

*Welcome to our Service of Worship*

**PRELUDE/LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES**

**Announcements**

**Lighting the Advent Candle/Candle Song**

**Contemporary Song**

**Call To Worship:**

L - We come from a world of darkness

**P - Into Christ's world of light.**

L - We come from a world of weariness

**P - Into God's strength and hope.**

L - We come from a slumbering world.

**P - Strengthened by the Spirit, we come to awaken our souls and watch for the coming of Christ.**

**\*Hymn: 249** There's a Song in the Air

**Opening Prayer in Unison**

God, you have molded us into your people. As we gather for worship, let us settle into your bosom of love. We wish to be made into your image. We worship to experience your brightness. We gather to become your Body of Believers. Restore us, O God of the heavens; let your face shine upon us, so that we may worship and know you. Amen.

**Scripture Lesson:** Luke 1:26-33

**Children's message**

**JOYS, CONCERNS and PRAYER REQUEST**

**LORD'S PRAYER:**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY:**

**\*DOXOLOGY #95**

**\*Prayer**

**\*Hymn: 236** While Shepherds Watch Their Flocks

**Sermon Scripture:** John 14:1-3

**Sermon Title:** Joy, a light in the darkness

**\*Hymn: 217** Away in a Manger

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATION RESPONSE #227 vs 1**

**Phelps Chapel United Methodist Church**

December 3, 2023

9:00 A.M.