Sermon Notes Page Pastor Kurt Tomlinson Advent Week #3 – Our Fierce Joy December 17, 2023 John 1:6-8, 19-28

- 1. Week 1 Our Shocking Hope
 - a. Advent = Be Prepared!
 - b. Isaiah 64:1a: "Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains would tremble before you!"
 - c. Mark 13:24-37 The promise of Life.
 - d. A call to *Watch!* And be ready.
 - e. Ephesians 5:14-16 Wake up! And redeem the day.
- 2. Week 3 Our Fierce Joy
 - a. How do you deliver a message?
 - b. Who are you?
 - c. John 1:29 The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
 - i. Do we have to talk about sin at Christmas?
 - ii. Fierce Joy is hope in the midst of desperation.
 - d. Isaiah 61:1-3
 - i. Good News!
 - ii. God is giving you decorations, oil, and a cute outfit!
 - e. Fierce Joy is shouting into the darkness.
 - i. John 1:34 He is who he says he is.
 - ii. Get ready to party.