



**HOLIDAY HOURS OF OPERATION**

In observance of the Christmas and New Year Holidays, the church office will be closed from December 24th - January 4th. We will reopen January 5, 2026 at 9am. Wishing you and your family a blessed and joyful holiday.

**WEEKDAY SCHEDULE**

Craft Ladies	Tues., 2pm - 5pm	Craft Room
Choir Rehearsal	Tues., 7pm - 8pm	Choir Room
Promiseland Children	Weds, 6pm-7:30pm	Promiseland Room
Needles Group	Thurs., 9am - 12pm	Craft Room
Men's Breakfast	Sat., 7am - 9am	FLC Fellowship Hall

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**


Gina Schmidt	12/01	Marilyn Harrigan	12/06
Marlys Templeton	12/02	Cheryl Lawson	12/19
Jackson Mack	12/04	Jolene Luke	12/26

WEDNESDAY EVENING  
BIBLE STUDIES  
**GROWING  
IN FAITH**  
WITH PASTOR ANTONIO  
JANUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> - FEBRUARY 11<sup>TH</sup>  
6:30 PM-7:30 PM - LIBRARY ROOM

**GENESIS**  
WITH CHARLIE DITTMAR  
JANUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> - FEBRUARY 11<sup>TH</sup>  
6:30 PM-7:30 PM - CONFERENCE ROOM

Sign-up sheets available in the Overflow.

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Rooted in Love. Growing in Faith. Serving with Joy.

**YOUR  
FATHER  
WHO SAVES**  
Isaiah 63:7-9, Matthew 2:13-23

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 28, 2025**  
**9:00 AM | 11:00 AM**  
Rev. Antonio Christie, Senior Pastor  
Charlie Dittmar, Lay Leader  
6100 Memorial Highway, Tampa FL 33615  
[www.wesleytampa.org](http://www.wesleytampa.org)

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS  
MORNING ORDER OF WORSHIP  
DECEMBER 28, 2025 | 9:00 AM

\*THANK YOU FOR SILENCING YOUR PHONE

PRELUDE Go Tell It On The Mountain Jean Rowe

INTROIT God Rest Ye Merry Gentleman Chancel Choir

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come to worship the God who remembers mercy, the God whose love is steadfast and sure.

**People: We come to worship the God who saves.**

Leader: In every generation, God has been faithful bearing the people, carrying them through danger and fear.

**People: When we were in distress, God was in distress with us.**

Leader: From exile to escape, from danger to deliverance, God's compassion has never failed.

**People: We lift our hearts to the Father who saves.**

Leader: Come, let us worship the God who shelters, protects, and leads us home.

**People: We worship with trust, gratitude, and hope. Amen.**

OPENING PRAYER

Faithful and saving God,  
we gather today because you have carried us farther than we could go on our own.  
You have seen our suffering, heard our cries, and moved toward us with compassion.

When fear has chased us, you have gone ahead of us.  
When danger has surrounded us, you have made a way.  
When we were lost or uncertain, you have guided us with love. Open our hearts in this time of worship.  
Help us to recognize your saving presence not only in moments of triumph, but in the quiet acts of protection and care that hold our lives together.

**Speak to us through your Word. Renew our trust in you, our Father who saves. Amen.**

\*OPENING HYMN Joy To The World #246

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

**All: Saving God, we confess that we do not always trust your care. We try to protect ourselves instead of resting in your protection. We cling to fear instead of faith, control instead of trust, silence instead of courage. We forget the many ways you have carried us through danger, the times you have rescued us when we did not see a way forward. Forgive us for doubting your nearness, for resisting your guidance, and for failing to reflect your compassion to others. Restore us, O God. Teach us again to trust you as our saving Father. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles Creed 880

\*GLORIA PATRI

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY Rejoice with Joy To The World Chancel Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Saving God,  
by your Spirit, open our hearts and minds to your Word.  
As we hear the stories of your compassion and protection, help us to see where you are still at work in our lives today.  
When the Scriptures speak of danger and deliverance, teach us to trust your guiding presence.  
When we hear of mercy and love, remind us that you are a Father who saves, carries, and redeems.  
Give us eyes to see, ears to hear, and hearts ready to respond.  
Through Jesus Christ, your living Word. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 63:7-9 Sandra Peterson

\*NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Matthew 2:13-23

SERMON Your Father Who Saves Charlie Dittmar

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

For those wishing to become members in this congregation of Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church either by profession of faith or transfer of church membership, please contact Rev. Antonio at [antonio@wesleytampa.org](mailto:antonio@wesleytampa.org).

CLOSING HYMN The First Noel #245

\*BENEDICTION Charlie Dittmar

MODERN WORSHIP  
DECEMBER 28, 2025 | 11:00 AM

OPENING SONG

House Of The Lord

Faniel Pradel

OPENING PRAYER

SINGING OUR PRAISE

Come To Save Us  
All The Poor And Powerless

OFFERING

ALL GLORY BE TO CHRIST

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rochelle Mock

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 63:7-9

\*NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Matthew 2:11-23

SERMON

Your Father Who Saves

Charlie Dittmar

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN

\*BENEDICTION

Charlie Dittmar

PRAYER REQUESTS

We invite you to share your prayer needs or join us in praying for others. Please scan the QR code to submit your prayer requests or visit

[wesleytampa.org/prayer-request](https://wesleytampa.org/prayer-request)



Curt & Sharon Hadrava  
Christine & Jaymi  
Family of Jim Danielson  
Jane and Jan  
Van  
Rose Harper  
Sherry  
Linda and George Weiland  
Karen Marotz  
Michael Murphy  
Joe and Gloria Rocci

Marjorie Schramm  
Christy and Steve  
Madeline  
Grant  
Kitty  
Sandra Dettori  
Nancy Klein  
Jasmine James  
Tom & Jane Cross  
Faith Scheirer  
Mariyah Muckle