

Pastoral Care

If you (or someone you know) are going through a difficult time, please contact us. Our Deacons and pastoral care staff are available for support, home and hospital visits, and prayer. Please contact Rev. Emily Wasser at emilyw@winppc.org or 407-647-1467 x 122. For pastoral emergencies when the church office is closed, call 407-647-1467 x 112.

Publicity

If you have a church event that needs to be publicized in the church bulletin, newsletter, etc., please fill out the form located at <http://winppc.org/publicity-request/>.

Transportation for Church Events

If you are in need of transportation to a church event, please contact the church office at least 24 hours in advance, and every effort will be made to accommodate your need.

The Session			The Diaconate		
2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021
Will Lawrence	Doris Anguish	Phillip Anderson III	Nancy Appich	Ardyth Austin	Mike Galyean
Will McCurdy	Marilyn Bryant	Lisa Dreasher	Barbara Edwards	Caroline James	Reta Jackson
Rachel Myers	Rick Davis	Jayne Leach	Bonnie Gaughan	Jim McKinney	Julie Kent
Dail Pribil	Steve House	Shaheed Mohammed	Fran Morrissey	Dennis Schmalstig	Curtis Koon
Doug Reece	Larry Seel	Peter Rice	Cynthia Nants	Matt Straub	Sara Van Arsdel
Debbly Tallungan	Bob White	Nelson Roe	Eileen Silvers		Jeanne Vinci

Missions Supported by WPPC

Audrey Ball, *Transitions Orphan Assistance Foundation*, Ukraine
Dr. Robert Gamble, *This Child Here*, Ukraine
Dennis & Susan Walters, *SIL*, East Asia
Steve & Sonia Dettweiler, *Wycliffe*, Nigeria
Dr. Anne Hallum, *A.I.R. (Alliance for Reforestation)*, Guatemala

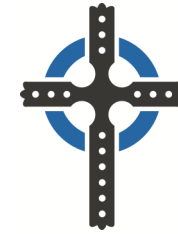
PC(USA) World Missions

Rev. Gordon & Dorothy Gartrell, Brazil; Jenny Bent, Dominican Republic;
Mark Hare, Haiti; Dan & Elizabeth Turk, Madagascar

Staff

The Rev. Dr. Robert Eckard, Interim Pastor
The Rev. Emily Wasser, Associate Pastor
Justin Chase, Director of Music
Penny Walsh, Organist
Susan Davis, Director of Handbells & Children's Music

Carolyn Achenbach, Director of Operations/Accountant
Cindy Mitchum, Executive Assistant
Barbara Hordern, Administrative Assistant
Kenny Lovelace, Sexton
Tricia Wilson, Director of Preschool Programs



Winter Park

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DECEMBER 22, 2019 • 8:15 & 10:30 A.M.
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



WINTER PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
400 SOUTH LAKEMONT AVENUE
WINTER PARK, FLORIDA 32792



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WELCOME TO WINTER PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome! We are glad you are worshipping with us today. If you are new to our church or community, we would very much like to offer you our friendship.

We strive to be a caring group of people seeking to grow in our commitment to Christ and the service of others. Our church offers a variety of education, fellowship, worship, and mission opportunities with something for most everyone. You will find information on current events at the end of this bulletin.

If you would like to learn more about the church, or if we can assist you in some way, please speak to an elder in the front of the sanctuary following the service, or to one of the pastors. May God bless you!



If You Are New Here

We invite you to write your name(s) in the red registration pad when it is passed down the pew. If you would like information on the ministries of this church, please include your contact information. Also, greeters and ushers at the entrances can provide you with information about our programs and volunteer opportunities. Please join us for refreshments and conversation in fellowship hall following the service.

Worship Aids

Assistive hearing devices are available from an audio/visual technician at the rear of the sanctuary. Large print hymnals and bulletins are available from the ushers.

Worshipping with Children

Children are welcome to stay in the sanctuary for the entire worship service. They are invited to come forward for the Children's Moment, following which they may return to sit with their families, or (Pre-K—3rd grade) leave for Children's Church on non-communion Sundays. In addition, childcare for preschool-age children is available in our nursery, room 608, during all services.

If You Are in Need of Prayer

Elders are available to pray with you after the service, at the front of the sanctuary. Your prayers are confidential unless you request they be shared with our Pastoral Care staff. You may also complete a prayer request card (available in the pews and at the back of the sanctuary) and give it to an usher.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, December 22

8:15 – 9am	Worship Service, Chapel
9:15 – 10:15am	Sunday School
9:30am – 12pm	Library Open
10:30 – 11:30am	Worship Service, Sanctuary
12 – 1pm	PNC Meeting, Room 317
7 – 8pm	Service of the Longest Night, Chapel

Monday, December 23

9:30am – 12:30pm	Library Open
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Tuesday, December 24

12 – 5pm	Church Office Closed
5 – 6pm	Christmas Eve Children & Family Service, Sanctuary
7 – 8pm	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, Sanctuary
11pm – 12am	Christmas Eve Candlelight & Communion Service, Sanctuary

Wednesday, December 25

Merry Christmas!

All day	Christmas Day
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Thursday, December 26

9:00 – 11:30am	Coalition for the Homeless – Cooking, Kitchen
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Friday, December 27

9 – 10am	Coalition for the Homeless-Sandwich Prep, Kitchen
10 – 11am	Coalition for the Homeless-Sort Toiletries, Kitchen
5:30pm	Coalition for the Homeless-Transport Meal

Saturday, December 28

All day	No Scheduled Activities
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Sunday, December 29

8:15 – 9am	Worship Service, Chapel
9:15 – 10:15am	Sunday School
9:30am – 12pm	Library Open
10:30 – 11:30am	Worship Service, Sanctuary
12 – 1pm	PNC Meeting, Room 317



Please join us as we celebrate the birth of our Savior.

*5:00 PM Family Service
Music, Lessons & Candle Lighting tailored for families*

*7:00 PM Candlelight Service
Chancel Choir performances and traditional songs & readings
Childcare provided.*

*11:00 PM Communion Service
Chancel Choir performances and Holy Communion*



SERVING TODAY

- OFFICIATING MINISTER: The Rev. Dr. Robert Eckard, Interim Pastor
ASSISTING MINISTER: The Rev. Emily Wasser, Associate Pastor
LITURGISTS: Malcolm MacDiarmid (8:15)
Pat Morgan (10:30)
MUSICIANS: Penny Walsh, Pianist (8:15)
Penny Walsh, Organist; Chancel Choir - Justin Chase, Director;
Westminster Ringers - Susan Davis, Director; Penny Walsh, piano;
Holly Small, piano (10:30)
CHILDREN'S MOMENT: The Rev. Emily Wasser (10:30)
CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Marilyn Bryant, Chris Baldwin, Emma Baldwin (10:30)
GREETERS: Doris Anguish, Gary Henderson, Curtis Koon, Debby Roberts, Ann Tebbetts (10:30)
USHERS: Wade Edwards, Allen Shaw, Hilda Shaw, Stephen Smith, Bob White,
Tracy White (10:30)
ELDERS: Doris Anguish and Will McCurdy (10:30)
ADVENT LIGHTERS: Emily Kent and Julie Kent (8:15)
Fred & Anne Murray and Matthew, Nicholas & Zachary MacDonald (10:30)
AUDIO/VISUAL: Carole Reece, Doug Reece, Nelson Roe, Stephen Smith (10:30)

Thank you to our Westminster Ringers:

Meg Baldwin, Janet Barnes, Justin Chase, Alan Davis, Dana Irwin, Will Lawrence, Jayne Leach,
Sevilla Morse, Doug Reece, Jan Reker, Holly Small, Sarah Thomas, Penny Walsh.

✠ WORSHIP MATTERS ✠

Flowers

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Fern Barnard in memory of my husband, Grant. This is our first Christmas without him.

Anthem Text

All praise to Thee, eternal God, who, clothed in garb of flesh and blood, dost take a manger for Thy throne, while worlds on worlds are Thine alone. Alleluia. Thou comest in the darksome night to make us children of the light, to make us in the realms divine, like Thine own angels, round Thee shine. Alleluia. A little Child, Thou art our Guest, that weary ones in Thee may rest; forlorn and lowly is Thy birth that we may rise to heaven from earth. Alleluia. Amen.

Worship Resources Online

You will find bulletins for upcoming and past worship services at winppc.org/bulletins.

Music Notes

Our CCLI License number is 11184426, and our OneLicense.net number is 725233.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

When the prelude begins, all are invited to enter a period of quiet reflection so that those wishing to prepare for worship through prayer and meditation may so do. Please silence all electronic devices.

* Please stand as you are able

† GATHERING AROUND THE WORD †

PRELUDE *What Child Is This?* • English/Mac Huff (8:15)
Carol of the Bells • Sorenson (10:30)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE FOURTH CANDLE OF THE ADVENT WREATH

INTROIT *A Midnight Clear* • Tucker (10:30)

* CALL TO WORSHIP Look, O house of David! The Lord will give you a sign:
The young woman shall bear a child;
And shall name him Immanuel—
God is with us.
Listen, O house of David! The Lord draws near.
With love in our hearts, let us worship God!

* HYMN 28 *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*

* OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION **Shepherd of Israel, God of hosts,**
we have turned away from you, neglecting the welfare
of your creation, ignoring the plight of your people,
trampling on the creatures and the plants you have made,
taking from earth what we cannot give back.
We have not helped our neighbors in need,
kept peace within our families,
or tended the vine you have planted in our own lives.
Forgive us and lead us to a more gracious life.
In your compassion, turn us to your way.
Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; let your face shine upon us,
and we shall be saved. Amen.
(Continue with silent confession and reflection until response is introduced.)

Dan & Fred Kittinger

Will Lawrence

Yvonne Manking

Ann McIntosh

Sevilla Morse

Rachel Myers

Cynthia Forrester Nants & Stephanie Nants

Carol & Gene Pickler

Dail Curry Pribil

Julia S. Rankin

Debby Roberts

Nelson Roe

Peggy & Esmé Schuckers

Larry, Beth Anne Seel & Family

Holly Small

Dawn & George Sumrall

Jodi Tassos

Meg, Steve, & Ethan Thomas

Sara Van Arsdel & Robert Green

Mary & Jay Van Hook

Jeanne Vinci

Kim Vogt

Thom & Penny Walsh and
Ryan Manning & Ava

Robert & Tracy White

In loving memory of our mother, Xandra Whittaker Roth, and our grandparents, Elizabeth & Heskin Whittaker

In loving memory of my grandparents, William & Rena Lundigan

In loving memory of Andy Manking

In loving memory of Mac McIntosh

In appreciation of the Music Staff at WPPC

In loving memory of David Myers for his favorite time of year

In loving memory Fran & Gene Forrester, Louise & Jack Nants, and Bruce Nants

In loving memory of Mike, Carl & Daisy Pickler, and Paul & Marjorie Smith

In loving memory of my parents, Harriett & Lewis Curry

In loving memory of my parents, Fred R. & Julia M. Seibert

In loving memory of my parents, Dan & Anita Carney

In loving memory of Mom, Dad & Rick

In loving memory of my parents, H. Ellsworth (Herb) and Helen B. Miller

In loving memory of George & Virginia Seel

In loving memory of Richard Small

In loving memory of Irene Trippler, Dawn's mother

In loving memory of John Tassos

In loving memory of parents, grandparents, and uncle - Bob & Vicky Ball, Bill Ball, Arthur Thomas; In honor of Phyllis Thomas

In loving memory of Rosemary S. Van Arsdel, and Hoffman & Rosemary Green

In loving memory of our parents

In appreciation of God's faithful hand in all of our lives

In appreciation of Dr. Bob and his family. Thank you for your dedication

In loving memory of Greg

In loving memory of our parents, Jack & Elizabeth White and Harry & Evelyn Truchelut

The Christmas Poinsettias are given to the glory of God by:

<i>Helen Ammerman</i>	<i>In loving memory of Larry Condict, Clyde Ammerman, and Candace Condict Drake</i>
<i>Doris Anguish</i>	<i>In loving memory of my husband, Donald Anguish</i>
<i>Ardyth Austin</i>	<i>In loving memory of loved ones</i>
<i>Rusty & Meg Baldwin</i>	<i>In honor of our family, children, and grandchildren. We are blessed and love you! In appreciation of our wonderful Music program - Justin, Susan, Penny, and all the amazing singers & ringers!</i>
<i>Fern Barnard</i>	<i>In loving memory of my husband, Grant</i>
<i>The Beardall Children</i>	<i>In appreciation of our favorite mother, Mary Beardall</i>
<i>Ernestine Beattie and Family</i>	<i>In loving memory of Ernest R. & Jenny Lind Johnson, and Aaron & Sadie Beattie Colley</i>
<i>Paul & Robin Danley</i>	<i>In loving memory of our parents, Mr. & Mrs. Ellsworth Danley and Mr. & Mrs. William Reid</i>
<i>Alan & Susan Davis</i>	<i>In appreciation of our children & grandchildren</i>
<i>Corinne J. Dodd</i>	<i>In loving memory of Ori Sue & James H. Jordan</i>
<i>The Dreasher Family</i>	<i>In loving memory of Bob & Donna Talkington and Bob Dreasher; In honor of Dorothy Dreasher</i>
<i>Bill & Gloria Duncan</i>	<i>In loving memory of our parents; In honor of our son, Ryan</i>
<i>Carol & Bob Eckard</i>	<i>In loving memory of loved ones</i>
<i>Howard Evans</i>	<i>In loving memory of Cora Evans & A. Ross Evans</i>
<i>Crystal Fern</i>	<i>In loving memory of Ray & Betty Fern, and Donald Ross, Jr.</i>
<i>Michael Galyeen</i>	<i>In appreciation of my wonderful wife</i>
<i>Janet Hall</i>	<i>In loving memory of my husband, Art Hall and my son, Terry Hall</i>
<i>Steve & Cathy House</i>	<i>In appreciation of Rev. Bob Eckard</i>
<i>Carol Hunt</i>	<i>In loving memory of many loved ones</i>
<i>Reta Jackson</i>	<i>In loving memory of Hal & Teressa Rivers, my wonderful parents</i>
<i>Jeffries Family</i>	<i>In loving memory of Mary Jo Jeffries</i>
<i>Julie & Scott Kent</i>	<i>In loving memory of our grandparents</i>
<i>Marilyn Kiester</i>	<i>In memory of my amazing parents, Gordon & Rae Kiester, and my wonderful brother, Ken Kiester. I will carry you in my heart always.</i>

RESPONSE

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence (verse 4) - Hymnal 5

**At His feet the six winged seraph; Cherubim, with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the presence, As with ceaseless voice they cry,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Lord most high!**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* RESPONSE

**Refrain from *Angels We Have Heard on High* (Hymnal 23)
Gloria in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo!**

* PEACE

The peace of our Lord be with you.
And also with you.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE CONCLUDING 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.**

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:30) *All Praise to Thee* • Hagenberg

* OFFERTORY RESPONSE • **Doxology** (*To the tune of Veni Emmanuel*)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, oh Israel!**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

† LISTENING FOR THE WORD †

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (10:30) Pre-K to 5th grade children are invited to the chancel steps for a special message. Afterward, they will rejoin their families, or Pre-K - 3rd grade may go to Children's Church in the Library.

1ST READING Psalm 80:1-3
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

2ND READING Matthew 1:18-25
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON GOD IS WITH US • The Rev. Dr. Robert Eckard

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH • *Adapted from the Presbyterian Church Statement of Faith*
**In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.
We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.
We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.
We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

† FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD †

* HYMN 44 *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE *Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall Come to Thee, O Israel*

* POSTLUDE *Swiss Noel* • Daquin

🔔 ANNOUNCEMENTS 🔔

Christmas Poinsettias

The poinsettias in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by the congregation of WPPC. A complete list of dedications is included in this bulletin. If you ordered a poinsettia, you can pick yours up after the 11:00 PM Christmas Eve Service.

Service of the Longest Night - Tonight at 7:00 PM in the Chapel

The holidays can be a painful time for those experiencing loneliness and loss. A space is needed to acknowledge the sadness and concern that may be present. This service provides such a time of quiet reflection, special music, healing prayer, and candlelight. You may know others who would like to attend this service; invite them to come with you. Perhaps you just need a quiet time of reflection and prayer amid the chaos. All are welcome.

Congregational Meeting

A congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, January 5th after the 10:30 AM service. The purpose of the meeting is to elect a deacon.

White Socks Drive—Collection Deadline: December 25th

This year we will be serving the Homeless later than usual, so please bring the socks before December 25th. We will be taking them downtown two days later. The recipients of these socks are the people that come to the Coalition for the Homeless for an evening meal, or they are residents in the program. Our church has been doing this drive for over 19 years, and have dispensed literally thousands of pairs of socks. It's hard to describe the joy and thanks that is expressed for these simple gifts. Please bring NEW WHITE SOCKS and deposit them in the marked containers in the Front office or Fellowship Hall. We will be accepting the socks up until December 25th. Thank you!

Tree removal scheduled for Preschool area January 2, 3 and 4

With regret, Session has approved the removal of three large trees from the courtyards adjacent to the preschool and library to facilitate replacement of the roof and repair of the drainage system compromised by the trees. The preschool will be on break, and for the safety of all concerned, pedestrian traffic and parking must be restricted as the work is in progress. Both the preschool and library will be inaccessible, and the Pine Tree (east) parking lot should not be used. Please avoid these areas and park only in the west lot adjacent to Lakemont Ave.

Christmas Toy Drive

Thank you everyone so much for bringing so many toys this year. We actually had to get more boxes to load all the goodies on our drive to deliver them to the community drop off. Thanks to the kids for helping to collect. Thank you to Gary Henderson, Melissa Storey, Fran Morrissey, and Kenny Lovelace. Hope to see more of you next year!

Relationships in Action - Sunday Mornings at 9:15 AM in Room 301 December 29th—Casa de Paz Colorado

Matt Pickler will share his experiences in volunteering for a privately funded social outreach program in the Denver area. Located only a few miles from an immigrant detention center, *Casa de Paz* (House of Peace) offers housing, meals, visits and emotional support to families separated by immigrant detention. It also provides assistance to men and women who have been released from detention and need a place to stay as they make arrangements to return to their families. Detention is a difficult time that tears families apart and creates a financial burden, so all services are offered free of cost. Since first opening its doors, *Casa la Paz* has hosted over 2,300 immigrants from thirty countries.