

**Weekly Calendar  
Schedule**

**Sunday 12/07/25**

8:45am Depot Service  
9:30am Sunday School  
10:30am Traditional Service  
11:45am Youth Lunch @Gooey's  
3:00pm Paint Party in FH

**Monday 12/08/25**

12:15pm Chapel Prayer Time  
2:00pm Pray for WFMC

**Wednesday 12/10/25**

5:00pm Children Playground  
5:00pm Handbell Rehearsal  
5:45pm Supper Line Opens  
6:15pm Children's Activities  
6:30pm Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday 12/11/25**

10:00am Food Pantry Open

**Friday 12/12/25**

7:00pm Kids/Youth meet @  
WACT

**Saturday 12/13/25**

1:00pm Ann Lane's Party  
6:00pm Choir & Handbell  
Christmas Party

**Stewardship**

Budget	\$	445,890.00
YTD Received	\$	408,674.00
Monthly Need	\$	37,157.50
Monthly Received	\$	38,096.00

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website,  
[www.waycrossfirst.com](http://www.waycrossfirst.com)**

**If you have any questions or  
concerns, feel free to contact  
the church office  
at 912-283-2077.**

**Waycross First  
Methodist Church Staff**

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**Looking Ahead...**

- **Friday, December 12th** the children and youth will meet up at the Waycross Area Community Theatre to watch, "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever", at 7pm.
- **Retirement Party for Ann Lane** on Saturday, Dec. 13th, 1-3, in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Choir and Handbell Christmas Party** at Kellie & John Rowell's, Saturday, Dec. 13th at 6pm.
- **The Children's Choir** will celebrate the Season with carols on Wednesday, December 17th. Supper at 5:45pm. Please make supper reservations for additional family members. Singing begins at 6:15pm.
- **Parent's Night** Out is Friday, December 19th, 6-9pm. We will be caroling in the community. Parent volunteers are needed. Supper will be served promptly at 6pm.

**Worship Attendance**

11/30/25

Depot Service- 17  
Traditional Service - 98



**Waycross First Methodist**

410 Williams St.  
Waycross, Georgia  
(912)283-2077  
December 7, 2025  
10:30 a.m.  
[www.waycrossfirst.com](http://www.waycrossfirst.com)

**Prelude**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

"Emmanuel, Emmanuel"

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath**

**\*Hymn**

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

**\*The Apostles' Creed, Ecumenical Version**

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;  
he descended into hell.  
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.

**\*Gloria Patri**

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Glory be to the Father  
And to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning,  
Is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

**\*Passing of the Peace of Christ**

**Children's Moment**

Ms. Ivy

\*Please stand as you are able.

December 7, 2025

We're glad you're here!

We are delighted that you joined us to worship today! So that we may know you better, please take a moment to complete the following and place in the offering plate.

Also, please update any information that we may already have on file.

**This connection card helps the office keep attendance.  
Your attendance is important!**

Please Print. Thanking you in advance!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Children \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, St., Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Contact# \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

1st time guest \_\_\_\_\_

Regular Attender \_\_\_\_\_

Member \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer Request:



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

## Retirement Party

IN HONOR OF

**Mrs. Ann Lane**

SATURDAY | 13 DECEMBER  
1:00-3:00 | 2025

Children First/Waycross  
First Methodist Church  
(Fellowship Hall)  
401 Reed Street W  
Waycross, Ga. 31501

## Family Night Supper

**Wednesday, December 10th**

**Line opens at 5:30 p.m.**

### MENU

**Chicken Queso Casserole,  
Salad, Dessert & Sweet Tea**

**Reservations due by Noon  
on Monday, December 8th.**

**Please drop this in the  
offering plate,  
call (912)283-2077, or email  
office@waycrossfirst.com**

**to add your name to the list.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Children \_\_\_\_\_

### **Pastoral Prayer**

### **Special Music**

"The Coming of the Lord"

Rev. Davis

Choir

### **Offering**

### **\*Doxology**

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### **Laity Prayer**

Larry Pittman

### **Scripture**

Rev. Davis

John 16: 28-33

### **Sermon**

Rev. Davis

### **\*Hymn**

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

p. 240(Hymnal)

### **Benediction Response**

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

p. 211(Hymnal)

### **Postlude**

Mrs. Michelle Skerratt

**\*Please stand as you are able.**



The M&M's had a wonderful trip to Jacksonville to hear the symphony's Holiday Pops concert followed by a delicious lunch at the Marriot hotel. Thank you to all who made this trip a success!

## **Prayer REQUESTS**

Lynn Allen, Cheryl Bennett, Don Berryhill, Claire Boyle, Tammy Brown, Kimberly Chapman, Penn Clark, Susannah Clark-Rhodes, Barbara Coggins, Carolyn Coleman, Layne Coleman, John Collins, Randy Cox, Tony Cravey, Pam Crews, Savannah Deal, Meri Dean, Flukie Dell, Faye Fletcher, Mikinna Flint, Olive Griffin, Rhonda Hart, Bobby Hopkins, Sylvia Huggins, Jim Hull, Edmund Jacobs, Barbara Jensen, Matthew Jernigan, Stan Justice, Matthew Lee, Jack Lott, Nancy McBride, Missy McGee, Jennifer McGhin, Jackson Timothy McIntire, Ann McIntosh, Mack McKown, Debbie Murray-McQuaig, Kathy Metzer, Military Service Members, Sandy Mills, Johnny Murphy, Chris Ober, Kenslee O'Berry, E. B. Price, Lucie Putala, John Rentz, Stephen Rogers, Richard Rowell, David Grey Russell, Ezra Smith, Jim Sweat, Adam Swindell, Brock Thrift, Liam Tuten, Betty Williams, Lowell Williamson, Molly Williford, and Mary Woodruff

The Season of Advent consists of the four Sundays leading up to Christmas. It begins the liturgical calendar for the year, so Happy (Church) New Year! This season points back to the coming of Jesus to Bethlehem and forward to His coming again in Glory, His second "advent". The color for advent is purple, a regal color that points to Jesus as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Thank you to everyone that participated in our recent mission projects. We did it! Another year stuffing shoeboxes, packing Thanksgiving Dinner boxes, and providing Christmas gifts for Salvation Army Angel Tree kids!

WFMC is committed to the children, youth and families of our community!

### **College Birthdays**

**Kate Good 12/3**

### **Greeters:**

**Dr. David and Wanda  
Morton**

"When we choose to go our own way, God does not stop us. He lets us go until our lives collapse around us. Then in the chaos and hurt we become open again to the One from whom we have turned, and we find hope in his name...We may reject him for a long time, but the end of every road will be the ultimately inescapable Christ."

- Dennis F. Kinlaw, *This Day with the Master*