

**STAUNTON CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN**  
**Worshipping Christ with Joy, Living Together in Peace,**  
**and Serving the World with Love**  
**11:00 A.M. Online Worship                      December 13, 2020**  
**The Third Sunday of Advent**

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship:                      Gaudete (pronounced “Gow-day-tay”)

One: Because Christmas is almost here  
Because dancing fits so well with music  
Because inside baby clothes are miracles.

All: *Gaudete!*

One: Because some people love you Because  
of chocolate  
Because pain does not last forever.

All: *Gaudete!*

One: Because of laughter  
Because there really are angels  
Because your fingers fit your hands  
Because forgiveness is yours for the asking  
Because of children  
Because of parents.

All: *Gaudete!*

One: Because the blind see.  
And the lame walk.

All: *Gaudete!*

One: Because lepers are clean  
And the deaf hear.

All: *Gaudete!*

One: Because the dead will live again And there  
is good news for the poor.

All: *Gaudete!*

One: Because of Christmas  
Because of Jesus

All: *We rejoice!*

Lighting the Third Candle of the Advent Wreath

Invocation

Children’s Story

Hymn:                      “ Angels we have heard on high”                      #197

Scripture Reading                      **Luke 1:46b-55**

Message                      *Joyfully Awaiting*                      Amy Farthing

Solo                      “ The Angel Gabriel”

Congregation at Prayer

Hymn:                      “Away in a manger”                      #194

Sending

Postlude

CONTINUING THE WORK OF JESUS  
PEACEFULLY. SIMPLY. TOGETHER.

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Speaker – Amy Farthing  
Worship Leader – Bruce Bowman  
Music Director - David MacMillan  
Organist/Pianist - Gaylon Hevener

**Please Keep In Your Prayers**

Pray for Ferne Rohr (The Legacy), Don Markle, Libby Tussing (Waynesboro Manor), Stanley and Brenda Shackleford, Melba Cline, Fred Wilkerson Sr., Fred Wilkerson Jr., Judy Zdinak, Logan Shortridge (Nancy Canter's nephew), Dick Bartenslager, Vernon and Cleo Simmons, Allen Sandridge Sr. (The Legacy), Jay and Rosalie McLear (Shenandoah), AJ Sandridge, Daniel Melton, Delton Botkin (Delmer's brother with heart stints), Emily Edwards' friend Dennis in Nicaragua, Linda Propst, Sue Whisman, Bob Armbruster, David Shearer, Wallace Clark, Cindy Spitzer, Russell and Sandy Roberts, Phyllis Lunsford, George Sullivan, Scott and Sally Shomo's dear friend Mattie Marsh, Annie Collins' brother-in-law, Bob Howell, Norma Shoemaker, Bob Weiss, Mabel Lou Weiss' brother-in-law, Paul Wampler, Nancy Ralston, Pastor J.D. Glick, Alex Adkins (Steve and Cindy Spitzer's granddaughter's husband), Charlotte Kennedy, Tony Reyes, Dan Packer, Jr. (son of Beth Packer)

**Continue to pray for the healing and the safety of the Nigerian Brethren, the Chibok girls, and so many others who have had their lives uprooted.**

**Keep praying.**