The congregation is asked to remain silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

"Come Just As You Are"

Attie C. Carlton Handbell Choir

Welcome and Announcements

(During this time the friendship pads are passed to be signed)

Minutes for Mission

St. Nicholas Project

Danielle Sills

Choral Call to Worship "While We Are Waiting, Come" Cason While we are waiting, come. Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel, While we are waiting, come.

Opening Sentences

Elder Curt Simpson

Leader: The people walking in darkness have seen a great light.

All: Come, O Lord, and send us your light.

Leader: O come, O come, Emmanuel.

All: Come and bring the light of God.

Leader: Come and walk among us.

All: Be our Savior and our Friend.

Leader: O come, O come, Emmanuel.

All: Come to bring us your peace.

*Hymn #455 (Blue Hymnal)

LASST LUNS ERFREUEN

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

*Prayer of Confession (In Unison)

Holy and loving God, we have dwelt in darkness and preferred it to the light. We have been proud of our accomplishments and despaired over our shortcomings. Smooth down the mountains of our pride, and lift up the valleys of our doubts. Open a path in the wilderness of our lives that we might find our way to you again. Refine us and prepare us once again for life in your kingdom. Hear our prayer, O Lord, in the name of Jesus Christ, whose coming we celebrate and whose coming again we anticipate. Amen.

(Today's Prayer of Confession is adapted from a prayer at re: Worship, an online worship planning resource.)

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear the good news: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. In Jesus Christ we have been enriched in every way — in everything we say and in everything we know. Through God's grace we do not lack any spiritual gift as we wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: He is the one who will keep us strong to the end, so that we shall be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful! Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri Hymn #579

Glory Be to the Father

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer to Hunger) Offering

Children's Sermon Lighting the Second Advent Candle: PEACE

O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel!

The Meaning of Advent, Scripture Reading, Lighting the Candle

O come, Desire of nations, bind All peoples in one heart and mind;

Bid envy, strife, and discord cease; Fill the whole world with heaven's peace.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel!

THE DEDICATION OF GLORY TO GOD: THE PRESBYTERIAN HYMNAL (see insert)

Anthem

"In the Singing"

In the singing, in the silence, in the hands expectant, open, In the blessing, in the breaking, in the Presence at this table Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the wine of grace:
Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the bread of peace.
In the question, in the answer, in the moment of acceptance, In the heart's cry, in the healing, in the circle of your people Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the wine of grace:
Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the bread of peace.

"I Will Come to You, You are Mine"

"I will come to you in the silence; I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear my voice; I claim you as my choice. Be still and know I am here.
Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me, I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine.
I am hope for all who are hopeless; I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night, I will be your light. Come and rest in me.
I am strength for all the despairing, healing for the ones who dwell in shame.
All the blind will see; the lame will all run free, and all will know my name.
I am the Word that leads all to freedom; I am the peace the world cannot give.
I will call your name, embracing all your pain. Stand up, now walk and live!"

Prayer for Illumination

Speak to us, Lord. Speak to us in the waiting, the watching, the hoping, the longing, the sorrow, the sighing, the rejoicing. Speak to us by your Word in these Advent days, and walk with us until the day of your coming. **Amen.**

Old Testament Lesson

Elder Curt Simpson +Page 245

2 Samuel 7:1-17

BEACH SPRING

*Hymn #716 (Purple Hymnal)

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

Gospel Lesson Matthew 1:1-17

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Sermon "Matthew, Jesus, and ancestry.com" Dr. Philip K. Gladden

A Time for Silent Reflection Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

Offertory "Our Song Shall Rise"

Attie C. Carlton Handbell Choir

*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*The Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

*Hymn #86 (Purple Hymnal)

ISAIAH 9

"The People Who Walked in Darkness"

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

"Gloria"

French Carol

Gloria in excelsis Deo!

*Postlude

*All who are able may stand.

+The page number in pew Bible.



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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, December 7 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:40 am Opening Assembly 10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship/P.A.T.H. Offering Dedication of New Hymnals

7:30 pm Handel's *Messiah*, First Baptist Church

Monday, December 8 10:30 am Circle #2: Blue Room 6:30 am Coffee in Room 304 Tuesday, December 9

> 7:00-7:30 am SonRise Worship, Room 304 10:30 am Circle #3: Blue Room

7:00 pm Circle #4: Ann Mendenhall

Wednesday, December 10 10:00 am Bible Study, Blue Room

4:30 - 7:30 pm LOGOS!

6:00 pm Handbells 7:30 pm Choir Practice

Thursday, December 11 12:05 pm Advent Worship & Luncheon 10:00 am Wallace Christmas Parade Saturday, December 13

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- This morning we retire *The Presbyterian Hymnal* and dedicate *Glory to God*: The Presbyterian Hymnal. During the dedication ceremony, you are asked to bring copies of the blue hymnal forward and to take copies of the new hymnal back to your pews.
- **Today** we receive our quarterly P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer to Hunger) offering. This offering supports our presbytery's Hunger Program, which funds feeding programs for children in Haiti and Malawi and provides grants for congregational food pantries, including our Helping Hands Food Pantry. Thank you for your generous contributions!
- Our second Advent worship service and luncheon will be Thursday, December 11 at 12:05 p.m. Our speaker will be Dr. Austin Obasohan, Superintendent of Duplin County Schools. Special music: The Wallace United Methodist Church Men's Ensemble.



The Poinsettias in the sanctuary are given by Cameron & Emily Lee in loving memory of Bill & Mary Emily Browder.



NURSERY

12/07: Freddy & Rhonda Hall

12/14: Georgette, Lydia & Kennedy Thompson



YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

12/07: Joseph & Colby Phaneuf 12/14: Elizabeth & James Sills

GREETER

12/07: Joey & Rita Brinkley 12/14: Greg & Sandy Miller



Charley Farrior, Leader

Rick Batchelor Jonathan Fussell Bill Carone Curt Simpson

OPENING & CLOSING: December 1-15: Roger Coombs **December 16-31:** Dave Long

St. NICHOLAS PROJECT



For many years the St. Nicholas Project has been an important mission of Wallace Presbyterian Church. The Outreach Committee has selected families for this year. Below you will find the information concerning each family.

Christmas is a time of sharing. May we continue to share Christ's love with others as we have been so richly blessed. Thank you for supporting this wonderful ministry of our church. St. Nicholas Project family and gift information is located on the bulletin board in the church fellowship hall.

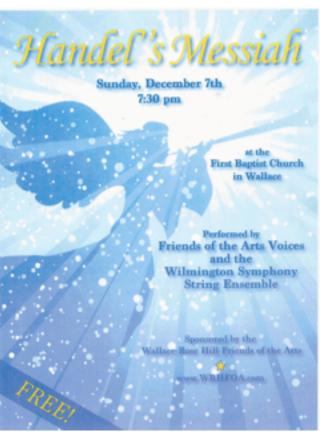
If you would like to participate in this project by buying a gift:

- Select and remove a labeled ornament tag or tags from the tree on the bulletin board.
- Wrap the gift and tape the labeled ornament tag on the wrapped gift.
- Place wrapped and labeled gifts in the box beneath the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

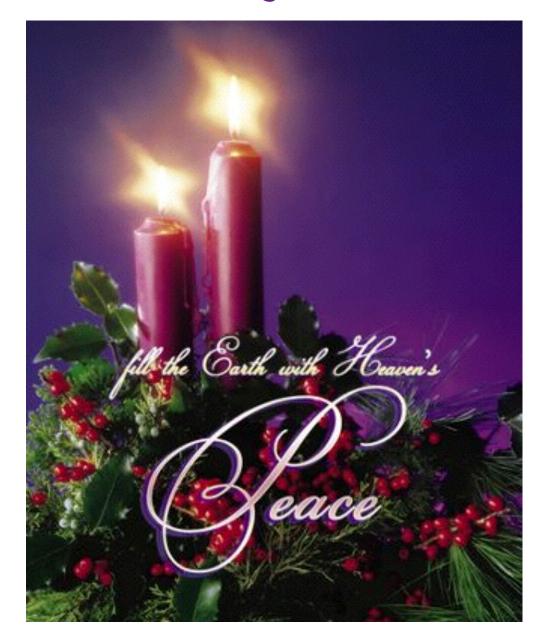
If you would like to make a donation to the St. Nicholas Fund:

• Please place a check, designated for "St. Nicholas Fund", in the offering plate.

Please bring gifts to the church or make donations by Sunday, December



Wallace Presbyterian Church



THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Second Sunday of Advent Dedication of Glory to God December 7, 2014

Eleven O'clock in the Morning

We support Presbyterian Church (USA) mission co-workers, Rev. Dustin and Sherri Ellington, in Lusaka, Zambia, Africa. Visit our Website: www.wallacepresbyterian.com

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