

Pastoral Prayer

DEDICATION AND RESPONSE

Thanking God through the Offering

*Doxology No. 606 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"
OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer of Dedication

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Concluding Prayer (In Unison):

We have been fed, Holy One, by your presence.

We have been led, Eternal One, by your light.

May we bask in this glow now and forevermore. Amen.

*Hymn 306 "Blest Be the Tie that Binds" DENNIS

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

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Faithfully Friendly For All – Always
Welcome + Include + Involve

Westhampton Presbyterian Church
on Quicque



Founded 1742

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SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 10 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL FOLLOWING CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

First Sunday of Christmas

January 1st, 2023

**Please stand as able.*

Please silence all cell phones.

PREPARATION

Silent Meditation Isaiah 63: 7-9

I will tell of the kindnesses of the LORD, the deeds for which he is to be praised, according to all the LORD has done for us—yes, the many good things he has done for Israel, according to his compassion and many kindnesses. He said, “Surely they are my people, children who will be true to me”; and so he became their Savior. In all their distress he too was distressed, and the angel of his presence saved them. In his love and mercy he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Ring of the Bell

Introit

***Call to Worship**

One: Praise God! With the angels and hosts, we praise!

All: With the sun and the moon, we praise!

One: With the fire and hail, we praise!

All: With the frost and snow, we praise!

One: With the mountains and valleys, we praise!

All: With the skies and seas, we praise God!

***Hymn 152** “What Star is This, with Beams so Bright”

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CONFESSION AND PARDON

***Unison Prayer of Confession**

Ever-present God, you became our Savior in all our distress. In all the ways we hurt, and all the ways we hurt others, in all the ways we feel neglected and all the ways we neglect others, in all the ways we cry out and all the ways we cause others to cry, you are with us, comforting us and holding us to account. In your love,

redeem us once again. Lift us up and grant us your mercy, as you have throughout the generations. (Time of Silence)

Assurance of Pardon

***Response of Praise No. 581** “Gloria Patri”

Exchange of Christ’s Peace

L: The peace of Christ be with you. **P: And also with you.**

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Children’s Sermon and the Lord’s Prayer

Anthem

Scripture Reading

Matthew 2: 13-23

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

Rev. Vanessa Winters

***Hymn 87** “Comfort, Comfort Now My People” GENEVAN

***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. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. This we believe!

Amen.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR January 1-8, 2023

<u>TODAY</u>	1st Sunday of Christmas - Communion
10:00 AM	Worship
<u>MONDAY</u>	Office Closed
<u>TUESDAY</u>	
7:00 PM	Deacons Meeting
<u>FRIDAY</u>	Epiphany of the Lord
<u>SATURDAY</u>	
9:00 AM	Budget Meeting
<u>SUNDAY</u>	Baptism of the Lord
10:00 AM	Worship

Pastoral Care

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-AA. Meetings: Sat. 10am (parking area or choir room); Wed. & Sun. 6:30pm choir room; Sun. 12pm classroom

-Bulletin announcements must be received to the office by Wednesday each week to be included in the Sunday bulletin.

-Tidings Articles are due by the 20th each month to be included in the monthly newsletter. All are welcome to participate!

*We welcome you as we would welcome
Christ Himself!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS for January 1, 2023

*Please record your name in the pew pad or sign the guest book so that the church can stay connected with you.

*Hymnals may be used during the service. Large print hymns as well as large print Bibles are available. Ask an usher for assistance.

*Large print bulletins have been created as a full page for easy reading. Ask an usher for assistance.

*Prayer Concerns

Recent: Joyce Reaver; broken femur; Kevin Fitzgerald; Dean Speir, Gale Seidler's brother; Diane F. Perry, home; Marjorie Ridgeway, home; Seamus Naughton, home; Kimberly Rogers Murawski

Long Term: Dottie Evans, Westhampton Care Center; Ralph Downs, Florida; Phyllis Styrzo, Southampton Hospital; Dana Barrett, friend of Nancy Miller; Chelsey Carter Collins, Hamptons Center for Rehab; Ellen Pfaff; Rev. John Kloepfer, home; Jay Sears

Sound/Audio/Visual Operator

Bruce Qua

Ushers

Sharon Conway, Vern Hackworth

Flowers

The chancel flowers this morning are given to the Glory of God in celebration of God's gifts in the New Year.

Given by Karen Neubauer

Preparing for the New Year

We will be closing the books on 2022 and preparing for 2023 this week. If you have not yet done so, please make every effort to complete your 2022 financial commitment to Christ's church. Consider a second-mile offering to help as well. Pledges for 2023 are needed to enable us to meet obligations in the year to come. Questions? Please contact the church office.

Contributions that are postmarked by Dec. 31, 2022 will reflect in your 2022 Giving statement. Anything received after the New Year that is not postmarked by Dec. 31, 2022 will reflect in your 2023 Giving statement as "Post Paid."

Stewardship

Thank you to the 85 who have pledged support to the church for 2023. It's not too late for anyone else to help. Use a pledge card or send a note to the church office.

Please help us establish a budget by sending in your pledge now. We can't make a budget until all of the pledges are in.

-For those who don't remember what they pledged last year or don't know what they still owe for this year, consider using our online source, called Servant Keeper. Type in <https://servantkeeper.com/member-portal/westhampton-presbyterian-church>. If you haven't used it before you will have to join with an email and a password. Open it up and you will see in blue "Overview" and then "Pledging" and you will be amazed at all the financial information on your giving.

Annual Reports

It's that time of year to start preparing your reports for the Annual Meeting. Please **email** your reports to admin@westhamptonpresbyterian.org no later than Friday, January 6th. The church administrator will be on vacation in January and reports are needed to begin preparation for distribution the week before the Annual meeting is scheduled. Thank you for your attention.

Presbyterian Women January 2023 Luncheon

Let's welcome the New Year with a "Covered Dish/Potluck" luncheon at noon in the conference room on Wednesday, January 11, 2023.

Offering Envelopes

Your 2023 offering boxes are available to pick up in the rear of the sanctuary. Please look for your name. If you would like to be assigned an envelope number, please contact the church office. If you no longer wish to use one, because your giving is done electronically or another way, please contact the church office so that others may utilize the box sets. Thank you.

