

Welcome to West Baptist Church

3rd Sunday of Advent in Year B – Joy Sunday
Sunday, December 17th, 2017 - 9:30 AM



“I am called to be a person whose soul, like
Mary, can be God’s earthly sanctuary.”
~Kathleen Norris

*All who are able, please stand
please join with the congregation in reading the **bolded** text aloud.*

PRELUDE Sylvester Skipper

GREETING AND WELCOME Stephanie Wyatt

*Greeting of Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

CALL TO WORSHIP *Adapted from Psalm 96*

O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.
**Sing to the Lord, bless the holy name; tell of God’s salvation from
day to day.**

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due the holy name; bring an offering, and
come into the sacred courts.

**Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar,
and all that fills it.**

Let the field exult, and everything in it. Then shall all the trees of the
forest sing for joy before the Lord.

**For he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with
righteousness, and the peoples with truth. Amen.**

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Third Sunday of Advent – Candle of Joy

*HYMN #103 “O Come, All Ye Faithful” ADESTE FIDELES

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing our Joys and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer followed by 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.
Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.

MUSIC MINISTRY

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 1:39–56

RESPONSE

For the Word of God in Scripture
For the Word of God within Us
For the Word of God among Us
Thanks Be to God

MESSAGE “Nesting with God” Stephanie Wyatt

*HYMN #113 “Angels We Have Heard on High” GLORIA

CHURCH OFFERING OLD HUNDREDTH

*The Doxology – note special lyrics for Advent

**Praise God whose dawn transfigures night,
Whose Daystar shines for us on high,
Whose Spirit brings into our sight,
The hope to which our world draws nigh. Amen.**

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

*HYMN #120 “Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come” ANTIOCH C.M.

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE “Soon and Very Soon”
“Soon and Very Soon, We are going to the King” vs. 1
“Joy to the World, We are going to see the King” vs. 2

POSTLUDE Sylvester Skipper

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning –

Choir Practice @ 9:00 am

Next Sunday 12/24 @ 9:30am

Sunday Morning Worship

Forth Sunday of Advent

Peace Sunday

Nest Sunday 12/24 @ 5pm

Christmas Eve Service

Scriptures, Reflections, and Carols

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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