

***ALL: In the Name of Christ Jesus we declare and proclaim—Salvation for lost souls, restoration for the straying, vitality and strength for the weary, wholeness, peace Abundant Life, Eternal Life manifestation of the gifts and fruits of the Spirit in the Body of Christ here & now in this Ministry & Universally. By faith and with Thanksgiving we consider it done through Christ Jesus. Amen.***

### PASTORAL PRAYER

*Pastor Brenda Berry*

#### **INVOCATION & CALL TO WORSHIP**

**ALL:**

***Sing with Soft music: # 322***

***“Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on us.” (rept.)***

**LEADER #1:** Come, Holy Spirit and reveal to us more of God’s

Grace upon Grace. Enfold us In His Love, we pray.

***(cymbals only)***

**ALL:**

***Sing with Soft music:***

***“Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on us.” (rept.)***

**LEADER # 2:** Come all you children of the Light and embrace the

Father’s Great Gift of Love lavished upon us for our Salvation

and for our restoration to Life abundant and Life eternal,

we beseech You! ***(cymbals & drum only)***

### UNISON:

***Sing with Soft music:***

***Melt us, mold us, fill us and use us.***

***Spirit of the Living God fall afresh on us.***

### Spoken All:

***In the unity of the Trinity, we join with all Creation in praise, glory, adoration and honor of the One True and Living LORD—Jehovah our God in Christ Jesus. Therefore , let us with one accord exalt our God with shouts of:***

***“HALLELUJAH!!!”***

***~ (Drums, cymbals, organ rumble & Hand Claps) ~***

### OPENING HYMN

***“Christian Friends”***

**# 28**

## SERMON NOTES

### Topic:

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### Message:

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### Questions:

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### What changes I will make:

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## Special Prayers for:



Comfort Addoh & family, Joseph Adih, & family, Emmanuel Anneh

& family, Emmanuel Ashiagbor & family, Adizatu Asante & family, Effa Ankomah, Eugenia Augustt-Adotey, Kenneth Aboagye & family, Andrews A. Amoyaw & family, Olivia An-sah, Renea Bush & family, Kwaku Boateng & family, Di-onne Brown & Family, Hyacinth Blake, Rose Blake & Family, Lester Czukor, Bernice Dornick & family, James Camp-bell, Christian Djanie & family, Christiana Dartey, Paulette DePass, & family, Harriet Dompreeh & family, Dorothy Ed-wards & family, Christa Fleischer & family, Ivorine Grant & family, Josephine Gogo-Adjetey & family, Ena Harrysingh & family, Olivia Iyah & family, Henry Johnson & family, Nor-ma Harper-McKenzie, the Jeremiah family, Cora Jones, La-trina Keith, Norma McKayle & family, Lord O. Laryea & family, Lilla Lawrence, Esther McKay & family, Florence & Hoshalah Misodi & family, Molly Misodi & family, Victoria Mensah, Rebecca Nyamah & family, Kwabena Odame-Adjei & Family, Patience Owuo & family, Katherine Owanga, Bev-erly Poku & family, Freeda Peart & family, Dr. David Posner & family Temple Emmanu-El, David Roberts, Dennis Rick-enback, Doris Simms, Linda Simms-Chin, Henry Siame & family, Millicent Stewart, Gwendolyn Sanders, Evelyn Tay-lor & family, Earl & Johari Taylor, Noel A. Taylor & Family, Donald & Rosamond Tingle & family, Salome Thompson & family, Ruth Laryea-Walker, Lola Taylor & family, Gladys Angwii Toche & family, Eunice Wellington and family, Sher-ri-Ann Williams & family, Kokoe Yakpo & family, our youth, UHPC-Y.A.N., Abigail Appiah, Denzil & Anthony McFarlane, the elderly, the entire congregation, the Presbytery of NYC & all its entities, victims of domestic violence, children in abusive homes, our local communities, the Day Care Cen-ter staff/children, public officials, The United States of America, our Soldiers engaged in war, refugees, orphans, and widows, the hungry, homeless, the sick, prisoners, & shut- in & the victims of natural Disaster.



**BIBLE READER: Sunday January 6, 2019**

*Communion Sunday*

*Carice Tingle-Craffey*

**BIBLE READINGS: Sunday January 6, 2019;**

Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14;  
Ephesians 3:1-12; Mathew 2:1-12

### CALL TO CONFESSION:

*Rev. Brenda Berry*

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**Merciful and gracious God, we come to you in the name of Christ Jesus, who came to set us free from sin and dark-ness, so that we might come into Your marvelous light and grace. We believe and we trust in His finished work on the Cross for our Salvation. Yet from time to time we have strayed like lost sheep. We come with confession on our lips and repentance in our heart, crying: ABBA/ FATHER, have mercy upon us and forgive us we pray. In the name of Christ Jesus, grant us grace to forgive others as You have forgiven us we beseech You. Restore us to peace and reconcile us in love we ask in faith and with thanksgiving. AMEN!**

### SILENT PRAYER AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### PASSING OF THE PEACE:

**Let us greet one another with the Peace of Christ saying:**

*“The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.”*

*The people return to their seats singing:*

*“Peace Like A River...” # 368*

### RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 148 (Bible pg. 571)

*Each Verse Alternately and the last verse in unison.*

### LIFE OF THE CHURCH

### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

*“Open My Eyes” (1X) # 2086*

**(SPOKEN) Eternal God of all wisdom, knowledge, and un-derstanding, by the help of the Holy Spirit, we open our heart and minds to receive Your Gospel Message. Help us to grow up In our most Holy Faith, and enable us to apply Your Word to our lives. Cause us to bear good fruit for Your Kingdom, we pray. We receive these blessings in the name of the Christ Child, Jesus our Savior. AMEN!**

### FOR CHILDREN:

### FIRST LESSON:

1st Samuel 2:18-20 & 26 (Bible Pg. 243-244)

*Elder Rosamond Tingle*

### EPISTLE:

Colossians 3:12-17 (Bible pg. 1074)

*Deacon Florence Misodi*

### ANTHEM, HYMN, SONG:

*“Go Tell It On The Mountain”*

**#29**

### GOSPEL LESSON:

Luke 2:41-52 (Bible Pg. 934)

*Rev. Brenda Berry*

**SERMON TOPIC:**

Rev. Brenda Berry

**“Chosen Children of God”**

**HYMN, SONG OR SPIRITUAL:** (Verses 1&4 only) # 44  
“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

**LET US AFFIRM OUR FAITH WITH THE APOSTLES CREED**

**\*PROFESSION OF FAITH:** (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 to the dead; 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 (universal) church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen!

**OFFERING:** As We sing: “Halle, Halle, Halle ...” # 2026  
Of Tithes and Gift  
Offertory  
Doxology

**PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE:**

**PRAYER RESPONSE:**

God answers prayer, God answers prayer  
God answers prayer He is so good to me.  
Glorify His name! Glorify His name  
Glorify His name He’s so good to me.

**CLOSING HYMN:** “Joy To The World” # 40

**CONGREGATIONAL BLESSING & BENEDICTION**

**Lord Make Us More Holy # 536**

Lord make us more Holy, Lord make us more Holy,  
Lord make us more Holy, until we meet again  
Lord make us more Loving, Lord make us more Loving,  
Lord make us more Loving, until we meet again  
Lord make us more Patient, Lord make us more Patient,  
Lord make us more Patient, until we meet again  
Lord make us more Faithful, Lord make us more Faithful,  
Lord make us more Faithful, until we meet again

**POSTLUDE:**

Klaus Mueller



**A New Year With The Lord**

*A new year is about to unfold  
With new opportunities to explore  
Doors will open for new experiences,  
New adventures with the Lord*

*Remember not the former things,  
The things of this past year,  
The Lord will do new things in us,  
Much more than we are aware*

*For He will make a way for us  
As we put our trust in Him  
And He will guide our every step  
By His presence we have within*

*What God has placed within our hearts,  
We find we’ll be able to do  
If we look for the opportunities,  
We’ll see the door to go through*

*We mustn't let anything hold us back  
But rise up and take our place  
And be all that God wants us to be  
With a fresh touch of His grace*

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## Announcements and upcoming events

Welcome to all who are gathered in this place of worship today! If you are visiting for the very first time, please tell us your name and where you are from. If you are without a church home, please consider making this your home. At the end of the service we invite you to fellowship with us in the Parish Hall

### Upcoming Events

**Wednesday: January 2nd 1:00pm Bible Study group**

**Friday: January 4th 6:00pm. Evening Prayer  
In the Sanctuary**

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**Coffee Hour servers today December 30, 2018**

*Olivia Iyah, Henry Siame, Norma McKayle*

**Coffee Hour servers next Sunday January 6, 2018 are:**

*Latrina Keith Chanel Arthur, Cora Jones*

**Next Sunday January 6, 2019** will be Communion Sunday. For reflection and meditation please use Ephesians 3:14-21.

**Thanks to the Congregation** for their gifts to Pastor Brenda and the Secretary.

**Also, thanks** to everyone who helped to decorate the Sanctuary and out-doors so beautifully.

**By now we trust** that everyone has their 2019 Pledge envelopes. In case you do not have them, please go to the office after worship service.

**Elders on oversight** assignment & early arrival for **January** are: ***Linda Simms-Chin and Donald Tingle***

**Please remember your donations** to the "UHPC CARE BOX" for the Sammon Build Women's Shelter. God will be sure to bless you. Thanks to those who have contributed.

**All Night New Years Watch Service** will be held December 31, 2018 @ 10:00pm. (See Flyer)

**If you have a special announcement** please call or send an e-mail to the church by mid-day Wednesday:

**E-mail address: [uhpchurch@msn.com](mailto:uhpchurch@msn.com)**

***You may visit the Website to see recent photos, to read some of the Sermons & keep up with events.***

***Also, visit Facebook: [fb.me/UHPCYAN](https://www.facebook.com/UHPCYAN)***



**New Year's Day Scriptures:** Ecclesiastes 3:1-13; Psalm 8; Revelation 21:1-6a; Matthew 25:31-46

### UHPC PRAYER SYSTEM!

**Pray without ceasing "1 Thessalonians 5:17"**

*Wednesday fasting 6:00a.m.—12 noon or 6:00a.m.— 6:00pm depending. ~ 1:00pm Bible study and prayer in the Sanctuary. Scriptures for reflection are in the bulletin weekly, please pay attention and participate.*

### PRAY FOR:

***Church growth, strength, health, unity, peace, personal well-being, family blessings, protection, and healing of every kind and every level. Pray for success for all planned events and ministries, for the nation and government. Salvation of Lost Souls for the Kingdom of God.***

Focus: **(Growth, Increase, Vitality & Prosperity)**

**Remember to pray the Lord's Prayer @ noon every day.**

**Important!!** Please say or sing the Doxology "Praise God from whom all blessings flow..."

**The Scriptures for reflection for** Wednesday January 2, 2019 are: Genesis 1:1-5; Psalm 65:4-11; John 1:1-5

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***To all our members,  
friends and well-wishers***

