

- Tonight we celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. All are welcome at the table.
- **The church office** will be closed, December 24-January 1 while Robb Lapp and Cheryl Brinkley are on vacation. Church office will be open Monday, January 5. Please contact Clerk of Session Hope Turnbull (910) 284-2813 in an emergency.
- Schedule for Sunday, December 28:

10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship

- **Epiphany of the Lord, January 4:** We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper as we remember the manifestation of the Lord to the magi and to the whole world. Susan Carone, Kristin Cottle, and Dwight Hall will be ordained and installed as elders. Epiphany Star Words will be offered for your reflection in the New Year.
- **Epiphany Star Words** are a spiritual practice, where individuals receive a single "guiding word" for the New Year. These words, associated with the star that led the Magi, will be made available at the church on Sunday, January 4. They are meant to offer a theme for prayer, reflection, and spiritual guidance throughout the year.
- **Membership** Those interested in joining WPC, please contact Robert Lapp. There will be a new member orientation on Sunday, January 11 at 9:45 am in the pastor's study, the session will receive new members at 10:30 am, and those who are joining the church will be welcomed in the worship service at 11:00 am.
- **Church Treasurer** Wayne Casteen will make the final 2025 deposit on Wednesday, December 31. Contributions must be deposited by that date to be credited to your 2025 giving statement. Thank you for your faithful and generous giving!

Stewardship – In response to the gospel of Jesus Christ, we offer our gifts to God. Thank you for your generosity to the mission and ministry of WPC.









WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service

December 24, 2025 7:00 O'clock P.M.

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome Elder Sandy Cobb

Prelude "Traditions of Christmas" by Chip Davis
Attie C. Carlton Handbell Choir

Lighting the Christ Candle- Adlyn and Clara Casteen

*Hymn #133 **"O Con**

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

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*A Christmas Prayer

Loving God, on this holy night make room in our hearts to welcome the Christ child. May the stillness of your peace wash over us. May we encounter hope born anew. We are here, waiting for you, ready to receive your gift of love. Be with us now, as we come and adore the newborn king. May the gift of your love cast out all fears so that we may rejoice in your power to save. Amen.

Special Music

"To the World, Joy!"

arranged by Joel Raney

Attie C. Carlton Handbell Choir

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon Rev. Robert H. Lapp

Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

Elder Sandy Cobb

Gracious God, by the gift of your Holy Spirit show us the Word made flesh - good news of great joy for all - so that we may sing with the angels: glory in the highest and peace on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Christmas Story

The Annunciation—Luke 1:26-35, 38

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" arranged by Joel Raney Karla Casteen & Vera Simpson

The Birth of Jesus— *Luke 2:1-7*

Carol No. 115 (verses 1 & 2) "Away in a Manger"

The Shepherds and the Angels—Luke 2:8-20

Carol No. 119 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

The Visit of the magi— *Matthew 2:1-11*

"We Three Kings of Orient Are" arranged by Joel Raney Karla Casteen & Vera Simpson

Sermon

"A Gift Is On The Way"

Rev. Robert Lapp

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Preparation #113 "Angels We Have Heard on High"

GLORIA

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Invitation to the Table

The Words of Institution

The Great Thanksgiving with the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Communion Music

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Prayer After Communion

Sharing the Light of Christ

*Hymn #122

"Silent Night, Holy Night!"

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*Benediction

*Postlude

*All who are able may stand.

