## WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 15, 2019

10:45 AM

# THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### JESUS BRINGS JOY TO THE WORLD

Greeting **Announcements** Lighting of Third Advent Candle (Joy)

(Silent Prayer) Preparation for Worship

Prelude

## **Call to Worship**

Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise! Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.

All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name." Come and see what God has done:

he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.

Psalm 66:1-5

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation - Lord's Prayer

\*Gloria Patri (No. 734)

\*Hymn No. 195 *Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come.* 

Isaiah 55:7 Call to Confession:

> Let the wicked forsake his way, and the evil man his thoughts; Let him turn to the Lord, that he may have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will freely pardon.

#### Prayer of Confession (unison)

Our Father, although You are a holy God who cannot look upon sin, look upon Christ our Savior and forgive us for His sake. You have promised us that if we confess our sins, You are faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. We ask also that You would give us an increase of the grace of Your Holy Spirit, so that we may learn the wisdom of Your ways and walk in Your holy paths, for Your glory and the good of our neighbor.

### **Private Confession**

Assurance of Forgiveness: Colossians 1:13-14

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

#### **People: Thanks Be to God!**

\*Hymn (Insert) Joy Has Dawned Getty/Townend

Offertory

\*The Doxology (No. 731) and Prayer of Thanksgiving (Children will be dismissed to Children's Church following the Anthem) Anthem Creation Sings Getty/Townend

Prayer of Supplication and Intercession

\*Scripture Lesson: Matthew 1:18 – 25

Message: Rev. McIntyre

\*Hymn No. 207 Good Christian Men Rejoice

\*Benediction

\*Response: Threefold Amen

Postlude \*Standing

## A CRY ROOM IS AVAILABLE JUST OFF THE VESTIBULE

A NURSERY FOR PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN IS PROVIDED IN GRACE HALL