

Order of Worship

Gathering

One: The Lord be with you.
Many: And also with you.

Welcome and Check-In

Prelude Song of Mary (Ragan Courtney)
Soloist-Jane Burnett

Lighting of the Advent Candle

**Choral Response: Prepare the way of the Lord, prepare the way of the Lord,
and all people will see the salvation of our God.**

***Call to Worship** (Unison)
The Lord has done great things for us! And we are filled with joy! Our God
has turned our weeping into singing, our tears into songs of joy! O Christ of
God, come anew in our hearts this day, and remain in us forever.

***Opening Hymn** Angels from the Realms of Glory (#220)

***Opening Prayer** (Unison)
Eternal Creator, with you each moment of life is full of wonder and
surprise. We pray you to make us watchful as we await the coming of Christ.
Grant that we may not be found sleeping, but awake and rejoicing in your
newness of life. Through the same Jesus Christ our Savior, Amen.

***Greeting Time**

Children’s Moment

Prayer for Illumination (Unison)
God, source of all light by your Word, you give light to the soul. Pour out
on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that our hearts and minds may
be opened to know your truth and your way. Amen.

Dramatic Reading (based on Isaiah 2:1-5 and Luke 1:26-38)

Middle Hymn To a Maid Engaged to Joseph (#215)

Sermon

Rev. Burt Brooks
Joy Abundant!

Anthem Lo, How a Rose (arr. Wagner)

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer (sung by Robert Phanord)

Offering Ourselves and Gifts to God

You may place your offering in the offering plates, go to shadygroveumc.net/give or
text serve to 73256 for a secure link to give. Standard text message rates do apply.

Musical Offering

The Desert Shall Rejoice (Lani Smith)

***Doxology**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ,
whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***Prayer of Dedication** (Unison)

O Mighty One, you have done and are doing great things for us, and holy is your
name. Bless all we offer you—ourselves, our time, and our possessions—that
through us your grace and favor may be made known to all the world, for the
sake of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

***Closing Hymn** There’s a Song in the Air (#249)

***Blessing**

***Going Forth**

***Please stand as able**

Flowers

The flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of
Carole Pokorny, mother of Shannon Koshy.

Announcements

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<http://shadygroveumc.net/whats-happening>

Church Calendar

Check out the church calendar at <http://shadygroveumc.net/calendar>



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December 14, 2025

3rd Sunday of Advent
9:30 am Traditional Worship



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also scan the QRCode or Mobile Check-In through Realm.



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