

Pastoral Prayer

DEDICATION AND RESPONSE

Thanking God through the Offering

\*Doxology 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

Prayer of Thanksgiving (In Unison):

God, our Provision, we rejoice that you satisfy our needs. By your presence in this meal, you have fed us and strengthened us, as a mother nourishes her baby. In this waiting season fill us with hopeful expectation that we may see the signs of your kingdom all around us and rejoice in your coming salvation and glory Amen.

\*Hymn 702 “Christ Be Beside Me” BUNESSAN

\*Charge and Benediction

Postlude “O Come Emmanuel” Wilbur Held

*Today’s communion liturgy is based on the writing of  
Rev. Thom Schuman.*

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Welcome † Include † Involve

# *Westhampton Presbyterian Church*



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

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1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2024

*\*Please stand as able*

*Please silence all cell phones*

## PREPARATION

**Silent Meditation** 1 Corinthians 1:4-7

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you so that you are not lacking in any gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Prelude** “As With Gladness Men of Old” Arr. by Wilbur Held

**Greetings and Announcements**

**Ringling of the Bell**

**Introit** “Visit Us Emmanuel” Pepper Chaplin

**\*Call to Worship**

The days are coming; your salvation is nearing.

**Teach us your paths as we wait on your coming promise.**

The heavens are speaking; your kingdom is arriving.

**Strengthen our hearts as we wait on your coming promise.**

The world is turning; new life is appearing.

**Keep us alert as we wait on your coming promise.**

We worship you with waiting hearts this day.

**Fill us with hope in this season. Amen.**

**\*Hymn 82** “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” HYFRYDOL

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath**

## CONFESSION AND PARDON

**\*Unison Prayer of Confession:**

**Coming Christ, you may not find us as you hoped. We’ve looked away from signs we do not wish to see. We’ve stopped listening to distress we do not wish to hear. We are numb to inconvenient truths. Keep us alert, O God, to the needs of our**

**neighbors. Revive our hearts laden with compassion fatigue. Sober our lives addicted to privilege. Show us the signs of your coming, that we may stand before you, the Son of Man, in whose name we pray.**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

As sure as the fig tree blossoms, so sure is the salvation of God, poured out for the world in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Believe the good news.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

**\*Response of Praise 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** “Prepare the Way of the Lord” Michael Larkin

**Scripture Reading** Mark 13:24-37

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

**Sermon** Rev. Candace Whitman

**\*Hymn 347** “Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence” PICARDY

**Affirmation of Faith – The Apostles’ Creed**

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.**

**TODAY****1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent****Rev. Candace Whitman**

9:15 AM Choir Rehearsal  
 10:00 AM Worship followed by Coffee Hour  
 11:15 AM Choir Rehearsal

**TUESDAY**

6:00 PM Wreath Making &amp; Pizza Party!

**THURSDAY**

10:00 AM Men's Fellowship Group

**SATURDAY**

11AM-2:30PM Christmas Fair!

**SUNDAY****2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent - Youth**

9:15 AM Choir Rehearsal  
 10:00 AM Worship followed by our Children's  
 Christmas Pageant  
 11:15 AM Santa Brunch!



-A.A. Meetings: Sat. 10am (parking area or choir room); Wed. &  
 Sun. 6:30pm Parish Hall; 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 December 1, 2024**

**\*Please sign the guest book so that the church can stay connected  
 with you.**

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

**\*Large Print Hymnals are available in the rear of the sanctuary,  
 please ask an usher for assistance.**

**\*Prayer Concerns**

**Recent: Antonio Vega & family** (brother passed away, friend to  
 Vern Hackworth); **Susan Sullivan**, friend of John and Mary Hull;  
**Ella Carolan**, leukemia (family friend to the Steven's family);  
**Glenn Steinmo**, cancer (Mimi Wood's nephew); **Pete Seidler**;  
**Leslie Johnson**, cancer (Stephanie Miller's mother); **Pat Bebon**;  
**Libby Hirsch**, cancer (Tom Rogers' cousin); **Raymond Hann**;  
**Ralph Neubauer**; **Helen Fitzsimons**; **Marjorie Ridgway**, home  
**Long Term: Chelsey Carter Collins**, Hamptons Center for Rehab;  
**Phyllis Styrzo**, Hamptons Center for Rehab; **Kimberly Rogers**  
**Murawski**; **Ralph Downs**, Florida; **Dana Barrett**, friend of Nancy  
 Miller

**Sound/Audio/Visual Operator**

*Richard Childs, Will McDaris, Bruce Qua, Leigh Wanamaker*

**Music Director**

*Kamilla Ozman*

**Ushers**

*Sharon Conway and Louise Smith*

**Flowers**

*The chancel flowers this morning are given in loving memory of  
 Paul & Ellen Pfaff.  
 By Tom & Linda Rogers*

Welcome Rev. Candace Whitman to the pulpit this morning!

### Men's Fellowship Group

All are welcome to join our men's group Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 10am in the conference room. Coffee and goodies will be served. (A friendly reminder: we meet on the first Thursday of each month at 10am)

### Santa Brunch

Come join us for our Santa Brunch, Sunday, December 8th after our Children's Christmas pageant. Tickets on sale during coffee hour and in the church office. \$20 adults, \$15 children and \$50 for families. Don't forget your cameras for pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus!

### Annual Christmas Fair!

Come on down and spend the afternoon with us! Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> from 11am-2:30pm! Walk our cookie walk, shop our handmade crafts, gifts, and much more! Enjoy light refreshments and sandwiches as you delight in the most wonderful time of the year.

### Adopt a Family

Once again, our church will be participating in the Adopt a Family program. Please stop by the Adopt a Family table during coffee hour today and consider "adopting" someone for Christmas. For further detail see Tracy Speed Zollweg or Sharon Conway.

### Christmas Caroling

Join us for Caroling to the homebound after worship on **Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**! See Kathy Tureski for more information and if you would like to participate.

### 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the organ: December 15th

As part of the 50th anniversary celebration, we will be creating a Music Maintenance Fund to ensure that the care of the organ is always fully funded. There is a special envelope in your bulletin for you to make a donation in memory or honor of a loved one, and your donation will be recognized in the Organ Dedication Service bulletin on December 15.

### PW: Christmas Wreath Pickup

Orders are due by Sunday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>! Pick up is on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 10am. Please fill out the form provided in your bulletin and place in the offering plate or bring to the church office.

### Christmas Cocktail Party

Come join us for drinks, hors d'oeuvres and Christmas cheer! Saturday, December 21, 5:00pm–7:00pm at the church Manse! Tickets available during coffee hour or in the church office. \$50 each or \$80 for 2. (suggested donation)

### Deacons Meeting

Our meeting has been rescheduled for Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm due to the conflicting time of the wreath making party on our regular scheduled date. Thank you.

### Board Members, Committees and Staff

It's that time of year to start preparing your reports for the Annual Meeting.

Please email your reports to:

[admin@westhamptonpresbyterian.org](mailto:admin@westhamptonpresbyterian.org) no later than Monday, January 6th. Reports will need to be received promptly. Thank you for your attention.

### East End Women's Choir

Candlelit Christmas will be presented on Friday, December 20, 2024 at 7:30 PM by East End Women's Choir, an intergenerational community choir. Along with traditional readings, organ music, carols and soloists, this annual event will highlight "Carols and Lullabies" by Conrad Susa. This piece of music is made more charming by an accompaniment of marimba, classical guitar and harp. We are asking for a donation of \$25 to help defray our costs and to allow us to continue to offer quality performances of women's concert literature.