

***ATTENTION EVERYONE: CHURCH WILL BE  
ON ZOOM THIS SUNDAY BECAUSE OF  
INCLEMENT WEATHER!!!***

**Sunday Morning Zoom Church: ID # - **6577941155****  
***(Founded 1899)***



**Sunday December 14, 2025**  
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# IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*Third Sunday of Advent*

December 14, 2025, .....10:30 am

“The Lord is in His Holy Temple,

Let all the earth keep silent before Him!

## *Worship Service*

**Prelude** .....

**\*Introit**..... *Bless The Lord Oh My Soul* .....

**Worship Leader** ..... **Elder Alir Rothwell**

**Call to Worship** ..... **Worship Leader**

**Leader:** What if joy were to break out unrestrained in our world? What would we notice?

**People:** The wilderness and dry land would be glad; the desert rejoice and blossom.

**Leader:** The blind would see and the lame would walk. Lepers would be cleansed, and the deaf would hear.

**People:** The dead would rise and the poor would receive good news.

**Leader:** May joy break out in our worship today as we anticipate the One who comes into our world!

**People:** Come thou long expected Jesus!

## *Let us Worship God!*

**Invocation**..... **The People of God**

Dear God, in the midst of life's chaos, we seek the tranquility of inner peace. Grant us the serenity to find solace in your presence. Calm our restless minds and ease our troubled hearts. As we gather for worship, may your peace descend upon us like a gentle dove, bringing comfort and stillness to our souls. We long for the peace that only you can provide, O Lord, and we offer this prayer with hearts open to your calming embrace. With gratitude for your peace, we say,  
**AMEN**

**Call to Confession**..... **Leader**

There are two great equalizers among us. One is that we have all sinned and fallen short of God's glory. The other is that we are all now justified by God's grace through the gift of Christ

Jesus. Confident of both, let us admit where we have fallen short and receive grace without limit.

LET US CONFESS OUR SINS TO ALMIGHTY GOD

MOMENT OF PRIVATE AND PERSONAL CONFESSION

**Prayer of Confession:** ..... **People of God**

Holy and wonderful God, we confess that we have closed our eyes to what you are doing. We prefer to concentrate on problems, bad news and violence. When we do, we miss all the healing, freeing and helping you accomplish in our world. We pass up opportunities to participate in your Good News. We rob ourselves of so much joy. Forgive us and give us eyes to see, ears to hear, minds to understand, and hearts to treasure your mission in the world. Fill us with unquenchable joy at the coming of Jesus. **AMEN**

**Assurance of Pardon:** ..... **Leader**

The angel told Joseph, “You are to name the baby Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” Believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Hallelujah! **AMEN**

**People:** *In Jesus Christ we are FORGIVEN!*

**Gloria Patri**..... **pg.579**

**Affirmation of Faith**..... *The Apostles’ Creed* ..... **Pg. 14**

**Hymn of Praise** ..... *Joy To The World*..... **Pg. 40**

**The Peace /Selection**..... **Rev. Michael L. Moore**

**Minister:** God sent the world His only Son. Since God loves us so much, we too, should love one another.

**People:** Let us love one another, since love comes from God.

*(The people may greet one another with a hug /fist bump saying “Peace be with you”)*

**Welcome & Announcements**..... **Leader**

*Advent 2025: Candle Lighting Liturgy*

**First Reader:** In the midst of our waiting and longing for God to make the world right again, we cling to the truth that God has saved, God is saving, and God will save. So today, we join our voices with the prophet Isaiah, who calls us to live in the joy of the truth of God’s salvation.

**All:** We choose to believe that the day is coming when “the ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away” (Isaiah 35:10).

**Second Reader:** We light this candle of joy as a sign of the Truth that sets us free to live in joy as we wait and work for the day when all creation will flourish together.

§ Light the third candle (pink) of the Advent wreath.

**Offering Our Gifts to God**

**Offertory Sentence** ..... **Leader**  
We give to God’s work in the world in response to all that God has done for us. In awareness and gratitude, let us give God’s tithes and our offerings.

**Worship with Tithes and Sacrificial Offerings**

(Please utilize Vanco or mail your offering)

**Please scan the QR code below or mail to the church.**



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**Doxology**.....

**Offertory Dedication** ..... **Leader**  
We thank you God, for all the ways you work and heal and bless and free us. Accept these gifts given in great gratitude and in anticipation of Christ’s return. Multiply them for your glory and for the good of all people. **AMEN**

**Prayer of Illumination**..... **Leader**  
Come Holy Spirit! Through the reading and hearing of the Word today, may a deep and complete joy be born in us. **AMEN**

**Scripture:**

**Old Testament** ..... **2 Samuel 6:14-22**

**New Testament** ..... **Philippians 4: 1-4**

**“THE WORD OF THE LORD”** ..... **Worship Leader**

**“THANKS BE TO GOD”** ..... **The People of God**

**Selection** .....

**Sermon** ..... **Rev. Michael L. Moore**

***“Never! Let Anyone Steal Your Joy.”***

**Call for Discipleship ..... Rev. Michael L. Moore**

**If you feel a call from God today, a need for deeper commitment, or a desire to receive prayer and encouragement, we invite you to come forward to the altar now. This is a moment to open your heart to the Lord and experience His presence in a personal way. Please don't hesitate to step forward, our loving community is here to support you.**

**Prayers for the People..... Rev. Michael L. Moore**

**Charge/Benediction ..... Rev. Michael L. Moore**

**Go out from this place to look for and support all that God is doing in our world. Now unto the One who is able to do beyond what we can ask or even imagine be all honor and glory and power. And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, now and forever. AMEN**

**Let the Church Say AMEN,**

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**God has spoken, Let the church say AMEN**

**AMEN, AMEN, AMEN**



The doors of Thomas M. Thomas Memorial Presbyterian Church swing on warm and welcoming hinges. We are pleased to have you worshipping with us today. We trust that you will be blessed by our FELLOWSHIP. Again, thanks for worshipping with us today and come back again soon and often.

**2 Timothy 2:15** (KJV) 15 Study to show thyself approved into God, a workman that need not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Please join us **Sunday Mornings** at 9:00 am with the Adult Sunday School.

**Wednesday Afternoon** with the Mid week Bible Study at 1:00pm with Sister Janet Jones

**Wednesday evening:** 6:00 pm in the center with Elder Louis Morse. All are welcome.

### Session Meetings

Session meetings are scheduled for the second Thursday of the month. All are welcome to attend but if you have any concerns or ideas please contact the Clerk of Session - Roseida Bryant.

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## **Pray for our Sick and Shut-in**



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**If you are using your phone – 1-312-626-6799 or 1-646-558-8656**

**Wed. Afternoon Bible Study: Free Conference 425-436-6361 code- 496234#**

**The QR code for the church's YouTube Channel**











