

# Wesley Park United Methodist Church

Third Sunday of Advent  
9:15 am - December 16, 2018

## We Gather Together

Prelude

Welcome

Entrance of the Light of Christ

\*Lighting the Advent Candle of Love

One: We continue this season of waiting by lighting the third candle, anticipating the light of the star that shone over Bethlehem for all to experience.

*Pastor: Uplifting God, we open ourselves to your call today to recognize your love all around us, and also see the potential to add to the love all around us—making our lives, our families, our communities, and our world a brighter place.*

**All: Fill us with your peace and light, make the world so calm and bright.**

\*Hymn of Preparation UMH#206

**I Want To Walk As A Child of the Light**

## We Receive the Word

Children's Blessing

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

John 1:1-5, 14, 16-17

Witness to the Light in Music

**Midnight Clear (Love Song)**

Witness to the Light in Word

Rev. Dean N. Prentiss

## We Respond to the Word

\*Hymn of Response

**We Need a Silent Night in Here**

**We need a silent night in here. We need your presence to be near.**

**Give us the hope we need and the peace we seek. We need a silent night in here.**

**Give us the hope we need and the peace we seek.**

**We need a silent night, we need a silent night, we need a silent night in here.**

Offering Gifts to God and the World

Stewardship Invitation

Offertory

\*Doxology #64

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!**

**Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,**

**God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

## We Go Forth Into the World

\*Hymn of Hope UMH#213

**Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates**

Benediction

**Go with God into this day,**

**May the Spirit guide your way.**

**Offer joy to all you greet.**

**Like Christ, see God in all you meet.**

Postlude

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*\*Please stand as you are able or comfortable.*

Our Mission is to build a Christian community with all people.

Our vision: by 2018, Wesley Park will strive to inspire from the youngest to the oldest and everybody in between to live out the greatest commandment: to love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength, and love your neighbor as yourself.

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**9:15 am Worship Servants:**

- ☀ **Greeters:** Kathy Den Hollander, Bill & Vicky Van Dalsen
- ☀ **Ushers:** Chuck & Janice Starnes, Larry & Wendy Harr
- ☀ **Sound Tech:** Ross Vanderlaan
- ☀ **Video Tech:** Steven Carruthers
- ☀ **Computer Tech:** Erin Vanderlaan
- ☀ **Acolytes:** Ava Kropp
- ☀ **Nursery:** Skyler Maitner, Pat Beadle (9:15), Erica Jones (11:00)
- ☀ **Information Desk:** Jane Johnson
- ☀ **Musicians:** Sara Kropp, Adrienne Prentiss, Dave Strumfeld

- ⊠ **Rev. Dean N. Prentiss**, Pastor, dprentiss@wesleypark.org
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