

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Music to Prepare for Worship:

Invitation to Worship:

Hymn: "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

#48

- 1 Hark! the herald angels sing,
'Glory to the newborn King,
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic host proclaim,
'Christ is born in Bethlehem!
Hark! the herald angels sing,
'Glory to the newborn King!'**
- 2 Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come,
offspring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
hail, the incarnate deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel!
Hark! the herald angels sing,
'Glory to the newborn King!'**
- 3 Hail, the heavenborn Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.**

**Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
'Glory to the newborn King!'**

Lighting the Third Advent Candle: The Candle of Joy by Nash,
Maya and Enya Malkov.

Welcome and The Life and Ministry of Our Church

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD FOR US

Scripture: Philippians 4:4-9 & Zephaniah 3:14-17

Sermon: "Joy Does Not Always Come Easily."

Musical Offering:

WE RESPOND IN LOVE

Call to Prayer: (Koshi Chimes)

Prayers for Healing and Transformation

The Lord's Prayer:

Minute for Mission: Gifts of Love for Operation Come Home,
Harvest House and Lanark County Interval House.

Invitation to Offer and Receive God's Gifts

Song of Dedication: "In The Bleak Mid-Winter" (vs. 4) **#55**
**What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
if I were a wise man, I would do my part;
yet what I can, I give him - give my heart. Amen.**

Prayer of Dedication:**WE GO FORTH IN SERVICE****Hymn: “Joy To The World”****#59**

- 1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come:
let earth receive her King!
Let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.**
- 2 Joy to the earth! the Saviour reigns:
let all their songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.**
- 3 No more let sins and sorrows grow,
nor thorns infest the ground:
he comes to make his blessings flow
far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found,
far as, far as the curse is found.**
- 4 He rules the earth with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness
and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders of his love.**

Commissioning and Benediction**Music To Inspire Us As We Go:**