

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

SERVICE OF LESSONS & CAROLS—ONE SERVICE AT 10:30AM ON 12/14

Join us at 10:30am on December 14th as we worship together with a special service of Lessons & Carols. Scripture readings and beloved carols will tell the Christmas story and remind us of God’s great Gift to the world!

NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS LUNCHEON—12/18

Join the Neighbors and Friends luncheon on Thursday, December 18 for a special Christmas music program presented by the Lake Nona High School Singers, under the direction of our own Justin Chase. The program will begin promptly at 11:30am in Fellowship Hall followed by a catered luncheon. The cost of the luncheon is \$15. The students will join us for the meal as our guests, and you are welcome to purchase an extra meal to help offset our expenses. Reservations are due Monday, December 15 and can be made by signing up on the bulletin board in the front office hallway, calling the church office, or looking for the Sign-Up Sisters in the Narthex after worship. We hope to see you there to enjoy this special time.

RELATIONSHIPS IN ACTION SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

12/14 SPECIAL HARP PERFORMANCE

Join us for a memorable morning of music and inspiration! You are warmly invited to attend the Relationships in Action class on Sunday, December 14 at 9:10am in room 301. We are excited to welcome back Vicky Schultz, a beloved harp player, and Graig Thomas, a master on antique instruments, for our annual special music program. Don’t miss this uplifting morning of fellowship, faith, and beautiful music. All are welcome!

MINI GLOBAL MARKET—12/7 & 14

A Mini Global Market will be held today and next Sunday after the 8:15am and before and after the 10:30am services. Equal Exchange will be there with coffee, tea, and chocolates, as well as Audrey Santiago for her Transitions Orphans Assistance Foundation. Please come and support these wonderful non-profit organizations.

RELATIONSHIPS IN ACTION CLASS TOY DRIVE BICYCLE FUND

Tis the season for the Hope Community Center's Toy Drive. In support of this effort, the Relationships in Action class is continuing its tradition of collecting money for a bicycle fund. Donations may be deposited in the bike helmet on display by the church office or in the narthex. Your donations to the fund will be greatly appreciated!

POINSETTIAS

Our church will once again be graced with poinsettias as we celebrate Christmas. Forms for purchasing a poinsettia to serve as a memorial, or as a tribute of honor are available in the narthex and the front office. Each poinsettia is \$15. Order forms must be returned by December 15th.

WHITE SOCKS

Please bring NEW WHITE SOCKS and deposit them in the marked containers in the front office. We will be accepting the socks through the end of December. 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. It ’s hard to describe the joy and thanks that is expressed for these simple gifts!

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UP NEXT...

- Sun, 12/7 8:15/10:30am Toy Collection
- Sun, 12/7 9am-Noon Mini Global Market (After 8:15, Before/After 10:30 Svcs)
- Mon, 12/8 6pm Hannah Circle
- Fri, 12/12 5pm Kid’s Night Out
- Sun, 12/14 10:30am Service of Lessons & Carols
- Sun, 12/14 9am-Noon Mini Global Market (After 8:15, Before/After 10:30 Svcs)
- Thurs, 12/18 11:30am Neighbors & Friends Luncheon
- Fri, 12/19 6:30-8pm Living Nativity
- Wed, 12/24 5pm Christmas Eve Family Service
- Wed, 12/24 7pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

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	Sue 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					



Winter Park
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DECEMBER 7, 2025
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
COMMUNION SUNDAY



ORDER OF WORSHIP
* Please stand as you are able.
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
PRELUDE • <i>Meditation on “The Coventry Carol”</i> - Lasky (10:30)
* CALL TO WORSHIP
John the Baptist calls to us, “ Prepare the way of the Lord! ” This Advent, may we turn to the light of Christ. The light shines in the darkness and the darkness did not overcome it! In faith and hope, let us turn and worship God!
LIGHTING OF THE SECOND CANDLE OF THE ADVENT WREATH
RESPONSE • <i>Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah</i> (Hymnal 85, verse 2)
* PRAYER OF ADORATION
Lord, we come to you this second Sunday of Advent with joy in our hearts. In three weeks we will celebrate the birth of Christ, your Son. Bless us as we gather for worship today. Amen.
* HYMN 362 • <i>Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers</i>
CALL TO CONFESSION
Come, let us go to God with our confessions of sin.
PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Gracious God, long ago you sent Christ to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, and to proclaim liberty to the captives. You then asked us to go and do the same for we are the church of Jesus Christ. Forgive us, we pray, for we have not continued to share the good news. We have focused on ourselves and neglected to help others. Help us to continue to share the healing and loving words of Christ to all the world and to love our neighbors as ourselves. We ask this in Jesus’ name, Amen. <i>(Continue with silent confession and reflection.)</i>
ASSURANCE OF PARDON
Friends, God is a loving God and He forgives us. In His name, we are forgiven. Amen.
* RESPONSE • Refrain from <i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i> (Hymnal 23) Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!
CHILDREN’S DISMISSAL (10:30)
FIRST READING • Luke 1:8-14, 18-20 The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING • Luke 1:57-66 The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.
RESPONSE • <i>Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence</i> (Hymnal 347, verse 2) King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth He stood, Lord of lords, in human vesture, in the body and the blood, He will give to all the faithful His own self for heavenly food.
SERMON “ZECHARIAH AND ELIZABETH, THE PARENTS OF JOHN THE BAPTIST”
OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS INVITATION TO OFFERING OFFERTORY MUSIC <i>Gloria</i> - Vivaldi (10:30) * OFFERTORY RESPONSE <i>Doxology</i> (Sung to the tune of "Veni Emmanuel") PRAYER OF DEDICATION
* REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH - <i>Apostles’ Creed</i> 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.
THE LORD’S SUPPER THE INVITATION <i>Gluten and soy free elements are available. Please see the server in the center aisle.</i> THE PRAYER OF BLESSING THE WORDS OF SACRAMENT SERVING GOD’S PEOPLE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING 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.
* HYMN 82 • <i>Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus</i>
THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
POSTLUDE • Nun Komm, Der Heiden Heiland (Savior of the Heathen, Come) - Bach (10:30)

✠ SERVING TODAY ✠
OFFICIATING MINISTER The Rev. Dr. Walk Jones, Interim Pastor
LITURGISTS Robert Nevill (8:15) Dawn Sumrall (10:30)
ADVENT LIGHTERS Robert & Tracy Nevill (8:15) Rusty & Meg Baldwin and Family (10:30)
COMMUNION SERVERS Ernestine Beattie, Nancy Galyean, Maria Garton, Robert Nevill, Debbie Pauzar, Paula Smathers, Ron Thompson, Phyllis Woods; Sara Van Arsdel (Gluten Free); Mike Galyean, Coordinator (10:30)
MUSICIANS Sandra Shafer, Piano (8:15) Justin Chase, Director of Music (10:30) Penny Walsh, Organ (10:30)
AUDIO/VISUAL Carole Reece, Doug Reece, Nelson Roe & Chase Finch (10:30)

✠ WORSHIP MATTERS ✠
FLOWERS The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Ron & Carol Thompson. May your Christmas be filled with Peace, Love, and Joy.
ANTHEM TEXT Glorious, glorious, glorious, glorious in the highest heaven, in the highest heaven, glorious, glorious, glorious, glorious God in highest heaven, glorious, glorious God in highest heaven. Glory to God almighty, glory to God in highest heaven, glory to God in highest heaven, glory to God in highest heaven, highest heaven, Glorious in the highest heaven.
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.

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