

Weekly Calendar  
Schedule

Sunday 12/21/25

8:45am Depot Service  
9:30am Sunday School  
10:30am Traditional Service  
4:00pm Youth Progressive  
Dinner

Monday 12/22/25

9:00am Christmas Day  
Camp  
12:15pm Chapel Prayer Time  
2:00pm Pray for WFMC  
1:30pm Meet at Movie Theatre

Wednesday 12/24/25

6:00pm Candlelight Service

Thursday 12/25/25

Merry Christmas!

Stewardship

Budget \$ 445,890.00  
YTD Received \$ 431,346.00  
Monthly Need \$ 37,157.50  
Monthly Received \$ 20,742.00

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are now available for your  
convenience. Donate online  
right now by visiting our  
website,  
www.waycrossfirst.com

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

Worship Attendance

12/14/25

Depot Service– 13  
Traditional Service - 152

Waycross First  
Methodist Church Staff

Senior Pastor Rev. James Davis  
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Looking Ahead...

- Christmas Day Camp is  
TOMORROW, 9am-1pm. Cost is  
\$25/child.
- Family Movie Trip TOMORROW!  
Meet at the Movie Theatre at 1:30pm  
for the movie “David” which starts at  
2pm. Please let Ms. Ivy know if you  
will be attending.
- The Candlelight Christmas Eve  
Service will be at 6pm.
- The Church Office will be closed on  
Christmas Day, New Years Eve and  
New Year’s Day.
- Family Night Supper returns on  
Wednesday, January 14th with a new  
Schedule.



Prelude

Mrs. Lee Hatfield

Welcome & Announcements

Ms. Ivy Kratzer

Call to Worship

Adult Choir

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

The Harkleroad Family

\*Hymn

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

\*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

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Mark Williams

\*Please stand as you are able.

December 21, 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:

**No need to miss a worship service!**  
**Here's how to stay connected:**

Online: Go to waycrossfirst.com.  
Choose "Sermons," then "Watch Live Sundays." You may watch live or recorded Sundays.

Facebook: Waycross First Methodist Church Page

<b><u>Sunday School</u></b>
<b><u>Refreshment</u></b>
<b><u>Schedule</u></b>
<b>January—Open Hearts Class</b>
<b>February—Gen X Class</b>
<b>March—Millennial Class</b>
<b>April—Youth SS</b>
<b>May—Sid Ruff Class</b>
<b>June—Forever Young Class</b>
<b>July— Open Hearts Class</b>
<b>August—Gen X Class</b>
<b>September—Millennial Class</b>
<b>October—Children's SS Class</b>
<b>November—Sid Ruff Class</b>
<b>December—Forever Young Class</b>

<b>Special Music</b>	“Christmas is Coming”	Choir & Handbells
<b>Offering</b>		
<b>*Doxology</b>	<b>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.</b>	
	<b>Night Of The Father’s Love: “The Awe and Mystery of God with Us”</b>	
<b>Laity Prayer</b>		Phil Wysong
<b>Scripture</b>	Romans 8: 38-39	
<b>Sermon</b>	“Experiencing the Gift of Love”	Rev. Williams
<b>*Hymn</b>	“Angels We Have Heard On High”	p. 238(Hymnal)
<b>Benediction Response</b>	“Emmanuel, Emmanuel”	p. 204(Hymnal)
<b>*Please stand as you are able.</b>		

<b><u>Wednesday Schedule</u></b> <b>Beginning January 14, 2026</b>		
5:00pm-5:30pm	Toddler Time	
5:00pm-5:30pm	Children’s Playground Time	
5:00pm-5:40pm	Handbells	
5:45pm-6:15pm	Supper Line Open	
6:15pm-6:25pm	Announcements & Prayer	
6:15pm-6:30pm	Children’s Choir (Chapel)	
6:25pm-6:55pm	Adult Programming	
6:25pm-6:55pm	Youth in Parlor	
6:30pm-6:55pm	Children’s Programming	
6:30pm-7:30pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal	



Lynn Allen, Cheryl Bennett, Don Berryhill, Claire Boyle, Tammy Brown, Kimberly Chapman, Penn Clark, Susannah Clark-Rhodes, Barbara Coggin, 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 Metzger, 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.

**College Birthdays**

**Kate Good 12/3**

**Greeters:**

**Lawton, Courtney & Elliott Roraback**



**CHRISTMAS DAY CAMP**

**\$25/CHILD**  
CRAFTS, GAMES, ART, DEVOTIONAL, MOVIE, AND MORE!

**9:00am-1:00pm**  
**Monday, Dec. 22**  
**WFMC**  
**410 Williams St.**  
**CONTACT IVY**  
**(912) 281-3111**  
**TO REGISTER.**