



Rockfish Presbyterian Church
 "Meet and Eat at Noon"
 is cancelled for
 the month of April
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NEWSLETTER



WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Dr. Philip K. Gladden, Minister

APRIL 2017

Cheryl Brinkley, Editor



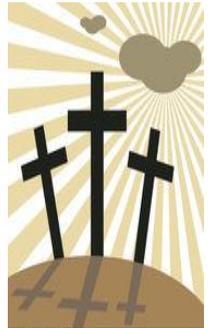
Friday, April 14, 2017

7:30 pm

"Come to the Cross and Remember"

by Pepper Choplin

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper



Birthdays in April

Happy Birthday to You!

- 1- Terry Tate
- Gregory Miller
- 8- Kristin Robison Cottle
- 9- Brian Burroughs
- Kelli Norris
- Mary Laine Rouse
- 10- John Bullard
- 11- Mary Kellan Creech

- 19- Joey Fussell
- 21- Mickey Wells
- 25- Elizabeth Wells Merritt
- 28- Sara Cooper
- 29- Vann Blake
- 30- Eduardo Moreno
- Sam Rose



COMMUNITY EARLY EASTER SERVICE

SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2017

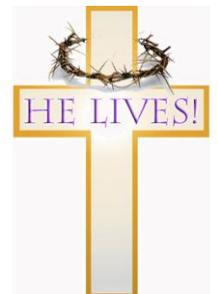
7:00 am

First Baptist Church, Wallace
 Breakfast following service

Easter Worship Service

11:00 am

Wallace Presbyterian Church





Dear Friends,

April 1 is the anniversary of my start-date as your minister. Over the years, plenty of folks have made jokes about me starting work on April Fools' Day! However, as I begin my 20th year as your pastor, I continue to feel blessed that God called me to the Wallace Presbyterian Church. Thank you for the many years of faithful ministry together.

My first Sunday in the pulpit at WPC was Palm Sunday. This time of year is always special to me, as I remember beginning my ministry here and as I anticipate celebrating Easter with all of you. Recently I was reminded that the church is called to proclaim good news to a world that is desperate to hear some good news. The good news we have to share is more than empty promises or wishful thinking that somehow, some day, in some way things might get better. We proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ's victory over death itself. When we gather for worship on Easter Sunday, April 16, we will celebrate the greatest news ever announced: Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed!

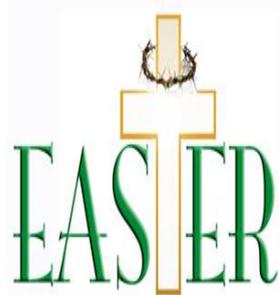
Some people say, "That's hard to believe!" Well, they are right. It is hard to believe, because death seems to have the upper hand in our lives and in our world. But the good news of the resurrection is all that much more wonderful and joyous because it is hard to believe. Even more, the good news of the resurrection makes a difference in our lives today.

As much as we look to the future and God's resurrection glory, God's resurrection power is available to us in the church. In fact, God sends us forth as his people with his promise that the power that raised Jesus from the dead is the same power his Holy Spirit sends upon us to be ambassadors of Christ in a lonely and hurting world that is so fearful of death.

I invite and encourage you to join in our worship on Good Friday, April 14, and in the celebration on Easter Sunday on April 16. Also, I invite and encourage you to proclaim the good news of Christ's resurrection from the dead in everything you do, every day.

In the Actions of the Session in this newsletter, you will note that the session has approved a recommendation that I have a sabbatical leave during the summer months of 2018. The session will provide much more information in the coming weeks as we work together to make plans for me and the congregation.

I thank God for the privilege and opportunity to serve as your minister. Thank you for your support and faithfulness. May we always remember why we do what we do as the Wallace Presbyterian Church — because God so loved the world that he sent his only Son for us.



In Christ,
Phil

ACTIONS OF THE SESSION

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At the Tuesday, March 21, 2017 stated session meeting, the elders and minister:

- * were led in an opening devotion and prayer by Elder Linda Burroughs;
- * conducted the meeting as a worship service;
- * studied God's Word in Mark 14:3-9 and discussed a reading "The Anointing"
- * approved minutes from the February 21, 2017 stated session meeting and the February 26, 2017 called session meeting;
- * approved a request from the Alternative Sunday School Class to study the Gospel of John beginning Sunday, March 26;
- * authorized the Personnel Ministry Team to act on behalf of the session to interview applicants for the job of cleaning the church and to hire an appropriate person;
- * elected Elder George Francis as the Ruling Elder commissioner to the March 25, 2017 meeting of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina;
- * approved a request from Rev. Philip Gladden for vacation time, Monday-Thursday, May 22-25, 2017;
- * approved a recommendation from the Sabbatical ad hoc work group that Rev. Philip Gladden be granted a sabbatical leave June - September 2018. The session will appoint a planning committee consisting of three elders actively serving on the session and six members of the congregation;
- * prayed for members of the congregation and community;
- * were led in a closing prayer by Elder Linda Burroughs.



WORSHIP LEADERS FOR APRIL

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ELDER</u>	<u>PREACHER</u>
April 2	Dean Hanson	Philip Gladden
April 9	Geneva Maready	Philip Gladden
April 16	Curt Simpson	Philip Gladden
April 23	Jim Sills	Philip Gladden
April 30	Jason Rouse	Philip Gladden



**Wallace United Methodist Church
Maundy Thursday, April 13, 8:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall**

A Living Last Supper is a dramatic and powerful portrayal of Jesus and his disciples on the night before his betrayal. Each disciple rises to express his thoughts after hearing that there is a traitor in their midst. Men from Wallace United Methodist Church, Wallace First Baptist Church, and Wallace Presbyterian Church will portray the disciples. Dr. Phil will portray Thomas the Twin.



We will celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper during worship on Sunday, April 2.

"For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."

1 Corinthians 11:26



GREETERS

APRIL

USHERS
THIS MONTH

04/02: Catherine Blanchard & Hope Turnbull
04/09: Jim & Sharon Robison
04/16: Freddy & Rhonda Hall
04/23: Greg & Geneva Maready
04/30: Gary & Joyce Ange

Charley Farrow, Leader
Rick Batchelor Jonathan Fussell
Bill Carone Curt Simpson

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

April 1-15: Bill Carone
April 16-30: Jack Blackney

YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

04/02: Sara Pearl Farrow & Ellie Carone
04/09: Lydia & Kennedy Thompson
04/16: Cameron & Reese Blue
04/23: Garrett Bullard & Hill Lanier
04/30: Elizabeth & James Sills



CHURCH NEWS . . . For Your Information

- * **We will celebrate** the sacrament of the Lord's Supper during worship on Sunday, April 2 at 11:00 am and during Good Friday worship on Friday, April 14 at 7:30 pm.
- * **Presbyterian Men** will meet on Tuesday, April 4 at 6:30 pm at the Rockfish Presbyterian Church. All men are welcome for supper and Bible study led by Rev. Brian Doles.
- * **The chancel choir** will present Pepper Choplin's cantata "Come to the Cross and Remember," on Good Friday, April 14 at 7:30 pm.
- * **We will receive** the One Great Hour of Sharing offering on Easter Sunday, April 16.
- * **The church office** will be closed on Monday, April 17 in observance of Easter.
- * **The session** will meet on Tuesday, April 18 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 304. If you have any business or concerns for the session to consider, please speak to one of the elders or the minister.



Hospital & at home:

Cathy Wells (Fayetteville)
Judy Robinson (home)

George Walker (Rosemary)
Kelsea Webster (home)



To Joel Coleman and family on the deaths of his sisters, Katrina Young of Farmville, VA (March 15) and Rachel Coleman Phaup of Richmond, VA (March 24).

To Dona Lanier and Gina Farrow on the death of their aunt, Sharon Rivebark, on March 21.



**FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/
BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING
SUNDAY, APRIL 23**



An extension of the Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries

For the period 7/1/16 - 12/31/16:

2,925 food packs delivered to seven schools in Duplin County
Donations totaling \$26,241 from 25 churches and organizations and 15-20 individuals. Ending bank balance as of 12/31/16 of \$17,182 (includes \$3,500 designated for 2017 summer food).

Schools served: Wallace-Rose Hill High; Rose Hill-Magnolia Elementary; Charity Middle; Wallace Elementary; Chinquapin Elementary, Beulaville Elementary; B.F. Grady Elementary; Warsaw Elementary; Warsaw Middle



PREACHING IN APRIL

SUNDAY	SCRIPTURE TEXT	THEME
April 2	Mark 11:12-18	The tension rises
April 9	Mark 11:1-11	Jesus' triumphal entry
April 16	Mark 16:1-8	The empty tomb
April 23	To be determined	Holy Humor Sunday
April 30	Mark 16:9-20	Beyond the Cross

Please prepare yourselves for worship by reading the scripture lessons ahead of time and praying for our congregation and minister as we hear God's Word read and proclaimed.



A Gathering for Visitors and Folks Interested in Learning More about the Wallace Presbyterian Church

Sunday, April 2, 3:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

Sponsored by the Congregational Care Ministry Team

WHAT WILL WE DO?



Find out what makes our congregation a Presbyterian Church....
*beliefs *history
*Who are our elders and what do they do?



How to Speak Presbyterian
Break the Presbyterian Code!
Find out what these things are....

P.E.P., P.A.T.H., PW, Second Sunday, session, presbytery, PDT, Sound Retreat, and more



Find out where things are at WPC!
Nursery Music Room Restrooms
Prayer Room Sunday School Classes
Church Office Minister's Study

Child Care Provided (let us know if you need) at drphil@wallacepresbyterian.com or the church office at 285-2808.



April Youth Schedule

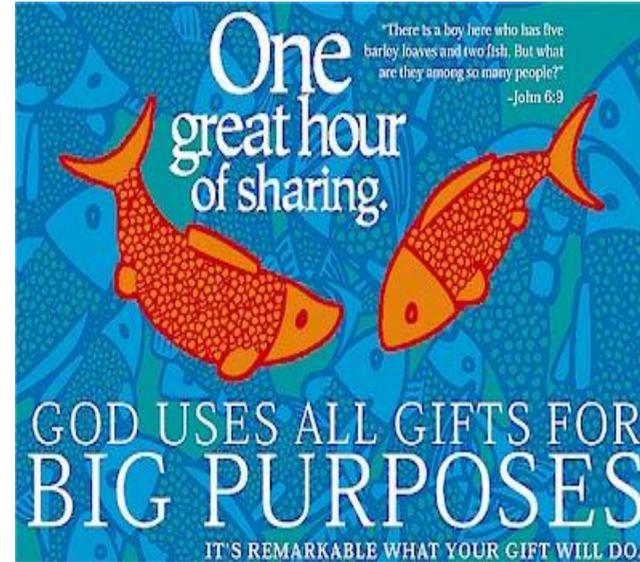
- Sunday, April 9: Singles night
- Sunday, April 16: Easter-no youth fellowship
- Sunday, April 23: Spring Break for everyone but Penderlea: No youth fellowship.
- Sunday, April 30: Practice for youth Sunday



Congratulations to Jamie Alexander and Dylan Poole on the birth of their son, Dylan T. Poole, Jr. on March 18. Pat Alexander is the proud grandmother. Jim Alexander is the proud great-grandfather.



Congratulations to Royal and Jennifer Johnson on the birth of their daughter, Lacey Elizabeth, on March 8. Proud grandparents are Tom and Mary Glyn Johnson.



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 16

HOW IS MY GIFT USED?

A gift to One Great Hour of Sharing enables the church to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, providing food to the hungry, and helping to empower the poor and oppressed. This offering supports the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Program, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and the Self Development of People Program.





BBQ



**Come Join Us For a
BARBECUE SUPPER!**
on Friday, April 28, 2017

6:00 pm

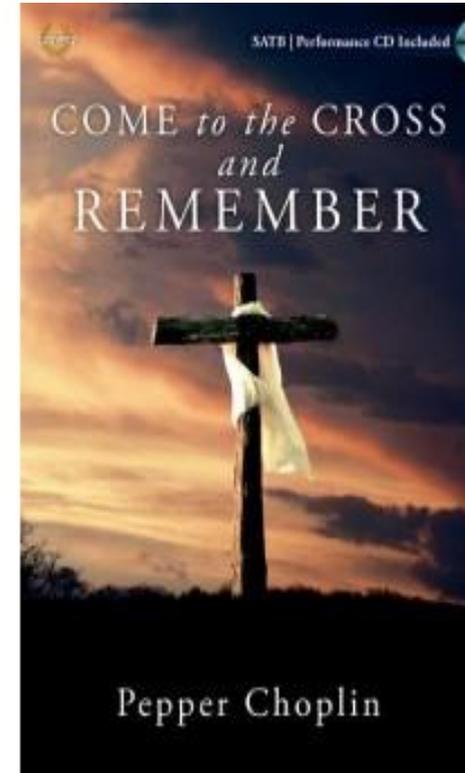
**Come and enjoy the fun,
fellowship, and BBQ!**

\$12.00 Adult

\$6.00 (Children under 10)

**Tickets will be required and may be
purchased from any the following
members: Cindy Barrow,
Linda Burroughs, Mary Carone,
Ann Carter, Lois Edgerton, Gerri
Hanson, Brenda Long, or Dottie
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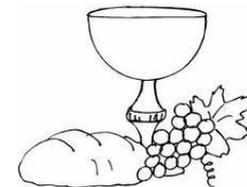
**Food provided by
The Rose Hill Restaurant**



**Good Friday Communion Service
Friday, April 14
7:30 p.m.**

Our Chancel Choir will present Pepper Choplin's "Come to the Cross and Remember." During the cantata, different symbols of Christ's journey to the cross will be brought forward: palms, the bread and the cup, flowers, thirty silver coins, the robe and the crown, the nails, and the shroud.

We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper during worship.





Go to our church website, www.wallacepresbyterian.com. Click on "Click Here to Give" in the upper right hand corner. Sign up to create a secure account or log in to your existing account. Follow the directions for easy, secure, general or program specific giving. Thank you for your faithful support of the mission and ministry of the Wallace Presbyterian Church!



PRESBYTERIAN ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

It's difficult to believe that we only have two more months in our current school year at PEP. It has been a wonderful, fun-filled year and I will greatly miss our children who will be leaving us.

We have two big events coming up in the month of April and I know you are going to want to be a part of them. First up is our plant fundraiser through Johnson Nursery's garden-direct.com fundraising site. Beginning on Friday, April 14 and running through Thursday, April 27 at noon, you can make an order of some of the most beautiful plants available from Johnson Nursery. I will be sending out a reminder email with more detailed information in the week before we begin, but start your list of flowers, shrubs, and trees now. Our orders will be delivered to the church on Saturday, April 29 and will be available for pick up at 9 am.

Our second big event will be PEP Sunday, April 30. We will have our children sing a couple of songs for you at the beginning of worship. You won't want to miss hearing these sweet voices lead you in worship, so be in your pew by 11:00 am!

Dee Thompson, Director



April 2017

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- Work
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- lee@wallacepresbyterian.com
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p style="text-align: right;">26</p> <p>Fourth Sunday in Lent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:40 AM Opening Assembly 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 	<p style="text-align: right;">27</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">28</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Building 6:00 PM Handbells 7:15 PM Bible Study, Room 304 7:30 PM Choir Practice 	<p style="text-align: right;">30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:00 PM Lenten Worship & Luncheon/ Wallace United Methodist 	<p style="text-align: right;">31</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">1</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">2</p> <p>Fifth Sunday in Lent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:40 AM Opening Assembly 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship with Communion 3:00 PM Get to Know Your Church information meeting 	<p style="text-align: right;">3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30 AM Circle #1: Office Building 	<p style="text-align: right;">4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30 AM Circle #3: Pat Wilson 6:30 PM Presbyterian Men: Rockfish PC 7:00 PM Circle #4: Cindy Barrow 9:30 PM Presbyterian Men- Wallace PC 	<p style="text-align: right;">5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Building 6:00 PM Handbells 7:15 PM Bible Study, Room 304 7:30 PM Choir Practice 	<p style="text-align: right;">6</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">7</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">8</p>
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<p style="text-align: right;">16</p> <p>Easter/Resurrection of the Lord</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00 AM Easter Early Service 9:40 AM Opening Assembly 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship/One Great Hour of Sharing Offering 	<p style="text-align: right;">17</p> <p>Church Office Closed</p> <p>In observance of Easter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:15 PM Presbyterians Dining Together 	<p style="text-align: right;">18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Session Meeting, Room 304 	<p style="text-align: right;">19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Building 6:00 PM Handbells 7:15 PM Bible Study, Room 304 7:30 PM Choir Practice 	<p style="text-align: right;">20</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">21</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">22</p>
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