

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

December 16th, 2018

~3rd Sunday of Advent~

Prelude: Joy To The World

Choral Response

Apostolic Greeting

Leader: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of Preparation, Praise and Adoration

*Hymn: #272 While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks vs. 1, 2, &4

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer

Choral Anthem: Do You Hear What I Hear? Harry Simone

Lighting of the Third Candle of Advent – The Joy Candle

Children's Time

Scripture: Zephaniah 3:14-20

Hymn: #265 The First Noel vs. 1, 3 & 6

Scripture: Luke 3: 7-18

Message: The Christmas Viper

Offering of Gifts

Offertory: O Holy Night

*Response: O Come, O Come Emmanuel

O, come, o, come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel! Amen

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn: #262 Away in a Manger

*Charge, Blessing & Sending with Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

Postlude: Go Tell It On The Mountain

~This Week at 1st Presbyterian~

SUNDAY, December 16

9:15 to 10:15 am Sunday School

10:15 Choir Practice in Chapel

10:15 to 10:45 am - Coffee Hour

10:45 to Noon – Worship

Christmas Dinner in Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY, December 18

12:00 pm - Spark Lunch

8:00 pm – NA Meeting

WEDNESDAY, December 19

7:00 pm - Choir Practice

THURSDAY, December 20

6:30 pm – NA Meeting

7:00 pm – Women's AA Meeting

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This Sunday, 12-16~ Liturgist: Keith Hare; **Sound Room:** Ted Brace; **Extended Church:** Priscilla Hare; **Money Counters:** Keith Hare, Rose Gibson; **Nursery:** Diane Dodson; **Children's Sermon:** Tina Angeletti; **Greeters:** Karen Sillin, Kenita Keck, Christa Brace, Barb Jobes; **Coffee Hour:** Kenita Keck

Next Sunday, 12-23~ Liturgist: Gaye Gibson; **Sound Room:** Sam Lieb; **Extended Church:** Diana Brand; **Money Counters:** Karen Fish, Sandy Noland; **Nursery:** Sarah Bowles; **Children's Sermon:** Barb Jobes; **Greeters:** Ron and Sandy Noland, Keith Hare, Lois Spangler; **Coffee Hour:** Open;

The Third Sunday of Advent



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**The Christmas Viper
Rev. Steven Brand**

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~ Our members in need of special care~

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