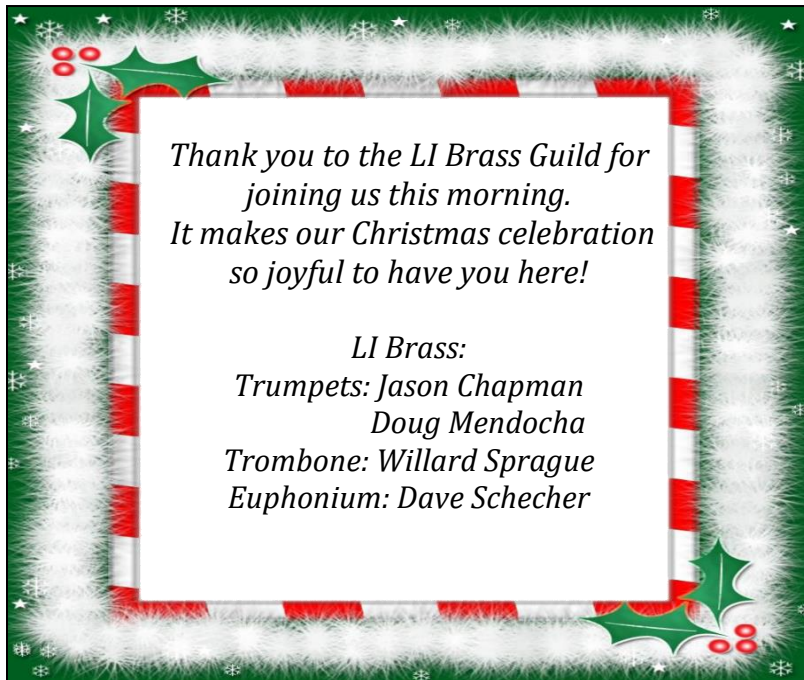


Response to Benediction Hallelujah Chorus (The Messiah)
Handel

Postlude Long Island Brass Guild



Portions of today's liturgy are adapted from the writings of
Rev. Thom Shuman.



Join us on December 24th for special Christmas Eve worship with
carols and candlelight! The family service will take place in our
Sanctuary at 5:00 PM, and our 9:00 PM service at the Quogue
Chapel.



Westhampton Presbyterian Church



on Quogue
Founded 1742

Administrative Assistant
Erika Lukert

Director of Music
Kamilla Ozman

Youth Ministry Coordinator &
Sunday School Superintendent
Kathy Tureski

Sunday Sexton
Brian Babcock

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

Faithfully Friendly For All – Always
Welcome . Include . Involve

**Please stand as able*

Please silence all cell phones

PREPARATION

Silent Meditation Micah 5:4-5

And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth. And he shall be the one of peace.

Prelude Long Island Brass Guild

Greetings and Announcements

Ringling of the Bell

Introit Fanfare for Christmas Day Martin Shaw

***Call to Worship**

Holy God, you scatter the proud, and look with favor on those the world ignores;

For you, we wait.

Jesus Christ, in you, God fills the hunger of our hearts and gives hope to all people;

For you, we wait.

Holy Spirit, from you comes faith that we might believe, and the power to share God's great love with the world.

For you, we wait.

***Hymn 140** "Once In Royal David's City" (verses 1, 2, and 4)

Lighting of the Advent Wreath The Gillin Family

CONFESSION AND PARDON

***Unison Prayer of Confession:**

Holy God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you and one another. We have wandered from your ways, we have wasted your gifts, we have forgotten your love and your commands. We are sorry and ask your forgiveness. Help us to live in your light,

and walk in your ways, and be the people you call us to be.
(Time of Silence)

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news. Through Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
Let us listen, give thanks, and live! Amen.

***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

(Children will stay and attend church with family)

Anthem "Gloria" (from Mariazeller Messe)

Joseph Haydn, ed. By Ryan Kelly

Scripture Reading Luke 1:39-55

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

Sermon Rev. Candace Whitman

***Hymn 119** "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

MENDELSSOHN

Pastoral Prayer

DEDICATION AND RESPONSE

Thanking God through the Offering

***Doxology 606** "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn 136** "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

(Congregation sings Refrain only)

Charge and Benediction

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

December 22-29, 2024

<u>TODAY</u>	4th Sunday in Advent Rev. Candace Whitman 9:15 AM Choir Rehearsal 10:00 AM Worship accompanied by the LI Brass Guild
<u>TUESDAY</u>	Christmas Eve – Office Closed 5:00 PM Sanctuary: Christmas Eve Family Service 9:00 PM Chapel: Christmas Eve Candlelit Service
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	Christmas Day – Office Closed
<u>THURSDAY</u>	Office Closed
<u>SUNDAY</u>	1st Sunday of Christmas Rev. Dr. James Barnum 9:15 AM Choir Rehearsal 10:00 AM Worship followed by Coffee Hour

✠✠✠

-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 22, 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

✠✠✠

Sound/Audio/Visual Operator

Richard Childs, Will McDaris, Bruce Qua, Leigh Wanamaker

Music Director

Kamilla Ozman

Ushers

Tom & Jane Otis

Louise Smith

Flowers

Please see the insert of your bulletin for the beautiful Poinsettia and LI Brass dedications given by our congregation.

Welcome Rev. Candace Whitman to the pulpit this morning!

50th Anniversary of the William Gill Memorial Organ

Thank you to all who were able to contribute to the maintenance of our music! 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.

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.

Next week Office schedule:

The office will be open Monday, Dec. 23rd and Friday, Dec. 27th.
Closed: Dec. 24th - Dec. 26th.

2025 Offering Envelopes

For those who have an envelope number, your 2025 offering boxes will be available in the rear of the sanctuary on Sunday, December 29th. If you do not have an assigned envelope number and would like to receive an offering box, please contact the church office and one will be assigned to you. **Per Capita for 2025 is: \$47.09 per member.**

Men's Fellowship Group

Whether a member or friend, join us on the first Thursday of each month in the conference room at 10am. Discussion and open conversation on current events and other topics. Coffee and goodies are always served.

