



OUR MISSION: Pointing People To Jesus

OUR VISION: To build disciples of Christ that will develop disciples of Christ and to be a church that is pursuing God, extending compassion and building community.

Deacons will meet Tuesday,
December 2nd @ 6:30 PM

Elders will meet Wednesday,
December 3rd @ 3:00 PM

Jesus is the
REASON
for the
Season

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM & Friday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM - (540)949-8670

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YouTube: [West Waynesboro Church of Christ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCv8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8)

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West Waynesboro Church of
Christ

Herb Zabel, Sr. Minister

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Assistant



2025

West Waynesboro Witness



Christmas Card Post Office Opens on Sunday, December 7th

Save money on postage by placing Christmas cards for those who regularly attend services, in the alphabetized box in the lobby.

***Please Do NOT bring cards for people who do not or cannot attend the service, in order to pick up their cards.**



Night of Caroling Wednesday, December 17th @ 6:00 PM

Please meet at the church.
Give any requests for shut-ins
to Diana Kincaid.

***We will return to church for
hot chocolate, coffee and
cookies.**

Congregational Meeting



***Election of Officers only!
Sunday, December 7th**

Following the worship service.



*Christmas Eve
Candle Light Service*

Christmas Eve Candle Light Service

Wednesday, December 24th @ 5:00 PM

Vision Leak

December begins our season of advent! The word advent is Latin for "the coming" or "the arriving". It is during this time that we remember the arrival of our Savior and look forward to his 2nd coming. The Advent wreath is a tradition that I first experienced in my home. Growing up Christmas was always about the birth of Jesus. Though I loved the gifts, lights, and food; I knew that none of that was as important as taking time to remember that God came in human flesh to save us from our sin and reconcile us to our Creator.

Christmas wreaths, like the Christmas tree, had their origin from Christian vikings, who applied the evergreen tree branches to the Christmas/advent tradition. In the middle ages candles were placed on the wreath to represent various aspects of advent. Each of the four weeks before Christmas, a candle would be lit with a devotional reading connecting the candles to attributes of the advent season: hope, peace, love and joy. Later a white candle was added to the middle of the wreath and lit on Christmas eve to symbolize the birth of Jesus Christ.

The practice of advent was not predominantly Catholic as many believe. Lutherans, Anglicans, and Orthodox all had variations of advent in their Christmas season church gatherings.

One encouragement that we should take from the advent tradition is that it has always been a Christian tradition. This is not a pagan practice that was assimilated into a Christian version of Christmas celebration. Instead it has become a symbolic way of heightening senses and emotions to set the stage for the wonder and celebration of the birth of Christ.

At its core, the advent wreath and candles are a message of the gospel, packed inside a Christmas tradition that stirs up excitement about Christ who has come and Christ who will come again.

Merry Christmas!
Herb Zabel

Member's Moments

December Birthdays

We love celebrating birthdays at our church! Each one is a chance to thank God for another year of life and to let our church family know how much they mean to us. Birthdays are a simple but special reminder that every person here is a blessing, and we enjoy celebrating together with joy and gratitude. Please help us recognize all our special
December birthdays!

Shirley Hughes	12th
Jessica Cruz	13th
Brenda Taillon	26th
Emma Houghton	30th

* Please submit birthdays on a connection card or email to office@westwaynesboro.com.



Whether you are just deciding to follow Christ or have been following Christ for years, if you have never been baptized, baptism is for you! If you would like to take this next step, come forward during the invitation at the end of the service, email office@westwaynesboro.com, call the church office or indicate your desire on your connection card.



Stay Connected!

Sermons, updates, newsletters and more can be found on westwaynesboro.com



Have A Prayer Request?

As a church, we would love to join with you in lifting up your request or concern to our Great God! If you have a prayer request, you can call or email the office, or let us know on the back of your Connection Card. Note: If you would like it shared with the church, please check the box, "I would like this prayer request printed on the weekly prayer list."



Ladies Bible Study

This group meets on Thursdays, from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

All Ladies are invited!



Helping Hands Food Pantry

Our food pantry is open every 2nd & 4th

Monday from 9:30-11:30 AM.

Donations can be placed in the bin, located by the restrooms.

We are in need of meat for the food pantry!

***For December ONLY-the pantry will be open on Dec. 15th.**



The church office will be closed on Wednesday, December 24th & Thursday, December 25th for Christmas!



We need some volunteers to sign up for greeters, ushers & communion preparation for 2026. *Please sign up at the Mickey Center.



Caring Connections

Will meet on Wednesday, December 10th @ 1:00 PM @ Tailgate Grill Questions? Contact Judy Forehand @ 540-241-0839.



Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, December 17th @ 10:30 AM

***There will be no 5:30 PM Meeting**



**Missions Team Meeting
Tuesday, December 23rd
@ 7:00 PM**



**Prayer Breakfast
Saturday, December 13th**

Men will meet @ **Church** @ 8:00 AM.
Ladies will meet @ Panera @ 9:00 AM.

***Ladies can bring a wrapped gift (\$10 limit) to exchange if you like!**



Faith Promise Mission Commitments

Thank you to everyone who made a Faith Promise Missions Commitment for 2026. Total committed is \$25,140.00!

ONLINE & MOBILE GIVING AVAILABLE

We offer Gyve as an online or mobile giving option. You can give online through our website or by downloading the free Gyve App.

To download the App:

- Download Gyve from Google Play, the iTunes Store or scan the QR code.



December

Serving in December:
PREPARING COMMUNION
Patty Pugh

USHERS
Lyle Fitzgerald & Tim Simpson

GREETERS
Tina Critzer

**WEE WORSHIP/
CHILDREN’S CHURCH**
1st Sunday - Diane Spurlock
2nd Sunday - Mary Motley
3rd Sunday -Tina Critzer
4th Sunday -Kelly Gurkin
Games & Crafts- Lexi Horne

COMMUNION SERVERS
Team 4: Jeff Gurkin,
Sam Dunlap, Jim Kitchen,
Greg Yoho, Rodney Yankey

Newsletter Preferences
This newsletter can be picked up at the Mickey Center in the church lobby, viewed on the church website or received by email. To receive by email, contact the church office or indicate your desire on your Connection Card.

Sunday School 9:15 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Office Hours
Monday - Thursday 9-3 & Friday 9-12

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 6:30 PM Deacon Team Meeting 	3 3:00 PM Elder Team Meeting 	4 10:30 AM Ladies Bible Study 	5	6
7 9:15 AM Sunday School Small Groups 10:30 AM Worship 11:30 AM Congregational Meeting 	8	9	10 1:00 PM Caring Connections @ Tailgate Grill 	11 10:30 AM Ladies Bible Study 	12	13 8:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast 9:00 AM Ladies Prayer Breakfast 
14 9:15 AM Sunday School Small Groups 10:30 AM Worship	15 9:30 AM Food Pantry 	16	17 10:30 AM Prayer Meeting 6:00 PM Christmas Caroling 	18 10:30 AM Ladies Bible Study 	19	20
21 9:15 AM Sunday School Small Groups 10:30 AM Worship	22	23 7:00 PM Missions Team Meeting 	24 Christmas Eve Office Closed 5:00 PM Candle Light Service 	25 Christmas Day Office Closed 	26	27
28 9:15 AM Sunday School Small Groups 10:30 AM Worship	29	30	31 9:00 AM Office Closed- New Year's Eve 			