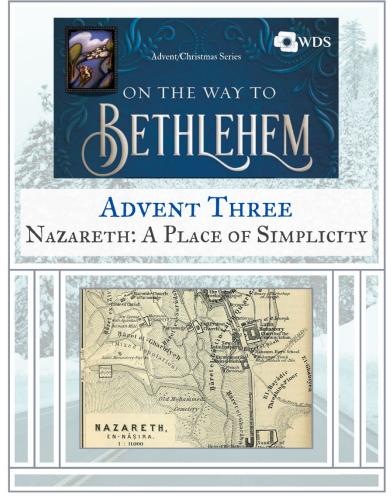


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Sunday, December 15, 2024

Prelude

#### Welcome

# Light for the Journey

Lily Hunter Acolyte

# We Respond to the Light

\*All who are able, please stand.

- One: The journey continues, and this candle will help light our way.
- Many: We are on our way to more joy.
  - One: Life can be so complicated and filled with distractions.
- Many: We are a people who simply want Good News.
  - One: We need a marker on the journey to tell us to stop and notice the wonder of the moments along the way.
- Many: God's light goes before us, we are not alone.

# **Opening Prayer and Words of Assurance**

# \*Passing of the Peace

Let this be a marker of assurance that we are moving in a faithful direction. God is with us every step of our way toward the joy of Bethlehem. Jesus is being born into our lives even now. The Spirit is transforming us in this place.

One: Peace be with you!

#### Many: And also with you.

As people forgiven and freed, I invite you to pass the Peace of Christ among you and to those worship remotely. We are glad you are on this journey. \*Opening Hymn

One Candle Is Lit

#128 (verses1,2,3)

First Scripture Reading

Romans 15:12-13

### **Children's Moment**

Worship and Wonder: 4-year-olds through Grade 2 — Room 203 Adventures in Faith: Grades 3-5 — Narthex

### **Second Scripture Reading**

Luke 1:26-38

Anthem

People Look East Farjeon, arr. Warner **Chancel Choir** 

Sermon

Nazareth: A Place of Simplicity Rev. Kyle Hunter

**Guided by Prayer** 

**Stewardship Moment** 

\*Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow #46

Communion

#### The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

### Invitation to Discipleship

Those who wish to unite with Speedway Christian Church are invited to come forward as we sing to confess your faith in Jesus Christ. You may also do so by offering a Confession of Faith in confidence with a minister.

#### \*Invitation Hymn

#138

Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn (verses 1,3)

### \*Benediction

Postlude

Ding! Dong! Merrily on High arr. Hayes Paula Nichols Director of Music

#### Sunday Christian Education Opportunities

Before Worship:

Journey in Faith – Room B2, 6th & 7th Grades

#### During Worship (after Children's Moment):

Child Care – Room 101B (available 9am to 11:45) Worship and Wonder – Room 203, 4 year olds through 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Adventures in Faith – Narthex, Grades 3-5

#### Following Worship, beginning at 10:30am

Children's Sunday School – Room 207, ages 4 through 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Youth Sunday School – Room, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade through 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Adult Sunday School – Room B1

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