

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent**  
December 9 and 12, 2021



**Gather**

**Gospel**

First Lesson

Second Lesson

**Luke 3:7-18**

Nehemiah 8:9-18

Philippians 4:4-7

O Antiphons



**Grow**

**The Lord is Coming: Rejoice!**

**Rejoice because the coming Lord...**

1. Does not \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Brings \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Frees you to \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_.



Sermon  
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## Points to Ponder

1. How do the words of John the Baptist and the work of Jesus “level the playing field”? Why is this important?
2. What do people cling to for their righteousness instead of clinging to Christ? Which do you struggle with?
3. How does knowing Jesus will bring justice help us to let go of anger and love our neighbors?
4. Why does confession and repentance and the grace of Jesus free us to love others?
5. John the Baptist is very specific with his instructions to those who ask what they should do. How can you specifically love your neighbor?



Go

What will I share with a friend?