

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WELCOME**

We are so glad you are here to worship with us today! Worship services are also available online. Sermons can be found at [www.winppc.org/sermons](http://www.winppc.org/sermons).

**NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS RESTAURANT OUTING**

The Neighbors & Friends restaurant outing will be on January 8 at Vinzo’s Italian Grill and Pizzeria (1006 St. Rd 436, Casselberry). We will meet at 11:30am. Reservations are not necessary; just come to enjoy the fellowship.

**NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS LUNCHEON**

Neighbors & Friends welcome you all to start the new year by joining us for our monthly luncheon on Thursday, January 15. We have a special program that includes an update on the progress and process of calling a new pastor presented by our Clerk of Session. All will participate in making recommendations for activities and programs, and a round or two of Bingo will be played. We will gather at 11:30am for a catered luncheon, followed by the program. The cost of the meal is \$15. Reservations must be made by Monday, January 12 by calling the church office or signing up on the bulletin board in the office hallway. Plan to come to share in the fellowship around the tables. You are welcome to bring your own meal or come only for the program. We hope to see you there as we begin the new year by celebrating the joy of Christ centered fellowship.

**FLOWERS**

If you would like to donate flowers for the weekly worship service in honor of or in memory of someone special, or of a special occasion, please pick a date and put your name on the sign-up chart located in front office hallway by the double doors leading to the sanctuary. When you sign up, please take a form, fill it out, and return it to the front office. The cost for the flowers is \$60.

**UP NEXT...**

- Thurs, 1/1 All Day Office Closed
- Thurs, 1/8 11:30am Neighbors & Friends Outing, Vinzo’s Italian Grill/Pizzeria
- Sat, 1/10 2pm Memorial Service for Mary Beardall
- Sun, 1/11 1:30pm Line Dancing, FH
- Mon, 1/12 6pm Hannah Circle, Rm 301
- Thurs, 1/15 11:30am Neighbors & Friends Luncheon, FH
- Thurs, 1/15 7pm Session Meeting, Rm 301
- Sun, 1/18 11:45am Deacon Meeting, Rm 301
- Sun, 1/25 1:30pm Line Dancing, FH

**NOTES**



**Winter Park**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DECEMBER 28, 2025  
FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS



The Session			The Diaconate		
2025	2026	2027	2025	2026	2027
Theresa Coker	Syd Davis	Maria Garton	Meg Baldwin	Ernestine Beattie	Cynthia Nants
Mary Ferguson	Betty Johnston	Carel Thompson	Anna Caparis	Susan Howard	Robert Nevill
Cathy House	Shaheed Mohammed	Phyllis Woods	Lynne McKnight		
Glenn Riccio	Nelson Roe		Debbie Pauzar		
Ron Thompson			Debbie Roberts		
			Paula Smathers		

**Local Outreach Supported by WPPC**

Center for Women & Families, Coalition for Homeless of Central FL  
 Christian Service Center | Health Care Center for Homeless  
 Coalition for Homeless of Central FL—General (food prepared & served)  
 IDignity | Parramore Kidz Zone  
 SALT Outreach, Inc. (Serving and Love Together)

**International Missions Supported by WPPC**

Audrey Santiago, *Transitions Orphan Assistance Foundation*, Ukraine  
 Dr. Robert Gamble, *This Child Here*, Ukraine  
 Dennis & Susan Walters, *SIL*, Asia  
 Steve & Sonia Dettweiler, *Wycliffe*, Nigeria  
 Dr. Anne Hallum, *A.I.R. (Alliance for Reforestation)*, Guatemala  
 Iglesia de Santa Clara Presbyterian, Santa Clara, Cuba  
 Mark Hare & Jenny Bent, *Ecological Sustainability*, Costa Rica  
 Dan Turk, *Environmental Education*, Madagascar  
 Elizabeth Turk, *Community Health & HIV/AIDS*, Madagascar

**Staff**

The Rev. Dr. Walk Jones, Interim Pastor  
 Justin Chase, Director of Music  
 Penny Walsh, Organist  
 Sandra Shafer, Pianist  
 Scott Beck, Director of Handbells  
 Carolyn Achenbach, Director of Operations/Accountant  
 Cindy Mitchum, Executive Assistant  
 Valerie Beltrán, Children’s Ministry Coordinator  
 Nicole Fye, Director of Preschool Programs  
 Adam Davies, Sunday Sexton

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

\* Please stand as you are able

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE • *Away in a Manger* – Young (10:30)

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

We have gathered here this morning to continue to worship the Christ whose birth we celebrated this week.

**We want to see Jesus.**

Like Simeon and Anna who waited for decades to see Jesus, with gratitude and awe, we worship this long-awaited Messiah this morning.

**We want to see Jesus.**

We have the keen conviction that our world needs to see Jesus in us out there beyond these walls.

**We want others to see Jesus in us.**

### \* PRAYER OF ADORATION

**Good and Gracious God, thank you for breaking through human history by coming to our world in the form of a new born baby. You emptied yourself by being placed in a manger in a lowly stable in the midst of animals. Help us empty ourselves of pride, prejudice, status, credentials, entitlement as we bow before you this morning. May we be open to your holy Spirit filling us and sending us out in the world you love so dearly. We want to see Jesus showing us how to live in the midst of our broken world. It's in the name of Jesus that we pray.**

### \* HYMN 140 • *Once in Royal David's City*

CALL TO CONFESSION

We don't have to look far to see our brokenness and sinfulness as a church and as individuals. Knowing that God knows better than we know ourselves and graciously loves us with a love that will never let us go, let us confess our sins.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious God: We come to you as a people who have not loved you as we should; nor have we loved those around us as Jesus called us to do. We have loved things and used people instead of using things as gifts from you and loving the people you have placed in our lives. Instead of emptying ourselves in loving service, we have desired to be served. Forgive us Lord. Help us see Jesus anew and follow His example. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.**

*(Continue with silent confession and reflection.)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Dear Friends, believe the life changing good news - "When we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins, and will cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

**Praise God! We believe we are forgiven!**

\* RESPONSE • **Refrain from *Angels We Have Heard on High*  
Gloria in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo!**

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL (10:30)

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.**

RESPONSE • *What Child Is This*

**This, this is Christ the King  
whom shepherds guard and angels sing;  
haste, haste to bring him laud,  
the babe, the song of Mary!**

FIRST READING

Luke 2:25-35

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Luke 2:36-38

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"WE WANT TO SEE JESUS" • The Rev. Dr. James A. Capps

\* THE REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH - *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.**

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC *There's Still My Joy* • Manchester, Rowlings, Chapman

\* OFFERTORY RESPONSE ***Doxology*** (Hymnal 606)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\* HYMN 132 • ***Good Christian Friends, Rejoice***

\* THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE • *Swiss Noel with Variations* – D'Aquin (10:30)



**☞ SERVING TODAY ☞**

OFFICIATING MINISTER

The Rev. Dr. James A. Capps

LITURGIST

Meg Baldwin (10:30)

MUSICIANS

Sandra Shafer, Piano (8:15)

Justin Chase, Director of Music/Baritone (10:30)

Penny Walsh, Organ (10:30)

Jackson Chase, Baritone (10:30)

AUDIO/VISUAL

Carole Reece, Doug Reece, Nelson Roe & Chase Finch (10:30)

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**☞ WORSHIP MATTERS ☞**

MUSIC

Our CCLI License number is 11184426; OneLicense.net number is 725233; Our CVLI License number is 505405959.

WORSHIP AIDS

Assistive hearing devices are available from an audio/visual technician at the rear of the sanctuary.

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**☞ COMMUNICATION INFORMATION ☞**

PASTORAL CARE

If you (or someone you know) are going through a difficult time, please reach out to us. Our Deacons and pastoral care staff are available for support, home and hospital visits, and prayer.

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/>.