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Giving

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December 11, 2011 - 8:15 am

**Third Sunday
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Welcome & Announcements

*Call to Worship Psalm 126 (Response 2) UMN 847

*Opening Prayer For Illumination (unison) UHM 477

*Hymn

Third Candle of Advent Angela Howard

Scripture Reading Isaiah 61:1-3, 7-11

Lighting the 3rd Candle

We light this candle as a symbol of Christ our Joy. May the joyful promise of Your presence, O God, make us alive with joy each day, through the hope of salvation.

Gracious God, may we, Your people, who look forward to the birthday of Christ, experience the joy of salvation, and celebrate his birth with love and thanksgiving. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you, and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Response "I've Got the Joy of God in Me"

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I've got the Spirit of the Son of God, I've got the joy of God in me!
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*Hymn "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" UMH 196

Offertory "Gesù Bambino"
Ann Stewart

*Response "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95

*Hymn "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (verses 1-4, 7) UMH 211

Prayers of the People

Scripture Matthew 1:18-25

Sermon "When God Interrupts" Rev. Jim Wishmyer

*Closing Hymn "Love Came Down at Christmas" UMH 242

*Benediction

Postlude

* Please stand as you are able

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Opening Song

Prayer/Announcements

Marty Bartels

Third Candle of Advent

Anderson Family

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 61:1-3, 7-11

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*Worship in Song

Worship in Giving

Sacrament of Christian Baptism

Scripture

Matthew 1:18-25

Sermon

"When God Interrupts"

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***Hymn** "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" (2 verses)
Angel Ringers

Hark the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!
Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled"
Joyful, all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies
With the angelic host proclaim: "Christ is born in Bethlehem"
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Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n with healing in His wings
Mild He lays His glory by, Born that man no more may die
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Offertory *Gene Robey*

***Response** "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95

LUMC CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT See Separate Pageant Insert

***Closing Hymn** "Silent Night"
Angel Ringers

Silent night! Holy night! All is calm, all is bright;
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child! Holy infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly Peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night! Holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight.
Glories stream from heaven afar, Heav'nly hosts sing, "Alleluia!"
Christ, the Savior is born, Christ, the Savior is born.

Silent night! Holy night! Son of God love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face, With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth, Jesus, Lord at Thy birth.

***Benediction**

Postlude