### **Upcoming Events and Information**

Thurs. Nov 23: Community Thanksgiving Service (10AM Washington Baptist)
Sun. Nov 26: Laity Led Worship (Pastor Jeff and Sandy in NC)
Sun. Dec 3: 1st Sunday of Advent
Thur. Dec 7: PPR Meeting (Pastor/PPR appointment preference form)
Sat. Dec 9: Live Nativity 6-8pm (Red Shed next to library; volunteers needed; contact Judi Burke 540-631-6103)
Sun. Dec 10: Christmas Concert at Willis Chapel 2:30pm
Sun. Dec 24: Sunday Schedule: Flint Hill 8:45AM;
Willis Chapel 10:15AM; Sperryville 8:00PM

### **NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

**FLINT HILL:** 1 Brian Markwalter, 14 Susan Achenbach, 15 Virginia Corder, 23 Joshua Bywaters

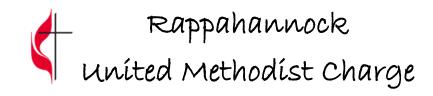
**SPERRYVILLE:** 5 Deanna Wayland, 19 Margaret Ann Wayland

#### WILLIS CHAPEL:

8 Julie Burke Myers, 21 Sue Ann Fox, 29 Charlotte Partlowe

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# 25th Sunday After Pentecost

#### **Sunday Morning Worship**

8:45 AM: Flint Hill 9:55 AM: Willis Chapel 11:15 AM: Sperryville



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### RAPPAHANNOCK CHARGE 25th Sunday After Pentecost November 19, 2023

\*Standing (either literally or in spirit remaining seated)

PRELUDE

#### **ENTER LIGHT OF CHRIST**

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

We lift up our eyes to you, O God, from whence our help comes. **Our help comes from the Lord, maker of heaven and earth.** We watch for you Lord, and we wait.

**Keep us awake and aware of your presence as we watch.** Today we come to you awake.

Come and meet us here, O God, in your mercy and your grace.

### **\*OPENING PRAYER**

Holy One, have mercy on us. Keep us awake to your presence and your purposes. Keep us awake knowing that you may come back at any moment. Keep us awake to your guiding devotion and love. Lord, keep us awake. Amen.

\*HYMN 451 Be Thou My Vision

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We are not always awake, O God. We are not always aware. We do not always pay attention to others. We do not always pay attention to you, O God. We take many things for granted. We wander away. Help us to wake up and always be alert and watchful. Remind us to be aware of your presence. Separate us from our selfish desires. Show us the way into your glorious presence. Help us find meaning that pleases you, O God, and help us stay alert, to the hour of your return. Amen.

#### WORDS OF ASSURANCE

#### **PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION P6

SCRIPTURE: Malachi 4:1-6

PSALTER: Psalm 121 P844

**SCRIPTURE: 1Thessalonians 5:1-11** 

**SCRIPTURE: Matthew 24:36-44** 

**SERMON "Unexpected Arrival"** 

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD P883** 

HYMN 694 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

CONCERNS AND PRAYERS LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

\*95 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

#### **SENDING FORTH**

## \*HYMN 715 Rejoice, The Lord Is King \*BENEDICTION

People of God—

put on hope, put on faith, and put on love. Go forth in hope to encourage one another. Go forth in faith to build each other up. Go forth in love that you may be the light shining brightly before others. Go forth in the hope, faith, and love of Christ Jesus.

\* HYMN 666 Shalom To You