

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading Luke 3:7-18

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

Sermon "I'm Gonna Tell!!" Rev. Holly Haile Thompson, DD

*Hymn 14 "For the Beauty of the Earth" DIX

Pastoral Prayer

DEDICATION AND RESPONSE

Offertory "Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound" G. Shearing
Guest organist - Will Roslak

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

*Prayer of Dedication

*God Bless to us our Bread; and give bread to all those who are hungry, and
hunger for justice for all who are fed; God bless to us our Bread.*

(Unison) **And may these gifts given to us and now given by us help
to show forth your love to all with whom we share this Earth. With
gratitude we pray. A-hau. Amen.**

*Hymn 93 "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates" TRURO

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude Toccata (from Symphony for Organ No. 5) C. Widor
Guest organist - Jamie Hulse Smith

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Westhampton Presbyterian Church



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

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PREPARATION

Silent Meditation

“ ‘*God Bless to Us Our Bread*’ This version of the Latin American Bread Prayer, arranged by John Bell, was originally published in a collection of hymns called *Love and Anger*, which connected biblical themes of justice with traditions of protest music and poetry around the world. It expands the petition of the Lord’s Prayer about daily bread to address issues of hunger and justice. In the prayer, the poor need more than charity: they need bread, real changes that will improve real lives. Significantly, the rich are also in need of prayer. They need God to kindle their hunger for justice so that the poor will be more than the recipients of their philanthropy.

Wealthier people and powerful nations have long sentimentalized poverty as a virtue and the poor as innocent, simple objects of well-intentioned but misplaced charity. Institutions as small as congregations and as large as governments often find it easier to choose what is good for their poorer neighbors rather than consulting them first, only to be frustrated when canned goods too heavy for a long walk home or unsuited for a family’s health needs are abandoned on the curb by the food pantry. This is one moment when we need to sing the bread prayer, that God will make us hungry for true justice instead of cheap charity.” (Source: barngeeseworship.com)

Prelude “Es ist ein Ros’ entsprungen” J. Brahms
 “Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme” J. S. Bach
 “In dulci jubilo” J. S. Bach
 Guest organist- Linda Howard Kloepfer

Greetings and Announcements

Ringing of the Bell

Introit “Visit Us Emmanuel” P. Choplin

*Call to Worship

Come, all who thirst, come to the waters!

Come, all who are parched from daily struggles

Come and taste the refreshing drink of life only God can offer

Why do we spend our money for that which is not bread and work for that which will never satisfy us?

We have wasted far too many earthly resources on things of no heavenly worth.

Come, let us worship God together.

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

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Lighting of the Advent Wreath - Joy

*Unison Prayer of Confession:

Loving God, we worship idols of our own making, when temptation overtakes us we submit to its charm. We find it easier to grumble at hardships than to praise you for mercies we receive day by day. You promise to provide all that we need, forgive us when we forget your loving nature, and restore us to communion with you. In gratitude we pray. A-hau. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Response of Praise 581 “Gloria Patri”

*Exchange of Christ’s Peace

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

Children’s Sermon and the Lord’s Prayer

Congregation sings, “Jesus Loves Me”

(Children are excused for Sunday School)

ORGAN REDEDICATION CEREMONY

Hymn 641 “When in Our Music God Is Glorified” ENGELBERG

History of the Organ Betsy Doyle

Anthem “E’en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come” P. Manz

Westhampton Presbyterian Church Choir

Music Director – Kamilla Ozman

Rededication of the William Gill Organ

Special Music Choral Op. 37, No. 4 J. Jongen

Guest organist – William Roslak

Blessing of the organ

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR December 15-22, 2024

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| <u>TODAY</u> | 3rd Sunday in Advent Rev. Holly Haile Thompson |
| 9:15 AM | Choir Rehearsal |
| 10:00 AM | Worship with the 50 th Anniversary rededication of our organ! |
| 12:00 PM | Christmas Caroling to shut ins |
| 3:00 PM | Blue Christmas Service - Quogue Chapel |
| <u>MONDAY</u> | |
| 5:00 PM | Maureen's Haven |
| <u>TUESDAY</u> | |
| 7:00 PM | Trustees Meeting |
| <u>WEDNESDAY</u> | |
| 8:00AM-5:00PM | Preschool Party - Parish Hall Used |
| <u>FRIDAY</u> | |
| 7:30 PM | East End Women's Candlelit Concert |
| <u>SATURDAY</u> | |
| 5:00 PM | Christmas Cocktail Party at the Manse! |
| <u>SUNDAY</u> | 4th Sunday in Advent Rev. Candace Whitman |
| 9:15 AM | Choir Rehearsal |
| 10:00 AM | Worship accompanied by the LI Brass Guild |

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-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 15, 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: 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

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Sound/Audio/Visual Operator

Richard Childs, Will McDaris, Bruce Qua, Leigh Wanamaker

Music Director

Kamilla Ozman

Ushers

Vern Hackworth and Jean Seyfert

Flowers

The flowers on the chancel this morning are given to the Glory of God in honor of our church family.

By Tom & Linda Rogers

Welcome Rev. Holly Haile-Thompson to the pulpit this morning!

Christmas Caroling

Join us for Caroling to the homebound after worship TODAY at noon!
See Kathy Tureski.

Christmas Cocktail Party

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

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 contact Tracy Speed Zollweg at 631-599-9147 or Sharon Conway at 516-297-5182.

50th Anniversary of the William Gill Memorial Organ

We welcome Linda Howard Kloepfer, William Roslak and Jamie Hulse Smith as our guest organists for today's rededication ceremony. As part of the 50th anniversary celebration, we have created a Music Maintenance Fund to ensure that the organ is always cared for. Members and friends who have already donated to this fund, have been recognized this morning in the special insert. If you still wish to donate, there are special envelopes in the pews. A complete list of dedications will be honored in the January Tidings newsletter.

Annual Reports! Board Members, Committees and Staff

It's that time of year to start preparing your 2024 reports for the Annual Meeting.
Please email your reports to: 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.

Direct Deposit

An option for your monthly pledge is Direct Deposit. On the 10th of the month your pledge amount will be automatically transferred from your individual bank account into the church's account. It is convenient and easy. If interested, contact our treasurer, Janet Hann for the necessary form.

Extended Pulpit

The session has made an agreement with Rev. Candace Whitman, beginning January 1, 2025 she will be with us as our extended pulpit supply.