

ADVENT 3: JOY

Order of Worship for 12/13/2020

Countdown

Opening Sequence (Logo/Vision Statement)

Prelude and Theme Intro (What does JOY smell/taste/sound like?)

The Song of the Angels

arr. Hughes

Song

Mary Had a Baby

Lighting the Advent Wreath/Prayer

The Anderson Family with Ruth Hney

We light the third candle of Advent.

We kindle it with joy.

We seek to be enlivened by the good news of Jesus.

We long to grow deeper in our faith and in our service.

Let us pray:

God of joy, lift our spirits in your presence.

Open us to receive you.

Prepare us to offer reconciliation, even to our enemies.

Shine on us, O God of joy;

Guide our path through gloom of night;

Bear within us Wisdom's glory;

Come to us, O Christ the Light.

Amen.

Hymn

The First Noel

Offering/Prayer

Music Program including Scripture, Pastoral Prayer, and The Lord's Prayer (25 minutes or so)

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| 1. <i>INTRO Slide</i> | 0:10 |
| 2. <i>Do You Hear What I Hear</i> | |
| 3. <i>The Holly and the Ivy (Women)</i> | 1:59 |
| 4. <i>As Lately We Watched (Men)</i> | |

5. <i>Scripture: Isaiah 35 (Laura already recorded)</i>	1:53
6. <i>The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy (Men)</i>	2:41
7. <i>Baby's Born in Bethlehem</i>	2:30
8. <i>Sing We Now of Christmas (Quartet)</i>	2:20
9. <i>Pastoral Prayer (Laura already recorded)</i>	2:26
10. <i>The Lord's Prayer</i>	0:32
11. <i>Silent Night (Bells)</i>	1:28
12. <i>Joseph's Lullaby (Nancy Jo)</i>	2:22
13. <i>Beautiful Savior??</i>	
14. <i>Follow the Star (Emma)</i>	2:28

The desert and the dry land will be glad; the wilderness will rejoice and blossom like the crocus.
They will burst into bloom, and rejoice with joy and singing.
They will receive the glory of Lebanon, the splendor of Carmel and Sharon.
They will see the Lord's glory, the splendor of our God.
Strengthen the weak hands, and support the unsteady knees.
Say to those who are panicking:
"Be strong! Don't fear! Here's your God, coming with vengeance;
with divine retribution God will come to save you."
Then the eyes of the blind will be opened, and the ears of the deaf will be cleared.
Then the lame will leap like the deer, and the tongue of the speechless will sing.
Waters will spring up in the desert, and streams in the wilderness.
The burning sand will become a pool, and the thirsty ground, fountains of water.
The jackals' habitat, a pasture; grass will become reeds and rushes.
A highway will be there. It will be called The Holy Way.
The unclean won't travel on it, but it will be for those walking on that way.
Even fools won't get lost on it; no lion will be there, and no predator will go up on it.
None of these will be there; only the redeemed will walk on it.
The Lord's ransomed ones will return and enter Zion with singing,
with everlasting joy upon their heads.
Happiness and joy will overwhelm them; grief and groaning will flee away.

Brief Reflection with Benediction (3 minutes, Rachael)

Postlude