

WELCOME

December 18, 2022

In-Person and **Online Worship Service** at 11:00am

Click on either link for **Sunday Worship Service**



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December 18, 2022 Isaiah 7: 10-16 & Romans 1: 1-7

SERVING EVERY FRIDA from 10:00am-Noon.

A very special thanks goes out to all of our Food Pantry volunteers who are helping to FEED THE HUNGRY



You are loved. We are blessed!



From the desk of Trinity Gibson...

Merry Christmas time!

Sunday, December 4th was our annual Christmas play! We had illnesses and mishaps but the show went on! Here's some of the highlights!

Special thank you to our Youth Group, Suzanne Huron, and Carlista Barttels. I hope all of you have a wonderful Christmas



People in our Prayers

Laci, Nicholas & Robin Rev. Dan Clark Holston Presbytery Camp Lodal Patients receiving Dialysis Sarah Valk Ann Kibler Rorie Parker Family Dr. Bob & Jeanne Jernigan Lee Bockman Doris Blanchard Sarah Hale Susan Smith Sharon Nolen

Beverly Carman

Howard's Mother)

Susan Avery Kirk and Lola Finch Ken & Jane Hunter

We will leave names on the Prayer Request List for three weeks unless you notify the Church Office to remain on the list for an extended amount of time.

Missions in our Prayers—4th Quarter

Local Missions

Kingsport City Schools Homeless Education Program Trunk or Treat WRPC Food Pantry

Regional / National Missions

Presbyterian Disaster Relief

International Missions

Families Involved Serving Humanity (FISH), Nicaragua Northumbria Community Retreat Center & Mother House, England

Special Offerings

Appalachian Miles for Smiles (October 13-14) Christmas Joy Offering (December 11)



This Week at WRPC

Indoor and Online Worship at 11:00am.

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Sunday 12/18	9:45am	In-Person Sunday School —
		Preschool through Grade 12
	11:00am	Sunday Worship
		(Godly Play Children's Church in
		Room 102)
	7:00pm	Session, MR
Tuesday 12/20	9:00am	Walking Group / Meet at
		Netherland Inn Road entrance
	6:00pm	The Has Beens, FH
	6:00pm	Healing Holidays Grief Seminar,
		MR
Wednesday 12/21	6:00pm	Handbell Practice
	7:00pm	Chancel Choir Practice
Friday 12/23	10:00am	Food Pantry, FH

For the month of DECEMBER...



Saturday 12/24

SMILE will be taking these 12 items that we need the most urgently!

6:30pm Christmas Eve Service

- Convertible car seats
- Boys tennis shoes sizes children's 13 up to adult 13s
- Beds cribs, toddler, twin, and bunks
- Undies
- All adult/teen sizes and boys 2T through size 8
- Hygiene items
- Kids toothbrushes and kids flavored toothpaste and diaper cream
- Pajamas for teens
- Sterlite 64qt clear storage totes
- Organizational supplies sharpies, masking tape, garbage bags
- Infant and toddler sized socks
- Men's athletic pants (all sizes)
- Boys clothing size 5T and 6
- Diapers sizes 6 and 7; pull-ups (all sizes)



Youth Group will be taking a break and resume meeting on January 9th! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you!



Candlelight
Christmas Eve Service
Saturday, December 24 at 6:30pm



We're taking a **ZOOM** Bible Study break during the holidays. Bible Study resumes on January 5th!

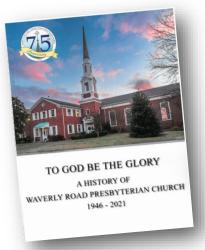
WRPC Walking Group

Every Tuesday,

weather permitting!

We will gather at 9:00 am

at the Netherland Inn Road entrance to
begin our walk.



If you ordered the WRPC 75th Anniversary book *To God Be The Glory*, please be sure to pick up your copy located in the Gathering Space!



December 18-24, 2022

To all:

We distributed 36 bags this past Friday, a normal day (as far as normal goes).

Later today (Monday) I will be meeting representatives from our friends at 1st Presbyterian Church-Kingsport, for delivery of their White Gift bags. Each year, 1st Pres members fill and donate bags for our Food Pantry as a part of their December White Gift offering. We are greatly appreciative of their ongoing support in our ministry.

As always, thanks for your support and your prayers.

-Pete Lodal

December White Gift Offering from First Presbyterian Church



We are thankful for First Presbyterian Church and their donation of a total of 52 bags of food for the White Gift Offering to our Food Pantry.

Also, we received a \$3000 corporate pre-loaded card from Food City – MUCH better than all those gift cards!

Godly Play Advent Banners

First Sunday of Advent—Hope

Prophets are people that come close to God and God comes close to them so that they know what is important. They pointed to Bethlehem. Not knowing why. This is the hand of a prophet pointing the way to Bethlehem. Showing the way also... Stop, watch, pay attention. Something incredible is going to happen in Bethlehem.



Second Sunday of Advent—Peace



We light the Christ Candle and focus on the Holy Family. This is the Sunday of the Holy Family. Mother Mary, Joseph, and Donkey, Mary walked and road the donkey because she was getting ready to have a baby.

Here is the light of the prophets. Here is the light of the Holy Family. Changing the light. Notice it is only in one place.

The light is not gone, it is changed and spreading out. It can be in every place;

our room, our church, our world.

Third Sunday of Advent—Joy

This is the Sunday of the shepherds. On the third Sunday we remember the shepherds.

Standing in the fields. Trying to stay awake. Keeping the sheep safe from wolves.

Suddenly, this is so much light, it hurts their eyes.

They were afraid.

Their hearts were beating loudly.

They heard singing in the sky.

They heard the words, "Do not be afraid, we bring you tidings of great joy. Peace on Earth and good will to everyone. A child is born. Go hurry. Run to Bethlehem to see the child who will change everything".

This candle is the color of roses. This is to remind us of the great joy the angels sang about. It also help us remember that even if it is very serious to get ready to come close to a great mystery like Christmas, we cannot be serious all the time. This is the Sunday when it is time for a little celebration, (Continued on back page)



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Fourth Sunday of Advent-Love



On the 4th Sunday of Advent, we remember the three Kings, the Magi, the Wise Men.

They came from far in the East and they were so wise that people thought they were magic. In fact, we get our word, "magic" from the name they were called in their own language, the Magi. Of all the things they knew, they knew the most about stars. They knew where each star was supposed to be at each time of the year; so, they could tell people when

it was time to plant their crops, or take a trip on the ocean in a boat, or cross the high mountain passes when the snow wasn't too deep.

Suddenly they saw the wild star. It was not on any of their star maps. It went where it wanted to go. It did not stay put. They decided to follow the wild star to see where it was going and what it wanted to show them. They followed the star all the way to Bethlehem, but they came from so far away that they got there after the baby was born.

They are always late, it seems. Every year they are late. They usually do not arrive until January 6th, and we remember them anyway, because, like us, they too are on the way to Bethlehem.

Ham & Brie Pastries

Yield: 16 pastries

Ingredients

1 sheet frozen puff pastry, thawed

1/3 cup apricot preserves

4 slices deli ham, quartered

8 ounces Brie cheese, cut into 16 pieces

Directions

- 1. Preheat oven to 400°. On a lightly floured surface, unfold puff pastry. Roll pastry to a 12-in. square; cut into sixteen 3-in. squares. Place 1 teaspoon preserves in center of each square; top with ham, folding as necessary, and cheese. Overlap 2 opposite corners of pastry over filling; pinch tightly to seal.
- Place on a parchment-lined baking sheet. Bake 15-20 minutes or until golden brown. Cool on pan 5 minutes before serving. If desired, serve with additional apricot preserves.

