

ADVENT 3

One: Shout to the Lord, all the earth.

Serve the Lord with joy. *Psalm 100: 1*

One: We lit the first candle, the candle of hope,
to remind us of Jesus Who is our sure and
certain hope, and Who has promised to return
one day.

One: We lit the second candle, the candle of peace,
to remind us that Jesus is the Prince of Peace.

One: Today, we light the candle of joy!
True joy – much deeper, more lasting than
happiness, is found in Jesus Christ!

**ALL: The joy of the Lord is our strength!
The Lord has done great things for us,
and we are filled with joy.** *Nehemiah and Psalm 126*

One: We light this candle, the candle of joy, mindful
that Jesus came to bring us joy. We rejoice that
our joy is complete when we live in love
with Jesus and His people.

**Prayer: God of joy, we believe You, we receive Your
love, and we are filled with glorious joy,
for we welcome the goal of our faith —
the salvation of our souls. AMEN!**