



Bellflower UMC

December 11, 2022

Advent III

GREETINGS¹

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

PRAYER

PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING 

Joyful, all you nations, rise.

Jesus, the light of the world.

Join the triumph of the skies.

Jesus, the light of the world.

We'll walk in the light, beautiful light.

Come where the dewdrops of mercy shine bright.

Oh, shine all around us by day and by night.

Jesus, the light of the world.

OPENING PRAYER

Isaiah 35:1-10

O LORD, return to us and give us joy.

Like a desert after the rain, we blossom.

O LORD, give us joy.

We will shout and sing your praises.

O LORD, give us joy,

The blind will see,

the deaf will hear,

the lame will run,

and the mute will shout and sing.

O LORD, give us joy,

The Son will return;

all sorrow and sighing will flee;

our joy and gladness will be everlasting.

OPENING HYMN 

234.O Come, All Ye Faithful

¹ Cover art by KaLisa Veer, <https://unsplash.com/@kalisaveer>

ADVENT CANDLES

RESPONSE² 🎵

**Joy, joy, joy, may Earth be filled with joy.
The joy that fills our hearts with singing,
praising the One our God is bringing,
Joy, joy, joy, may Earth be filled with joy.**

SCRIPTURE

Luke 1:46b-55

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER - #895

RESPONSE 🎵

**Hear our prayer, O Lord.
Hear our prayer, O Lord.
Incline Thine ear to us,
and grant us Thy peace. Amen.**

SERMON

OFFERING & PEACE

DOXOLOGY - #95 🎵

HOLY COMMUNION


SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE 🎵

**Go tell it on the mountain,
over the hills, and ev'rywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born.**

² Advent lyrics by John Stuart, www.stushieart.com, 2022.

Next Sunday:

 Isa 7:10-16; Ps 80:1-7, 17-19; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-25

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