

# WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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We support Presbyterian Church (USA) mission co-workers,  
Rev. Dustin and Sherri Ellington, in Lusaka, Zambia, Africa.

*Please silence your cell phones.*

*\*All who are able may stand.*



*The congregation  
is asked to remain  
silent  
during the prelude  
as a time of prayer  
and meditation.*

*January 6 is  
called the  
Epiphany of the  
Lord, the  
traditional time  
of the visit of the  
Magi to Jesus  
and his parents.*

*Here is an  
Epiphany  
prayer:  
Everlasting God,  
the radiance of  
faithful souls,  
who brought the  
nations to your  
light and kings to  
the brightness of  
your rising: Fill  
the world with  
your glory, and  
show yourself to  
all the nations;  
through him who  
is the true light  
and the bright  
morning star,  
Jesus Christ  
your Son, our  
Lord. Amen.*

## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

**January 3, 2016**

**11:00 A.M.**

### GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*(During this time the friendship pads are passed to be signed.)*

Minute for Mission

Choral Call to Worship **“Jesus, the Light of the World”**

Wesley, 1730; Elderkin, 1890; Currenton, 2000

*Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Jesus, the light of the world.*

*Hail, the Sun of righteousness! Jesus, the light of the world.*

*We'll walk in the light, beautiful light.*

*Come where the dewdrops of mercy shine bright.*

*O, shine all around us by day and by night.*

*Jesus, the light of the world!*

Opening Sentences

Elder Joell Parker

*Leader: Prophets and seers have called you blessed, O Jesus.*

**All: We come today to call you blessed, too.**

*Leader: We know of your life and your sacrifice,*

**All: your resurrection and our salvation. Let us now worship you in awe and in joy.**

\*Hymn #113

**“Angels We Have Heard on High”**

GLORIA

\*Unison Prayer of Confession

*God, you have revealed yourself to us in your Son, Jesus. We confess we do not always recognize him as our Savior. We do not understand the full truth of his life, death, and resurrection. Help us to be more like Simeon and Anna, who saw Jesus for who he was, even as a little baby. Forgive our unbelief and help our faith to grow through the power of your Holy Spirit in our lives. We pray this through Jesus Christ. **Amen.***

\*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

*Leader: Whether we believe it or not, Jesus Christ never leaves us nor forsakes us.*

**All: Let us open our hearts to receive the grace which Christ brings to us in faithfulness. We are forgiven! Thanks be to God!**

\*Gloria Patri Hymn #581

*Glory Be to the Father*

**PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

Children's Sermon

Anthem                      **"We Three Kings of Orient Are"**                      arr. Alexander

Prayer for Illumination

*Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Old Testament Lesson

*Isaiah 49:1-7*

Elder Joell Parker

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\*Gospel Lesson

*Luke 2:21-40*

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Sermon

**"Looking Forward"**

Dr. Philip K. Gladden

A Time for Reflection

*Light is a main symbol associated with Epiphany.*

*We remember Jesus saying, "I am the light of the world." Here is another Epiphany prayer: O Christ, light made manifest as the true light of God, gladden our hearts on the joyful morning of your glory; call us by our name on the great Day of your coming; and give us grace to offer, with all the hosts of heaven, unending praise to God in whom all things find their ending, now and ever. Amen.*

*Ruling elders are so named not because they “lord it over” the congregation (Matt. 20:25), but because they are chosen by the congregation to discern and measure its fidelity to the Word of God, and to strengthen and nurture its faith and life.*

*PC(USA) Book of Order, G-2.0301*

## THE ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF RULING ELDERS

The Office of Ruling Elder in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

The Presentation of Members of the Class of 2018

The Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

The Constitutional Questions of the Ruling Elders

The Constitutional Questions of the Congregation

The Laying On of Hands and the Prayer of Ordination and Installation

The Statement of Ordination and Installation

The Welcome to the Members of the Class of 2018

### **GIVING THANKS TO GOD**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*Hymn of Preparation #533

**“In the Singing”**

BREAD OF PEACE

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

The Invitation to the Table

The Words of Institution

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving with the Lord’s Prayer

The Distribution of the Elements

The Prayer After Communion

\*Hymn #545

**“Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace”**

LAND OF REST

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction “**Good Christian Friends, Rejoice**” Medieval Latin

*Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;  
Now ye need not fear the grave: Jesus Christ was born to save!  
Calls you one and calls you all to gain the everlasting hall.  
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!*

\*Postlude

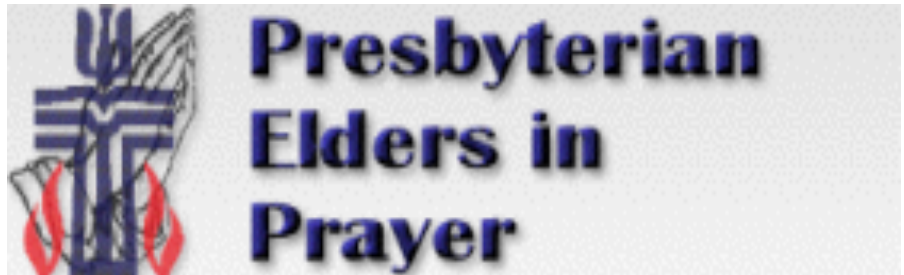
\*All who are able may stand.

+The page number in the pew Bible.

## **ANNUAL SESSION RETREAT**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 2016**

**9:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.**



**Wallace Presbyterian Church**

**Fellowship Hall**

**On Saturday, January 16, our elders and minister will be on their annual session retreat. This year's retreat will be held at the Wallace Presbyterian Church in the Fellowship Hall.**

**Our session will be worshipping, praying, studying the Bible, enjoying fellowship, and seeking to discern God's will for our congregation. Please keep our elders and minister in your prayers. They will be praying for you!**

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, January 3	9:40 am	Opening Assembly
	10:00 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship with Communion
	5:00-7:00 pm	Youth Fellowship
Monday, January 4	10:30 am	Circle #1: Room 304
Tuesday, January 5	6:30 am	Coffee in Room 304
	7:00-7:30 am	SonRise Worship, Room 304
	10:30 am	Circle #3: Pat Wilson
	7:00 pm	Presbyterian Men, Rockfish PC
Wednesday, January 6	7:00 pm	Circle #4: Ginny Blackney
	10:00 am	Bible Study, Church Office Building
	5:15 - 7:00 pm	LOGOS!
	6:00 pm	Handbells
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice

## NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **This morning** we celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. All who have professed faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and been baptized in his name are welcome at the table.
- **Today** we ordain and install ruling elders for service on the session in the Class of 2018. For ordination and installation: Nick Baker and Susan Walters. For installation: Ann Carter, Nell Sloan, and Joe Tillman.
- **Thank you to the members of the Class of 2015** for their three years of faithful service: Susie Bullard, John Green, Curt Simpson, and Bill Walters.
- **Our Tuesday morning** SonRise Worship (6:30 a.m., Room 304) and Wednesday morning Bible study (10:00 a.m., Church Office Building) will resume this week.





## NURSERY

01/03: Rhonda & Freddy Hall

01/10: Georgette, Lydia & Kennedy Thompson

Opening Church Building: January 1-15: Charley Farrior



## GREETERS

01/03: Bill & Susan Walters

01/10: Joey Fussell & Mary Carone

## USHERS

Jim Robison, Leader

Dave Wells

Clay Blue

Roger Coombs



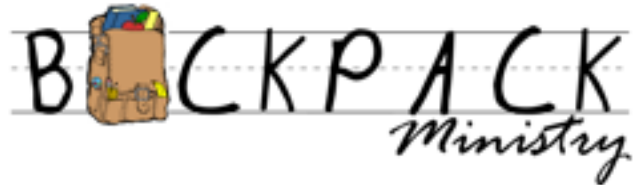
## YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

01/03: Cameron & Reese Blue

01/10: Garrett Bullard & Ellie Carone



**Myree Bland, Avalee Bowman**- The Oaks at Mayview, Raleigh, **Tammy Callihan**-(Frankie Coleman's daughter, stroke) **Ronnie Cox**-Pastor Watha PFWB Church, **Joe Dormagen** (Verlie Wells' son-in-law), **Herman Hardy, Ozelle Kennedy**-(Joell Parker's Grandmother), **SPC William Krupitzer**-(nephew of Linda Burroughs), **Denny Lanier**, NHRMC- recovering from surgery, **Wright Lanier family, Pippa Larsen**-Two years ago we requested prayers for Pippa Larsen, a one-year old diagnosed with childhood leukemia. Pippa, now almost 3 years old, has responded extremely well to extensive treatment. She is expected to be able to stop her treatment in November. The family appreciates your prayers. (friends of Nick & Lee Baker), **Emily Lee**-recovering from knee replacement surgery, **Katie Merritt**, (Elizabeth Wells Merritt's mother-in-law)mild stroke, **Sharon Moore, Glenn Powell, Ann Quinn**, (Mary Carone's sister)-cancer, **Donna Roberts and family**(death of husband, Scott) **Judy Robinson, Cheryl Siddens**- cancer, **Beverly Smith**- cancer, **Emily Taylor**- (Grace Carter's niece from Chesapeake, VA) cancer, **Hope Turnbull**- recovering from wrist surgery, **Linda Wells**, recovering from shoulder surgery, **Kelsea Webster, Verlie Wells**-Rosemary, **Pat Wilson**-recovering from knee replacement surgery, **Members and friends in the armed services: Jason Payne.**



## FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN & BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING

Sunday, January 24

We collect this offering on the fourth Sunday of each month during the school year. Our offering is combined with donations from other area churches, businesses, and individuals to provide school lunches and backpacks of food for the weekends for public school children whose families are experiencing financial difficulties. Thanks for your contributions!