

WEST BEND CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024, 11 AM

PRELUDE “Carol of the Bells” Handbell Choir
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Carol Petty
(If you have a prayer request, please fill out a card located in the pews. If you are a visitor please fill out the other side of the card with your information. Completed cards may be placed in the offering plate.)

***CONGREGATIONAL CALL TO WORSHIP** “Let There Be Peace on Earth” #431
OPENING PRAYER Pastor Richard Routh
***HYMN OF PRAISE** “There’s a Song in the Air” #249
***THE AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH** “The Apostles’ Creed” #881 (In Unison)
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 Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic** church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. (**universal)*

PRAISE AND PRAYER Pastor Richard Routh
THE LORD’S PRAYER (In Unison)
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

MORNING TITHES AND OFFERINGS
OFFERTORY “Away in a Manger” Handbell Choir
DOXOLOGY “Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow” #95
OFFERTORY PRAYER Pastor Richard Routh

SCRIPTURE INTRODUCTION/CHILDREN’S TIME

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE Hal Johnson

MESSAGE Pastor Richard Routh
“Peace Begins With Jesus”

SCRIPTURE
John 14:27 (ESV)
27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

John 16:33 (ESV)
33 I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

John 20:19-21 (ESV)
19 On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” 20 When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. 21 Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.”

John 20:26 (ESV)
26 Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.”

Philippians 4:4-7 (ESV)
4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. 5 Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; 6 do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

SERMON WRAP-UP
John 20:30-31 (ESV)
30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; 31 but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

***HYMN OF DEDICATION** “What Child Is This” #219
***THE BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH**
***RECESSIONAL** “The First Noel” Handbell Choir

**Please stand as you are able.*

There are hearing devices available to use during worship. Please see an usher for assistance.

Special thank you to the Handbell Choir for sharing their musical gifts with us.

Prayer List

Our Church Family

Paul Foust
Gail Hurley
Tom Morgan
Brenda Welch

Our Family & Friends

Karen Davis (Doris Davison’s daughter)
Hurricane Victims
Jene Inman (Cindy Ingold’s friend)
Israel

Charles Lewis

Our Church & Country

Angela Frye (Donna Robbins’ cousin)
Andrea Sykes (Carol Petty’s sister-in-law)
Angie Toomes (Dare & Layne’s daughter)

Assisted & Skilled Living Residents

***=Church Member**

Alpine, Asheboro: Sylvia Kearns
Asheboro Health & Rehab:
***Harold Hill**

Cross Roads, Asheboro: Marie Caldwell
Universal, Ramseur: *Lena McMasters

Our Military

Logan Morris, Veterans

Christian Sympathy

Carson William Shaw (Mickey Shaw’s father)
Konda Shaw

Prayer Requests will be left for 2 weeks unless notified otherwise.

Worship Associates

Musicians: April Brown, Choir
Sound System: Richard Lanier
Ushers: Mike Brown, Bill Burrow
Attendance Takers: Linda Burrow, Kathy McGowan
Power Point: Mary Anne Routh
Communion Preparer: Debra Hill
Thank you for your service!

Church Calendar

Sunday, December 8
11 am Worship

Tuesday, December 10
11 am Bulletin Deadline
12 pm Table of Grace

Wednesday, December 11
1pm Bible Study

Dear Friends of Hospice:

Thank you for your special contribution of desserts to our 39th Annual Hospice Auction & Barbecue. We are grateful for partners like you who make this event a success year after year.

Special events like the Auction & Barbecue help support key mission-centric programs for our community, like the Grief Counseling Center and Kids Path. Both programs offer grief support to anyone in the community who has faced a loss and are completely funded by community support. This is why your support is so important. Thank you for helping us touch the lives of so many in need.

On behalf of the patients and families we serve, thank you again for your special contribution. We hope we can count on your assistance again next year!

Sincerely,
William T. (Trent) Cockerham
Chief Executive Officer
Hospice of the Piedmont

Budget Tithes & Offerings & Attendance
Update for last Sunday
Offering: \$1,530 Attendance: 25

Ministry Staff

Ministers	Every Member
Pastor	Mr. Richard Routh
Office Manager	Mrs. Debra Y. Rogers
Lay Leader	Mrs. Carol S. Petty
Janitor	Mr. Tim Burrow

Ways to Reach Church Staff

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