

The 3rd Sunday in Advent

December 12, 2021



Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.
Philippians 4:4

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Lighting the Advent Wreath

Pastor: Let us pray.

O Lord, let the lighting of these candles signify that You are the light that shines in all the darkness of our lives. As we wait, watch, hope, and pray, guide us all to reflect Your light and let it shine; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Hymn of the Season # 347 - Comfort, Comfort Ye My People

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Kyrie (*Gloria In Excelsis is omitted in Advent*) Page 168

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Old Testament Reading

Gradual

Epistle Reading

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Holy Gospel

Sermon

Hymn # 803 – Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

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Hymn # 387 – Joy to the World

AS WE GATHER

Some Advent wreaths have a pink candle for this Third Sunday in Advent. The festive, joyful pink candle reflects today's Readings, which begin to anticipate the unbridled joy that Jesus' birth brings. We do many joyful things during Advent. We sing Christmas carols, bake cookies, decorate our homes inside and out, and travel far and wide to visit those we love. Yet all these joyful things point to an even greater joy—the joy that comes by the Creator of the universe, the Lord almighty, who loves you, forgives you in Jesus, and cares about you beyond human measure! “Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice!”

Announcements

Coming Up:

All Bible classes are on hold until after Christmas

Wed	Dec 15	7:00pm	Advent Service (Streamed)
Sun.	Dec 19	11:00am	Sunday Service (Streamed)

Pastor is available for family and individual communion by appointment. Regular office hours are Mon and Wed 9-5.

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**Light one candle for Hope
Light one candle for Peace
Light one Candle for Joy
He Brings Joy to Every Heart.
He Comes, He Comes
Every Nation will Find Salvation
in Bethlehem's Baby Boy**