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# AMONGUS

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# 3rd Sunday of Advent

**December 17, 2023** 

8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

**GATHERING MUSIC** 

Larry Landusky

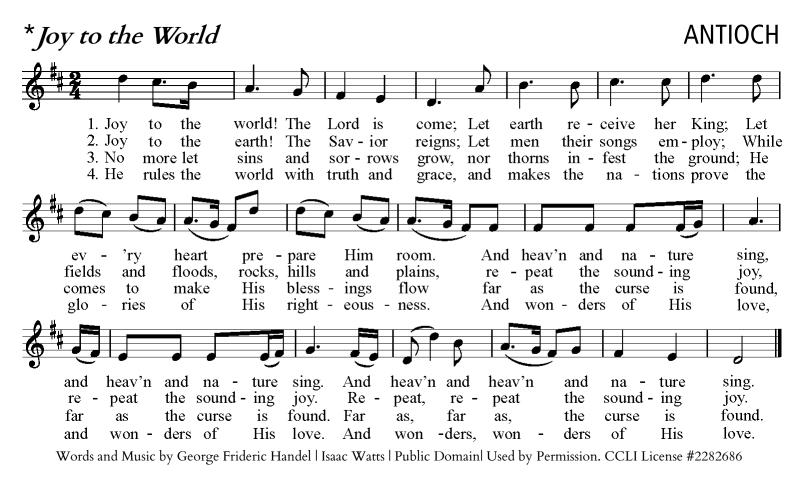
#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Josh McDonald

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

PRELUDE Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus Bells Gloria JEFFERSON, Wm. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1854 arranged by Cathy Moklebust



<sup>\*</sup>Please stand if it is comfortable to do so

#### SCRIPTURE READING

# Jessica Medina & Children, Chase & Sarah Dunn & Children

Psalm 66:1-4

<sup>1</sup>Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; <sup>2</sup>sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise. <sup>3</sup>Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you. <sup>4</sup>All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name." *Selah* 

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God!

#### LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE OF JOY

#### LITANY OF JOY

In this season, we remember Christ's first Advent and anticipate his second.

We wait and we long for you, O God.

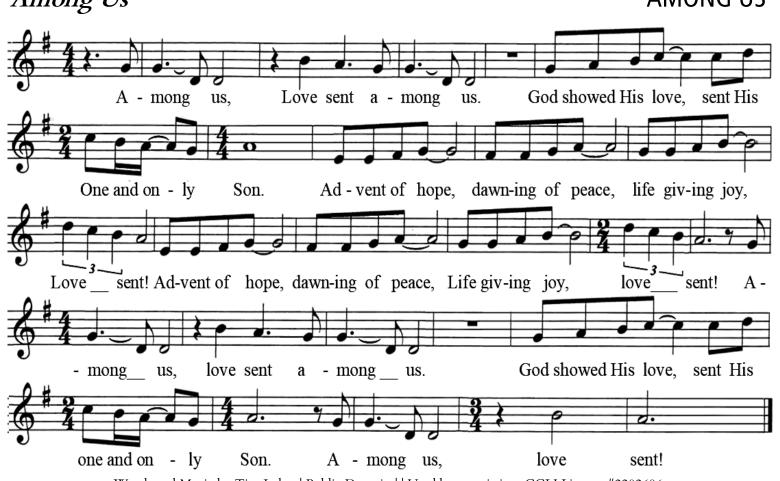
Today we light this candle believing the King of joy will come, the gift of God's own Son.

We wait and we long for you, O God.

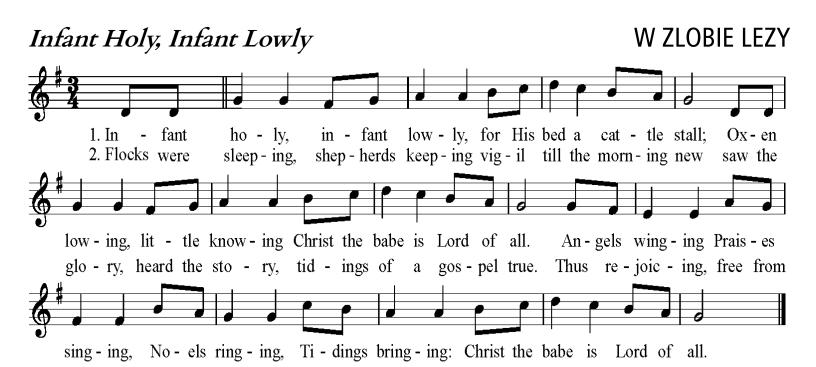
Even so, the night is dark and our waiting seems endless.

This is how God showed his love...





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mor - row: Christ the babe was born for you.

sor - row, prais - es voic - ing, greet the

# Fairest Lord Jesus / Gesú Bambino (8:30) by Neilson and Young

Marilyn Arland and Larry Landusky

# CHILDREN'S TIME (10:45)

**David Cameron** 

All children are invited to come forward. Following Children's Time, ages 4-5 are invited to Preschool Praise, room #102 of the Children's Wing.

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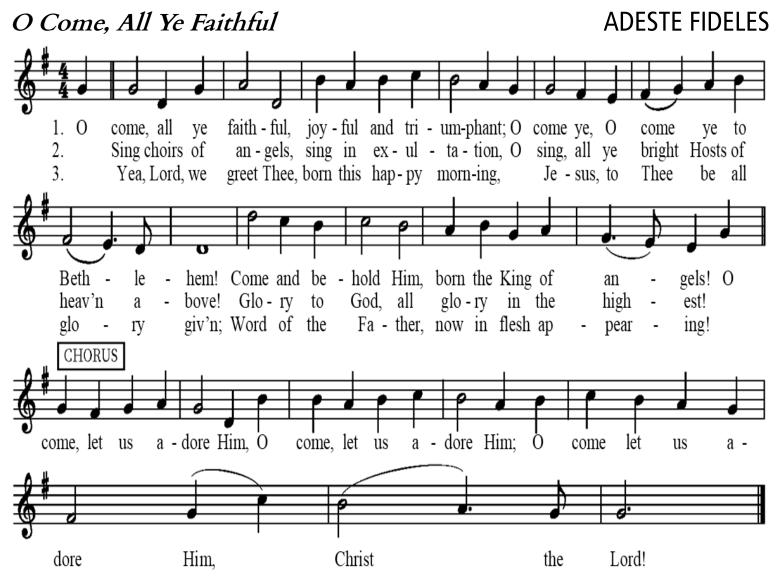
Dianne Powell, David Cameron

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

<sup>1</sup>The spirit of the Lord God is upon me because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, <sup>2</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn, <sup>3</sup> to provide for those who mourn in Zion—to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory. <sup>4</sup>They shall build up the ancient ruins; they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

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Sussex Carol (10:45)

**Second Voices** 

arranged by Elaine Hagenberg

# Dianne Powell, David Cameron

John 1:6-8, 19-28

<sup>6</sup>There was a man sent from God whose name was John. <sup>7</sup>He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup>He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. <sup>19</sup>This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" 20 He confessed and did not deny it, but he confessed, "I am not the Messiah." 21 And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the prophet?" He answered, "No." 22 Then they said to him, "Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" 23 He said, "I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,' " as the prophet Isaiah said. 24 Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. 25 They asked him, "Why, then, are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?" <sup>26</sup> John answered them, "I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, <sup>27</sup> the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the strap of his sandal." <sup>28</sup> This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God!

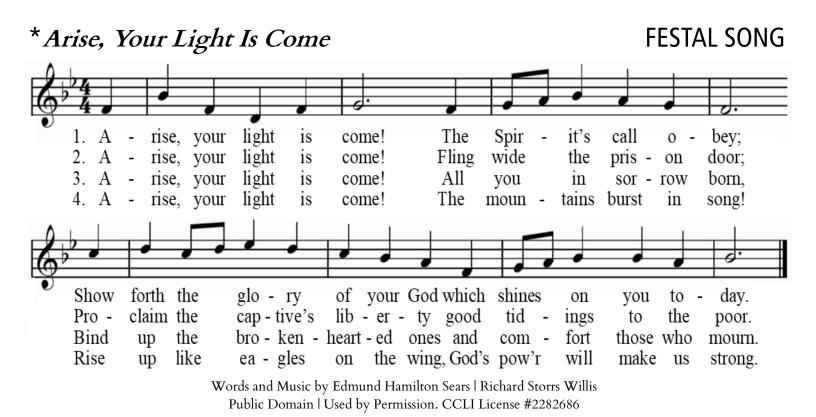
#### **PROCLAMATION**

**Charles Johnson** 

Bearing Witness, Giving Testimony

#### INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

You are invited to dedicate your life to Christ, join our faith community, or answer a call from God to do ministry in this world by coming forward during the hymn and share this decision with a minister.



#### THE MORNING OFFERING

Please drop your connection card and offering in the plate as it is passed. If you would like to donate online, please go to secondb.org/give or @secondbaptistlbk on Venmo.

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Jim Smith, Kathleen Campbell

OFFERTORY

T'was in the Moon of Wintertime

UNE JEUNE PUCELLE, French, folk tune

arranged by Cathy Moklebust

## \*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Please share the peace with those near you.

**BAUGH** 

Hope, peace, joy and love!
These are gifts You bring from above.
Jesus, Emmanuel, come to be
Light of Your joy reflected in me.

\*PASTORAL BENEDICTION

**Charles Johnson** 

#### WE TAKE SERIOUSLY OUR MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Prayer cards are available. Please place your filled out card and offerings in the box on the rear wall of the Worship Hall or place in the offering plate as it is passed during worship.

#### ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOUR USE.

Please ask an usher for assistance as you enter the sanctuary for worship.

# This Week at 2B

SUNDAY, Dec. 17

4:00p: Service of Hope

6:00p: Second Chance Al-Anon

TUESDAY, Dec. 19

6:30a: Prayer Breakfast

10:00a: B & B

1:30p: Chronic Pain Support Group

6:00p: Learn to Play Mahjong

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 20 No Wednesday Activities

SUNDAY, Dec. 24

10:45a: Advent 4 Worship Service

5:00p: Christmas Eve Carols, Candles,

and Communion



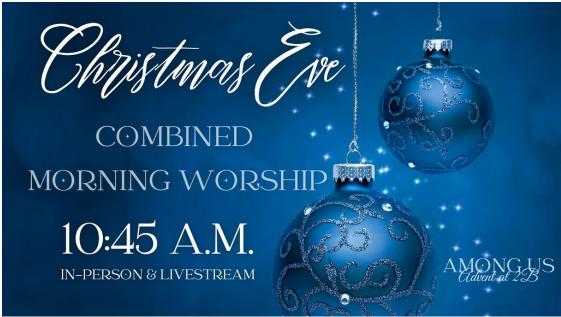
Poinsettia
Orders
\$25.00 a.

In Memory of or Celebration of Someone Special

Deadline is December 18<sup>th</sup>
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### We hold in prayer

Bill Addison, Laura Alwan, Jerry Bailey, Pete Blassingame, Tom Boren, Teresa Fisher, Gary Gray, Jo King, Melissa Marable, Meredith McAlister, Winne Moore, Michael Personette, Lawrence Ramsey, Dr. Bryan Smitherman, Gale Stocks, Jana Thomas, Debbie Walker, Kathy White, Coby Wilson, Airman Cory Wimberly, The Holy Land

#### We Celebrate With

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Dec. 18 - Nick & Christina Reid
Dec. 20 - Bobby & Dellinda Ebeling,
Mike & Danna Watkins
Dec. 22 - Robert & Stephanie Rhode,
Bill & Carol Brannan
Dec. 23 - Larry & Jan Payne,
Dustin & Beccah Baucom

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Dec. 18 - David Meekins
Dec. 19 - Judy Cooke, Peter Reed
Dec. 20 - Carol Tarbox, Cole Whitten
Dec. 21 - Loretta Bradley, Dustin Baucom
Dec. 23 - Betty Warren, Ashlyn Simek

# Church Staff

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