

Welcome to Philadelphia UMC

December 11, 2022

Third Sunday of Advent

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

(BOW, 258)

L: How shall we prepare this house for the coming of the King?

P: With branches of cedar, the tree of royalty.

L: How shall we prepare this house for the coming of the eternal Christ?

P: With garlands of pine and fir, whose leaves are ever-living.

L: How shall we prepare our hearts for the coming of the Son of God?

P: By hearing again the words of the prophets, who foretold the saving work of God.

L: For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

P: Glory to God in the highest!

CANDLE LIGHTING

"JOY"

Eddie and Patti Cribb

The Joy Candle, sometimes called The Shepherd Candle, is pink because the rose color represents joy. The third Sunday of Advent is meant to remind us of the world's joy at the birth of Jesus and that the faithful have arrived at the midpoint of Advent.

*HYMN

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

UMH #230

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

UMH #881

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of Heaven and Earth;**

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead and buried;

the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

**the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***GLORIA PATRI "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."**

CHILDREN'S TIME

BIRTHDAY RECOGNITION

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE

Zephaniah 3:14-20

Gerin Knight

PRAYERS, PRAISE AND 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

CHORAL ANTHEM

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*THE DOXOLOGY

UMH #95

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (in unison)

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our Rock and Redeemer. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 3:7-18

SERMON

"The Joy of Home"

Rev. Kathy Pryor

*HYMN

"Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

UMH #240

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE POSTLUDE

**Those who are able, please stand.*

Sincere thanks to Sandra Robbins, Choir Director, the Chancel Choir, along with our youth and children for an inspirational evening last Sunday. Thank you to Buck and Mary Miskelly, Jamie and Katie Knight for delicious refreshments!

YOUTH Christmas Party tonight at Mandy Sandifer and Caroline Cook's home, 6:00 p.m. Food is provided! Please bring a \$10-\$15 gift to exchange, and, a food donation to the Blessing Box.

Dec. 13, Tuesday, and Dec 15, Thursday, Youth meet at church at 5:00 p.m. We will go shopping for food for our Food Drive Thru on Saturday, Dec 17th!

Blue Christmas service Wednesday, December 14th, 6:00 p.m.

Reminders:

Masks are available for anyone while inside the church buildings. If anyone present at in-person worship should test positive for COVID 19 please notify Rev. Kathy Pryor immediately. If anyone has been exposed to someone who has tested positive to COVID 19; if someone feels like they have COVID 19 symptoms; if someone is awaiting test results for COVID 19; the individual and their immediate family should not attend in person worship or other church activities for 5 days until they receive a negative COVID 19 test.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Worship at Philadelphia United Methodist Church!
We are delighted you have chosen to worship with us this morning!

Opportunities This Week

TODAY	Youth Christmas Party	6:00pm
	<i>The Real Christmas Story</i>	6:30pm
	at Narroway (if you purchased tickets)	
Monday	Yoga/Pilates	4:00pm
Tuesday	Youth Shop for Food Giveaway	5:00pm
Wednesday	“The Patriarchs” Bible Study	10:00am
	Blue Christmas Worship Service	6:00pm
Thursday	Yoga/Pilates	4:00pm
	Youth Shop for Food Giveaway	5:00pm
Saturday	Youth Drive Thru Food Giveaway	8:00am-10:00pm

Upcoming Events

December 21st – 6:00pm, Christmas Caroling, All are invited!

December 24th – 9:00pm, “Welcome Home” Christmas Eve Service,
Candlelight and Communion

December 25th – 9:30am, “A Soul at Home” Christmas Day Worship Service

GIVING – Philadelphia UMC provides Online Giving – a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring tithes and offerings. Visit our website, www.philadelphiayork.org, and click our Online Giving link.

2022 Weekly Budget Needs \$1,839.34 Received 12/4/2022 \$2,131.00

	<u>December 11th</u>	<u>December 18th</u>
Lay Reader	Gerin Knight	Ken Spaulding
Ushers	Mike Reeves & Derrick Barrentine	Buck Miskelly & Doug Peterson
Greeter	Bobby & Cathy Carson	Louise Moss
Communion Assistant	<u>December</u> Helen Lewis	<u>January</u>

**Please send any announcements for the bulletin and/or calendar to
Katie Knight, katieknight719@gmail.com, by Wednesday of each week.