#### Worship

#### Sunday, December 24, 2023

Christmas Wreath Donor	The Thrift Cottage
Poinsettia Donor	Ann & Ward Wilson "In loving memory of Alice Leonard & Stephen Leonard, Ann's parents, and Ward A. Wilson, Jr. Ward's father."
Pulpit Floral Donor	Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Session.
Director of Music Ministries Organist	
Narrator 1	

Organ Prelude . . . . . . . . .

#### Welcome & Announcements

**Please Note:** We have provided **battery operated candles** for the safety of the children. **Please do not allow battery operated candles to touch real flames.** 

#### Invocation

### **Call to Worship**

**Leader:** All glory to You, great God, for the gift of Your son, **All:** Light in darkness and hope of the world, whom You sent to save us.

**Leader:** With singing angels, let us praise Your name, and tell the earth His story,

**All:** That all may believe, rejoice, and bow down, acknowledging Your love, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lighting of the Christ Candle Swanson & Tompkins Families

#### **CHRISTMAS EVE LESSONS & CAROLS** "O Come, All Ye Faithful" Carol No 145 John 1:1-14 Lesson One The Incarnation "O Little Town Of Rethlehem" No 141 Carol The Angel Gabriel Visits The Virgin Mary Lesson Two Luke 1:26-38 Carol "What Child Is This?" No. 137 Lesson Three Matthew Tells of The Birth of Jesus Matthew 1:18-23 "Angels We Have Heard On High" No. 132 Carol Lesson Four **Birth Of Jesus** Luke 2:8-20 Carol *"Go Tell It On The Mountain"* No. 138 Shepherds Go To The Manger Luke 1:26-38 Lesson Five "Away In A Manger" Carol No. 157 Christmas Message "Believing Is Seeing" **Rev. David Rodriguez** Offertory Doxology **Prayer of Dedication** "Joy To The World" No. 125 Carol Sharing the Light of Christ "Silent Night, Holy Night" No. 147 Carol Praver Great God, as You came in the stillness of the night, enter our lives this night. Overcome darkness with the light of Christ's presence, that we may clearly see the way to walk, the truth to speak, and the life to live for Him, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. **Benediction Rev. David Rodriguez**

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Congregational Benediction	Numbers 6:24-26
Postlude	

#### Welcome

The members of Graham Memorial Presbyterian Church hope you'll find encouragement in this morning's worship and that you'll discover us to be a warm and friendly group of Christ's followers.

Childcare is available for children ages 0-2 in the Nursery outside by the side ramp entrance. A Nursing Room is also available through the front door of the Kirk Cottage, at the base of the ramp entrance.

Women's restrooms can be found just through the door to the left of the stage. Men's restrooms are located outside behind the Parish Hall near the playground.

#### **Our Board of Deacons**

2021-2024 Andi Baker Donna Dameron Dana Wilcox Mary Jane Wilfong

## Our Ruling Elders

2021-2024 Debbie Bell-Smith Thomas Campbell Jay Chesnut Ken Ireland Ward Wilson **2022-2025** Mike Dykstra Rodrigo Fernandez Andy Koczon Holly Swanson

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2023-2026

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Our Staff	David Rodriguez Interim Pastor
	Renée Calvo Director of Music Ministries
	Rebecca Smith Director of Family Ministries
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	Sarah Murphy Children's Min Program Manager
	Jessica DiGrazia & Jennifer Nesbitt Preschool Co-Directors
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	Annetta Townsend Accountant
	Anna Chesnut Children's Ministries Intern
	Mark Steuer General Maintenance
	June Grato & Jack Letcher Sound Technicians



# CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2023 ~ 5:30PM

## The Reverend David Rodriguez, Interim Pastor



"For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11

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