

# WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*Third Sunday of Advent*

December 11, 2022

11:00 a.m.

### GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude      "The Sussex Carol with Gesu Bambino"    Mary McDonald  
*On Christmas night all Christians sing.  
To hear the news the angels bring,  
News of great joy, news of great mirth,  
News of our merciful King's birth.*

Welcome and Announcements

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

Congregational Call to Worship

"While We Are Waiting, Come"    Cason, 1986

*While we are waiting, come. While we are waiting, come.  
Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel, while we are waiting, come.*

Opening Sentences

Elder Joyce Ange

Leader: Arise, shine, for your light has come. The glory of the Lord has risen upon you!

**All: The glory of God shines in the darkness.**

Leader: Lift up your eyes and look around. Follow the star, wherever it leads!

**All: Take the journey that leads to the child.**

Leader: Let your hearts rejoice. Be overwhelmed with joy!

**All: We worship the Christ child, the hope of the world.**

Lighting the Third Advent Candle: JOY

\*Unison Prayer of Confession

**God of Glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore the cries for justice; we not strive for peace. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and baptize us once again with your Spirit, that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

\*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life."

**All: Jesus said, "You are the light of the world. Let your light shine your**

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

*"The star is the way, and the way is Christ. He is a blazing and a morning-star."*  
Ambrose, Bishop of Milan (374-397 A.D.)

*"Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising."*  
Matthew 2:2

*"And there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was."*  
Matthew 2:9



**before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to Father in heaven."**

*Leader: Hear and believe the good news:*

**All: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. Glory to God!**

Gloria Patri

**Glory Be to the Father**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.**

## **PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

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.**



### **New Star**

#### **CAST**

New Star - Hannah Floyd  
Old Star - Greg Maready  
Mary – Savannah Kate Stevens  
Joseph – Ken Floyd  
Gabriel – Lane Philip Rouse  
Elizabeth – Kate Hall  
King 1 – Henry Stevens  
King 2 – Hollis Skidmore  
King 3 – John Ward Farrior  
Caesar – Jude Whitfield  
Harrod – Pearson Johnson  
Scribe – Harper Jane Ludlum

#### **ANGELS**

Isla Blanton  
Adlyn Casteen  
Clara Casteen  
Callie Jane Cottle  
Sadie Floyd  
Hattie B. Farrior  
Kate Hall  
Elliana Johnson  
Mary Camron Matthews  
Emory Landon Patram

#### **SHEPHERDS**

Cooper Hall  
Jack Newton  
Ellison Patram  
Emerson Patram

#### **YOUTH HELPERS**

Advent Candle – Miller Ludlum  
Scenery Changes:  
Hayes Skidmore  
Fisher Blanton  
JJ Rouse  
Backstage Supervisor -Windsor Farrior

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS**

Jennifer Johnson	Bailey Riley
Kristin Cottle	Casey Hall
Mary Laine Rouse	Lindsay Skidmore

#### **MUSIC**

O Little Town of Bethlehem  
#121, verse 1

New Star (youth)

Angels We Have Heard on High  
#113, verses 1 & 3

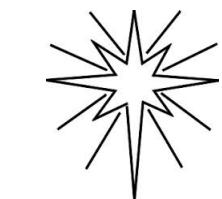
We Three Kings of Orient Are  
#151, verses 1, 2, 3, & 4

We Wish You a Merry Christmas



“God’s bright star,  
o’er his head,  
wise men three to  
him led; kneel  
they low by his  
bed, lay their gifts  
before him,  
praise him and  
adore him.”

Hymn #141, “On  
This Day Earth  
Shall Ring,” in  
Glory to God: The  
Presbyterian  
Hymnal



“O star of wonder,  
star of night, star  
with royal beauty  
bright, westward  
leading, still  
proceeding, guide  
us to thy  
perfect light.”

Hymn #151, “We  
Three Kings of  
Orient Are,” in  
Glory to God: The  
Presbyterian  
Hymnal

## GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anthem

“The Wexford Carol”

*Good people all, this Christmas time,  
Consider well and bear in mind,  
What our good God for us has done,  
In sending his beloved son.*

Mark Hayes

\*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 Apostle’s 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 #115

“Away in a Manger”

MUELLER

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

\*All who are able may stand.





## Today December 11

### Nursery

12/11:  
12/11: Casey &  
Clayton Hall

### USHERS

Joyce Ange  
Charley Farrior  
Hayes Ludlum

### Opening Church Building December 1-15:

Hayes Ludlum  
**Children's  
Church**  
12/11:  
No Children's  
Church  
Christmas Play

### ST. NICHOLAS PROJECT



Check Tree  
in Fellowship  
Hall for tags  
with Family  
name &  
wishes.  
See  
December  
Newsletter  
for complete  
details.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, December 11

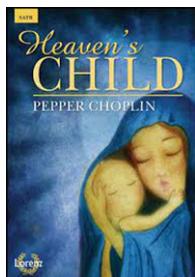
9:30 am	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT Alternative Sunday School Class, Room 304 & via Zoom
10:00 am	Sunday School Classes
11:00 am	Worship in person & livestream-Children's Christmas Program
12:00-2:00 pm	Children's Fellowship Trip to Cinderella Farm
Monday, December 12	No Monday Night Bible Study
Wednesday, December 14	No Wednesday Morning Bible Study
6:00 pm	Handbells
7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday, December 15	12:05 pm Advent Worship Service & Luncheon

## NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- \* **There will be** no Monday night or Wednesday morning Bible Study this week.
- \* **Our third and final** Advent worship service and luncheon will be Thursday, December 15 at 12:05 p.m. Speaker: Wallace Police Chief Jimmy Crayton. Music: Marisol Snell, soprano.
- \* **Please pick up** your 2023 Offering Envelopes at the front of the sanctuary on your way out after worship.



*The beautiful flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Joey and Rita Brinkley in loving memory of Michael Sloan and Ben Brinkley; and in honor of grandson Owen Sloan's birthday.*



**Chancel Choir  
Christmas Cantata  
Sunday, December 18  
"Heaven's Child"  
by Pepper Choplin**



**We will celebrate the  
Sacrament of  
the Lord's Supper  
on Christmas Eve,  
Saturday, December 24  
at 7:00 p.m.  
All are welcome**



**CHRISTMAS JOY  
SPECIAL OFFERINGS**  
LEADERSHIP: PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

## 2022

### CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING Sunday, December 18

By giving to the Christmas Joy Offering, you honor God's gift of Jesus Christ by providing assistance to current and retired church workers in their time of need and developing our future leaders at Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color.