

## Upcoming Events and Information

**Sun Jan 5:** Pastor Bible Challenge (*See below*)

**Mon Jan 6:** Willis Chapel Council Meeting 10AM

**Sun Jan 12:** Baptism of the Lord (*Paraments White*)

**Sun Jan 19:** All Saints Sunday Observed (*Paraments White*)

**FLINT HILL:** 2 Anne-Ashleigh Lamma

**SPERRYVILLE:** 2 Richard Antony, 10 Frank Coffey,  
18 Duane Siler,

**WILLIS CHAPEL:** 2 Glenda Fox, Mary E. Williams,  
20 Judi Burke, 21 Tommie Leddy, 23 Dottie Johnson

23 Sandy Thompson, 25 Phyllis Thompson

### LAST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS AND EPIPHANY

*This is the last Sunday (and day) of the season of Christmas. Twelve days of Christmas celebrate the birth of Christ. The Epiphany (manifestation) of the Lord is usually celebrated either on the first Sunday after Christmas or on January 6. Epiphany was an even more ancient celebration among early Christians than Christmas, originally focused on the nativity, incarnation, and baptism of the Lord. Today, we celebrate the coming of the three wise men (magi) who brought gifts to the Christ child.*

#### PASTOR BIBLE CHALLENGE:

**New for 2025 is the first annual Pastor Bible Challenge! 3 chapters a day for approximately 200 days, and then increase to 4 chapters per day to read the entire bible in a year. Join me in this faithful journey in an enhanced relationship to God through reading and studying God's Word!**

#### Chapter readings for this week:

- 1) Genesis Chapters 1-7
- 2) Psalms 1-7
- 3) Matthew Chapters 1-7

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**January 5, 2025**

### Epiphany

#### Sunday Morning Worship

8:45 AM: Flint Hill

9:55 AM: Willis Chapel

11:15 AM: Sperryville



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# **RAPPAHANNOCK CHARGE**

**January 5, 2025**

**Epiphany**

**\*Invitation to stand**

**ENTRANCE**

**PRELUDE**

**ENTER THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Malachi 1:11*)

From the rising of the sun to the setting.

**Magnify God's name among the nations.**

In every place offer incense to his name and a pure offering.

**May God's name be praised!**

**\*HYMN 245 The First Noel**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**O God, you made of one blood all nations, and, by a star in the East, revealed to all peoples him whose name is Emmanuel.**

**Enable us to know your presence and bow before the brightness of the star that leads to Jesus. From the Cradle, to the Cross, to the everlasting Kingdom, all honor and glory to Christ, now and forever. Amen.**

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION P6**

**PSALTER: Psalm 117 P838**

**SCRIPTURE: Matthew 2:1-12**

**SERMON**

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD P7**

**HYMN 219 What Child Is This**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**INVITATION P12**

**CONFESSION AND PARDON P12**

**OFFERING**

**\*95 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**

**THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION**

**PREPARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING P13-14**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**GIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP**

**UNISON PRAYER**

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**SENDING FORTH**

**\*HYMN 254 We Three Kings**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*HYMN Shalom to You**