



# Pulaski wesleyan CHURCH

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### STAFF

**Lead Pastor:** Jonathan White (Pastor.Jon@pulaskiwesleyan.org)  
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### SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

8:00am ~ 1<sup>st</sup> Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
9:15am ~ Sunday School (Lower Level Classrooms)  
10:10am ~ Coffee Connection (Foyer & Sanctuary)  
10:30am ~ 2<sup>nd</sup> Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
Kids Church – Ages 3 to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade (Reign Forest)

**Merry Christmas**  
*for unto us a child is born*



**FIRST IMPRESSIONS NURSERY IS**  
Available during Sunday School and the  
Second Worship Service for children up to  
36 months of age.

'T WAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

# Welcome

we're glad you're here!

"Come, let us bow down in worship, and let us kneel before the LORD our Maker; for He is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care." (Psalm 95:6-7)

What a great opportunity we have today to reconnect with the King of Kings, and Lord of Lords! Please take a moment to empty your mind of its burdens and concerns, and open your heart to receive God's encouragement and love. You are in a warm, accepting, and caring place today with people who want to both, receive God's grace and to pass it along to you. Welcome and God Bless!

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| Welcome .....                               | Pastor Jonathan White   |
| Christmas Video.....                        | Candlelight             |
| Worship Song No. 1 & 2 .....                | Congregation            |
| Advent Reading 1 .....                      | Ron and Paula Vrooman   |
| Advent Reading 2 .....                      | Lee and Susie Glenister |
| Special Music .....                         | Ingersoll Family        |
| Advent Reading 3 .....                      | Dave, Deb, & Emily Ward |
| Advent Reading 4 .....                      | Dan and Sarah Schick    |
| Special Music .....                         | Shiree and Bre          |
| Advent Reading 5 .....                      | Char Black              |
| Message .....                               | Pastor Jonathan White   |
| <i>" 'Twas The Night Before Christmas "</i> |                         |
| Candle Lighting /                           |                         |
| Silent Night .....                          | Congregation            |
| Closing Comments / Prayer .....             | Pastor Jonathan White   |

During the Congregational Candle Lighting  
Please tilt the unlit candle to the flame ~ Thank You

## CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE



### Christmas Eve Candlelight Service



What a wonderful decision you have made this evening in choosing to join with other believers in honoring and celebrating the birth of our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, through this Christmas Eve Service!



You have chosen to leave, at least for a while, the frantic world of cards, gifts, trees, ornaments, and STRESS to relax and reflect on the wonders of God's grace.

All of us have received many precious gifts from God. These gifts may be tangible or intangible, material or spiritual, temporal or eternal, but behind each gift has been the love and grace of God. Some we have recognized as having come from God, while others we may have assumed came to us as things we had earned or been entitled to. The reality of Christmas is that we are not celebrating what we have earned, but what we have received that is impossible to earn – the gift of forgiveness and resurrection life through the gift of God's own Son!

As a brand-new Christian I came to understand the profound reality of Christmas and the grace of God. I realize that God's grace was like an unopened gift. It was paid for by Someone Else and offered to me without any obligation to the Gift Giver except the debt of gratitude and love. I also realized that the gift had always been available to me, like a gift lying under a Christmas tree with my name printed clearly on the tag, but still worthless to me until I chose to receive it and open it. Have you received God's gift of salvation?

Have you opened it and are you making use of it, or is it still lying before you unclaimed and without value to you in spite of its great worth? Please decide now, if you haven't already, not to leave THIS Christmas party without opening ALL of your gifts!

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*