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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A Welcoming Community of Compassion & Faith

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT
DECEMBER 15, 2024

PRELUDE Comfort Ye and Every Valley from Messiah G. F. Handel Samuel Stalker, tenor

WELCOME TO TRINITY

Rev. Dr. Brian C. Smith

PROCESSIONAL HYMN O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Hymnal № 211 Verses 1,2,6,7

OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Everlasting God,

you see us in our moments of darkness and despair.

Yet in your boundless grace,

you fill our emptiness with the gifts of hope, peace, joy, and love.

In this holy season of exchanging gifts,

help us to be mindful of the gifts you freely give;

through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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INTERCESSORY PRAYER

After each petition ending "Lord, hear us," please respond saying: "Lord, graciously hear us."

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Anna Joy Buegel

SENDING SONG

Go With Them, Lord



Go with them, Lord, and guide the way through this and ev - ery com-ing day, that



Isaiah 12:2-6 **PSALTER** See insert

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 30

SERMON "Joy for Regret" Rev. Victor O. Melad

HYMN Good Christian Friends, Rejoice Hymnal № 224

TRINITY WILMETTE THIS WEEK

GIVING OUR TITHES and OFFERINGS Invitation and Prayer of Dedication

Offertory Behold, a Virgin Shall Conceive and O Thou That Tellest

from Messiah

G. F. Handel

Paige Dirkes-Jacks, mezzo soprano

Chancel Choir

Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Emmanuel, God with us. O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion, get thee up into the high mountain. O thou that tellest good tidings to Jerusalem, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid;say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God! Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Hymnal № 94

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

We practice "open communion" and invite all ages to Christ's Table. Our bread has no gluten, dairy, soy, or nuts. The cup contains grape juice.

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CLOSING HYMN

While By My Sheep

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BENEDICTION and CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE Toccata on 'O Come, O Come, Emmanuel'