

***Response:** *King of Kings* (Words on Screen)

Offering Prayer: Generous God who calls us to rejoice, you fill the hungry with good things and you help your people in need. Receive the gifts we offer, we pray, and make them, and us, joyful and patient signs of your coming justice and glory. Amen

Baptism of Tyson Myles Kraft w/Apostle's Creed

Sending into the World

***Sending Hymn:** *Go Tell It on the Mountain* #258

Postlude

***Please stand in body or in spirit.**

Please join us for fellowship following worship.

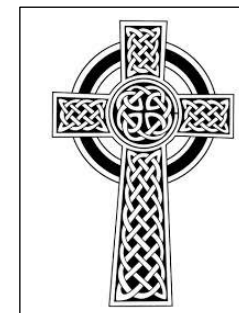
Music: Peggy Davidson/Susan Wismer **Liturgist:** Susan Wismer

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Announcements:

- Food Pantry Collection for December – Pork & Beans.
- Our Christmas Eve Candle-Light Service, w/Communion, will be at 5:00 P.M. this year.
- We will collect our Christmas Joy offering next Sunday, the 21st.
- Youth Group will meet this Wednesday, December 17th.
- Bible Study will resume on January 12th.
- We would appreciate poinsettias for the altar this year.

In our thoughts & prayers: Please pray for those dealing with cancer; for those dealing with serious health concerns; those dealing with the loss of loved ones; and all people around the world dealing with loss and devastation.



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December 14th, 2025

Welcome to Worship
December 14th, 2025, 10:00 A.M.
Third Sunday of Advent

Gathering Around the Word

- Ringing of the Bell
- Announcements
- Advent Candle Lighting
- Children’s Christmas Program

Prelude: *On Christmas Night* Duet w/Peggy & Susan

Invocation

***Call to Worship:**
We gather today in great hope, longing to see the glory of the Lord,
the majesty of our God.
 The Almighty has done great things for us.
 Holy is God’s name.
May our worship strengthen our hands, make firm our trembling knees,
and unburden our fearful hearts.
 The Almighty has done great things for us.
 Holy is God’s name.
Knowing that God is near, let us be patient with the times
and with one another.
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To all who ask about our hope, let us tell the good news
of what we have seen and heard.
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***Hymns of Praise:** *We Worship and Adore You* **#194**
 Away in a Manger **#262**
 How Great Our Joy! **#269**

***Call to Confession:**

***Prayer of Confession:** Advent God, we yearn to rejoice, as we tell of
Jesus coming into our world. We long to see your promise of mercy,
justice, and restoration, fulfilled for all people everywhere. In our
yearning, we discover that our hands are weak, our knees are feeble, and
our hearts are full of fear. Stuck in old stories and remembered glories,
we grow critical of one another and of ourselves. We even wonder
whether Jesus is near. Then our desire to rejoice sputters in frustration
and impatience. Restore us, yearned-for God, for your joy is not our
accomplishment, but your gift. Set us on the Holy Way of Advent,
forgiven, strengthened, and healed, rejoicing in your glory and majesty.
In Christ’s name, we pray. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Gloria Patri** (words on screen)

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Hearing the Word

Scriptures: Isaiah 35 James 5:7-10 Susan Wismer

Gospel Reading: Luke 1:46-55 Lance Gries

Congregation: “Thanks be to God”

Message: **“The Realm of Joy”** Lance Gries

Giving of our Tithes, Gifts and Offerings

Offertory: *O Come, Little Children* Peggy Davidson