



## Third Sunday of Advent

### Joy and Happiness

December 11, 2022

The livestream and video at:  
<https://youtu.be/sTB8oLosbVg>

Processional

Prelude **African Alleluia** *Ensemble & Church*  
(Congregation invited to Join the Ensemble)

Welcoming the Holy Spirit *Acolytes*

\* **Advent Candle** **Joy** *James Dixon*

One: With our first Advent Candle we celebrated Hope among us.

*(light the first candle- Joy)*

One: Christ brings Hope.

**All: Without Hope we are lost indeed.**

One: Last Sunday we explored Peace.

*(light the second candle - Peace)*

One: Peace begins with the Christ who is the Prince of Peace.

**All: As disciples, we are called to be peace-makers.**

One: Today we turn with Joy to the third candle.

*(light the third candle - Joy)*

One: In Latin, rejoice is “gaudette” and some call this Pink Candle by that name.

**All: We remember the book of Philippians 4; "4Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. 5Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near.**

\* Hymn **Send Your Word** *Hymnal # 195*

Scripture **James 1:2-4** *Pew Bible N.T. #214*

One: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks Be to God.**

### Prayer Time – Announcements, Prayers & Celebrations

Unison Prayer (unison)

One: Glory Be to God, God is Good!

**All: All the Time.**

One: Advent is one of God's great gifts.

**All: Advent, the season of preparing, the season of gifts and giving and carols and parties and magic.**

One: Hope, Peace and Joy are the candles on the Advent wreath, the circle around the candle of Christ is almost complete.

**All: Lord God, help us be drawn into the celebration of this season, feeling the love You share with us, and sharing that same love to all we meet. Guide us to a closer spiritual connection with the manger. Show us how to be the midwives of Christ to our world.**

Silent Meditation

Pastoral Prayer

*Peter Freytag*

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

Offering

**Bring Us Hope**

*Ensemble*

*Words and Music by: Ruth Elaine Schram*

Scripture

**1 Peter 1:6-9**

*Pew Bible N.T. #218*

One: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks Be to God.**

\* Hymn

**Tell Out, My Soul**

*Hymnal #200*

Sermon

**Joy & Happiness**

*Mark Dockter*

\* Hymn

**Lo, How a Rose e're Blooming**

*Hymnal #216*

\* Benediction

*Peter Freytag*

Recessional

**Go Now in Peace**

*Congregation*

\* *(Please stand if you are able)*

## This Week's Calendar:

### Office Hours:

**Monday to Friday:** 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, December 7** Choir rehearsal

**Next Sunday, December 18, 2022**

**11:00 a.m.** English Worship Service

**3:00 p.m.** Tongan Worship Service

### Christmas Eve – 4 p.m.

We will celebrate Christmas Eve services with carols and candles at 4 p.m. followed by cookies, coffee, and punch. If you can contribute to the goodies, please contact Ellen Dockter but “Nothing that requires cutlery.”

### End of Year Giving - From our Treasurer

Dec. 23 will be the last opportunity you will have to give a gift to Burns Church and have it applied for 2022.

### Prayer Requests:

- Stella Marker's family and friends mourning her death.
- Renee's friend Estee's son in law's family recovering from a car accident
- Ann, friend of the Schnier family had open heart surgery on Thursday.
- Renee V. prayers for Kurt Brown with bone cancer.
- Wayne Short, fell and got stitches on his head.
- Holly A. PET scan looks improved.
- Edna L. with COPD
- Jim L.'s daughter-in-law seeking a kidney transplant.
- Don B. seeking a kidney transplant.
- Frank and Barbara S. as Frank's health slowly deteriorates.
- Hurricane recover in Florida, Puerto Rico, Cuba and elsewhere
- Earl & Marianne P. health

Senior Pastor: *Peter Freytag*

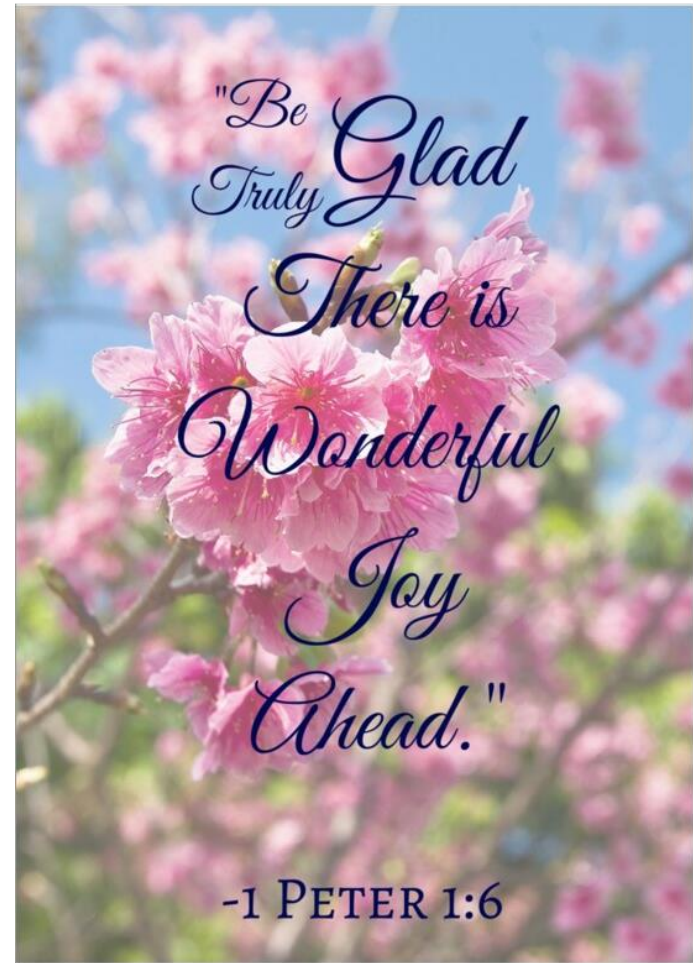
Accompanist: *Collen Blake*

Tongan Pastor: *Atonio Toluta'u* Office Manager: *Paea Kelemeni*

Christian Ed: *Stephanie Iverson* Ad Council Chair: *Mike Sumrall*

Lay Delegate: *Melba Taylor* Tongan Lay Leader: *Ngalu Kelemeni*

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