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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP: 8:30am / CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP: 11:00am
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: 9:30am in Fellowship Hall / SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:00

Sunday, December 14, 2014

Third Sunday of Advent

8:30am

As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord's presence.

Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ who is here to meet you today.

"Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE

"As the Dark Awaits the Dawn" – Raabe

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

(Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor)

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH: Guise Family

Leader: This third Sunday in Advent we light this candle as a symbol of Christ our

Joy. May the joyful promise of your presence, O God, make us rejoice in our

hope of salvation.

People: O come, thou Key of David, come, and open wide our heavenly home;

Make safe the way that leads on high, and close the path to misery.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

*HYMN "Prepare the Way" No. 13

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

God of all the ages, Your presence among us allows us to claim the joy and thanksgiving that is a part of Your redemption. You have delivered us from death to life. As we wait for Your second coming we actively participate in working for Your kingdom here on this earth. Forgive us for waiting without purpose. Forgive us for being content in our setting. Convict us and encourage us to reach out in love to those around us. We pray this through Jesus our Lord, Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

[Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]

*HYMN

"Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers"

See that your lamps are burning, replenish them with oil; Look now for your salvation, the end of sin and toil. The marriage feast is waiting, the gates wide open stand; Arise, O heirs of glory, the Bridegroom is at hand!

(Children may come up front during the hymn for the Children's Message)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Terri Reiner

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Daniel 7:9-14 (OT p828)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

2 Timothy 4:1-8 (NT p213)

SERMON: Apostles' Creed: Faith 101 "The Day of Judgment"

Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

*HYMN

"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

No. 38

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (pg. 16 in the hymnal)

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

"A Tiny Child Will Come" - Besig

Chancel Choir

*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.

*APOSTLES' CREED (p. 14 in the hymnal)

*HYMN

"O Lord, How Shall I Meet You?"

No. 11

*BENEDICTION

O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by thine advent here; Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, and death's dark shadows put to flight. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

*POSTLUDE

NEXT WEEK -- APOSTLES' CREED

Psalm 51:10-17 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 "Are You Gifted"

"Come As You Are" 11:00am

Greeting & Announcements

Advent Lighting (Allison Family) & Response O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Advent Reading and Prayer

*Praise & Worship
O Come, All Ye Faithful
Holy is the Lord
God With Us

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message: Terri Reiner

Scripture Readings: Daniel 7:9-14; 2 Timothy 4:1-8	
Sermon: Apostles' Creed: Faith 101	"The Day of Judgment"
Apostle's Creed	
*Offering/Closing Song Sing To The King	
*Benediction	
SERMON NOTES:	