

# *Third Sunday of Advent—Joy*

December 17, 2017

8:15 and 9:45 AM Traditional Worship

*Please remember to silence your cell phone.*

*\*Please stand as you are comfortable.*

## **PREPARATION**

based on Luke 1:47

*Let us serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song. Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; let us praise God's name together!*

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Please fill out your prayer request cards during this time. Pass only prayer requests that you wish to have read aloud to the center aisles at this time.*

## **PRELUDE**

“Advent Tidings”  
**The Bell's of St. Mark's**

arr. Matthew Compton

## **LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE OF JOY**

**Kester Family (8:15)**

Unison Prayer:

**Craig Family (9:45)**

**In the midst of sorrow  
Bring joy to our hearts.  
To all the people who don't know you,  
Light of the world, shine through us.**

**In this world of pain and darkness,  
Help us to find joy in serving you.  
In our service here today,  
Light of the world, light the way. Amen.**

## **VIDEO**

see monitors

## **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

based on Luke 1:46-50

**Leader:** Our souls magnify the Lord!

**People:** Our spirits rejoice in God our Savior!



## OFFERING

Offertory "On This Day Earth Shall Ring" arr. Arnold Sherman

\*Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" *UMH*, No. 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*CLOSING HYMN "There's a Song in the Air" *UMH*, No. 249

\*SUNG BENEDICTION "Shalom to You" *UMH*, No. 666

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE "Hark, the Glad Sound" Haweis/arr. Broughton



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