

Words to Leave By

Postlude "Variationen"  
Sharon Kitzi, Flute

Hans-Andre Stamm

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Ushers: Gale & Pete Seidler

May the joy of Christmas and a Happy New Year follow each of you! Those who need a church home are welcome here all through the year.

*Westhampton Presbyterian Church  
on Quogue*



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

Christmas Eve  
Candlelight Service 9:00 p.m.  
December 24, 2022

*Please silence all cell phones.*

*\*Please stand as able.*

**Prelude** "Starry Night" Hans Andre Stamm  
Sharon Kitzis, Flute

**Words of Welcome**

**\*Call to Worship:**

One: In the holy darkness of this night,

**All: amid labor pains and newborn cries,**

One: angel songs and tremors of fear,

**All: tears of relief and looks of amazement,**

One: our Savior takes his first breath.

**All: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel has come to us.**

**Hymn 88** "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"  
VENI EMMANUEL

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath**

**Solo** "Rejoice Greatly, O Daughter" (from *The Messiah*)  
Emma Ozman - Soprano G.F. Handel

**LESSONS AND CAROLS (First and Last Stanzas Only)**

**The Prophecy—Isaiah 9: 2-7**

**Hymn 133** "O Come All Ye Faithful" ADESTE FIDELES

**The Announcement—Luke 1:26-35, 38**

**Hymn 145** "What Child is This?" GREENSLEEVES

**A Christmas Story**

**The Birth of Jesus—Luke 2:1-7**

**Hymn 114** "Away in a Manger" CRADLE SONG

**The Shepherd's Visit—Luke 2:8-20**

**Hymn 113** "Angels We Have Heard on High" GLORIA

**\*Prayer of Confession in Unison:**

Holy God, you have come among us in Jesus Christ, hallowing our humanity and embodying our love. We confess that we have turned from the path Jesus has marked, failing to claim all you intend for us, withholding love from our neighbors and ourselves. Forgive us. Be born anew in us, that our lives might reflect Christ's radiant light.

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**The Wise Men are Led by a Star—Matthew 2: 1-12**

**Hymn 151** "We Three Kings" KINGS OF ORIENT

**Thanking God through the Offering**

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

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Solo** "Cantique de Noel" Adolphe Adam  
Emma Ozman, Soprano

**The Son of God—John 1:1-15**

**Hymn 122** "Silent Night" STILLE NACHT

*Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright 'round yon virgin mother and child! Holy Infant, so tender and mild, sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.*

*Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight; glories stream from heaven afar, heavenly hosts sing "Alleluia: Christ the Savior is born; Christ the Savior is born!"*

*Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light radiant beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus Lord at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.*