

WORSHIP 10:00 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:00 AM

DECEMBER 11, 2022

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*A SONG OF PRAISE: EMMANUEL, EMMANUEL      **UMH 204 (2 TIMES)**

ADVENT REFLECTION & CANDLE LIGHTING      **WEDNESDAY NIGHT KIDS**

SONG: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel      (verse 3 only)      **UMH 211**

A Time for Children

Choral Anthem

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*[you are invited to come to the altar to pray]*

A Time of Giving with Special Music

**\*DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SONG: O Little Town of Bethlehem      **UMH 230**

SCRIPTURE: : Isaiah 35:1-10 (NRSV)

35 The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad; the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus <sup>2</sup> it shall blossom abundantly and rejoice with joy and shouting. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the LORD, the majesty of our God. <sup>3</sup> Strengthen the weak hands and make firm the feeble knees. <sup>4</sup> Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you."<sup>5</sup> Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be opened; <sup>6</sup> then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness and streams in the desert; <sup>7</sup> the burning sand shall become a pool and the thirsty

ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp; the grass shall become reeds and rushes.<sup>8</sup> A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray. <sup>9</sup> No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there.<sup>10</sup> And the ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

This Is the Word of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**A PRESENTATION FROM CROSS ROADS UMC 850 YOUTH**

**"A NOT SO SILENT NIGHT"**

Angels We Have Heard on High-UMH 238 (vs. 1, 2)

Away In a Manger-UMH 217 (vs. 1, 2)

Silent Night-UMH 239 (vs. 1, 2)

Go Tell It on the Mountain-UMH 251 (vs. 1, 2)

O Come, All Ye Faithful-UMH 234 (vs. 1, 6)

We Three Kings-UMH 254 (vs. 1, 5)

\*SONG OF INVITATION: JOY TO THE WORLD      **UMH 246**

\*THE BLESSING WITH THE BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you

make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace. Amen.

**POSTLUDE**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Today:** Last day to turn in orders for poinsettias. Order forms are located in the Narthex.

**Last day to turn in Angel Tree gifts.**

**December 15:** 6:00 pm Common Ground

**December 21:** 1:00 pm Blue Christmas Service

6:00 pm Christmas Caroling with WNK. Everyone is invited to participate.

**December 24:** Cross Roads will have one service at 4:00pm on Christmas Eve and there will be no service on Christmas Day.

**Bible Study:** cancelled on December 28 and January 4. Study will resume on January 11.

**January 1, 2023** –We will reveal our 2022 Prayer Partners and sign up for new Prayer Partners.

**Fundraiser:** The Hospitality Team is still taking orders for pecans. Please turn your orders in soon.

**Roses** on the alter are in celebration of the births of Arlo Raffaele Aluise and Anthony Russell Sites

**Prayer Breakfast :** Join Pastor Dustin on Thursdays at 8:30 am at Bob Evans in Kinetic Park. We will start with a devotion, pray over our prayer list, and enjoy fellowship together. You pay for your meal.

**Eat, Study, Pray (ESP)** Tuesdays at noon. Mary DeMoss leads our bible study. Bring your own lunch.

# Cross Roads United Methodist Church

“Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.”



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\*Congregation is invited to stand, if able.

GATHERING MUSIC : LIGHT OF THE WORLD  
CHRISTMAS OFFERING

CROSS ROADS UMC PRAISE TEAM