

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

Unison Prayer:

**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.**

Kester Family (8:15)

Craig Family (9:45)

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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