

Seymour Christian Reformed Church
Third Sunday of Advent
December 16, 2018
9:30 AM Worship

If you are a newcomer to Seymour Church we want you to know that you are very welcome here. If you have any questions about our family of God or are interested in affiliating with our congregation, Pastor Brian White would be delighted to talk with you. Please leave your contact information on the Friendship Register or connect with him at 616-245-8726 or brian@seymourchurch.org.

Bold Print: Congregation participates audibly; *congregation stands, if possible.

We Gather

Prelude: "Carols of Joy and Gladness" Smith
"Once in Royal David's City" Gauntlett
"Joyful Proclamation/Hark the Herald" Caudill

Advent Candle Lighting

Introit: "And the Glory of the Lord" Sanctuary Choir
(from The Messiah)

*Call to Worship: Romans 13:11-12
You know what time it is,
how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep.
For salvation is nearer now than when we first believed;
the night is far gone, the day is near.
Let us then lay aside the works of darkness,
and put on the armor of light.

*God's Greeting

*Opening Hymn: "Angels from the Realms of Glory" Red 81:1-4

Congregational Life Announcements

*Welcome / Mutual Greeting
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

*Song of Worship: "Light of the Stable"

Youth Liturgical Dance: "I Can Only Imagine"

Invitation to Children: "The Prophets Came to Israel"
(Pre-K through first grade come forward for Children's Worship)

Advent Story: "The Good Shepherd"

Blessing: The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Congregational Prayer

We Hear His Word

Scripture Reading: Matthew 11:28-30

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The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: "Joy Has Dawned: Work"

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Application: "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Red 80

We Respond in Thanks

Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

Offering: 1.) General Fund 2.) Wycliffe Bible Translators

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Register)

Offertory: "Born That We May Have Life"

*Parting Blessing

*Closing Song: "Soon and Very Soon"

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*Postlude: "Soon and Very Soon"

Worship Leaders

Preaching Pastor: Brian White

Organist: Ilene Woldhuis

Advent Candlelighters: John and Jaime Koval

Pianist: Wendy Zwiers

Song Leaders: Worship Team

Ministry of Music: Sanctuary Choir

Seymour Ballet Liturgical Dancers