ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important: Today we resume the online service. The online services will be no longer than 30 minutes.

Giving: I urge you please to consider increasing your pledges and giving. It is often in challenging times we walk in faithfulness and honor God with our giving. Christianity is a life-giving religion not just words printed on the manuscripts but to give even when we have been tested with dark and difficult seasons, God's love and mercy endure forever. John 3:16 For God so loved you and I and he gave His only Begotten Son.

- 1. Today in the <u>Third week of Advent</u>, we celebrate *Joy* with the coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
- 2. <u>Christmas Eve Service:</u> scheduled on December 24th at 7 pm and candle lighting celebration, please come and invite family and friends. It will be celebratory songs of joy of Christmas.
- <u>3. Testimonies:</u> The Pastor is graciously allowing Lay Servants to each give 7 minute Testimonies during the Advent on "Hope, Peace Joy and Love". Their testimonies will include a biblical passage or a verse which have inspired them during quarantine.

Welcome to our Online Service

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PRELUDE

INVOCATION: & Announcements

UMH # 246 Joy to the World

CANDLE LIGHTING - by Jaimie: JOY READING - by Elsie

CALL TO WORSHIP: Third Sunday of Advent (Adapted from Psalm 100)

L. Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God.

P. Restore to us the joy of your salvation

L. Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name;

ALL. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

UMH# 251 Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Sharing Of Joys and Concerns Pastoral Prayer

BIBLE LESSONS:

First Lesson: Psalm 61:1-6 The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; 2 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion-- to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of

mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.

Gospel Lessons: Luke 1:46b-55a "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; For the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; He has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy

Testimony Topic: Joy - by Jaimie Novesteras

UMH # 196 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

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