

# Order of Worship for Third Sunday of Advent

December 13, 2020, 9:30 am

## Prelude

*Rejoice Greatly from Messiah*  
by George Frideric Handel  
with Jonita Lattimore, Soprano

## Welcome

with Pastor Hannah, Lead Pastor

## Opening Song

*Receive Our King*  
by Jared Anderson and Meredith Andrews  
with the OnCenter Band

### Verse 1

Light my heart like a candle  
Let it burn for only you  
Join my song with the angels  
Tell everyone the news  
That you came as a child  
beside us in our struggle  
Now we come lifting high  
the name that's like no other

### Chorus

Jesus, wonderful, counselor, Prince of Peace  
Son of God, here with us, we receive our King

### Verse 2

Turn my eyes to the wonder  
Let me see you as you are  
Be my life, be my center  
In my night be the brightest star  
for you came as a child  
beside us in our struggle  
Now we come lifting high  
the name that's like no other

### Bridge

Prepare him room  
Let the light of the  
world shine through  
[repeat]

### Chorus

[repeat]

### Tag

Light my heart like a candle  
Let it burn for only you



# Order of Worship for Third Sunday in Advent

December 13, 2020, 9:30 am

## Opening Prayer

with Pastor Jeremiah, Associate Pastor

## Lighting of the Advent Candle

with the Zigterman family

## Response Song

O Come, O Come, *Emmanuel*, UMH 211 (Verse 3)  
with Minji Will, Cantor

O come, O come, great Lord of might,  
who to thy tribes on Sinai's height  
in ancient times once gave the law  
in cloud and majesty and awe.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! *Emmanuel*  
shall come to thee, O Israel.

## Passing of the Peace

with the Overstreet family

## Song

*Where Children Belong*, TFWS 2233  
with Minji Will, Cantor

This, this is where children belong  
Welcomed as part of the worshiping throng

Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song:  
This is where children belong.

## Time for young Disciples

with Beth Hagemeyer

## Scripture

Matthew 1:18-25  
with Natalie Overstreet

<sup>18</sup> Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. <sup>19</sup> Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. <sup>20</sup> But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. <sup>21</sup> She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." <sup>22</sup> All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

<sup>23</sup> "Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us." <sup>24</sup> When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, <sup>25</sup> but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

# Order of Worship for Third Sunday in Advent

December 13, 2020, 9:30 am

## Song of Preparation

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel*, UMH 204  
with Minji Will, Cantor

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel.  
God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel.  
[repeat]

## Sermon

*Preparing for a Real Christmas in a Virtual Age*  
with Pastor Hannah

## Song

*Fearless* by Newsboys  
with the OnCenter Band

### Verse 1

What lies ahead may be unknown  
As I brave the unseen road, God go with me  
Ev'ry hidden sacrifice  
Through the watches of the night, God go with me  
Through it all I know I am not alone

### Chorus 1

I am fearless in your presence  
You're all around, all around me

### Verse 2

Say the word that sets my heart  
On what you've done and who you are  
God you're for me  
Ev'ry hard and heavy step, I will see your faithfulness  
God you are for me, for me

### Chorus 2

I am fearless in your presence  
You're all around me, all around me  
In my weakness you are strongest  
You surround me, you surround me

### Bridge

No fear in the crashing waves, no fear when the cost is great  
No fear in the midnight hour, you've given me a spirit of power  
[repeat]  
I'm not afraid, no, I'm not afraid

### Chorus 2

## Pastoral Prayer

with Pastor Jeremiah

# Order of Worship for Third Sunday in Advent

December 13, 2020, 9:30 am

## The Lord's Prayer

with Bethany M.

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.

## Mission Moment

with Amy Hollander, Hunger Commission Chair

## Offertory Invitation

with Evie Burke

## Offertory

*Star-Child, Worship and Song 2095*

with Minji Will, Cantor

### Verse 1

Star-Child, earth Child, go between of God,  
love Child, Christ Child, heaven's lightning rod,

### Chorus

This year, this year, let the day arrive  
when Christmas comes for everyone, everyone alive!

### Verse 2

Street child, beat child, no place left to go,  
Hurt child, used child, no-one wants to know,

### Chorus

### Verse 3

Grown child, old child, memory full of years,  
Sad child, lost child, story told in tears,

### Chorus

### Verse 4

Spared child, spoiled child, having, wanting more,  
Wise child, faith child, knowing joy in store,

### Chorus

## Announcements

with Pastor Hannah

## Closing Song

*In the Bleak Midwinter*, UMH 221 (Verses 1, 2 & 3)

with Minji Will, Cantor

### Verse 1

In the bleak midwinter,

# Order of Worship for Third Sunday in Advent

December 13, 2020, 9:30 am

frosty wind made moan,  
earth stood hard as iron,  
water like a stone;  
snow had fallen, snow on snow,  
snow on snow,  
in the bleak midwinter,  
long ago.

## **Verse 2**

Our God, heaven cannot hold him,  
nor earth sustain;  
heaven and earth shall flee away  
when he comes to reign.  
In the bleak midwinter  
a stable place sufficed  
the Lord God Almighty,  
Jesus Christ.

## **Verse 3**

Angels and archangels  
may have gathered there,  
Cherubim and seraphim  
thronged the air,  
But his mother only,  
in the maiden bliss,  
Worshiped the beloved  
with a kiss.

## **Blessing**

with Pastor Jeremiah

## **Postlude**

*Sonata for Christmastime: Hymn* by Ross Lee Finney  
with Chris Garofalo, Director of Music Ministry