

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 11, 2022, 8:30AM

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

GATHERING

(Please take a moment to sign the attendance pad and pass it on to your neighbor)

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: UMH #214 *Savior of the Nations, Come* J. H. Buttstedt

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE (Cf. Isaiah 35:10)

“We light this candle as a symbol of Christ the Way. May the Word sent from God through the prophets lead us to the way of salvation. O come, O come, Emmanuel.”

ADVENT READING Isaiah 35:1-10 Pew Bible page 623

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH “THE APOSTLES’ CREED” UMH #881**

***OPENING HYMN OF PRAISE UMH # 250** *Once in Royal David’s City*

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Heather Connor

ANTHEM 8:30 *Do You Hear What I Hear* Regney/Shayne
Katie and Hannah Vitters, Soloists

COMMUNITY PRAYER CONCERNS

THE LORD’S PRAYER #895

OFFERTORY: UMH #215 *To A Maid Engaged to Joseph* R. Joseph

***THE DOXOLOGY UMH #95**

***HYMN OF PRAISE UMH # 196** *Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*

***A LESSON FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT** *Matthew 11:2-11* page 10

***GLORIA PATRI #71**

WITNESS TO THE WORD “In the Wilderness, Part III” Rev. Mack McDowell

***CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE UMH #237** *Sing We Now of Christmas*

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

POSTLUDE: LBW #260 *The King Shall Come* American Folksong

***Please stand as you are able.**