



Third Sunday of Advent

Welcome to Worship

December 17, 2023

PRELUDE – *Angels We Have Heard on High* - arr. Smith/Hustad

☞ **We Celebrate Our Presence Together: Gathering** ☞

GREETING

*OPENING HYMN #318: *Joy to the World*

BECOMING PRESENT: ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

Candle Lighting Litany ✧ Prayer of Presence

PRAISE TEAM: *Silent Comes the Joy*

☞ **The Word Present Among Us: Proclaiming** ☞

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

CHANCEL CHOIR: *I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day* - arr. Roy Ringwald

SCRIPTURE: Luke 1:46-49, 51-53

WITNESS TO THE WORD: Duet-Lauren & Alex—*Sing, Mary, Sing*

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 61:1-3a; Psalm 126:1-3

MESSAGE: "Being Present with Joy"

☞ **Fully Present in the Moment: Praying** ☞

SHARING & PRAYER

CANTICLE BELLS: *Morningdance* – arr. Cathy Moglebust

OFFERING

☞ **Present to the World: Sending** ☞

BLESSING

*CLOSING CAROL #201: *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*

SENDING

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Please sign the blue attendance pads located on the center aisle hymnal rack.



We are seekers:

learning to trust in God's love,
desiring to live and serve in the way of Jesus,
celebrating diversity while pursuing unity,
nurturing gratitude and generosity,
welcoming all!

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