

THE UNITED CHURCH of CHRIST at The Villages

Service of The Word

Sunday, December 11, 2022

Third Sunday of Advent

**Indicates, "All who are able, please stand"*

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| PRELUDE | "Variations on Angel's we Have Heard on High" | Stephan Diehl |
| CALL TO WORSHIP | | Adelaide Staton |
| LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE — Joy | | Joanne & Joe Lefevre |
| *HYMN | "Angels We Have Heard On High" "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear" | On screen |
| WELCOME, INTRODUCTION, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS | | |
| PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOR DONATIONS | | |
| | "Advent Selections for organ" | By George Bellefontaine |
| PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE | | |
| Pastoral Prayer | | |
| The Lord's Prayer | | |
| | | See screen |
| SPECIAL MUSIC | "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen" | Millicent Enders |
| SCRIPTURE READING | | Adelaide Staton |
| | Luke Chapter 2: verses 8–20 (NRSV) | |
| TODAY'S MESSAGE | "Advent Series: Revelations of Joy!" | The Rev. Joe DiDonato |
| BENEDICTION | | |
| *DEPARTING SONG | "Let There Be Peace On Earth" | See screen |
| *POSTLUDE | "Statement on the First Noel" | By George Bellefontaine |

Serving You Today

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| Pastor: | The Rev. Joe DiDonato |
| Accompanist: | George Bellefontaine |
| Song Leader: | Janice DiDonato |
| Worship Reader: | Adelaide Staton |
| Advent Reader/Candle: | Joanne Lefevre & Joe Lefevre |
| AV: | Denny Lawson, Ann Turso |

*Flowers for today's service were donated by Chris & Ron Thomas in memory of their daughter,
Michelle Childress Thomas*