Welcome

Prelude
Chiming of the Trinity & Welcome
Silent Prayer

Introduction

Advent
*Hymn #88 v 1,2,6,7 — "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"
Advent Paraments
Candles
Hymn #82 — "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

The Advent Wreath and the Christmas Tree

Evergreens
Advent Wreath
Sung Response — "O Christmas Tree"
Advent Wreath Candles
Tree Lights
Sung Response — "This Little Light of Mine"

Invitation to the Offering
- Offering — "Advent Celtic Carol"
- Ministry Highlight — Advent Festival
- *Prayer of Thanksgiving
- *Sung Response #110 — "Love Has Come"

The Chrismons

The Nativity Set
Crowns
Rose, Lily of the Valley, and Shell
Hymn #115 — "Away in a Manger""
The Crosses, Part 1
The Crosses, Part 2
The Crosses, Part 3
Special Music — "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"
The Stars
Alpha & Omega; Iota Chi

Angels
IHS & Chi Rho
Special Music "The First Noel"
Circles
Butterflies
The Fish
Jesus as King
Special Music "Gloria (Peace on Earth)"
Symbols of the Old Testament
Symbols of Jesus' Life
Christmas Balls

*Closing Hymn #113 "Angels We Have Heard on High"

Benediction
Benediction Response

Advent and Christmas Schedule for WFPC

Advent Adventures November 30-December 1 5:30-7:00 family@wakeforestpres.org
Kids of all ages are invited! We are going to have fun games, some light food, crafts, music, and a fantastic Christmas message!

Advent Festival December 2 5:15 family@wakeforestpres.org
Sample entries of our soup/stew and bite-sized dessert contests! There will be loads of fun crafts for kids and adults! This is an amazing event for all ages: kids, parents, singles, young, old!

Blue Christmas December 6 7:00 community@wakeforestpres.org
Wakefield United Methodist Church, 10701 Common Oaks Drive, Raleigh, NC
WFPC is working with the Wake Forest Church Council to offer this service to our ecumenical community. Come together for a time of worship, prayer, and fellowship. Whether you are grieving, feeling weary, struggling through the holidays, or celebrating the joy of the season, there is a place for you

Christmas Cantata December 13 10:00 music@wakeforestpres.org
Join us during worship on December 13 as our Music Ministry presents a meaningful Christmas Cantata, "Let All Heaven and Nature Sing."

Christmas Eve Services December 24
10:00 Family Service | 7:00 Evening Service | 11:00 Late Service

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

O come, O come Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to thee,
O Israel.

O come, thou Wisdom from on high,
who orderest all things mightily:
to us the path of knowledge show;
and teach us in her ways to go.
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to thee,
O Israel.

O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer
our spirits by thine advent here;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death’s dark shadows put to light.
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to thee,
O Israel.

O come, thou Key of David, come,
and open wide our heavenly home;
make safe the way that leads on high,
and close the path to misery.
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to thee,
O Israel.

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee.
Israel’s strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art;
dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a king,
born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.
By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all-sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.

“O Christmas Tree”
O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
How lovely are your branches!
O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
How lovely are your branches!
Not only green in summer’s heat,
But also winter’s snow and sleet.
O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
How lovely are your branches!

“This Little Light of Mine”
This little light of mine,
I’m gonna let it shine,
This little light of mine,
I’m gonna let it shine
This little light of mine,
I’m gonna let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

“Love Has Come”
Love has come: a light in the darkness!
Love shines forth in the Bethlehem skies.
See, all heaven has come to proclaim it;
hear how their song of joy arises!
Love! Love! Born unto you, a Savior!
Love! Love! Glory to God on high.

“Away in a Manger”
Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing; the poor baby wakes,
but little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes.
I love thee, Lord Jesus; look down from the sky,
and stay by my side until morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay
close by me forever and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care,
and fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o’er the plains,
and the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains.
Gloria in excelis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be which inspire your heavenly song?
Gloria in excelis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Come to Bethlehem and see him whose birth the angels sing;
come, adore on bended knee Christ the Lord, the newborn King.
Gloria in excelis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!