

PERSEVERANCE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Reverend Donna Webster, Pastor
January 4, 2026



PRELUDE

(The prelude is a musical curtain drawn between the cares of the world and us. Let these moments prepare us for worship by opening our hearts to God's presence as we meditate silently)

Pianist.....Sue W. Palmer
Lighting of the Candles
*Processional

GATHERING THE PEOPLE OF GOD

*Call to Worship....."Arise, Shine!".....241
*Invocation.....Robbie Hawthorne
*Opening Hymn....."We Three Kings".....288

PRAYING TO GOD

Welcome & Announcements.....Robbie Hawthorne
Prayer Concerns.....Robbie Hawthorne
Meditation & Morning Prayer.....Rev. Webster

COMMUNING WITH GOD

Invitation to Communion.....Rev. Webster
Communion Hymn....."The First Noel".....265
Sharing of the Bread ~ Sharing of the Cup

(Everyone is welcome at The Lord's Table; we partake together after all are served.)

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Offertory Prayer.....Robbie Hawthorne
Offering
*Doxology....."Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

LISTENING TO GOD

Special Music....."Star of the East".....Beverley & Sue
Scripture.....Isaiah 60: 1-6; Matthew 2: 1-12
Message....."A Light for the Nations".....Rev. Webster

SENDING FORTH THE PEOPLE OF GOD

*Hymn of Invitation....."As With Gladness Men of Old".....290
*Benediction & Postlude

HAPPY NEW YEAR

WELCOME to Perseverance Christian Church on this first Sunday in January, 2026! We provide a nursery for children ages four and younger; the nursery and restrooms are located on the hallway behind the sanctuary's left and right doors. There is also a chair lift for anyone in need, and it may be accessed to the left door of the men's restroom. We are live streaming our Worship Service to reach those not able to attend in person. The recording of our service will be on our website, www.perseverancecc.org or on our mobile app. Come back and worship with us again!

TODAY - *January 14th-Wednesday Night Bible Study at 6:30 p.m. Our new study is Rick Warren's "The Purpose Driven Life," an oldie but goodie! If you want to participate in the study, please pick up a book before or after worship today!
**Praise Choir Practice, 6pm

THURSDAY - PCC Board Meeting, 7pm

NEXT SUNDAY - Installation of new Deacons, Elders, Officers



A basket of star words is on the organ today. Everyone is encouraged to select a "star" word and reflect on how that word might shape your choices, guide your prayers, influence your relationships, or inspire your actions throughout the year. Select one star and see how your "star word" might become a lived witness—something others can see in the way you speak, serve, and grow, throughout the coming year.

GOOD MORNING!

MAY THE LOVE OF
CHRIST

FILL YOUR HEART AND HOME,
BRINGING A SUNDAY
FULL OF BLESSINGS AND PEACE.

PERSEVERANCE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Reverend Donna Webster, Pastor
January 11, 2026

♪ THERE'S A SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT IN THIS PLACE ♪

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Pianist.....Sue W. Palmer
Lighting of the Candles.....Aiden Gwaltney
*Processional

GATHERING THE PEOPLE OF GOD

*Call to Worship....."Sweet, Sweet Spirit".....391
*Invocation.....Jeff Parrish
*Opening Hymn....."O, How I Love Jesus".....92

PRAYING TO GOD

Welcome & Announcements.....Jeff Parrish
Prayer Concerns.....Jeff Parrish
Ordination of New Deacons, Installation of Deacons & Elders.....Rev. Webster
Meditation & Morning Prayer.....Rev. Webster

COMMUNING WITH GOD

Invitation to Communion.....Rev. Webster
Communion Hymn...."Spirit of God, Descend Upon my Heart".....390
Sharing of the Bread ~ Sharing of the Cup
(Everyone is welcome at The Lord's Table; we partake together after all are served.)

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Offertory Prayer.....Jeff Parrish
Offering
Doxology....."Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

LISTENING TO GOD

Special Music....."Sing a New Church".....Praise Choir
Scripture.....Acts 10: 34-43; Matthew 3: 13-17
Message....."Love Starts Here".....Rev. Webster

SENDING FORTH THE PEOPLE OF GOD

*Hymn of Invitation....."Jesus is Lord of All".....599
*Benediction & Postlude

GOOD MORNING CHURCH FAMILY!

WELCOME to Perseverance Christian Church on this second Sunday in January, 2026! We provide a nursery for children ages four and younger; the nursery and restrooms are located on the hallway behind the sanctuary's left and right doors. There is also a chair lift for anyone in need, and it may be accessed to the left door of the men's restroom. We are live streaming our Worship Service to reach those not able to attend in person. The recording of our service will be on our website, www.perseverancecc.org or on our mobile app. Come back and worship with us again!

TODAY - *Installation Service During Worship **Praise Choir Practice, 6pm

MONDAY - There will be a meeting of committee chairs to pick committee members in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30pm. Following that meeting there will be a meeting of all deacons, current and past with Rev. Webster.

WEDNESDAY - Bible Study at 6:30 p.m. Our new study is Rick Warren's "The Purpose Driven Life," an oldie but goodie! If you want to participate in the study, please pick up a book.

NEXT SUNDAY - The new Worship Committee will meet after church worship.

Prayer For Strength For Church Leaders

Dear Lord,
We pray for the leaders of the church.
We ask that you continue to bless and guide them. Let them continue to see your light. Let them remember their calling every day and not take it for granted. Teach them to lead the flock and care for each one of them. Make them lead exemplary lives so they do not lead anyone astray. Bless their lives and their family. Let their work never know failure and let them reap all the rewards of their sacrifice.

Amen