

Wallace Presbyterian Church

Community Advent Service
Thursday, December 21, 2017
12:05 p.m.

Prelude.....Vera Coombs

*Call to Worship

Leader: Now is the time, let us pause.

All: As we wait, may we hear the voice of God.

Leader: Now is the time, let us watch.

All: In our homes, at our work, even while waiting in line — may we see the face of Christ.

Leader: Now is the moment, let us prepare our hearts.

All: In our words, in our hearts, in all we say and do — may God's extravagant love shine through.

*Prayer (Unison)

God beyond time and space, take this moment of worship and bless it. May the grace experienced in this place be multiplied to overflowing so that your whole world sees the light of your love. God of new surprises, take each of us here and bless us. Create in us clean hearts, refresh our spirits, and transform our whole beings, until we reflect your love and compassion through and through. In the name of Emmanuel, God with us, the one who comes to us even now. Amen.

*Hymn #88 (verses 1, 4, 7) “*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*”

Welcome and Announcements

A Program of Christmas Music

Randy Bittner, Karla Casteen, and Vera Coombs

*Prayers and Blessing of the Luncheon

*Postlude.....Vera Coombs



Randy Bittner grew up near Pittsburgh Pennsylvania. He is married to Karen with two grown daughters. He sang and toured with the Penn State singers and the Penn State concert choir. Randy has been involved with various local performances and has been singing since he was 7. Karla Casteen has been Choir Director since 1989 here at Wallace Presbyterian and is a graduate of UNC-Chapel Hill. Vera Coombs is pianist and organist and she is a graduate of East Carolina University. She and Karla have been creating beautiful music since Vera came to Wallace Presbyterian in 2000. Vera has been accompanying Karla since she was a 7th grader.

We wish to thank the following who made this series of services possible for *Advent*:

The Worship and Music Ministry Team
Geneva Maready and Vera Coombs, Co-Chairs

The Wallace Presbyterian Women: Luncheons
Cindy Barrow & Nancy Gladden, Co-Moderators

Brenda Long, Vice-Moderator
Advent: Nettie Batchelor, Gerri Hanson, Debbie Thomas

A special thanks to:

Ann Carter, Greg Maready, Curt Simpson and Rick Batchelor for helping decorate the sanctuary.

Our speakers, musicians, ushers and persons involved in serving lunch each week.

**You are invited to a light lunch in the Currie Building immediately following the worship service. Please let those who are pressed for time be served first. Thank you!*

**All who are able may stand.*



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COMMUNITY ADVENT SERVICES



December 24, 2017—*Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Services*

11:00 am—Wallace United Methodist Church
4:30 pm—Wallace First Baptist Church
7:00 pm—Wallace Presbyterian Church



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