

Liturgist: Tom Robinson

Lectionary Readings for December 21, 2025:

***Isaiah 7:10-16; Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; Romans 1:1-7;
Matthew 1:18-25***

Worship Attendance Last Week: 76

Sunday School Attendance: 36

JOY
comes when you put
Jesus first
Others second
Yourself last

Ministers: All professing Members of Locust Grove GMC.

Pastor: Rev. Booker Brown, Jr.



Locust Grove Global Methodist Church

Sunday School for all ages, 10:00 AM

Worship, 11:00 AM

Third Sunday of Advent

December 14, 2025

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(*Please Stand as You Are Able)

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

GATHERING

PRAISE SONG

WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENT

**CALL to WORSHIP*

L: The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad: the desert shall rejoice and blossom.

P: We rejoice in the hope of God's salvation.

L: Lord, strengthen our weak hands and make firm our feeble knees.

P: Our God is coming to save His people!

L: Come, let us worship the One who brings healing and joy.

P: As we worship the one and only living God, we give Him thanks and praise for His saving grace. Amen

**OPENING PRAYER* (IN UNISON)

Gracious God, we confess that a deluge of worry and fear has dampened our joy. We fail to see the signs of Your grace all around us. Forgive us, Lord, and open our hearts to rejoice in Your promised coming and salvation. Restore to us the joy of Your presence. We pray this in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Pastor Booker

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor Booker

THE LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ANTHEM

Choir

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Booker

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Pastor Booker

SCRIPTURE READING

(Please Stand for the Gospel Reading)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON, (Pg. 1072)

Isaiah 35:1-10

**GOSPLE LESSON, (Pg. 1484)*

Matthew 11:2-11

SERMON

"The Joy of Christ"

Pastor Booker

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version, #881, Hymnal

Gloria Patri, #70, Hymnal

**CLOSING HYMN "Joy to the World" #246, Hymnal*

GOING FORTH FOLLOWING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

CLOSING PRAYER

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE