



St. Andrews United Methodist Church  
Third Sunday of Advent \* Christmas Cantata  
December 15, 2024 at 10 a.m.

\*Please stand as you are able

Gathering and Announcements

Prelude "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" Sarah Grace Alley

Bringing in the Light of Christ

\*Call to Worship Isaiah 12:2-5 (NRSV)

Leader: Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and will not be afraid, for the Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.

People: **With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.**

Leader: And you will say on that day: "Give thanks to the Lord; call on his name; make known his deeds among the nations; proclaim that his name is exalted.

People: **Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth."**

\*Opening Hymn "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" #196

\*Opening Prayer

Eternal God, in your providence you made all ages a preparation for the kingdom of your Son. Make ready our hearts for the brightness of your glory and the fullness of your blessing in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*Gloria Patri "Glory Be to the Father" #70

Lighting the Advent Wreath

The Stochmal Family

Hymn

"Light the Advent Candle" v. 3

Light the Advent Candle, three; Think of heavenly harmony;  
Angels singing "Peace on earth" at the blessed Savior's birth.  
Candle, candle burning bright, Shining in the cold winter night  
Candle, candle burning bright, Fill our hearts with Christmas light

Old Testament Lesson Zephaniah 3:14-20 (NRSV)

Children's Time

Please sing "Jesus Loves Me" as the children come forward

\*Hymn "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" #218

\*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed #881

\*Passing the Peace

Offering Our Gifts and Tithes to God

Offertory: "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" Sandy Rosser

\*Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #95

Joys, Concerns & Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer #895

Christmas Cantata "The Gift Goes On"

\*Blessing & Benediction Pastor Mamie



Christmas Eve Worship

Tuesday, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m.

"Service of Lessons & Carols" with Holy Communion  
We will sing "Silent Night" by candlelight



Christmas Cantata: "The Gift Goes On"

*"The Gift Goes On Medley"*

*"Joyful Medley"*

*"Christmas Star" (Nicole Edson, soloist)*

*"The Presence of Glory" (Tina Bailey, soloist)*

*"Isn't He with Breathe" (Lucie Edson, soloist)*

*"Rose of Bethlehem" (Christy Wagner, soloist)*

*"All Rise" (Dennis Taylor & Dorothy Milburn, soloists)*

*"The Gift Finale"*

Chancel Choir

*Janet Adams, Tina Bailey, Steve Cessna, Lucie Edson,  
Nicole Edson, Dorothy Milburn, Bob Moore, Ginger Peele,  
Kelly Rosser, Kaitlyn Russell, David Schroeder, Bill Sledge,  
Deborah Sledge, Dennis Taylor & Christy Wagner*

Narrator

*Kelly Rosser*

Choir Director

*Sandy Rosser*

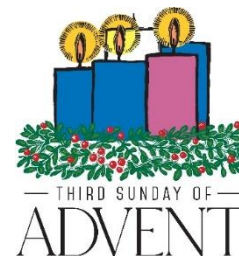


*After worship, you are invited to join us in the Family Life  
Center (gym) for a covered dish meal and time of fellowship!*



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