

December 17, 2017

Third Sunday of Advent

**Greetings and Announcements
Praises and Concerns**

Prelude **Men's Group**

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

***Opening Prayer:**

Stir up the wills of all who look to you, Lord God, and strengthen our faith in your coming, that transformed by grace we may walk in your way; through Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior. Amen

Hanging of the Third Window Wreath "Joy"

***Congregational Song** **Blue Chalice #132**

"When God is a Child"

The Christmas Tree

The Music of Christmas

The Presentation of Bells

Presentation of Tithes, Gifts and Offerings

***The Doxology** **Blue Chalice #46**

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

When children present ask them to come forward

***Congregational Song:** **Blue Chalice #128**

"One Candle is Lit" verse 1-3

Scripture Isaiah 12: 2-6 p641

Special Music **Men's Group**

"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

Scripture Luke 2: 1-14 p58

Sermon Rev. Rusty Hesse

The Pastoral and Lord's Prayer (trespasses)

Communion Hymn **Blue Chalice #143**

"Joy to the World"

Presentation of Mary and Joseph

The Lord's Supper: Call to Communion

** Gluten-free communion wafers are available

History of Hymn of Invitation

***Hymn of Invitation** **Blue Chalice #159**

"There's a Song in the Air"

(Do you want to receive Christ as your Lord and Savior or do you want to become part of this church family? Come up and speak with the pastor as we sing.)

***The Sending Forth**

(*Those who are able, please stand.)

Welcome to all visitors! Please sign our guest book located in the back of the chapel on the lectern near the door.

This congregation is a loving faith community which strives to demonstrate its faith values by deeds more than by words. As God is all-embracing, we value all worshipers in the hope that each person's spiritual journey can flourish from individual faith into communal compassion and action.