

Third Sunday of Advent

Blended Worship Service

(Traditional & Contemporary Elements)

The Gathering 8:15 a.m.

Date: December 13, 2015

- *Childcare is available for children 5 and under downstairs in the nursery.*
- *Hearing Assistance Devices are available. Please ask one of the ushers.*
- *Please write PRAYERS on a prayer paper and place in the offering plate as it is passed.*

Welcome to Worship

* indicates please rise in body or spirit

Introduction to Worship and Prayer

Prelude "All is Well" Arr. by Hayes

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Tom & Jenny Hurshman

***Worship in Song** "God Almighty, We Are Waiting" #3047 Green Song Book
(Children are invited to move up front for the Children's Gathering on last verse.)

Children's Gathering (Please Pass Attendance Pads)
"Come, Little Children" #3055 Green Song Book (v. 2)

***Gospel Reading** Luke 1:39-45 #1588 Pew Bible

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

People: THANKS BE TO GOD!

****"Glory Be"** On Screen

Ministry Of Music "Who Will Make Him Welcome" Arr. by Larson
Celebration Voices

Sermon: "Journey through Advent: Mary's Visit to Elizabeth"

Pastor Steve Reinhard

(Message Notes are included on the back of the bulletin)

A Time of Reflection on the Word of God

*Worship in Song

"Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne" #2100 Black Song Book (vv. 1, 5)

Offering of our Gifts and Lives / Offertory Prayer

- *Whether making a donation or not, EVERYONE is invited to touch the offering plates, offering a prayer to give ourselves to God in heart, soul, mind and strength.*

Offertory "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen" Arr. by Rice
**"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #94 Hymnal
*Dedication of Our Gifts

Prayer Requests -- Sharing of Our Joys and Concerns

Pastor's Prayer and The Lord's Prayer Sung

Welcoming Our Guests

***Song of Sending Forth** "Until Jesus Comes" #3050 Green Song Book

***Closing Blessing and Sending to Serve** On Screen

Passing of the Peace of God and Inviting one another to fellowship***

Postlude "Masters in this Hall" Arr. by Hayes

***Following worship you are invited to stay for fellowship in Baldrige Hall at the east end of the building.