

**Unionville Reformed Church**

January 11, 2026

Pastor David Corlett

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**PRELUDE**

Organist: Amy Heebner

Pianist: Judy Kimes

Director: Judy Kimes

**INTROIT:** “Yesterday, Today, Forever”

**THE APPROACH TO GOD**

**THE CALL TO WORSHIP:** (Responsive, based on Hebrews 4: 14-16)

Leader: We have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens.

**People: We hold fast to this confession, that He is Jesus, the Son of God.**

Leader: We have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

**People: Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in our times of need.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

\* **A HYMN:** We Sing the Greatness of Our God 338

**THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**

Merciful God, You call us to turn away from behaviors and attitudes that belong to the darkness; You challenge us to live honest and transparent lives as children of the light. We confess the times when we have failed to heed Your call and rise up to Your challenge, giving in to our darker thoughts and desires. Too often we act in ways that do not bring honor to Your name. Lord, in Your mercy, forgive us. Give us a hunger to know You more, so that we may do Your will and walk in the light of Your ways; all to the glory of Your name.

Amen. (Our prayers continue in silence . . .)

**KYRIE ELEISON:** “Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.”

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND LAW OF GOD:**

Leader: God expressed God’s loving forgiveness through the Prophet Ezekiel:

**People: “I will sprinkle clean water upon you,” says the Lord. “You shall be clean from all your uncleanness, and from your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body your heart of**

**stone and give you a heart of flesh.”**

Leader: The Good News of our faith is that in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven. Our hearts are healed; our lives are renewed in Him. We are empowered by the Holy Spirit to live as God yearns for us to live:

**People: With gratitude for the loving forgiveness we have received from God, we, in return, love God back with our whole being. And as He also commanded, we are glad to love our neighbor even as we love ourselves. In such love we find true joy and peace. Amen!**

\* **THE GLORIA PATRI** 142

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**THE WORD OF GOD:** Psalm 32 (p. 395) and  
1John 1: 5-10 (p.862)

“This is the Word of the Lord: *Thanks be to God!*”

\* **A HYMN:** Dear Lord and Father of Mankind 422

**THE SERMON:** “Can Guilt be Good?”

**THE RESPONSE TO GOD**

**THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC:** “O Christ the Same”

**THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS**

\***THE DOXOLOGY** 382

**THE PASTORAL PRAYER**

\* **A HYMN:** Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us 601

\* **THE BENEDICTION**

\* **SONG OF BLESSING (INSIDE BACK COVER – HYMNAL)**

\* **POSTLUDE**

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**“Create in me a pure heart, O God,  
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.” (Psalm 51:10)**

TUESDAY: BIBLE STUDY, 12:30 p.m.

THURSDAY: CONSISTORY, 1:00 p.m.

CHOIR REHEARSAL, 3:00 p.m.

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