# Events



# News









Our Gifts	
Monthly Needs:	\$107,000
General/Pledged Offerings as of Dec. 12:	\$51,928
Total General/Pledged Offerings in 2024:	\$1,107,572



December 15, 2024
11 am Worship

Living, Growing, and Serving in Jesus Christ to Change Lives and the World

# CALL TO WORSHIP

**Prelude** | "The First Noel" arr. Moklebust

Gracenotes

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Dr. Barry Hughes

\*Call to Worship

Kimmi Cramer

Leader: Welcome to this third Sunday of Advent. Today we celebrate "The Gift of Joy" that we find in this season.

People: We have already been blessed so much on our Advent journey. We feel joy when we gather for worship, fellowship, study and service.

Leader: Mary teaches us about joy. In the face of strange and overwhelming news, she finds joy in saying yes to God.

People: O Lord, help us, like Mary, find our joy as we say yes to the call you have placed upon our lives. Amen.

\*Hymn of Praise | No. 206 (v. 1, 3)

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

# CALL TO FAITH

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath** Confirmation Class 2025 Members

Advent Reading Response | No. 211 (v. 3)

"O Come, O Come,

Emmanuel"

Children's Moment

Rev. Dr. Barry Hughes

# CALL TO PRAYER

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Patrick Littlefield

Prayer Response | No. 204

"Emmanuel, Emmanuel"

# CALL TO THE WORD

\*Scripture Reading | Luke 1:46-56

Rev. Milton Guttierrez

**Sermon** | "The Hope of Joy"

Rev. Dr. Barry Hughes

### RESPONSE TO THE WORD

**Offertory** | New Hope

Rev. Patrick Littlefield

Offertory Response

"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

Cantate and Chancel Choir

\*Doxology | UMH #238 (refrain) "Angels We Have Heard on High"

# CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

\*Invitation

Rev. Dr. Barry Hughes

**\*Hymn of Invitation** | No. 617 (v. 1, 4)

"I Come with Joy"

\*Benediction

Rev. Dr. Barry Hughes

\*Benediction Song | No. 617 (v. 5)

"I Come with Joy"

Postlude

Melanie McManigal

\*Please stand as you are able.