

John 17:3
 And this is eternal life,
 that they know you, the
 only true God, &
 Jesus Christ whom you
 have sent.

2 Peter 3:18

¹⁸ But grow in the grace
 & knowledge of our Lord
 & Savior Jesus Christ. To
 him be the glory both
 now & to the day of
 eternity. Amen.



Matthew 28:19-20
¹⁹ Go therefore & make disciples
 of all nations, baptizing them in
 the name of the Father & of the
 Son & of the Holy Spirit,
²⁰ teaching them to observe all
 that I have commanded you.

12/2/18 SS Attendance: 55

12/2/18 Worship Attendance: 75

Worship Nursery Today: Anita Martin

Deacon of the Week: Jack Estes

Greeters Today: Sue Matthews & Wanda Carby

Youth Breakfast Today: Sharon Collins

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We wish a happy birthday today to Avery Edwards & later this week to Libby Graves, Larry Hill & Shirley Martin.

We will have a church-wide holiday potluck meal today after the morning service. Please join us. After the meal, the stewardship & personnel committee will introduce Josh Minton, our youth pastor candidate. There will be a time for questions and answers. Afterwards, we will vote on the committee's recommendation to hire him.

We need nursery workers for December 16 & 23.

The Ruth class will be collecting food for the Wednesday night van children's families for Christmas. You may bring in food items for their Christmas boxes through **December 16**. You may also give money to a member of the class, and they will purchase the items. There is a sheet on the table where you may sign up, indicating what you will bring. People/groups may go together to buy the more expensive items. They need 12 of each. Please don't bring fresh items (e.g., produce, milk, bread, etc.) until the 12th of December or later. See Sue or Doris if you have questions.

Jennifer Moore wanted to let everyone know that we collected 72 Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. Thanks for your donations!

Join us for our candlelight service on December 23 at 6:30.

Feel free to leave your Christmas cards on top of the mailboxes in the hallway to be distributed. Please check the boxes for cards addressed to your family.

The multipurpose room is reserved December 29.

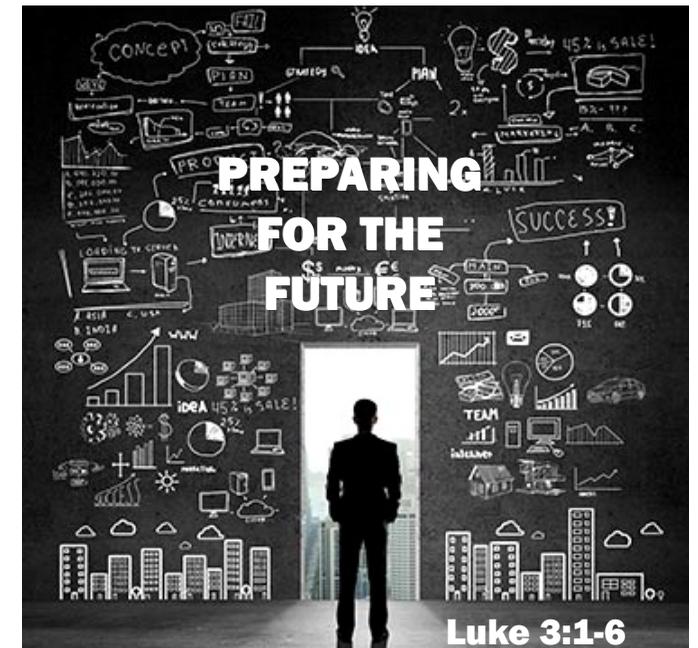
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 Third Sunday of Advent



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Call to Worship

Agnus Dei

Welcome & Announcements

Scriptural Call to Worship

Luke 1:68-79 (ESV)

Worship through Song

Beautiful Star of Bethlehem

Little Drummer Boy

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Worship through Giving

Worship through Song

Good, Good Father

Worship through Proclamation

“Preparing for the Future”

Luke 3:1-6 (ESV)

Worship through Response

All Who Are Thirsty

Benediction

Luke 3:1-6 (ESV)

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, & Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, & his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea & Trachonitis, & Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene,² during the high priesthood of Annas & Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the wilderness.³ And he went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.⁴ As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet,

“The voice of one crying in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.⁵ Every valley shall be filled, & every mountain & hill shall be made low, & the crooked shall become straight, &

the rough places shall become level ways,

⁶ & all flesh shall see the salvation of God.’”

Agnus Dei

Alleluia, alleluia

For our Lord, God Almighty, reigns

Alleluia, alleluia

For our Lord, God Almighty, reigns

Alleluia

Holy, Holy

Are You, Lord God Almighty

Worthy is the Lamb

Worthy is the Lamb

You are Holy, Holy

Are You, Lord God Almighty

Worthy is the Lamb

Worthy is the Lamb

Holy (Repeat All)

You are Holy, Holy

Are You, Lord God Almighty

Worthy is the Lamb

Worthy is the Lamb

Holy

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Beautiful Star of Bethlehem

Oh, beautiful Star of Bethlehem

Shining afar thru shadows dim

Giving a light for those who long have gone

And guiding the wise men on their way

Unto the place where Jesus lay

Beautiful Star of Bethlehem, shine on

Chorus: Oh, beautiful Star of Bethlehem

Shine upon us until the glory dawn

Oh, give us thy light to light the way

Into the land of perfect day

Oh, Beautiful Star of Bethlehem, shine on

Oh, beautiful Star, the hope of light

Guiding the pilgrim thru the night

Over the mountain till the break of dawn, the dawn

And into the light of perfect day, it will give out a lovely ray

Beautiful Star of Bethlehem, shine on (Repeat Chorus)

Oh, beautiful Star, the hope of rest

For the redeemed, the good and blest

Yonder in glory when the crown is won

For Jesus is now that Star divine

Brighter and brighter He will shine

Beautiful Star of Bethlehem, shine on (Repeat Chorus)

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Little Drummer Boy

(see insert)

Good, Good Father

I've heard a thousand stories

Of what they think You're like

But I've heard the tender whisper

Of love in the dead of night

You tell me that You're pleased

And that I'm never alone

Chorus: You're a good, good Father

It's who You are. It's who You are; it's who You are

And I'm loved by You

It's who I am. It's who I am; it's who I am

I've seen many searching for answers, far and wide

But I know we're all searching for answers only You provide

Because You know just what we need

Before we say a word

(Repeat Chorus)

Bridge: You are perfect in all of Your ways

You are perfect in all of Your ways

You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

(Repeat Bridge)

Love so undeniable I can hardly speak

Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think

As You call me deeper still, as You call me deeper still

As You call me deeper still into love, love, love

(Repeat Chorus 2x)

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All Who Are Thirsty

Verse 1: All who are thirsty, all who are weak

Come to the fountain

Dip your heart in the stream of life

Let the pain and the sorrow be washed away

In the waves of His mercy

As deep cries out to deep (We sing)

Chorus 1: Come, Lord Jesus, come

Come, Lord Jesus, come (Repeat)

(Repeat Verse 1)

Chorus 2: (We sing), Holy Spirit, come

Holy Spirit, come (Repeat)

Bridge: As deep cries out to deep, as deep cries out to deep

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