

December 12, 2021

8:30am and 10:45am

## **Third Sunday of Advent**



# The Church Gathers and Prepares . . .

**GATHERING MUSIC** 

Larry Landusky

WELCOME

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Sheryl Gallarneau

Prelude

*Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* setting by Albert L. Travis (b.1940)

Mark Chaney



#### SONG OF EXPECTATION

#### Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love

Hope, peace, joy, and love These are gifts You bring from above Jesus, Emmanuel, come to be Light of Your joy, reflected in me

#### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE OF JOY

Tom Boren David and Sarah Cameron

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Sheryl Gallarneau

This is the season of holy waiting.
We wait and watch as the Lord is drawing near to us.
This is the season of holy waiting.
We wait patiently as the night begins to glow with the light of day.
This is the season of holy waiting.
We wait while the dawning light appears on the horizon.
This is the season of holy waiting.
We watch while the light of day begins to fill the sky.
Come, let us walk with joy in the Light of God!

... To Worship and Praise God ...

#### BAUGH

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

O Come, All Ye Faithful

**ADESTE FIDELES** 



"O Come All Ye Faithful" words and music by C. Frederick Oakeley | John Francis Wade Public Domain Used by Permission. CCLI License #2282686 \*Song of Anticipation

Angels We Have Heard on High (chorus)

Gloria, in excelsis Deo Gloria, in excelsis Deo

ANTHEM

Second Beats

Kathryn Boren

*More Than a Baby* words and music by Ruth Elaine Schram

**CHILDREN'S TIME** 

... To Proclaim God's Word ...

HEBREW READING (Isaiah 12:2-6)

Dianne Powell, Lucy Landusky

<sup>2</sup> Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid, for the Lord God is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation. <sup>3</sup> With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. <sup>4</sup> And you will say in that day: Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known his deeds among the nations; proclaim that his name is exalted. <sup>5</sup> Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth. <sup>6</sup> Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

The Word of God for the People of God. Thanks be to God!

<sup>2</sup>bkids

GLORIA

#### LITANY OF CONFESSION

We confess that we have not loved you wholeheartedly.

#### We go about our lives as if Christmas is an event to be celebrated, but not lived.

We hear the good news, but do not heed it.

#### We turn away the holy family for there is no room in our hearts.

We hear the cry of the expectant mother, desperate for care and a place to lie, but listen instead to carols.

#### We look past the lowly children, born in mangers among the hurting of the world, and look instead to the decorations.

We hear the call of the angels to come and worship the newborn King, but we bow down to the idols of our culture.

#### Forgive us, we pray. Forgive us and free us for joyful obedience.

Remove the barriers that we construct, and empower us to be a people doing the holy, graceful, loving work of Christmas every day.

#### In the name of Jesus, the Christ Child, we pray. Amen.

#### **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Kathryn Boren

By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death; to guide our feet into the way of joy. This is good news! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!



On Jordan's Banks the Baptist's Cry

"On Jordan's Banks the Baptist's Cry" words and music by Charles Coffin | John Chandler Public Domain Used by Permission CCLI License #2282686 \*Gospel Reading (Luke 3:10-16)

<sup>10</sup> And the crowds asked him, "What then should we do?" <sup>11</sup> In reply he said to them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." <sup>12</sup> Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, "Teacher, what should we do?" <sup>13</sup>He said to them, "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." <sup>14</sup> Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what should we do?" He said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages." <sup>15</sup> As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, <sup>16</sup> John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

#### This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God!

\*Congregational Response

While We are Waiting, Come While we are waiting, come While we are waiting, come Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel While we are waiting, come

... To Respond to God's Word ...

#### **INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

If you wish to make a public profession of faith in Christ, join Second Baptist Church or answer a calling from God to do some work of ministry, come forward during the hymn of response and share that decision with the pastor who extends the invitation.

Join 2b Digitally at secondb.org/join

Second Voices

Jake Maxwell

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Dianne Powell, Lucy Landusky

"Zero to Happy"

### **PROCLAMATION**

\*Hymn of Response

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

IN DULCI JUBILO



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(Offering boxes located at each end of Worship Hall)

**\*Offertory Prayer** 

OFFERTORY

# Larry Landusky and Mark Chaney *Joy to the World*

setting by Joel Raney

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... To Remember and Celebrate Together at the Lord's Table ...

#### \*DOXOLOGY

THE FIRST NOEL

Vicki Polk, Howard Darwin

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel Born is the King of Israel (adapted by Dean McIntyre, The United Methodist General Board of Discipleship)

#### \*PREPARING THE TABLE

#### \* THE 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

#### Words of Institution

#### COMMUNION

- At Second Baptist, all are invited to the Lord's Table.
- Gluten free wafers are square; wheat wafers are round.
- The cups contain no alcohol.

Solo

### Sweet Little Jesus Boy

composed by Robert MacGimsey Leah Moody, soprano

#### \*Passing the Peace of Christ

Deacons

**Deacons Serving** 

### ... To Love and Serve the World with God. Amen.

#### \*Congregational Benediction

Joy to the World

Joy to the world! the Lord is come; let earth receive her King; Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room, and heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

He rules the world 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.

**\*PASTORAL BENEDICTION** 

Jake Maxwell

\*Postlude

*Noel Fanfares* Charles Callahan (b.1951) Mark Chaney

ANTIOCH



#### **WORSHIP NOTES**

**LISTENING DEVICES** are available. Please ask an usher for assistance as you enter the sanctuary for worship.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR CHILDREN'S TIME:** All boys and girls are invited to come forward for this special worship opportunity. Following Children's Time, children ages 4-5 years are invited to attend Preschool Praise in Room 102 of the Children's Wing.

**ARTWORK IN TODAY'S SERVICE:** *The Nature of Joy* by Lou Gagnon. Retrieved 09 December, 2021. [https://www.touchstonegallery.com/exhibits-all/the-nature-of-joy-by-lou-gagnon].

**COMMUNION FLOWERS** are given this morning in celebration of Stephanie saying YES when I proposed 40 years ago this week. She is a blessing and is deeply loved by all who know her. She has been my soulmate, and a wonderful wife, mother, teacher and pastor.



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LOVE. ALL. NOW.