

# HOSTING THE STORY

RINGING OF THE HOUR

MOMENT OF MEDITATION     ***Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne***     Phil Mullinax, Organ

SCRIPTURE AS COMPASS

*\*Each week, we begin worship by reading those sacred verses that remind us, hold us accountable even, to whom we say we are.*

WELCOME AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

INVOCATION     Rev. Jessica McDougald

SHARING GOD'S JOY

May the joy of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

† SONG OF FELLOWSHIP     ***Hope, Peace, Joy, And Love!***  
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***These are gifts You bring from above.***  
***Jesus, Emmanuel, come to be***  
***Light of Your JOY, reflected in me.***

LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF JOY     The Hadra Family

We are expecting God to come among us in new ways;  
We are expecting to birth holiness right here!  
**Ring the bells! Clap your hands! Our hearts rejoice.**  
Make a circle. Light a fire. Sing a song of love.

**We dream the future and we hope for joy – joy that makes our lives full and satisfying.**

Now for us this candle illumines the possibility of joy....  
**That God will move among us with strength and peace!**

FIRST LESSON

Luke 1:46-55

COMMUNITY PRAYER

† HYMN OF PRAISE     ***Joy To The World! The Lord Is Come***     Hymn #102  
*\*Warmth of giving offering may be brought down and placed beneath the Chrismon Tree at this time.*

CHILDREN'S INVITATION TO GATHER

CHILDREN'S MOMENT     Rev. Jessica McDougald

SINGING TO OUR CHILDREN     ***Away In A Manger***  
***Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,***  
***The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head:***  
***The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay,***  
***The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.***

OFFERTORY PRAYER     Marie Malpass

OFFERTORY     ***Creation Will Be At Peace***     MBC Chancel Choir

† DOXOLOGY     Greensleeves  
***Praise God from whom all blessings flow:***  
***Praise God all creatures here below,***  
***Praise God above ye heavenly host:***  
***Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost.***  
***This, This is Christ the King,***  
***Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:***  
***Haste, haste, to bring Him laud, the Babe, the Son of Mary.***

SCRIPTURE READING     Deuteronomy 16:13-15

† *Please stand as you are able to in body and spirit.*

HOMILY *Harvest Of Joy*

Rev. Bob Stillerman

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION MUSIC

Carol Radcliffe, Dulcimer

COMMUNION

† HYMN OF INVITATION *I Come With Joy*

Hymn #456

BENEDICTION

Rev. Bob Stillerman

† SONG OF RESPONSE

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel,  
His name is called Emmanuel;  
God with us, revealed in us:  
His name is called Emmanuel. (repeat)*

DEPARTING REFLECTION

Phil Mullinax, Piano

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# MILLBROOK BAPTIST CHURCH



Third Sunday of Advent: Joy  
December 14, 2025