

*Sermon*

*'He Is the Foundation'*

*Rev. Mark Simonds*

*Presentation of Offering*

**\*Doxology** Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*Dedication of Offering & Family Ministries Service Project**

***Pastoral Prayer and 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."

**\*Dismissing Hymn No. 141**

*'O Little Town of Bethlehem'*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Benediction Response No. 123**

*'O Come, O Come Emmanuel'*

*(refrain)*

***Postlude***

*'Hark! the Herald Angels Sing'*

*~ Mendelssohn*

*We're glad you joined us for worship today! We invite you to place your financial tithes and offerings in the box in the back of the sanctuary before or following service. Thank you for placing the Bibles, hymnals and attendance books back on the chairs. Thank you.*

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*"For unto us a child is born."*



*Third Sunday of Advent*

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“Join us for a drink of Living Water”



December 15, 2024  
The Third Sunday in Advent

We welcome you to the worship of God Almighty this Lord's Day. It is our intention to bring glory and honor to Him. God enters our time of worship and we remember this time belongs to Him. Your Worship Commission

*\*Please stand, if you are able.*

*Nursery for children infant to 4 yrs. old is available upstairs in the Christian Education Wing (please see Usher for directions)*

## Meditation

*"The Advent season is a season of waiting, but our whole life is an Advent season, that is, a season of waiting for the last Advent, for the time when there will be a new heaven and a new earth."*

*~ Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

## Westminster Chimes and Announcements

## Opening Prayer

*Prelude* 'Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming' ~ German Carol

*The Lighting of the Third Advent Candle* Max Bellan, Dane Cox, Lillian Cunniff

*\*Call to Worship* Brian O'Roark, Lay Assistant

Leader: God of glory, your splendor shines from a manger in Bethlehem into the darkness of human night.

**People: Open our eyes to Christ's presence in the shadows of our world so that we, like him, may become beacons of your justice and defenders of all for whom there is no room.**

*\*Hymn No. 132* 'Angels We Have Heard On High'

## Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession (In unison)

Generous God, you give us the greatest gift of all, yourself, but often we find it hard to take notice; we are caught up with our own gifts, given and received. Forgive us, generous God, for the casual way we treat your gift of love. Cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today. Amen. . . (silent prayers of confession)

## Assurance of Pardon

### \*Gloria Patri

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.

### \* Affirmation of Faith The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### Christmas Cantata 'A Light Still Shines'

by Randy Vader, Jay Rouse, and Camp Kirkland  
Susan Brandt, Director Brian O'Roark & Melissa Ziegler, Narrators

## Scripture Readings

Isaiah 43:1-7

1 Corinthians 3:10-23

Leader: The Word of the Lord ~

People: Thanks be to God ~

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