

THE APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE *Julia Huisman, organ*

SOLO "All Earth Is Waiting"

WELCOME & GOD'S GREETING

SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE
The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

ADVENT LITANY

"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."
Called to be the mother of God, Mary sought
to magnify, to exult, to expand God's glory.

Mary joined her forebearers in the faith —
people like Hannah in 1 Samuel 2 —
praising God for God's deliverance:

"My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior."

During Advent we are reminded that Jesus came and will come again.

In the meantime, we wait.

The first week of Advent helps us to remember
to wait with hopeful expectation.

The second week of Advent helps us to remember
to wait actively, joining God's work in the world.

The third week of Advent helps us to remember
to wait worshipfully, magnifying the God who saves us.

As we wait, we cry out:

"Come, Lord Jesus."

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"Come, Lord Jesus."

As we light this third candle, we join Mary saying:

"My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior."

SONG OF WORSHIP "Joy to the World"

THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG OF PREPARATION "The Savior of the World"

SCRIPTURE Luke 1:46-56

SERMON "Mother Mary: Theologically Profound"

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom
come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today
our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin
against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from
evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now
and forever. Amen.**

SONG OF RESPONSE "Magnificat"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

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