

Scripture Reading

Luke 3:7-14
(pg. 60 N.T.)

Michael E. Karunas

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Gifts We Will Be Remembered For

RESPONSE

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn of Communion ***Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence (vs. 1, 2)*** No. 124

(In Christ's name we welcome all persons into membership into the church by confession of faith and baptism or by transfer of membership. Please step to the front pew during the singing of this Hymn of Communion.)

Elder's Meditation

Elder Krista Rohrscheib

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Elder Brett Swallow

(All believing Christians are invited to share in the Lord's Supper, regardless of church affiliation. You may eat the Bread as it is passed, but hold the Cup to drink together.)

Communion Music

One: The bread which we break is our communion in the Body of Christ.

**All: The cup of blessing for which we give thanks is our Communion
in the blood of Christ. Amen.**

Benediction

*Recessional

Christians All, Your Lord Is Coming (vs. 1) No. 136

Postlude

The Sand Day Carol

Noel Rawsthorne

(Please remain in your pews until the Acolytes have left the aisle.)

**All who are able, please stand*

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Go To:

<http://www.cccdisciples.org/sermons/> - Sermons

<http://www.cccdisciples.org/childrens-messages/> - Children's Messages



THIRD SUNDAY OF

Advent

Sunday, December 16, 2018

Michael E. Karunas
Senior Minister

Don Martin
Minister of Music

Tina Miller
Associate Minister of
CE and Family Life

David Martin
Youth Director

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Third Sunday of Advent
Sharing Christ. Changing Lives. Delivering Hope

GATHERING

Prelude **Noel** Louis-Claude Daquin
Dee Dee Gain, organ

Introit

*The Processional **Hail to the Lord's Anointed** No. 140

*Responsive Reading Theresa Fulk

Leader: Prepare the way! The promise is coming;

People: We celebrate the power of God to work changes in us.

Leader: Prepare the way! The old with the young;

People: A child shall teach us to stand!

Leader: Prepare the way! Make the paths straight;

**People: Earth shall fill her deep valleys and mountains shall fall
to their knees!**

Leader: Prepare the way! Break dark walls of hate!

People: The Way is approaching! Servants keep watch.

All: Soon we shall see the salvation of God!

*Invocation

*Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever,

Amen.

*Gloria Patri No. 35

Children's Message Tina Miller

Hymn **Blessed Be the God of Israel (vs. 1 & 2)** No. 135

Blessing and Dedication of Infants and Children

Lighting of the Advent Candle Andy & Theresa Fulk

Reader: Mary, the soon-to-be mother of Jesus said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my savior. For he has looked with favor upon the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me and holy is his name."

Reader: Today we remember Mary, innocent and powerful, sacred and scared, worried and waiting as the Savior grows in her womb. She sings boldly where she might be meek; she bears her role in history with the confidence of a warrior; she is the beginning of a mighty revolution as the proud are brought down and the lowly lifted up.

People: Today we give thanks for the Marys among us, who step out of the roles society has planned; unintended pioneers determined to do as God asks; fearless and fearfully stepping out in faith, and beckoning us to do the same.

Reader: On this third Sunday of Advent, we light the third candle as a symbol of Mary, mother of God, bearer of the Way.

Offertory Invitation

Offertory **God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen** arr. Joel Raney
Jeannie Rade & John Baird, piano

*Prayer of Dedication

*Doxology No. 46

PROCLAMATION

Anthem **Dance and Sing** arr. Hal Hopson
Chancel Choir; Thomas Karunas, melodica

Deacons:

- 8:00 - Team 3 - Sid & Krista Rohrscheib, Jane Davis, Charlotte Ballance, Bob Muschal, Pat Penhallegon, Bobby Munos, Brad Munos, Becky Johnston, Carolyn McCall
- 10:30 - Team 4 - Jeannie Backes, Matthew Swarouth, Jon French, David Martin, Zach Martin, Mark Beal, Doug Soebbing, Roger Rutherford, Ron & Gwen Miller, Seth Martin, Pam Ferguson, Brittney Munos, Luc Longcor, Pam Larrick, Shelby Baum, Dave Sheffer

Ushers:

- 8:00 - Team 1 - Charlotte Ballance, Capt., Bob & Karen Keller
- 10:30 - Team 6 - Mark Beal, Capt., Mark Kincaid, Susan Bryant

Greeters:

- 8:00 - Jerry & Susie Bean
- 10:30 - Larry & Michele Bafford

Acolytes:

- 10:30 - Zedekiah Auten, Jordyn Keck

P.A. Operator:

- 8:00 - Donna Dash
- 10:30 - Keith Backes

Preparation of Communion:

Ron & Jan Dobbs, Karen Penn, Becky Johnston

Sunday School Classes	Floor	Room
Koinonia	2	212
Ecclesia	2R	240
Chalice	2	207
6th grade - 12th grade	2R	280
Kindergarten - 5th grade	2R	230
Nursery (Birth - 5 years old)	1R	150

Sunday, December 16, 2018

ADVENT 3

- 8:00-Worship Service
- 9:00-Come Home For Christmas Brunch, Friendship Center
- 9:00-Contemporary Worship, Great Hall
- 9:00-Fellowship Coffee
- 9:00-Youth Sunday School Classes
- 9:15-Adult Sunday School Classes
- 10:30-Worship Service
- 12:00-Come Home For Christmas Lunch, Great Hall
- 1:00-Praise Team Rehearsal, Great Hall
- 3:00-Youth Group Caroling
- 4:00-Youth Group Christmas Party, Great Hall

Monday (17)

- 8:30-PS: Ginger Bread Houses, Disciples' Room
- 5:30-Bowling, Spare Time Lanes

Tuesday (18)

- 7:00-Journeymen, Connection Café
- 8:15-CCStitchers Christmas Party, 207 & Disciples' Room
- 9:30-Card Ministry, 240
- 10:30-Staff Meeting, Conference Room
- 11:45-PS: Staff Meeting, 170
- 5:15-Advent Bible Study, 240
- 6:30-Heart & Soul Christmas Party, Great Hall

Wednesday (19)

- 9:00-PS: Christmas Parties, Class Rooms
- 9:00-Baby Talk Family Fun Day, Disciples' Room
- 10:30- Minister's Meeting
- 5:30-Church Council Committee Meetings, Great Hall

Thursday (20)

NO PRESCHOOL

- 10:00-Al-Anon, 240
- 11:30-SMH Widow Support, East End Grill
- 4:00-Journeymen 2, Connection Café
- 6:00-Brass Choir, Disciples' Room
- 7:00-Chancel Choir

Friday (21)

NO SCHOOL

Saturday (22)

Sunday (23)

ADVENT 4

- 8:00-Worship Service
- 9:00-Contemporary Worship, Great Hall
- 9:00-Fellowship Coffee
- 9:00-Youth Sunday School Classes
- 9:15-Adult Sunday School Classes
- 10:30-Worship Service
- 12:00-Praise Team Rehearsal, Great Hall

Congregational Meeting Update

Following the 10:30 service this past Sunday, a congregational meeting was held to vote on two (2) items of business: a) a slate of officers and church leaders for 2019; and b) a church operating budget for the coming year. Both items passed unanimously.

2019 Offering Envelopes

In the next few weeks your 2019 Giving Envelopes should arrive in the mail. Use of these envelopes greatly helps our financial group properly distribute your contribution. If you do not receive your 2019 Giving Envelopes, please contact the church office.

Food Collection

The food collection for January 6th is canned fruit and canned soup. As always, the shopping cart is located in the Connection Café. Donations will be delivered to the Northeast Community Fund. Thank you for your generous giving.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Christmas is a time of great anticipation, filled with wonder and joy. But for some people, it is a time of sadness and depression as they deal with adversities and struggles. If you know of someone who would benefit in receiving a prayer shawl or lap blanket from our church, please let the church office or one of our ministers know. By giving a prayer shawl, our church is letting someone know that God loves and cares deeply for them and that they are never alone in facing their difficulties. So during this Advent season, let us express our mission as a church to “share Christ, change lives and deliver hope” by giving someone this special expression of faith, hope and love.

“Come, they told me....”

On December 16 and 23, we will bring our “finest gifts” to support the regional church through our Christmas offering. This offering enables our region to gather Disciples in camps, conferences and assemblies; to assist churches in calling new ministers; to support new ministers in preparation for ordainment; and generally to foster faith development and promote the mission of the church in our own community and state, to name but a few functions. Please consider bringing your gift, “fit to give a King,” for this special offering.

Central Christian Church Note Cards

will be sold in the Friendship Center on Dec 16th between services. The cards are being donated by Dorcas and proceeds will go to the Central Christian Preschool. The cards depict Central scenes and are 25 for \$5.00 until they are sold out.

About Today's Music

Anthem

Dance and Sing, for the Lord Will be With Us

Words: Isaiah 11:1-7

Music: Ancient Hebrew folk melody

Arrangement: Hal Hopson

Dance and sing, for the Lord will be with us. Glory, hallelujah.

Peace and justice soon will be with us. Glory, hallelujah.

Clap your hands and sing: Glory, hallelujah.

Joyful voices ring. Glory, hallelujah.

Dance and sing for the Lord will be with us. Glory, hallelujah.

Peace and justice soon will be with us. Glory, hallelujah.

Soon a Son will come through Jesse. His delight shall be the Lord.

He shall reign with truth and justice. Come, O Savior, come.

Wolf and lamb shall rest together; calf and lion shall join as friends.

Peace shall come to all the nations. Come O Savior, come.

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BRING A BELL!

Sunday, December 23rd

is **Bring a Bell Sunday.**

Bring a bell of any shape or size to worship and ring it while we sing

“Angels We Have Heard On High”