

St. Paul's Waccamaw
United Methodist Church
Pawleys Island, South Carolina



December 24, 2023 - 5:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Service
St. Paul's Waccamaw UMC
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5:00 pm

A Festival of Lessons and Carols

Prelude: *Christmas Medley* Olivia Huggins, Organ

Gathering

Welcome

Call to Worship: *Still, Still, Still* Chancel Choir

Opening Prayer

First Lesson: Genesis 3:8-15, 17-19

*Carol: *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* (V. 1,2,4) 211

Second Lesson: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Carol: *O Come All Ye Faithful* (V. 1, 2, 3) 234

Third Lesson: Micah 5:2-5a

Carol: *O Little Town of Bethlehem* (V. 1 & 4) 230

Fourth Lesson: Luke 1:26-35, 38

*Carol: *Angels We Have Heard on High* 238

Fifth Lesson: Luke 2:1-16

Special Music: *Breath of Heaven* Susan Maffa, Soloist

Sixth Lesson: Matthew 2:1-11

Carol: *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing* (V. 1 & 3) 240

Seventh Lesson: John 1:1-14

Homily: *"Be The Light"*

Lighting of the Christ Candle

*Carol: *Silent Night, Holy Night* 239

*Dismissal with Blessing

* - Indicates Please Stand if Able

- Please remember when lighting your candles to tip the UNLIT candle into the flame of the lit candle. Please use caution with children as the wax can be VERY HOT.

- If you would like to give an offering at this service you may place it in the plate at the back of the sanctuary. All the offering goes to Missions.

- Thank you all for joining us in worship this evening.

- Thank you to all of our musicians, ushers, technology volunteers, lay servants, and all of those behind the scenes who make worship impactful every week throughout the year.

*May God Bless you all
& Have a Merry Christmas!*