

# Welcome!

## Third Sunday of Advent

### December 13, 2015 11:00 A.M.

LOOKING TOWARDS THE LORD'S BIRTH  
ANNOUNCEMENTS & WELCOME  
WORSHIP INTENTION

Jerry Dombrowski, lay leader  
Rev. Steve Stultz Costello

PRELUDE *Savior of the Nations, Come* J.S. Bach  
LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH  
HYMN OF LIGHT "On This Day Earth Shall Ring" See below

On this day all shall sing with the Lord, God our King! For Christ now  
we a - wait, Christ shall come to save us; him the Fa ther gave us.  
Id - e - o - o - o, - id - e o o - o, id - e - o glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: Lord, your stars keep watch. You know that often our light can become dim.

**MANY: We seek to become more like You and to live in Your everlasting light.**

ONE: As children of Your light, we try to better understand that Your light is redeeming grace. You anoint us with your light.

**MANY: You anoint us with your light again and again. You give us the light to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and to release the prisoners.**

**ALL: This is the day of the Lord's favor. The Lord's glory and power anoints us to do God's will: to be stars in the night.**

\*BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST Acolyte

\*HYMN OF INTENTION "Savior of the Nations, Come" No. 214

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Kathy Schmucker, Spiritual Formation Director

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER, AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and glory forever. Amen.**

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 50: 4-9 pg. 680 OT

MUSICAL PROCLAMATION

*A Little Advent Music*

Hugo Distler (1908-1942)

"Eine kleine AdventMusik"

Sonata

*Verse: Savior of the Nations, Come!*

*Savior of the Nations, Come! Virgin's Son, make here Thy home! Marvel now, O heaven and earth, that the Lord chose such a birth.*

I. *The Promise*

*Thou the Father's only Son, hast over sin the victory won.*

*Boundless shall Thy kingdom be; when shall we its glories see?*

II. *The Annunciation*

*O be welcome, Thou, my Lord. Hosanna, blessed Word! Thus prepare, O prepare, a way into my heart today.*

III. *The Visit to Elizabeth*

*God be praised, in all the earth for the wonder, of this birth. Lowly sinners all to save, for mankind His Son He gave.*

IV. *Mary's Song of Praise*

*From the Father forth He came and returneth to the same, captive leading death and hell.*

*High the songs of triumph swell*

V. *The Journey to Bethlehem*

*So brightly doth Thy manger shine, the night has new light divine.*

*Let not sin overcloud this light, ever be our faith thus bright.*

VI. *The Fulfillment*

*Praise to God the Father sing. Praise to God the Son, our King. Praise to God the spirit be ever and eternally.*

Sonata

*\*Please stand, as you are able*

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OFFERING & OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY

No. 94 or See Below

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise  
the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOSPEL LESSON

John 1: 1-14 pg. 92 NT

SERMON

*The Suffering Servant Series : Testify That All Might Believe*

Rev. Steve Stultz Costello

\*HYMN OF MISSION

“When Morning Gilds the Skies”

No. 185

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

“Ideo, gloria in excelsis Deo”



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\*CHRIST'S LIGHT TO THE WORLD

\*POSTLUDE

*O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

Acolyte

Robert J. Powell



**December 13, 2015**

**Co-Pastors:** Revs. Cara & Steve Stultz Costello

**Organist:** Heather Cooper

**Liturgists:** John Schnepf

**Greeters:** John & Phyllis Green

**December 20- Cantata Sunday- 11:00 AM-** Handel's *Messiah* Join us for selections from G.F. Handel's beloved oratorio *Messiah* presented FUMC Chancel Choir Festival Singers, the Harmonia Sacra Chamber Orchestra, and organist Heather Cooper. These musical selections shed light amidst our *Suffering Servant Songs* worship series.

**Next Sunday, December 20**

Advent IV; *The Suffering Servant Songs Series*

**Scripture Focus: Isaiah 53: 1-11**

Pastor Cara preaching

**8:30** Schola Cantorum & Heather Cooper, organ

**9:45** Special Music & Modern Worship Ensemble

**11:00 Cantata Sunday: Selections from Handel's *Messiah*** with the Chancel Choir, Harmonia Sacra orchestra & Heather Cooper, organ

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