

Worship Resources for December 11, 2022
The Third Sunday in Advent



*If you have an Advent wreath at home, place it nearby
and light it as part of the service.*

Welcome

Opening Song “Angels, We Have Heard on High”

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains.
Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Come to Bethlehem and see
Christ Whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Lighting the Third Advent Candle: The Angels' Candle

Prayer: *Dear God, you surround us with your presence and your love, inviting us to live lives that reflect that love. Thank you for angels, both those who shared the news on that Night of Nights, and those who tend us now. Amen*

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 35: 1-10

Matthew 11: 2-11

Meditation

Prayers of the People/The Prayer of Our Savior (debts and debtors)

Closing Song “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

O little town of Bethlehem,
how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
the silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
the everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee tonight.

O holy Child of Bethlehem,
descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in,
be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
our Lord Emmanuel!

Benediction

Threefold Amen