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<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>
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Third Sunday

December 15, 2024
11:00 A.M.

Lay Leader: Bill Small Worship Leader: Susan Small
Pianist: Kristi Helfen Drums: Ben Wilkinson
Percussion: Sam Jones

LET'S SING

Joy Has Dawned

WELCOME

Pastor

COMMUNITY NEWS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS **Lay Leader**

+CALL TO WORSHIP *1 Chronicles 16:23-26, 31*

Leader: Sing to the Lord, all the earth; proclaim His salvation day after day.

People: Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous deeds among all peoples.

Leader: For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; He is to be feared above all gods.

People: For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the Lord made the heavens.

All: Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let them say among the nations, "The Lord reigns!"

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE – Joy

WORSHIP IN SONG

Hymn No. 120

Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come

+ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE GOSPEL

Pastor

+ LET US PRAY *(Confession) (Unison)*

Lay Leader

Lord, we confess that we were in great need of a Savior, unable to follow Your Law or live righteously by our own efforts. We confess that even with our Savior, we still stumble and disobey. We bow our heads now to silently confess our sins to You. *

+LISTEN TO THE BIBLE'S PROMISE

Pastor

(Assurance of Forgiveness) **Amen**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor

WORSHIP IN SONG

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (Hymn No. 100, V1,2,5)

Jesus the Light of the World

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor

UPDATE FROM THE DNPC

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Lay Leader

GRATEFUL GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please remember the Deacons Fund of Crossroads Church in your giving this week. Text and online giving available. See the website for information.

OFFERTORY

Paula Daley

There's Something Going on in Bethlehem

OFFERTORY RESPONSE *Doxology*

+PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Lay Leader

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

(Children ages 4 & 5 and grades 1st-5th are dismissed to class)

+SCRIPTURE READING

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

Matthew 1:5-6

Reader: The Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

+SERMON

Pastor Cyril Jermin

"A Love That Transcends"

MOMENT OF REFLECTION/CALL TO COMMITMENT

WORSHIP IN SONG *Great is Thy Faithfulness* **Hymn No.37**

BENEDICTION

People: Amen

POSTLUDE *Love Came Down* - Mark Hayes

WHEN THE GATHERING ENDS, THE SERVICE BEGINS.

GO IN PEACE, TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD.

Hymn= Hymns for the Living Church.

+ No entry at this time * *Prayer by Susan Small*

JOY HAS DAWNED

Joy has dawned upon the world
Promised from creation
God's salvation now unfurled
Hope for ev'ry nation
Not with fanfares from above
Not with scenes of glory
But a humble gift of love
Jesus born of Mary

Sounds of wonder fill the sky
With the songs of angels
As the mighty Prince of life
Shelters in a stable
Hands that set each star in place
Shaped the earth in darkness
Cling now to a mother's breast
Vuln'erable and helpless

Shepherds bow before the lamb
Gazing at the glory
Gifts of men from distant lands
Prophecy the story
Gold, a King is born today
Incense, God is with us
Myrrh, His death will make a way
And by His blood He'll win us

Son of Adam, Son of heaven
Given as a ransom
Reconciling God and man
Christ, our mighty champion

What a Savior, what a Friend
What a glorious myst'ry
Once a babe in Bethlehem
Now the Lord of hist'ry

Keith Getty · Stuart Townend

JOY TO THE WORLD, THE LORD IS COME!

Hymn 120

Joy to the world, the Lord is 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

Isaac Watts

O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL

Hymn No. 100 (v. 1, 2, 5)

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.

Refrain:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!

O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free
Thine own from Satan's tyranny;
From depths of hell Thy people save,
And give them victory over the grave.

(Refrain)

O come, Desire of nations, bind
All peoples in one heart and mind;
Bid envy strife and quarrels cease;
Fill all the world with heaven's peace.

(Refrain)

Thomas Helmore

JESUS, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Hark! the herald angels sing.
Jesus, the light of the world.
Glory to the newborn King,
Jesus, the light of the world.

Refrain:

We'll walk in the light, beautiful light.
Come where the dewdrops of mercy shine bright.
Oh, shine all around us by day and by night.
Jesus, the light of the world.

Joyful, all you nations, rise.
Jesus, the light of the world.
Join the triumph of the skies.
Jesus, the light of the world. [Refrain]

Christ, by highest heav'n adored.
Jesus, the light of the world.
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
Jesus, the light of the world. [Refrain]

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace.
Jesus, the light of the world.
Hail, the Sun of righteousness!
Jesus, the light of the world. [Refrain]

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS No. 37

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail
not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see:
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided—
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Refrain

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow—
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Refrain

Thomas O. Chisholm