


SPEEDWAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Advent/Christmas Series

ON THE WAY TO
BETHLEHEM

ADVENT THREE
NAZARETH: A PLACE OF SIMPLICITY



NAZARETH,
EN-NĀSIRA.
1 : 11000

Sunday, December 15, 2024

Prelude *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* Joyful Ringers
arr. Lohr

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
(verses 1,2,3)

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 2nd Grade

Adventures in Faith – Narthex, Grades 3-5

Following Worship, beginning at 10:30am

Children's Sunday School – Room 207, ages 4 through 3rd Grade

Youth Sunday School – Room, 4th Grade through 12th Grade

Adult Sunday School – Room B1

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