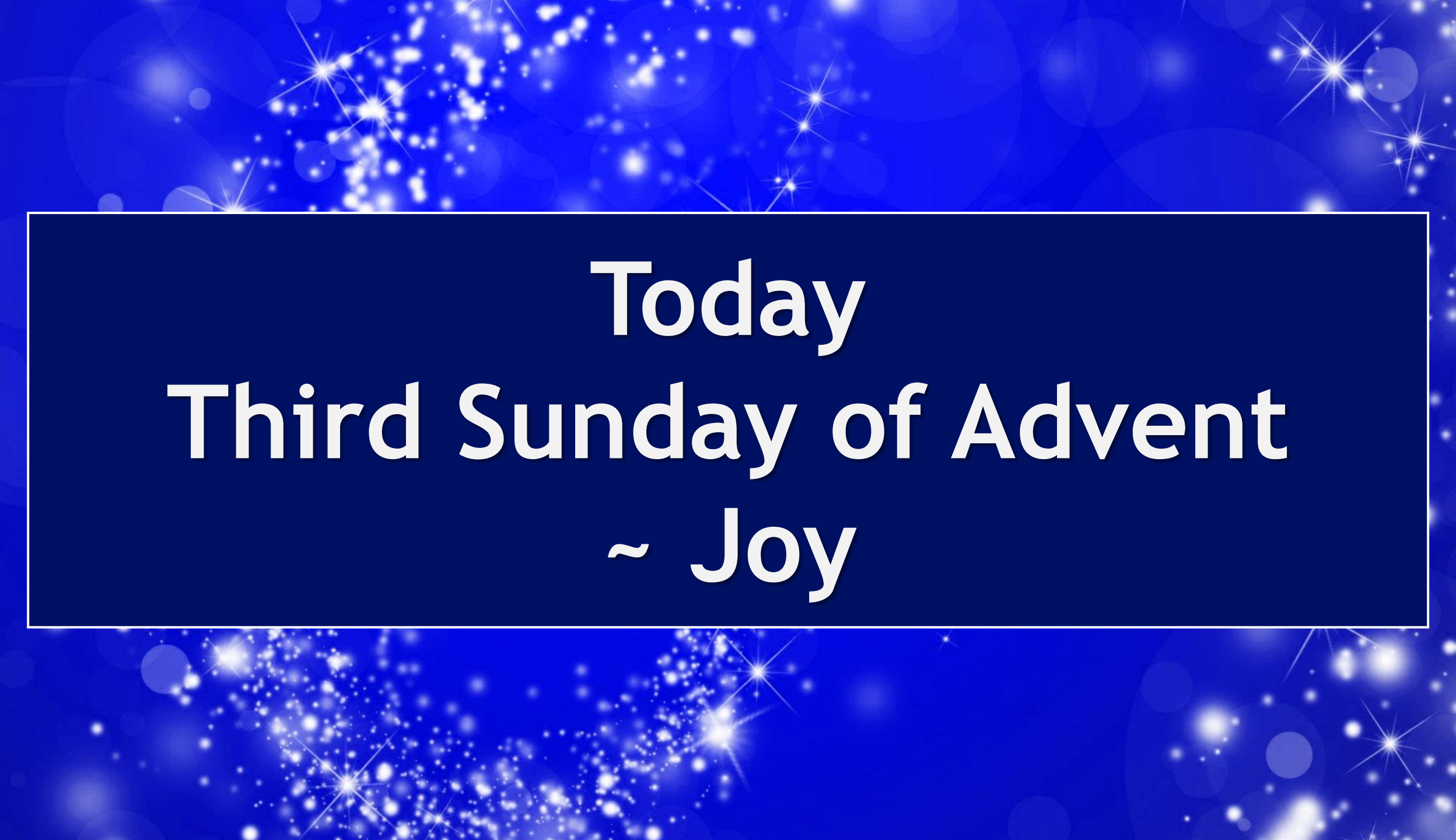




Welcome to
Homestead Park
United Methodist Church



Announcements
~ This Week ~



Today
Third Sunday of Advent
~ Joy

BSA Troop 4 wants your shoes! Now collecting

gently worn shoes:

***Men's, Women's,
Children, and Baby***

**All types of shoes are
welcome! This is a no
money fundraiser.**



*weekly
schedule*

All are welcome!

**Please contact the office
for more information.**

Sunday 11 am

Prayer Meeting (Prayer Room)

Sunday 5 pm

Girl Scouts (Fellowship Hall)

Monday 9³⁰ am

Tai Chi (Fellowship Hall)

*weekly
schedule*

All are welcome!

**Please contact the office
for more information.**

Monday 6³⁰ pm

Cub Scouts (Fellowship Hall)

Monday 7 pm

Boy Scouts (4th Fl Annex Hall)

Tuesday 10am

Line Dancers (Fellowship Hall)

*weekly
schedule*

All are welcome!

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for more information.**

Tuesday 7 pm

Just Recovery (Fellowship Hall)

Friday 10 am

Line Dancers (Fellowship Hall)

**Saturdays
and Sundays**

Homeless Ministry
(Fellowship Hall)



Upcoming Events

Saturday 12/24/22 7 pm
Christmas Eve
Candlelight Service

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Other Announcements

Opening Prayer (unison)

(Please stand as you are able)

**Father, prepare our hearts
to celebrate your birth
joyfully! We thank you for
faithfully doing what you
promised long ago when you
sent your Son to earth so**

**that we might have the
chance to become part of
your family. Let the promise
of your second coming
inspire us to live with hope
and joy and purpose. Amen!**

Call to Worship

(responsive)

(Please stand as you are able)

Pastor: Sing praises to God on high, for glorious are God's works.

People: Sing praises to the ends of the earth.

**Pastor: Shout and sing for
joy, O people of God,**

**People: For great is the Holy
One in our midst,**



**All: Blessed is the One who
comes to dwell among us!**

ADVENT

HOPE PEACE JOY



Lighting the Candle
Of Joy

Hymn of Praise:
The First Noel #245

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The first Noel
the angel did say
was to certain poor
shepherds in fields as they
lay;

in fields where they
lay keeping their sheep,
on a cold winter's night
that was so deep.

**Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
born is the King of Israel.**

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They looked up
And saw a star
shining in the east,
beyond them far;

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and to the earth
it gave great light,
and so it continued
both day and night.

**Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
born is the King of Israel.**

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And by the light
of that same star
three Wise Men came
from country far;

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to seek for a king
was their intent,
and to follow the star
wherever it went.

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**Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
born is the King of Israel.**

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This star drew nigh
to the northwest,
o'er Bethlehem
it took its rest;

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and there it did both stop
and stay, right
over the place
where Jesus lay.

**Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
born is the King of Israel.**

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Church Center App



Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

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Doxology

(Please stand as you are able)

**Praise God from Whom all
blessings flow. Praise Him all
creatures here below. Praise
Him above, ye, heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy
Ghost. Amen.**

Prayer of Dedication

(Please stand as you are able)



Our Time of Prayer



The Lord's Prayer


**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 trespasses as we forgive
those who trespass against us. Lead us not
into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Hymn #70
Glory be to the Father

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Glory be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Holy
Ghost; as it was in the
beginning, is now, and ever
shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.

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Our Scripture
Revelation 19: 6-9 NIV

6 Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting: “Hallelujah! For our Lord

God Almighty reigns. ⁷ Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. ⁸ Fine

linen, bright and clean, was given her to wear.”

⁹ Then the angel said to me, “Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the

**Lamb!” And he added,
“These are the true words
of God.”**

Message

The Great Holiday!

Pastor Don Kephart



Hymn of Dedication
Joy to the World #246

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Joy to the world, the Lord is
come! Let earth receive her
King; let every heart
prepare him room,

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and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven,
and nature sing.

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**Joy to the world, the Savior
reigns!**

**Let all their songs employ;
while fields and floods,
rocks, hills, and plains**

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repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding
joy.

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No more let sins and
sorrows grow, nor thorns
infest the ground;
he comes to make his
blessings flow

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far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found,
far as, far as the curse is
found.

He rules the world with
truth and grace, and makes
the nations prove
the glories of his
righteousness,

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and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders of
his love.

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Benediction

Thank you for joining
us in worship!