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Sunday, December 13 2015, 10:00am
Theme: Advent 3 – Unbridled Joy

† indicates stand as you are able
Bold indicates participation by the people

MV = More Voices
VU = Voices United

We Gather With

PRELUDE

CAROLLING with *The Children's and Youth Choirs*

Jingle Bells

Go, Tell It on the Mountain VU#43

Joy to the World VU#59

WELCOME & GREETING VISITORS (*Leader*)

†GREETING ONE ANOTHER (Please feel free to move around)

SPIRIT LINES (Announcements)

SILENCE & TONE BOWL

CANDLES OF ADVENT: *Lift Up Your Eyes* (on-screen)

JOY

OPENING PRAYER: (*In Unison*)

Holy God, as we get closer and closer to Christmas, it gets easier to get caught up in the excitement and the bustle around us. Today, we joyfully gather together to worship you. Help us to set aside our planning and our fretting, our wish lists and our to-do lists, so that we may focus on you. We pray that your Holy Spirit would fill this place, that we might hear your voice speaking to us. Amen.

†HYMN: *Angels We Have Heard on High* (on-screen)

VU#38

Open Minds

CHRISTMAS MUSICAL: *The Children's and Youth Choirs~ Nutcracker Musical~ Arr. Beall/Artman/Lowden ~ Script written by Rev. Tracy Robertson ~ Please see insert*

†HYMN: *Silent Night, Holy Night (on-screen)*

VU#67

Open Hands

INVITATION TO OPEN HANDS *(Leader)*

OPPORTUNITY TO OPEN HANDS

with our Tithes, Offerings, & Prayers.

(Please print clearly and place your Prayer Slips in the Prayer Baskets.)

†OFFERTORY: *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Tune: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (on-screen)

VU#541

†OFFERTORY PRAYER *(Unison, on-screen)*

Gracious God, you have loved us and blessed us beyond our comprehension. This offering is a humble portion which we desire to give back to you. We pray that you will use these gifts to bless others, that they may know your love as we do. Amen.

CALL TO PRAYER: *All Who Are Thirsty (on-screen)*

MV#4

PASTORAL PRAYERS & PRAYER OF JESUS

Open Hearts to Each Other and the World

†COMMISSIONING and BENEDECTION: *(Leader)*

†HYMN: *It Came upon the Midnight Clear (on-screen)*

VU#44

POSTLUDE

Participating in worship leadership today: Rev. Tracy, Rev. Bob, The Children's Choir, The Youth Choir, Pam Bazinet, Barbara Robertson, Bud Berges, Cindy Zhang, Mark Wagner, David Robertson, John Robertson, Marilyn Barry, Sherrill Knight, Deyelle, Daniel, Hilda, & Banner MacDonald, Diane & John Latter.