

Pray For: Don Peoples; Marshall Smith; Valerie Bandemer; Mary Ellen Lundy's family; Valerie Bandemer's friend, Sandy Cieslinski; the Pascuzzi/Wenthe Family; Harold Page's family; David Chase; the Shirley/Smith Family; Dustin Pires; Kathy Gosnell's family; Patricia Floyd's family; Virginia Chase; Helen Howlett; Virginia Bliss; the Heisig/Gress Family; Clara White; Helen Crosby's family; Carol Anglin; Winnie Hartman; Alan & Josina McCarroll; Loretta Hirschman's brother, Dick and his family; Flo Braker's sister, Jean Robinson; Sue Wysowski; Karl Voss; Stephanie Farrington; Della & Don VanDoren; Tim VanDerMeid; Amanda Rude Hall; Sally Kubica & her daughter, Lynne; Gretchen Young's great niece, Gabrielle; Laurie Wenthe's mother, Mrs. Pascuzzi; Patricia Floyd's sister, Darna Jackson; Greg Babcock; Loretta & Don Hirschman; Devonne Buskey and his family; Donna Hulbert; Virginia Bliss's nephew, Travis Burkhard; Little David; our new pastor, Rev. Dr. Peter Grinion; Henrietta UCC.

The Advent potluck sponsored by the Board of Christian Ed will be held following worship on Sunday, Dec. 18. BOCE will provide cake and punch. Annual reports are due to Sharon Scurlock by Jan. 6. Thank you, all.

Rejoice in the Lord Always
Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say, Rejoice!
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Rejoice! Rejoice! And again I say, Rejoice!
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Dec. 11, 2016
Third Sunday of Advent



Worship 10 a.m. Sunday

West Henrietta Baptist Church

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Rev. Dr. Peter E. Grinion, Pastor

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Edo Frenkel, Choir Director

John Nothaft, Organist

Into God's Presence

Prelude

Welcome

* Hymn "Rejoice in the Lord Always" (Find words on back. Sing twice.)

Rev. Dr. Peter Grinion

Invocation & Call to Worship

Valerie Bandemer

(Read responsively)

Leader: Come once more, with eager longing,
to receive the promises of God.

All: Out of the desert places of our lives, we
gather with joy and gladness.

Leader: Happy are those whose help is the God
of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God.

All: Our God has promised that lonely
places and deserts will be glad and blossom
as the rose.

Leader: The Lord has promised that the blind will be able to see, the deaf
will hear, the lame will leap and dance, and those who cannot speak will shout
for joy.

All: Our God who made heaven and earth and all that is in them, keeps faith
forever. He sets the prisoners free and brings healing to those who seek him.

Leader: The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down and watches over strangers.

All: Our God executes justice for the oppressed and gives food to the hungry.

*The Advent Candles
A candle is burning, a can-
dle of JOY,
A candle to welcome brave
Mary's new boy.
Our hearts fill with wonder
and eyes light and glow
As joy brightens winter like
sunshine on snow.*

Come once more, with eager longing, and bless the holy name of God.

* Hymn 83 in green hymnal "Once in Royal David's City"

Community Matters

Bonnie Healy

Joys & Concerns, News of the Fellowship

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Valerie Bandemer

Sing "The Advent Candles" (above) to the tune of "Away in the Manger"

Choir Anthem

"To God on High Be Glory" by Johann Sebastian Bach

Intercessory and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Peter Grinion

Our Offerings of Gifts and Pledges

Offertory

* Hymn 95 in blue hymnal "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Into the Word

Joyce Shutts

Scripture Lesson: Matt. 3:1-12

Children's Moment

Marti Spaker

* Hymn 85 in the green hymnal "A Great and Mighty Wonder"

Sermon "John the Forerunner of Jesus"

Rev. Dr. Peter Grinion

* Hymn 75 in green hymnal "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

Benediction

Postlude

Please stay for fellowship and congregational meeting

**Sung standing if possible*

This week

Today - Congregational meeting

Tuesday - Men's breakfast at 7 a.m.

Thursday - Choir practice at 6 p.m.

Thursday - Bible Study at 7:15 p.m.

Saturday - Morning prayer at 9 a.m.

Birthdays

Dec. 12, Barb Miller and Joquina Tas-
ciotti; **Dec. 14**, Mike Shirley and
Theresa Hirschman

Today

Scripture Reader - Joyce Shutts

Fellowship - Leanna Shirley

Greeter - Debbie Covill

Nursery - BOCE

Next Sunday

Scripture Reader - Patricia Floyd

Fellowship - Advent Potluck

Greeter - Debbie Covill

Nursery - BOCE