

*"The Church with a Welcome for All!"*

# North Warren

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)**

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## **Sunday Schedule:**

9:15 AM Prayer Meeting

9:30 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship

## **Regular Office Hours:**

Tuesday, Wednesday, and

Friday: 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Handicap Accessible at Church Street Entrance.



December 24, 2018  
"Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service"  
North Warren Presbyterian Church  
Rev. Burfoot S. Ward, III, Pastor  
Kris Soderberg, Organist

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*"We trust God's Spirit to work in us, through our words and deeds, wherever we are."*

Prelude

**Passing The Friendship Registers**

Please sign the friendship register, your name only if you attend regularly, completely if you are new or visiting.

**Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

Luke 2:1-14

**Advent Wreath Candle Lighting**

Anne Ward

**\*Hymn**

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

No. 277

**\*Invocation**

**Presentation of Offerings**

**Offertory**

**\*Offertory Prayer**

This evening's offering will be given to the Deacon's Fund.

**Special Music**

"Josephs' Song"

Michael Card

Clark Mitchell

**Scripture Lesson**

John 12:1-14

p. 1645

**Sermon**

"Jesus Is Christmas"

Rev. Ward

**\*Hymn**

"What Child Is This?"

No. 281

**The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

**\*The Invitation and Words of Institution**

**Pastor:** Friends, on this Holy Night it is fitting that we gather at this, the Lord's Table, celebrating the great gift God has given us, in Jesus Christ, through this joyful feast!

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**People:** We thank you Gracious Lord for the gift of your

Son. May the joy of His birth, the witness of His life, and the Mercy of His death, challenge us to follow His example leading others toward His eternal light.

Receiving the Elements  
Prayer of Thanksgiving

**\*The Passing of the Light**

**Pastor:** This is the message we have heard from Him, this is the song we sing and proclaim to you; that God is Light and in Him there is no darkness at all.

**People:** If we say we have fellowship with Him while we walk in darkness, we lie, and do not live according to the truth.

**Pastor:** But if we walk in the light, as He is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another.

**People:** And the blood of Jesus cleanses us from all sin.

*As "Silent Night" is played and the lights are dimmed, the pastor will light a candle from the Christ Candle on the Advent Wreath and then light the candles of Elders. The Elders will then light the candles of those on the center of each aisle, who in turn will pass the light to the others in that row.*

*REMEMBER, the lighted candle must remain upright, and the unlighted candle tipped to receive the flame from those already lit. For your safety, parents should supervise children in holding lighted candles.*

**\*Hymn** "Silent Night! Holy Night!" No. 258  
on PowerPoint

*Please be careful to extinguish candles prior to leaving your pew.*

**\*Christmas Prayer and Benediction**

**Postlude**

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*\*Those Who Are Able, Please Stand*

*We welcome all who have come to worship with us this evening. We pray that this candlelight service will be a blessing to you and that you have a Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year.*

*All those who confess faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to partake in the Lord's Supper. This includes baptized children who have received proper instruction from their parents.*

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**Lay leader** this evening is Anne Ward.

**Ushers** this evening are members of Session.

**Sound Booth Operator** this evening is Gary Brumagin.

**Lighting our Advent Candle** this evening is Maureen Gonano. All four weeks of preparation and anticipation have passed and we light the center candle. It is white and represents purity, like our Savior, Jesus, whose birth we commemorate this evening. Candles celebrate light, like Jesus, who is the light of the world.

**The Poinsettias** are given to celebrate our Lord's birth and in honor and memory of those listed on the bulletin insert.

**A Special Thank You** is extended to Clark Mitchell this evening for sharing with us his gift of music. Clark is the grandson of Sally Clark.

**Greeting the congregation** at the close of the service today are Buddy and Anne Ward at the Church Street door and members of Session at the State Street door.

## ***The Week Ahead***

***Tuesday, December 25***

The Celebration of the Birth of Christ

***Sunday, December 31***

9:30 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship Service

Qadosh Bells

TITLE: "Jesus Is Christmas"

TEXTS: John 1:1-5, & 9-14

I. Introduction: Christmas is not an act of humanity,  
but of God.

II. God acted in the only way God could act.

III. In Christmas God gave to us the greatest gift God  
could give us – God told us who we are.

IV. We belong to God, because . . .

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## SILENT NIGHT

Silent night, holy night,  
All is calm, all is bright  
Round yon virgin mother and Child.  
Holy Infant so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace,  
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night,  
Shepherds quake at the sight.  
Glories stream from heaven afar;  
Heavenly hosts sing alleluia.  
Christ the Savior is born!  
Christ the Savior is born!

Silent night, holy night,  
Wondrous star, lend thy light.  
With the angels let us sing  
Alleluia to our King.  
Christ the Savior is born!  
Christ the Savior is born!

Silent night, holy night,  
Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,  
With the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.



## 2018 Christmas Memorials and Honors

Given By	Memory of	Honor of
Anonymous	Jerry Nelson	
Ray and Londa Barrett	Doug Jones & Rick Jewell	The United States Military
The Billman Family	Bob Billman and Rob Billman	
Gary & Dixie Brumagin	Lost Loved Ones	Our Family
Nancy, Denise, Jordan, Jacob and Logan Bullock	Dick Bullock	
Sally Clark	Dave Clark & Our Parents	Our Military
Bill & Celia Gross	Cecil and Hazel Ash / Harold and Dorothy Gross	
Soojye Gustafson		Nova Gustafson
Barb Hoehn	My Family	
Lee Jones	Doug Jones	
Denny & Chris McClellan	Our Fathers	
Ellen Nelson	Jerry Nelson	Grandchildren, Daniel & Madelyn
Darrell and Carol Pusateri	Les & Erla Swanson / Sam & Helen Pusateri	
Mary Putnam	Donald & Elizabeth P. Dalrymple	
Donita Redick	Clark & Ann Redick/Allen & Marie Gray	



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David Snyder and Susan Stout		Nathan Megill Snyder
Bill and Joann Stevenson	Our Parents	
Melissa Turner		Hayden Turner
Don and Roxy VanOrd		Family & Friends
Kathy Whittemore	Bob Whittemore, parents, brother & sister	
Sarah Wilson	In honor and memory of the Wilson Family	

