

Second Presbyterian Church

Oxford, New Jersey

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December 13, 2015

Prelude Robert Jelks

Call to Worship

Lighting the Third Candle Of the Advent Wreath – Mohr Family

(Our Advent Wreath reminds us of the approaching celebration of Jesus' birth. The evergreen leaves remind us that God's love is everlasting; the round wreath symbolizes God's eternal love; the light of the candles stands for the light which Jesus brought into a dark world. Each Sunday in Advent another of the candles in the circle is lit, and the Christ candle is lit on Christmas Eve.)

*Hymn "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" - vs. 1 & 2 #186

*Greet One Another - followed by *Bind Us Together* #130

Scripture Reading *Isaiah 12:2-6* P.726

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of Life and Joy, on this third day of Advent, help us to prepare our hearts for the One who came to save us, the one who is coming again: Jesus, the light of the world. Forgive our sins, and open our ears to the call of the needy; empower us to share the joy of our salvation with all the world. O God, giver of unspeakable joy, enable us to truly celebrate the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

** *Gloria Patri* #620

Concerns of the Fellowship

Prayers of the People & *The Lord's Prayer*

***Song of Praise *I Worship You*

Offering

* *Doxology* #623

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn of Preparation *Joy to the World* #194

Scripture Reading *Luke 3:7-18* #1073

Sermon The Rev. Joicy Becker-Richards

"Time for a Change!"

*Hymn of Commitment *Amazing Grace* #299

*Charge & Benediction

*Hymn *Sweet, Sweet Spirit* #153

*Postlude

*Congregation standing **Inside front of hymnal

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*Following the service, please join us next door
in the Chapel for our Pot Luck Luncheon*