



December 11, 2022
Third Sunday of Advent



VISITORS: Please fill out a contact card from the welcome table and put it in the offering tray on your way out if you would appreciate a response from Pastor Colleen, or to be added to our email list. Thank you for worshipping with us today!

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Order of Worship

Prelude Chris Greninger, Pianist

Welcome Rev. Dr. Colleen Carroll

Call to Worship

Pastor: In the shadows, light!

All: In our longing, hope!

Pastor: Along the struggle for justice, a way!

All: To those who are broken, joy!

Pastor: God, may the promise of your advent give us courage.

All: May the dawn of your coming light our way.

Pastor: With patience, we wait, and we trust.

All: With glad hearts we work and we pray.

Unfoldinglight.net

Opening Hymn "O Come, All Ye Faithful" Hymn #283, Stz. 1,3
Evangelical Lutheran Worship
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Lighting the Advent Candles "Hope", "Peace" and "Joy"

Les Davenport, Wes Davenport, and Terry Plossl

Body Prayer: Holy One, may your joy sustain me;

May your joy bubble up in me;

May your joy grow in all of creation. Amen.

"Advent Unwrapped," United Church of Canada

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

"O Little Town of Bethlehem" Hymn #279, Stz. 4
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Scripture Reading Matthew 11:2-11 (NRSV) Joe Prater

Anthem "How Great Our Joy" Chancel Choir
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Sermon "Joyful Patience" Pastor Carroll

Hymn of Preparation "People, Look East" Hymn #248
Evangelical Lutheran Worship
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Communion Meditation and Prayer Margie Fitterling, Elder

Words of Institution Pastor Carroll

Participation (Please come forward to partake at one of two stations before returning to your pew by the center aisle. Notify the diaconate if you prefer to be served while seated.)

Offertory Margie Fitterling, Elder

Hymn of Response "The King Shall Come" Hymn #260, Stz. 1,2,5
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Mission Challenge and Announcements Pastor Carroll

Closing Circle "Emmanuel, Emmanuel"
(Please join us as we form a circle inside the sanctuary, holding hands if comfortably able, and sing the benediction to each other.)

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel.

God with us, revealed in us,

his name is called Emmanuel.

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Postlude Chris Greninger

This Week at South Joplin Christian Church

Sunday, Dec. 11	Deadline for Poinsettia Memorial Orders 4:00-6:00 pm Family Connection (SJCC)
Monday, Dec. 12	Board Reports Due 6:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous
Tuesday, Dec. 13	6:00 pm PRC 6:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous
Wednesday, Dec. 14	7:00 pm Choir (PLC)
Saturday, Dec. 17	10:00 am—Noon Christmas Party— Foster/Adopt/Connect (SJCC)
Sunday, Dec. 18 (PLC)	Avent 4 Christmas Offering 8:00 am Elders 9:30 am S.S. 10:45 am Worship/CW&W Noon—Christmas Fellowship Dinner and Caroling Party 4:00-6:00 pm Family Connection (SJCC)



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