

December 15, 2013

ADVENT 3

(Portions of the service that are in **BOLD** are to be said by all. All points marked * those who are able are invited to stand.)

"Joy for a Different world."

Approach

Carol Singing – VU #18, 38, 35

Music – "Joy to the World" - Three Dog Night

Helen Keller speaks to WPUC - Kyra Carriere

Candle Lighting – Czarnecki Family (newly baptised child)

Give us joy for the world, we are aching,

Give us joy for ourselves, we pray,

Give us joy in the wonder of living,

Give us joy to always live your way.

Light a candle, light a candle,

Light a candle while we wait and pray.

Light a candle, light a candle

Light a candle of God's joy.

Children's Time

Lord's Prayer

Hvmn VU #881- "In the Desert" (Isaiah 35)

(Children leave for Bible Adventures)

The Word

Scripture Readings – Isaiah 35: 1-10 Matthew 11: 2-11

> Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. THANKS BE TO GOD!

Meditation – "A safe place for all" Anthem – "The King is Coming Soon"

The Response

Offering / Response (tune MV #120)

My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great, and our spirits sing of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait. A child will come to save us all, for his wisdom we all do yearn and from east to west, will his name be blest. Could the world be about to turn? My heart shall sing of the day you bring. let your Spirit within us burn. Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn!

Pastoral Prayer

- Hymn VU #59 "Joy to the World"
- Benediction / Response (tune MV #213)

Take up his song of joy, and go into the world. Take up his song of joy in ev'ry moment. In ev'ry moment of the journey, we're laying down our lives; lay them down, in joy, lay them down, and take up his song.

Rev. Dr. Sharon Wilson, Minister Patrick Woodbeck, Associate Minister Luci Toews, Church Administrator Myrna Hagues, Organist Pat Dumont, Liturgist

Laura Steidl, Music Director Gina Grant, Custodian

Douglas Gauthier and Gloria Waldron, Nursery Care Givers

Greeters: Derek & Dorothy Read Ushers: Joyce Muir and Edna Cechvala