

*Our Service of Worship*  
*3rd Sunday of Advent*

10:55 am

December 16, 2012

\*We invite those who are able, to stand during these acts of worship

**Gathering Music**

**Announcements**

Rev. Tilk

**Opening Scripture**

**Chimes**

**Opening Voluntary**

*God Rest You Merry Gentlemen*

Matthew Bishop, Organist  
Arr. Wilbur Head

**Lighting the Altar Candles**

**\*Processional Hymn**

*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*

# 224

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

# 888

**\*Gloria Patri**

# 70

Glory be to the Father and to the son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end – Amen. Amen.

**Lighting of the Advent Candle**

James and May Schroeder

**Story for All Ages**

*Jesus Loves Me*

# 191

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.  
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Following this, all children through Kindergarten  
Are invited to "Children's Church" time next door in our Education Building.  
Parents may pick them up there following the worship service.

**Prayer Sharing**

**Call to Prayer**

Rev. Tilk

**Morning Prayer**

Rev. Whitehead

**The Offering**

**Offertory**

*Choral Prelude, Es ist ein' ros entsprungen*

Ushers  
Matthew Bishop, Organist  
Johannes Brahms

**\*Doxology**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

# 94

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 for Illumination**

**Lord, open our hearts and minds**

**by the power of your Holy Spirit,**

**that, as the Scriptures are read**

**and your Word proclaimed,**

**we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

**Epistle Lesson**

Philippians 1: 3-11

Rev. Whitehead

**Anthem**

*Holy Incarnation*

Chancel Choir  
Joe Cox

**Gospel Lesson**

Luke 1: 46-55

**Sermon**

"Scandalous Love"

Rev. Tilk

**\*Hymn**

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

# 206

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Praeludium in B-flat, BWV 866*

Matthew Bishop, Organist  
J.S. Bach

**Worship Matters**

We want to remember and lift up in prayer these folks: Victoria Dickeson, Jo Ann Hamilton, Jimmy Harris, Angus Hinson, Marjorie Morgan, Betty Ann Rodgers, Merle Shook, Cheryl Smith, Tom Schroeder, Lyle Wright. Also, those men and women serving in our military overseas: Lance Hines, Monte Jackson, Sam Phinney, Stephen Smith, Nick Tsamuotales and Kip Wright. Also, our sister church Santa Clara in Cuba.

Our heartfelt sympathies to Emily Higdon and Gene Morgan on the recent loss of her brother and his father-in-law, **Spurgeon F. Johnson** who died on December 10, 2012 in Chattahoochee, FL.

This service is being recorded to produce DVD's for shut-ins

## Announcements

Communion will be served after the morning worship service in Shelfer Chapel.

Come **tonight** for family night covered dish dinner and live nativity at **6pm** (chicken will be provided).

JOY Club will meet for their monthly luncheon on **Thursday, December 20** at **12N (\$5)**. Please RSVP

Christmas Eve service will be **Monday, December 24** at **6pm**. If you ordered a poinsettia, you take it home after the Christmas Eve service. Thank you.

Staff Parish committee would like to announce that a love offering will be collected this morning to be given to the church staff for Christmas which can be placed in the offering plate.

### Our Presence Last Week

Worship	91
Sunday School	34

### Our Stewardship Last Week

General Fund 2012	\$3,356.00
General Fund 2013	26,000.00
Plate Cash	120.00
Sunday School	21.25
Children's Home	20.00

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