



Sunday Worship — 8:45 AM & 11:15 AM

December 1, 2024

1st Sunday of Advent

Welcome and Announcements

Video “Cute Christmas Invite”

Prelude Joy to the World—Cindy Senatore and Olivia Huggins, piano duet
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent Chancel Choir

* The Chiming of the Hour & Entering the Light of Christ

* Call to Worship

* Prayer of Invocation

* Passing of the Peace

* Hymn Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates vs 1-3 UMH #213

* Affirmation of Faith

• Gloria Patri UMH #70

The Lighting of the First Advent Candle

Pastoral Prayer/The Lord’s Prayer (In Unison)

Celebrating Grace by The Return of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory What Child is This? piano and organ duet

* The Doxology UMH #94

Offertory Prayer

The Children’s Message

* Solo of Preparation He Shall Feed His Flock Susan Maffa, Soloist

Sermon Text John 12:42-50 (NIV)

Prayer of Preparation

Sermon Mighty God Pastor J.R. Virgin (8:45) (11:15)

Communion

* Hymn of Response Keep Your Lamps (on screen)
(Please feel free to kneel at the altar at this time.)

* Benediction

Postlude Angels We Have Heard on High piano and organ duet
* please stand if able

Church Calendar Meetings
’til December 18, 2024

Bible Studies to Grow in Faith

Monday’s Bible Study on Roundtable: A Journey Through Romans

Discovery Classroom, 6:00 p.m. December 2, and December 16.

Men’s Bible Study: Every Thursday, Youth Building, 8:00 a.m.

Mary & Martha Class: Meet each Wednesday, 10:00 a.m., Youth Building. Our goal is to follow St. Paul’s mission to be a Scriptural, Prayerful, Faithful, Invitational, Discipleship, and a Focus forward group. We have a weekly devotional, lift up prayer concerns for the group, our church family, and community. We discuss Sunday’s message guided by questions provided by Pastor JR, and projects where we can be helpful. This past Wednesday we provided lunch for the James Gang and will continue that ministry as well as partnering them in assisting homeowners when needed. If Interested, please contact Amylou Antes at 484-880-1032.

Video Series, Louie Giglio “Fruitcake and Ice Cream”, Thursday, December 5, 2024, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary.

Counseling by Appointment, Tuesday & Thursday, 10 :00 am—1pm. Contact Fran Keller at 843-833-3980. (By appointment only.)

Committee Meetings & The Work of the Church

2nd Golf Committee Meeting, Monday, December 2, 2024, 1:30 p.m., Berly Hall.

Blankets for Babies, Wednesday, December 4, 2024, 10:00 a.m., Administrative Building.

Polar Express Movie, Sunday, December 15, 2024, 12:15 p.m., Youth Building. Lunch and crafts. Bring your family blanket and join us.

Methodist Women Christmas Salad & Desserts Luncheon, December 18, 2024, 11:45, Youth Building.

The Ministry of Music

Chancel Choir Rehearsal, (Wednesdays), 6:30 p.m. Handbells meet Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.

Encouragement, Activities, and Community Gatherings

AA, Tues., Thurs, Fri., at 7:00 p.m., Joy Classroom.

Students in the Word, Mon—Thursday (Friendship & Wings Classrooms) Friday in (Youth Building) 7:30 a.m.—2:45 p.m.

Office Hours: 8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Monday—Thursday. Closed on Friday. If you have an emergency, please call Alice at 704-779-9133 or Rev. J. R. Virgin at 814-244-5654.

Office CLOSED —Monday, December 2, 2024, in Observance of Thanksgiving.

Sunday Worship —11:00 AM

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Welcome

Video “Cute Christmas Invite”

Invocational Prayer

* Song of Praise Joyful (The One Who Saves)

* Passing of the Peace

* Song of Praise It’s Christmas

* Affirmation of Faith

Pastoral Prayer/The Lord’s Prayer (In Unison)

Giving to the Kingdom Mary Did You Know

Offertory Prayer

The Children’s Message

Sermon Text John 12:42-50 (NIV)

Prayer for the Spirit to Move as We Worship

Sermon Mighty God Pastor Len Kircher

Communion The Table

* Song of Promise Go Tell It On The Mountain

* Benediction

* Please stand if able

Our Little Garden Child Care

Our Little Garden Child Care at the early service will be open upon request or your child can sit with you in the service.

Please notify one of the ushers. We are excited to nurture your little one's faith with God's love. If you would like to volunteer helping in the Nursery, please let Pam Carson know.

SAVE THE DATES

Sunday, December 8, 8:45 Traditional Service with Handbells, Chancel Choir and Cindy Senatore, accompanist.

Sunday, December 15, 2024, 8:45 Traditional Service (no Chancel Choir).

Sunday, December 15, 2024, 11:15 a.m. Traditional Service in Sanctuary—Flute, Violin, Chancel Choir, and Joyce English accompanist.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services December 24, 2024, 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary.

What's Your Life's Purpose?

December 8th, the JOY class will begin a study of the Gospel of Mark. The focus is Jesus Christ's purpose. Mark presents the Servant Jesus as an example for us to follow. If you don't know your purpose in life, join this action-packed study and find out. If you do know, join us to gain a deeper understanding of what's possible for your life—both here on earth and in eternity. Be open for God's move into your life. Get ready to be challenged and to serve.

We would love to have you join us. Please tell others about this great study.

Staff Love Offering

If you would like to contribute to the staff Christmas love offering, you can place it in the offering plate over the next few Sundays. Just be sure to mark it as Staff Love Offering. Or you can send the money into the office, please make sure it is clearly marked as the Christmas Love Offering. To make a donation through e-Giving, select "love offering" from the designated funds list.

Deadline is **December 6, 2024**. Thank you

Our Faithfulness

OUR PRESENCE: Sunday, November 24, 2024

8:45	Sunday Service	153
8:45	Online Service Views	78 (As of 11/25)
10:00	Sunday School	76
11:00	Sunday Service	94
11:00	Online Service Views	119 (As of 11/25)
11:15	Sunday Service	37

OUR SERVICE: Sunday, December 1, 2024

Altar Flowers: Our Flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Dan and Nancy Wetsel in memory of Nancy's parents wedding anniversary.

Altar Guild: Kaye Miller

8:45	Acolyte: Kyle Player
8:45	Ushers: Joe Chapella, Bob Maffa, Jan Finnical
8:45	Communion Servers: Elizabeth & Jim Kay and Polly Simock and Bruce Stelow
8:45	Livestream: Dave Streeter
8:45	Video: Fred Harris

11:00	Ushers: John and Leah Gutekunst
11:00	Communion Servers: Carolyn McGill and Phillip Cusick
11:00	Livestream: Fran Keller
11:00	Video: Shawn Keller

8:45	Audio: Scott Lewis
11:00	Audio: Susan Lewis

Sermon Notes

Weekly Bible Reading

December 1-Psalm 126; Hosea 1-3; Revelation 1:1-8

December 2-Psalm 127; Hosea 4-5; Revelation 1:9-20

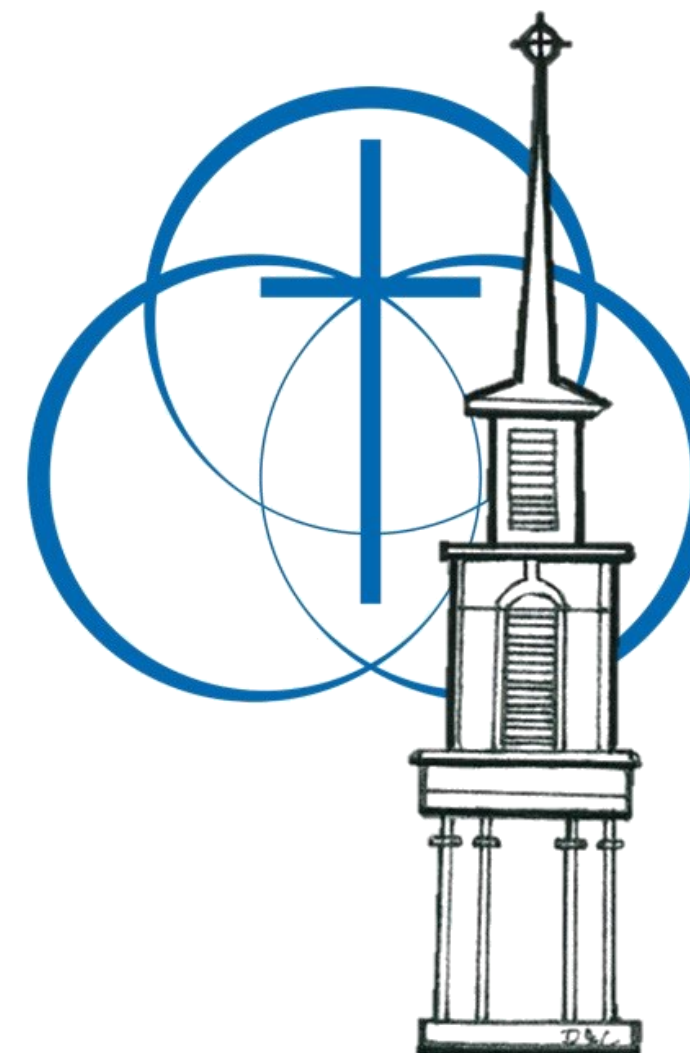
December 3-Psalm 128; Hosea 6-7; Revelation 2:1-11

December 4-Psalm 129; Hosea 8-10; Revelation 2:12-29

December 5-Psalm 130; Hosea 11-12; Revelation 3:1-6

December 6-Psalm 131; Hosea 13-14; Revelation 3:7-13

December 7—Psalm 132:1-9; Joel 1:1—2:17; Revelation 3:14-22



St. Paul's Waccamaw Methodist Church

*Lead Pastor: Rev. J. R. Virgin
Preaching Pastor: Rev. Len Kircher
December 1, 2024*

Worship Services

8:45 am: Traditional Service

11:00 am: Modern Service

11:15 am: Traditional Service

10:00 am: Sunday School

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