

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT JOURNEY OF HOPE

December 17, 2017 - 10:30 AM

Please turn off all communication devices. Hearing Assistance Devices and Large Print Bibles are available; please ask an Usher. Children's Bulletins and "Quiet Bags" are available at the Welcome Table.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE – The Candle of JOY

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Journey of Hope

by Camp Kirkland & Tom Fettke

I. THE JOURNEY BEGINS

Antiphonal for Advent by Joel Raney

CONGREGATION:

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lowly exile here
Until the Son of God appear.

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

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.

Emmanuel by Michael W. Smith

II. JOURNEY OF HOPE

There Is Hope by Christopher Machen

O Little Town of Bethlehem

CONGREGATION with choir:

O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight.

III. JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM

On a Silent Christmas Night by Christopher Machen

Soloists: Robin Prado and Chris Elmore

Hope Has Arrived by Rebecca J. Peck

SERMON

The Hope Of An Everlasting Kingdom
Pastor Dave Stain

2 Samuel 7:10-16

**The congregation stands.*

WORSHIPING THE LORD WITH HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

Please take a moment to sign our "Fellowship Pad" and pass it along to those worshipping with you. Thank you!

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts.

Psalm 96:8 (ESV)

OFFERTORY

Silent Night

Arr. by Marilyn Thompson

IV. JOURNEY TO THE MANGER

Heaven's Child by Joel Lindsey

Soloists: Stephanie Petry and Katie Ragsdale

Child In the Manger by Ken Bible and Mary MacDonald

V. JOURNEY OF THE SHEPHERDS

Gloria in Excelsis Deo

Angels, from the Realms of Glory

Angels We Have Heard on High

Glory to God in the Highest by Daryl Williams

Solo: Brad Boyd

VI. JOURNEY OF PRAISE

Angels, from the Realms of Glory

Bless that Wonderful Name words, traditional and by Ken Bible

Wonderful Counselor, traditional

Jesus, What a Wonderful Child traditional and Ken Bible

Solo: Jeff Herron

VII. JOURNEY TO OUR HEARTS

Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne words, Emily Elliott; Music by Timothy R. Matthews

Down to Earth Words and Music by Kevin Stokes and Pete Carlson

Solo: Greg Upchurch

VIII. THE JOURNEY CONTINUES

Joy to the World

The Lord Will Come Again by Bill and Robin Wolaver

***HYMN OF CELEBRATION #195** *Joy to the World*

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne

Arr. by Molly iJames

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