

THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

December 11, 2011

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

11:00 a.m.

Thank you for being here today. We believe that worship is essential to our faith. When we gather, we gather in the midst of God and His Spirit inspires and directs. During our Gathering Time, we invite you to extend a warm welcome to each other and to our guests as we celebrate the gift of Christian fellowship! May you find the joy of God's love and grace as we share this time together.

We would also ask that in consideration of other worshipers, please turn off, or switch to silent mode, all paging and cellular devices.

Hearing Assistance devices are available from any usher.

WELCOME TO WORSHIPERS and MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

The Bass Family

Old Testament Reading – Isaiah 12

New Testament Reading – I Thessalonians 5:15-24

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

INVOCATION

Jeff Allen

*HYMN NO. 100

Angels We Have Heard on High

GLORIA

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Mary Nell Page

OFFERTORY

O Holy Night

arr. Phillips

*DEDICATION OF GIFTS

Doxology

OLD 100TH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Sing Noel

Narrated By: N'Earl Godwin

Prelude & Proclamation

Sing Noel arr. Hopson

The Prophecy

Prepare the Way, O Zion arr. Hopson

Soloist: Craig Cashwell

The Annunciation

The Angel Gabriel arr. Hopson

Soloist: Kim Jones

The Birth

O Little Town of Bethlehem arr. Hopson

Christ-Child's Lullaby arr. Hopson

Angels and Shepherds

The First Noel arr. Hopson

Ding! Dong! Merrily on High arr. Hopson

The Nativity

A Love Beyond All Loves

Hill/Nix

Silent Night, Holy Night

arr. Hopson

Wise Men

March of the Kings

arr. Hopson

An Invitation

O Come Joyfully

arr. Hopson

BENEDICTION

Ramon Smith

RESPONSE

Carol Postlude

arr. Hopson

How Great Our Joy

arr. Mensfield

The rose in our Sanctuary today is given in celebration of the birth of William Cade Woolard, son of Derek and Cari Wilson Woolard.

*Those who are able are asked to stand.

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Today

9:00 a.m.

9:45

11:00

12:00 noon

4:30 p.m.

5:30

6:00

7:00

Monday

12:00 noon

7:00 p.m.

7:45

8:00

Tuesday

10:00 a.m.

6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Wednesday

5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

6:00

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6:45

7:00

7:30

Thursday

11:30 a.m.

7:00 p.m.

Friday

6:30 p.m.

Saturday

7:00 a.m.

9:00

10:00

12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

2:00

Worship Nursery Workers Today: Carolyn Ely, Bill Buitendorp, Beth SabbaghRabaiotti, Angie Bonner, Marla & Scott Andrews

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Ministers

Senior Pastor

Associate Pastor of Students & Families

Associate Pastor of Music & Education

Minister of Senior Adults & Congregational Care

Pastor Emeritus

Church Organist

Church Pianist

Deacon of the Week

Re:Creation Worship Service

Sunday School

Morning Worship

Deacons' Lunch

Youth Choir

Youth Snack Supper

Channels; Youth Online

Handbells

Finance Committee

Boy Scout Troop 907

Senior Boys Basketball - Christ Wesleyan Church

Intermediate Boys Basketball - Calvary Baptist Church

Grace Notes leave for Oak Forest

Basketball Practice

Supper Line Open

Youth *Crosstraining*

Children's Music; Prayer

"The Space Between" Study; Bible Study; Youth Missions

Children's Missions

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal; *yoU-Turn* Rehearsal

College Parkers - Smith Hall

APB Rehearsal

Girls Basketball - Old Town Baptist

Men's Bible Study

Girls Basketball - Old Town Baptist

Intermediate Boys Basketball - St. John's Lutheran

Junior Boys Basketball - Calvary Baptist

Children's Musical Rehearsal

Senior Boys Basketball - Calvary Baptist

All Believers

Rev. Ramon E. Smith

Rev. Jeff Allen

Rev. Mary Keltner

Jason Cogdill

Dr. Charles D. Edwards

Sheila Hutcherson

Teresa Hill

Mary Nell Page



Joy

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