#### This Week at Walnut Creek...

9:00 am - Sunday Morning Choir Practice (Choir Room)

9:30 am - Sunday School/Small Groups (all ages)

10:45 am - Sunday Morning Worship Service

7:00 pm - Monday Evening Deacons' Meeting (Classroom 1)

7:00 pm - Tuesday Evening Women's Fellowship (Carolyn's House)

7:00 pm - Tuesday Evening Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)

7:00 pm - Wednesday Prayer and Church Update (Facebook)



Advent is the four Sundays leading up to Christmas. We are reading Scripture about the coming of Jesus and lighting candles representing each Sunday.

Today's Theme: Preparation Isaiah 40:3-5

### Welcome **New Members!**

Jpsalm & Amarra Saria

Please welcome them to the WCBC family!

Men's Bible Study will meet at 7:00pm this Tuesday, Dec. 9th in the Fellowship Hall. The men will be discussing Genesis chapter 44. Dinner is provided.

All men are invited!

The women will have a Christmas Fellowship this Tuesday, Dec. 9th at 7:00pm at Carolyn Weston's home for a Christmas Fellowship, (1600 N. Cardinal Rd). Treats provided.

All ladies are welcome and encouraged to attend!

#### ATTENDANCE CARD

Please detach this section, complete the information and place it in the offering box, guests and members. Thank you!

December 7, 2025	
Name	[ ] Single[ ] Married[ ] Widow(er)
Spouse's Name	[ ] Attending with you today?
Children's Ages:	
Address	Apt#
CityStateZip	Email
Phone	
Are you a Christian? [ ] Yes [ ] No	[ ] Not sure
Guest: [ ] $1^{st}$ time [ ] $2^{nd}$ time I a	m a guest of
Recently moved to the area     Member of WCBC     I am a member of (church name)	-

### Coming Soon...



Children's Christmas Play "A Strange Way To Save You and Me"

Sunday, December 14th Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to join us.

### Also Coming Soon:

Deacons' Meeting - December 8th Pack Food4Kids Bags - December 10th Breakfast Fellowship - December 14th Quarterly Members' Meeting - December 14th Deacon and Widow/Widower Dinner - December 20th Rod's Sunday Class Christmas Party - December 21st

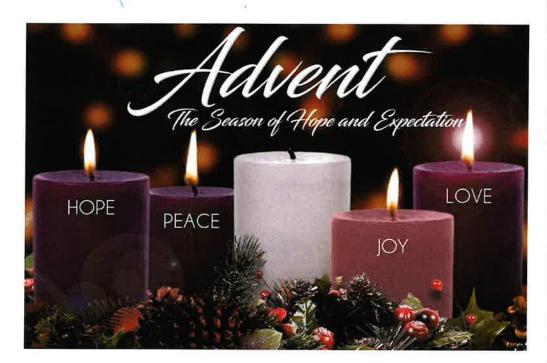
### How to Give An Offering

You may place your tithes and offerings in the wood box on the back wall of the Worship Center. You can also give online by visiting the "Giving" page on our website. walnutcreekbaptistchurch.com. Thank you!

No Updated Financial Information Available This Week Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday

The ministry of our church is entirely supported by the faithful giving of our members and friends. Thank you!

# Christmas 2025 **Preparation** The Second Sunday of Advent



A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. "

Isaiah 40:3 ESV

December 7, 2025

## **Walnut Creek Baptist Church**

Loving God... Loving People... Making Disciples... MT 22:37 MT 22:39 MT 28:19

#### Welcome, Guests!

We are so glad you joined us for worship today. We would appreciate it if you would detach the "Attendance Card", fill it out, and place it in the offering box at the end of the service. There are activity bags on the back table for kids. Thank you for coming, and we hope you will join us again soon.

By His Grace, Pastor Shane

Praise and Worship It Came Upon The Midnight Clear

Welcome & Prayer Greet One Another

Recognition of Birthdays/Anniversaries

Praise and Worship

Good Christian Men Rejoice
O Come O Come Emmanuel

Dismiss Children to Christmas Play Rehearsal

Scripture Reading Isaiah 40:3-5

Lighting of the Advent Candles

Time of Prayer

Praise and Worship

O Little Town of Bethlehem

Preaching of God's Word

Invitation

Wherever He Leads I'll Go

**Announcements** 

Offerings may be placed in the box on the back wall

**Closing Prayer** 

### The 5 Purposes of a Church:

•Worship •Evangelism •Discipleship •Ministry •Fellowship

### **Worship Service Manners**

Welcome guests!
Whisper if you must speak
Turn off mobile phone sounds
Don't text or take calls
Don't wear strong perfumes
Use the restroom before
the service

#### Invitation

You are encouraged to to come forward during the invitation time to speak to the pastor if you need prayer, want to believe in Jesus as your Savior and Lord, or join the church. You can also talk to him after the service or during the week.

#### Other Announcements...

### **Learn Christian Beliefs**

Question 49:

#### Where is Christ now?

Christ rose bodily from the grave on the third day after his death and is seated at the right hand of the Father, ruling his kingdom and interceding for us, until he returns to judge and renew the whole world. (TNCC) Ephesians 1:20-21

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#### Baptist Christians Believe

- •The Bible is God's Word, it is true and trustworthy.
- A right relationship with God and eternal life are by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ, not by good works.
- •When a person is truly saved, he or she is eternally secure in Jesus.
- •There are two ordinances for the Church:
  - •Believer's Baptism (by Immersion)
  - •The Lord's Supper (Communion)
- Missions and evangelism are a major priority.

Deacons of the	This Week	Gene Lester Robert Squires	(817) 221-2573 (682) 408-8860
Week	Next Week	Jason Curlis Rod Dixon	(817) 975-2931 (314) 550-6111
NURSERY	Today	Stacey Smith	
(0-3 year olds)	Next Week	Kayden Gentry	

### **Walnut Creek Baptist Church**

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Recent videos, bulletins and sermons are available under the "Resources" menu on the WCBC website.

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Pastor Shane A Scott 817-757-6507	Minister of Music Larry Permenter	Interim Children's Ministry Director Lisa Squires	Interim Ministry Assistant Lisa Squires 817-597-5930
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#### How YOU Can Become a Christian...

The decision to receive Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord <u>is the most important</u> <u>decision you will ever make</u>. Here's how you can be saved and become a Christian:

- Realize you have sinned and are subject to God's judgment and eternity in hell (to sin is to disobey God's commands revealed in the Bible).
- **Believe** Jesus Christ literally died on a cross to pay the penalty for your sins and rose from the dead.
- Ask God to forgive your sins and be willing, with God's help, to turn away from your sins (repent).
- •Ask Jesus Christ to be your Savior and Lord. You can pray something like...
  "Jesus, I know that I am a sinner and need your forgiveness. I believe you
  died on a cross and rose from the dead for my sins. Please forgive me for
  my sins and help me turn away from them. I ask you to come into my life
  and be my Savior and Lord."

#### How YOU Can Become a Member of WCBC...

You may become a member by presenting yourself or family for church membership during the "invitation" time at the conclusion of each worship service. You are invited to join the church in one of three ways:

- By Profession of Faith and Baptism You have received or want to receive Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and Lord and be baptized.
- By Transfer of your membership from a similar Baptist church.
- By Statement that you were once a member of a similar Baptist church but transferring your membership is not possible <u>or</u> by stating that you received Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and Lord and were baptized by immersion in a non-Baptist church (requires pastoral interview).

#### **WCBC Member Expectations...**

- •Be in agreement with and promote the doctrinal beliefs of the church.
- •Support the vision, mission and leadership of the church.
- Attend and participate in worship services and other programs regularly.
- Use your spiritual gifts and skills to serve God and people in and through the church.
- Live out the teachings of the Bible and do not dishonor God or His church through sinful behavior.
- Support the ministries of the church through regular giving of tithes and offerings.

My Response Today:
<ul> <li>□ I want to believe in Jesus as my Savior and Lord.</li> <li>□ I want to be baptized.</li> <li>□ I am renewing my commitment to Jesus Christ.</li> <li>□ I would like to talk to the Pastor.</li> <li>□ I would like information about joining this church.</li> <li>□ I would like to join a Bible Study/Sunday School Class.</li> <li>□ Please contact me about opportunities for ministry involvement.</li> <li>From the Pew to the Church Office:</li> </ul>
Is the church aware that
Comments or Prayer Needs