

December 11th, 2022
3rd Sunday of Advent
GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE: Mary's Little Boy Child, with Kathy Pagano on violin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING FOR WORSHIP

JUBILATION STATION PAGEANT

Song: Little Drummer Boy Congregation to join in, words found on insert.

LIGHT THE ADVENT CANDLE

***O Come, O Come, Emmanuel** #211(vs 3)

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Be patient! Wait and Watch for the Christ Child is coming.

P: We have gathered here this day to hear the good news and to gather strength for the times to come.

L: Be at peace with one another.

P: Let love and wisdom prevail.

L: Open your hearts and souls to God's healing word.

P: Holy One, touch our hearts. Teach us to patiently listen for your words of love. AMEN.

*** PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

God, you lovingly send us your Son Jesus Christ. As we prepare to fully welcome him, help us to be aware of the meaning of his coming—bringing hope among our emptiness, peace to all who are broken, and joy—great joy—in place of darkness and sorrow. Open us to receive your blessings in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

ANTHEM: *Bethlehem*

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 35:1-10

Luke 2:1-20

***HYMN: It Came Upon a Midnight Clear**

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GRATEFUL RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY**

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***DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND PASTOR**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE

***HYMN: Here I Am Lord**

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***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: O Come, All Ye Faithful, with Kathy Pagano on violin

**Indicates standing if that is comfortable for you.*
