

# Contact

December 2019 Edition

Warwick United Church of Christ  
P.O. Box 120491 Newport News, VA 23612



## A D V E N T



○ come · ○ come · Emmanuel

### Sunday, December 1, 2019

Communion Sunday

10 – 10:30am A Time of Prayer and Reflection

11am – 12pm Worship w/Sermon

### Saturday, December 7, 2019

3 – 5pm 34th Annual “Ring in the Season” Concert

### Sunday, December 8, 2019

10 – 10:30am A Time of Prayer and Reflection

10 – 10:30am Angel Choir Rehearsal

11am – 12pm Worship w/Angel Choir Performance

3 – 5pm York Symphony Orchestra Benefit Show

6 – 8pm An Evening of Celebration

### Sunday, December 15, 2019

10 – 10:30am A Time of Prayer and Reflection

10 – 10:30am Angel Choir Rehearsal

11am – 12pm Worship w/Angel Choir Performance

### Monday, December 16, 2019

10 – 11am Women's Circle

### Wednesday, December 18, 2019

11am – 12pm Book Club

### Sunday, December 22, 2019

10 – 10:30am A Time of Prayer and Reflection

11am – 12pm Worship w/Christmas Cantata



**CHRISTMAS**  
*Rejoice! For unto us a Child is born!*

### Tuesday, December 24, 2019

7 – 8pm Christmas Eve Service: Lessons & Carols

### Sunday, December 29, 2019

5th Sunday

10 – 10:30am A Time of Prayer and Reflection

11am – 12pm Worship w/Sermon

### Sunday, January 5, 2020

Communion Sunday

10 – 10:30am A Time of Prayer and Reflection

11am – 12pm Worship w/Sermon

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JANUARY 2020 CONTACT?

Send it to [wuccupdates@gmail.com](mailto:wuccupdates@gmail.com)  
Due by 5 pm December 28th!

## Choir Notes

### The 34th Annual Ring in the Season Concert

The Warwick United Church of Christ Chancel Choir will be participating in the First United Church of Christ's Annual "Ring in the Season" Concert. This concert will take place on Saturday, December 7th at 3 PM, First United Church of Christ, 1017 Todds Lane, Hampton, Va. 23666.

The 34th Annual Ring in the Season Concert will benefit the Habitat for Humanity Peninsula & Greater Williamsburg areas. There will be a variety of holiday performances from area churches and musicians. Don't miss out on supporting this great Mission and Outreach concert!

### The Angel Choir

The Angel Choir will rehearse on December 8th and 15th from 10 AM to 10:30 AM. The Angel Choir will perform at the 11 AM service on December 8th and December 15th.

### Gabriel's Song Studio

Gabriel's Song Studio will present "An Evening of Celebration" on Sunday, December 8th at 6 PM.

This event will take place at Warwick United Church of Christ, 10 Matoaka Lane, Newport News, Va. 23606. Special guest dancers from Dance Works Studio will perform also. Tickets are \$5.00.

### The Glory of Christmas

Don't forget our Christmas Cantata on Sunday, December 22nd at 11AM. Read all about it on the next page!

### Christmas Eve Service

A Christmas Eve Service of Lessons & Carols will be presented on Tuesday, December 24th at 7 PM.

Rudy Wilson - Director of Music Ministries



*The 34th Annual*  
**Ring in the Season**  
*Holiday Benefit Concert*

**Saturday, December 7, 2019 - 3PM**  
**First United Church of Christ**  
**1017 Todds Lane in Hampton, VA**

Featuring seasonal music from local churches, schools and area musicians.

A free-will offering that benefits:  
**Habitat for Humanity®**  
Peninsula and Greater Williamsburg  
*Reception to follow*



## Music News from our Chancel Choir

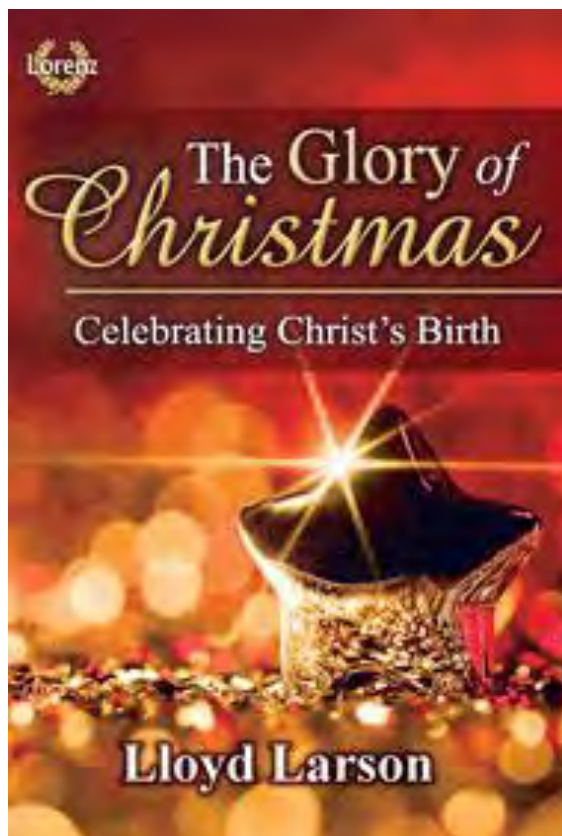
### “The Glory of Christmas”

It’s almost time for Christmas, that most wonderful time of the year! And somehow, it always feels so much longer than the actual time it takes for that special day to arrive. We look forward to gathering each year when family and friends come together to celebrate the joy, peace, hope, and love that came into our world in the form of a little baby, Jesus Christ! And this year’s Christmas Cantata will be no different in bringing the majesty, the musical color, the sounds and even the gravity of this glorious season!

This year our Chancel Choir will celebrate Christ’s birth with a musical cantata entitled “The Glory of Christmas!” This inspiring musical and narration was written by Lloyd Larson. It will be presented on Sunday, December 22, 2019 at Warwick United Church of Christ at 11AM.

Each December we are drawn again to the season of joy, yet no matter how many times we tell it, no matter how familiar the words become, our hearts are still stirred by the wonder of it all. I invite you to experience a true Christmas celebration with our choir on December 22nd at the 11AM service.

Rudy Wilson – Director of Music Ministries



## Sunday Volunteers

### December 2019

Communion: Set-Up: Joe Emerson  
Assisting : Alayne Jaffe

Counters: Barb Harvey & Sue Howell

In Charge Of Lay Readers : Terry Costello



## Book Club

We will discuss Gail Honeyman’s  
*“Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine”*  
on Wednesday, December 18 at 11AM





## THRIVE

# Food Pantry Most Needed Items

November 2019

- Mashed Potatoes
- Canned Meat
- Canned /Boxed Meals
- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- Spaghetti Sauce



WUCC Family ...

## Communicate! Stay Up-to-Date!

Families that communicate work better together, and what is church but a big family!? So here are a couple of ways to keep up-to-date on what's happening around Warwick UCC!

Have you seen our Facebook page lately? It's full of pictures, videos and events! Check it out! <https://www.facebook.com/WarwickUCC/>



Don't forget the website has an online printable calendar, archives of previous editions of the Contact, and pictures, plus the What's New section! <https://warwickucc.com/>

Need to update your email or postal address? Have an event to add to the calendar? Want to see your photos or article in the Contact? Send it to [wuccupdates@gmail.com](mailto:wuccupdates@gmail.com)

## LINK & PORT

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# THE YORK SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA & LINK OF HAMPTON ROADS INVITE YOU

TO A BENEFIT FOR LINK'S  
PORT WINTER SHELTER

**December, 8th, 2019 | 3pm**  
**Mary T. Christian Auditorium at Thomas  
Nelson Community College**

COME AND HAVE A GREAT TIME WITH GREAT MUSIC!

PERFORMANCES BY CONDUCTORS: ERIC REIFF AND CLINT  
CORRELL, AND CHORUS DIRECTOR: REGINALD FOX

**Ticket prices:**  
**\$12 at the door for seniors, students, and military**  
**\$14 at the door for public**  
**\$2 OFF IF PURCHASED IN ADVANCE**

**Purchase Tickets at: [www.linkhr.org](http://www.linkhr.org), Eventbrite, or  
[www.yrso.org/tickets.html](http://www.yrso.org/tickets.html)**

## Lectionary Readings for December 2019

**December 1, 2019**  
*First Sunday of Advent*  
Isaiah 2:1-5  
Psalm 122  
Romans 13:11-14  
Matthew 24:36-44

**December 8, 2019**  
*Second Sunday of Advent*  
Isaiah 11:1-10  
Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19  
Romans 15:4-13  
Matthew 3:1-12

**December 15, 2019**  
*Third Sunday of Advent*  
Isaiah 35:1-10  
Psalm 146:5-10 -or- Luke 1:46b-55  
James 5:7-10  
Matthew 11:2-11

**December 22, 2019**  
*Fourth Sunday of Advent*  
Isaiah 7:10-16  
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19  
Romans 1:1-7  
Matthew 1:18-25

**December 24 & 25, 2019**  
*Nativity of the Lord - Proper I*  
Christmas Eve, Morn, or Mid-Day  
Isaiah 9:2-7  
Psalm 96  
Titus 2:11-14  
Luke 2:1-14, (15-20)

- OR -

*Nativity of the Lord - Proper II*  
Isaiah 62:6-12  
Psalm 97  
Titus 3:4-7  
Luke 2:(1-7), 8-20

- OR -

*Nativity of the Lord - Proper III*  
Isaiah 52:7-10  
Psalm 98  
Hebrews 1:1-4, (5-12)  
John 1:1-14



**December 29, 2019**  
*1st Sunday after Christmas Day*  
Isaiah 63:7-9  
Psalm 148  
Hebrews 2:10-18  
Matthew 2:13-23

**January 5, 2020**  
*2nd Sunday after Christmas Day*  
Jeremiah 31:7-14 - and/or -  
Sirach 24:1-12  
Psalm 147:12-20 - and/or -  
Wisdom of Solomon 10:15-21  
Ephesians 1:3-14  
John 1:(1-9), 10-18

## Praying Together...

December 2019

Mickey Allen  
Anderson Family  
Lea Avertin  
Mike Barnes  
Leon Bates  
Kelly Bennett  
Geraldine Bolden  
Jacqueline Bryant  
+ Cassell Family  
Bob Christian  
Carolyn Clayton  
Tony Colden  
Brett Cook-Snell  
Costello Family  
Emerson Family

Joe Emerson  
+ Evans's Family  
Bessie Floyd  
Barry Graham  
Pat Grant  
Marion Hale  
Bishop Samuel Hall  
Sandra Ingari  
Dr. Bruce Kauder  
Ann Lange  
Donna Langston  
Linda Lucas  
Kelly Madigan  
Audrey Noble  
Loraine Palmer

Kinsey Ryder  
Ryan Family  
Gail Silvasi  
Nancy Simpson  
+ Spielberger Family  
Cynthia Thomas  
+ Virginia Beach Municipal Center,  
Bldg. #2 Victims & their families  
and Survivors.  
Tim Wayman  
Meredith White  
+ Whitley Family  
+ Young Family



+ Pray for the families who have lost loved ones this past year.