

Third Sunday of Advent Good Shepherd United Methodist Church December 12, 2021 10:30 am Order of Worship

Prelude: Improvisation on Famous Christmas Tunes 1 Igor Korokhov

Greeting

Call to Worship/Advent Candle Lighting

Worship Leader

Leader: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

Isaiah 9:2

People: Christ is our light. By grace he came, in power he rose; we wait for Christ to come again.

Leader: Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The Lord has taken away the judgments against you and turned away your enemies.

Zephaniah 3:14-20

People: We will fear disaster no more.

Leader: Do not let your hands grow weak. The Lord, your God, is in your midst.

People: God will rejoice over us with gladness and renew us in love.

Leader: God will save the lame and gather the outcast, changing their shame into praise and renown in all the earth.

People: At that time, God will bring us home. The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:7

Prayer of Confession

Worship Leader

God of our salvation, you bring victory to the righteous and comfort to the outcast. As we come before you this day, lighten our hearts with laughter and loosen our tongues to sing your praise. For you alone are the source of our hope; you alone are the fountain of our joy. Be with us now and always. Amen.

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Hymn: O Come, All Ye Faithful #234 congregation sings if comfortable

Scripture: Isaiah 12:2-6; Philippians 4:4-7 Worship Leader

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

Magnificat I-VI, Op. 18, #10-15 Marcel Dupré (1886-1971) Rev. Joy Won and choir Katelyn Schooley as Mary

Choir: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel #211 vs. 1

I. My Soul doth Magnify the Lord, and My Spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.

For He hath regarded the lowliness of his Handmaiden.

Choir: My Soul Gives Glory to My God #198 vs. 2

II. For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me; and holy is his Name.

Choir: My Soul Gives Glory to My God #198 vs. 3

III. And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arms;

He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

Choir: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel #211 vs. 6

IV. He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away.

Choir: Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming #216 vs.2

V. He hath helped his servant Israel, in remembering his mercy;

as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed forever. Luke 1:46-55

Choir: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel #211 vs. 7 congregation sings if comfortable People: (unison) Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Amen.

VI. Gloria.

Offertory Music: Improvisation on Famous Christmas Tunes 2

Doxology Hymnal #95 congregation sings if comfortable

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Hymn: Good Christian Friends, Rejoice #224 congregation sings if comfortable

Announcements

Benediction/Blessing

Postlude: Improvisation on Famous Christmas Tunes 3

Announcements

Perrine Christmas Open House luncheon is today, December 12, 2021 at 12:00 pm in fellowship hall, followed by Christmas caroling in the lounge. All are welcome.

Last **Advent Bible Study** is this Thursday, December 16, 2021. *The Purpose of Christmas*, by Rev. Rick Warren, is led by Rev. Steve Perrine in person and on Zoom. Request the link if you are joining online.

Thursday, December 16, 2021 Cass Community UMC Christmas dinner. Meet at 10:30 am at church to carpool. 100 each of wrapped sugar-free candy, wrapped small candy canes and small items (not candy) needed. Volunteers will wear masks.

Sunday, December 19, 2021 6-7 pm Christmas Caroling outdoors at Hubbard Manor West, 22077 Beech Street. Come sing Christmas carols as we stroll around the apartment building near the church. Bring a mask for possible indoor singing.

December Food Pantry needs donations of fruit juice, Tide Simply 31 oz laundry detergent, toilet paper and your paper shopping bags. We have a surplus of pasta, canned fruits and vegetables, so please save those donations for another time. We are always thankful for your participation in this community mission.