



WILLIAMSTOWN ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Transforming people into the image of Jesus Christ step by step.

Sunday: December 23, 2018



**CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION SUNDAY  
CANDLELIGHT & COMMUNION SERVICE**

**CHRISTMAS PRESENT: Remember the Lord's steps [and walk in them].**  
The word *communion* is an action word which means: *fellowship, participate in, share together, have in common.* The observance is not simply keeping a dead memory alive. It is entering into the presence of one who lived, died, was raised from the dead by the power of God, and is alive forevermore.

Above all that He is present with us always and is represented here and now— at the table. Christmas should be much more about *this table* than *yonder stable.*

Excerpt: *From the Stable to the Table*



**John 14:27 (NIV)**

Jesus said, *Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.*



**HARVESTERS FOOD DISTRIBUTION REPORT**

Last Mon we served 62 households, which included 85 adults, 60 children, and 46 seniors. Thank you to everyone who came out to support this important outreach ministry.

This food ministry is a great blessing to so many people especially during this Christmas season.



**Water Baptism Service - Sunday, Dec 30th**

If you would like to follow the Lord in water baptism, indicate your interest on a connection card on the table at the back of the sanctuary. You can place the card in the offering or give it to the pastor.

*Please check our website for more information about the church and it's ministries @ [www.williamstownag.org](http://www.williamstownag.org).*

*Follow us on Facebook—Williamstown Assembly of God Church!  
Pastor's Facebook - [www.facebook.com/rogercook.127](http://www.facebook.com/rogercook.127)*

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# Calendar

**Luke 2:17-20** When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

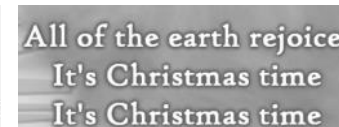
**DEC 2018**

- 23 Christmas Celebration Sunday  
Candlelight and Communion Service
- 23 4th Advent Sunday
- 24 *Christmas Eve—Advent Ends*
- 25 *Christmas*
- 30 **New Year's Celebration Sunday  
Baptism Service**
- 31 *New Year's Eve*



**NURSERY SCHEDULING  
FOR JAN — MAR 2019**

**Nursery Volunteers:** Arlene is working on the Nursery Schedule for the upcoming months of Jan, Feb, and Mar of 2019. Please notify her if there are dates during that time period when you WILL NOT be available to assist in the nursery. *This info is needed by next Sun, Dec 23rd.*



Advent is a time of waiting. Our whole life, however, is Advent—that is, a time of waiting for the ultimate, for the time when there will be a new heaven and a new earth, when all people are brothers and sisters and one rejoices in the words of the angels:  
"On earth peace to those on whom God's favor rests."  
Learn to wait, because he has promised to come.  
"I stand at the door..."  
We however call to him: "Yes, come soon,  
Lord Jesus!"

*A Testament to Freedom: the essential writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

**NURSERY MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

- 12/23 Vera, Aaron, & Sarah
- 12/30 Melinda & Hannah

*If you have a nursery schedule conflict, please contact the church office as soon as possible so other arrangements may be made.  
Please keep the nursery door locked at all times.*



**WAG CONTACT INFO**

- WAG Phone 785-597-5228 Church Email [wagc@williamstownag.org](mailto:wagc@williamstownag.org)
- Pastor's Cell 816-679-9238 Pastor's Email [rogercook@williamstownag.org](mailto:rogercook@williamstownag.org)

Take a break,  
take a breath!

*We will take a break from some activities during the upcoming Christmas season. This will allow everyone the opportunity to plan more time for fellowship with family and friends.*

1. There will be no Wed Night services during the month of Dec.
  2. There will be no Youth services during the month of Dec.
  3. No Special Life Group meetings on Dec 5th.
  4. No Sunday School Classes/Life Groups during the month of Dec.
- **Wed night services will resume on Wed, Jan 9th.**
  - **Sunday School/Life Groups will resume on Sun, Jan 6th.**



### WINTER JAM—SPRINT CENTER

**DATE** Saturday, January 26  
**TIME** 5:00 pm - Doors Open  
**TIME** 6:00 pm – Concert Starts  
**COST** \$15 - Donation at the door

<http://2019.jamtour.com/>



**Ministry Guest – Bob Tomlinson**

Sunday, January 6, 10:30 AM



**Vision Team Meeting**

Monday, January 7, 5:30 PM

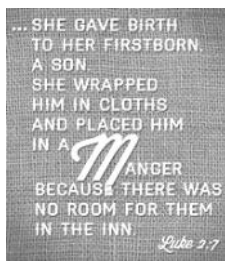


**ASSEMBLIES OF GOD  
WEEK OF PRAYER  
JANUARY 6—12, 2019**

*Plan now to make this a week of prayer and devotion with your family.*

Would you consider making plans to have prayer and a devotion every day with your family for this entire week of prayer?

Imagine what God can do for you and your family if you will creatively plan to lead your family on a spiritual journey.



**(913) 274-1441**

**PLEASE PUT THIS # IN YOUR CONTACT LIST.**

**Text this number in order to receive church communications.**

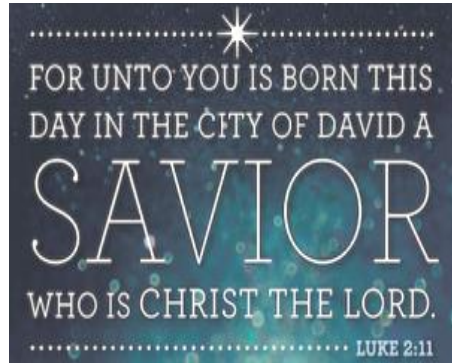
**Would you like to receive special announcements from the church?** Text the word *WAG*.

**Would you like to receive prayer requests?** Text the word *Prayer*.

**Would you like to receive more information about our church?** Text the word *Guest*.

**Are you a new believer and would like a Bible Study to help you on this new path?** Text the word *Believe*.

If you prefer to be on a *Prayer Request Calling List*, you can complete a Connection Card on the table in the back of the church. Then put the card in the offering or give it to one of our leaders.



**AMAZING PEACE: A CHRISTMAS POEM**  
**(An excerpt from a poem by Dr. Maya Angelou)**

It is the Glad Season.  
Thunder ebbs to silence and lightning sleeps quietly in the corner.  
Flood waters recede into memory.  
Snow becomes a yielding cushion to aid us  
As we make our way to higher ground.

Hope is born again in the faces of children  
It rides on the shoulders of our aged as they walk into their sunsets.  
Hope spreads around the earth. Brightening all things,  
Even hate which crouches breeding in dark corridors.

In our joy, we think we hear a whisper.  
At first it is too soft. Then only half heard.  
We listen carefully as it gathers strength.  
We hear a sweetness.  
The word is Peace.  
It is loud now. It is louder.  
Louder than the explosion of bombs.

We tremble at the sound. We are thrilled by its presence.  
It is what we have hungered for.  
Not just the absence of war. But, true Peace.  
A harmony of spirit, a comfort of courtesies.  
Security for our beloveds and their beloveds.

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**END-OF-YEAR DONATIONS**

Remember, next Sun, Dec 30th, is the last Sun of 2018.  
Any donations for *tax deductions* must be given on  
Sun or post-marked by Dec 31st in order to receive  
giving credit for 2018.

Thank you for your generosity.