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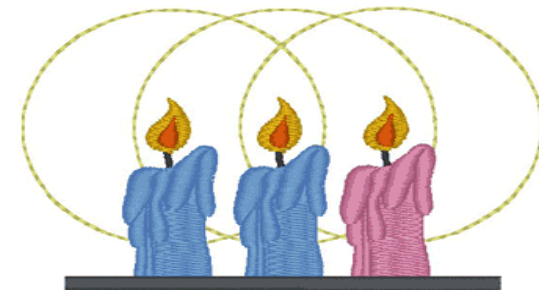
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Crossroads
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Joy

Third Sunday in Advent
December 11, 2022
11:00 A.M.

The Rev. Dr. Richard Allen Farmer,
Pastor-Teacher

Lay Leader: Christiana Ashong *Worship Leader: Maggie Sofidiya*
Pianist: Paul Settles *Drums: Ben Wilkinson*
Percussion: Sam Jones

GATHERING SONG

Jesus, What a Wonderful Child

COMMUNITY NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

SUNG CALL TO WORSHIP

O Come Let Us Adore Him

ADVENT READING

OPENING SONG

God Rest You Merry Gentlemen

+CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER *(Unison)*

Almighty God, we give You thanks for the hope You give us for our lives. Your peace fills us as we step out in faith, believing the promises in the Bible. You promised that Jesus would come, and He came. Jesus redeems us from our sin. You promise that He will come again. Thank You, thank You, thank You, for revealing Your truth to us. Amen. *

+PASTORAL PRAYER

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

GRATEFUL GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Text and online giving available. See the website for information.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Doxology

CHRISTMAS WITH THE CHANCEL CHOIR

Please see insert for the program.

+SCRIPTURE READING

If you are able, please stand for the reading of the Word of God.

Matthew 1:18-23

Reader: *The Word of the Lord*

Response: *Thanks be to God*

SERMON

Rev. Richard Allen Farmer

Series: Unpacking the Text of a Carol, part 1

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

MOMENT OF REFLECTION/CALL TO COMMITMENT

CLOSING SONG

Joy to the World

BENEDICTION

People: Amen

POSTLUDE

WHEN THE GATHERING ENDS, THE SERVICE BEGINS.
GO IN PEACE, TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD.

Hymn= Hymns for the Living Church.

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+No entry at this time. *Prayer by Maggie Sofidiya



JESUS, WHAT A WONDERFUL CHILD

Jesus, Jesus
Oh, what a wonderful child
Jesus, Jesus
So lowly meek and mild
New life, new hope, new joy He brings
Won't you listen to the angels sing
Glory, glory, glory
To the newborn King (2x)

He was herald by the angels
Born in a lowly manger
The virgin Mary was His mother
And Joseph was his earthly father
Three wise men came from afar
They were guided by a shining star
To see King Jesus where He lay
In a manger filled with hay

Jesus, Jesus
Oh what a wonderful child
Jesus, Jesus
So lowly meek and mild
New life, new hope, new joy He brings
Won't you listen to the angels sing
Glory, glory, glory
To the newborn King

O COME LET US ADORE HIM

O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

For He alone is worthy
For He alone is worthy
For He alone is worthy
Christ the Lord

Let's praise His name together,
Let's praise His name together,
Let's praise His name together,
Christ the Lord.

We'll give Him all the glory,
We'll give Him all the glory,
We'll give Him all the glory,
Christ the Lord.

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GOD REST YOU MERRY, GENTLEMEN

God rest you merry, gentlemen.
Let nothing you dismay
Remember, Christ, our Saviour
Was born on Christmas day
To save us all from Satan's power
When we were gone astray

Refrain: O tidings of comfort and joy
Comfort and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy

Now He is come to all the world.
This lesson to impart
If we're to show His love there must
Be action on our part
To feed the poor, protect the weak
Show kindness from the heart

Refrain

Let justice like a beacon glow.
In every willing heart
To shine a path of righteousness
Where greed or envy start
That knowledge and forgiveness might
Illuminate the dark

Refrain

Now to the Lord sing praises.
All people in this place
With Christian love and fellowship
Each other now embrace
And let this Christmas festival
All bitterness displace

Refrain

JOY TO THE WORLD! THE LORD IS COME

Joy to the world! The Lord has come
Let earth receive her King!
Let every heart prepare Him room
And heaven and nature sing
And heaven and nature sing
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing

Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns
Let men their songs employ
While fields and floods
Rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy

No more let sins and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground
He comes to make
His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found
Far as the curse is found
Far as, far as the curse is found

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love
And wonders of His love
And wonders, wonders of His love.