

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

Ruling elders are so named not because they "lord it over" the congregation, 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. Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Book of Order Section G-2.0301

"Christianity without discipleship is always Christianity without Christ." Dietrich Bonhoeffer

# 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 SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

The Ordination and Installation of Ruling Elders
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

**January 7, 2018** 

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

**Opening Sentences** 

\*Hymn #761

Elder Jason Rouse

Leader: Call to us, O Lord, and ask us to come to you.

All: We come without fear, even though we do not know what the future holds for us.

Leader: Give us courage and strength to be your disciples.

All: Lord, we will come and follow you all our days. Be present with us, O Lord, and inspire our steps in your service.

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

\*Unison Prayer of Confession:

BEECHER

Mighty and merciful God, you have called us to be your people and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ. We confess that we have not lived up to our calling. We have been timid and frightened disciples, forgetful of your powerful presence and the strength of your Spirit among us. O God, forgive our foolish and sinful ways. As you have chosen us, and claimed us in our baptisms, strengthen us anew to choose Christ's way in this world. Give us your Holy Spirit that each one in ministry may be provided with all the gifts of grace needed to fulfill our common calling. Hear our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior . . .

(A time for silent prayers . . . )

"The church
doesn't exist to
ordain people.
The church
ordains people
that it needs in
order to carry out
its mission."

Rev. Dee Wade, Presbyterian pastor in Louisville, KY

is to become a 'rower' in the church's boat, listening to the word of the coxswain, Jesus Christ, as he

"To be ordained

tempo for the way forward." Rev. Thomas W.

Currie

gives direction and marks the

Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I

declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

\*Gloria Patri

Glory Be to the Father

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and
to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

# **PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

Children's Sermon

Anthem

Prayer for Illumination

Overwhelm us with your Spirit, O God, that the words we hear will speak to our hearts as your Word, made known to us in Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Elder Jason Rouse +Page 57

New Testament Lesson

Acts 6:1-7

"Selected to Serve"

Exodus 18:13-27

+Pages 889, 890

Sermon

Dr. Philip K. Gladden

A Time for Silent Reflection

### THE ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF RULING ELDERS

### **OPENING WORDS**

There are different gifts,

But it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are varieties of ways to serve God,

But it is the same Lord who is served.

God works through people in different ways.

But it is the same God who inspires a faithful response.

Each one is given gifts by the Spirit, to use for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ.

### PRESENTATION OF ELDERS

Clay Blue, Christy Johnson, Dottie Obenour, Dan Robinson, Michael Teachey





#### CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS FOR THE CONGREGATION

Do we, the members of the church accept these men and women as elders and deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

We do.

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church?

We do.

\*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 guick 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.



#### ORDINATION PRAYER

All ordained ruling elders and teaching elders (Ministers of the Word and Sacrament) are invited to come forward for the laying on of hands.

#### **DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION**

# **GIVING THANKS TO GOD**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"If we show the Lord's death at Communion, we must show the Lord's life in the world. If it is a Eucharist on Sunday, it must prove on Monday that it was also a Sacrament."

Maltbie Babcock, author of "This Is My Father's World"

"Until you have given yourself to Him you will not have a real self."

C.S. Lewis



\*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 #501

"Feed Us, Lord"

FEED US

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 #177

"I Will Come to You" (You Are Mine)

YOU ARE MINE

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction

\*Postlude

\*All who are able may stand.

+The page number in the pew Bible.



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Sunday, January 7	8:30 am	Sound Retreat Planning Meeting		
	9:40 am	Opening Assembly		
	10:00 am	Sunday School		
	11:00 am	Worship/Communion/Ordination & Installation		
	4:00 pm	Confirmation 2018 Information Meeting, Room 304		
Monday, January 8	10:30 am	Circle #1: Office Building		
	7:00-8:30 pm	Basic Bible 101, Fellowship Hall		
Tuesday, January 9	10:30 am	Circle #3: Fellowship Hall		
	10:00-11:30 am	Basic Bible 101, Room 304		
Wednesday, January 10				
	10:00-11:00 am	Bible Study, Church Office Building		
	6:00 pm	Handbells		
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice		
Saturday, January 13	3			
	9:00 am-2:00 pm	Session Retreat, Church		

## NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- \* **This morning** we celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. All who put their trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and have been baptized in his name are welcome at the table.
- \* **This morning** we ordain and install members of the session's Class of 2020. To be ordained and installed: Christy Johnson. To be installed: Michael Teachey, Dan Robinson, Dottie Obenour, and Clay Blue.
- \* Thank you to these members of the session's Class of 2017 who have completed three years of faithful service: Wayne Casteen (Stewardship & Finance), Vera Coombs (Worship & Music), George Francis (Clerk of Session, Technology & Communications), Brenda Long (Congregational Care), and Jim Sills (Christian Education).
- \* **Congratulations** to Curt Simpson and Vera Coombs who were married in our sanctuary on Friday, January 5.
- \* **Please join** the minister for a Bible study on John 1:43-51 on Wednesday, January 10 from 10:00 11:00 a.m. (Church Office Building) or 7:00 8:00 p.m. (Room 304)
- \* **So many of us** are praying for Zach, Andrea, Addy and Clara Gray Casteen as Andrea undergoes her chemo treatments. Many families in this caring congregation have been providing meals for the family. We still have a few open dates on the calendar if you would like to cook a meal or provide a take-out meal! Please call or email Gerri Hanson on (910) 665-1131, or <a href="mailto:glhcrou@hotmail.com">glhcrou@hotmail.com</a>. Thank you for your help.
- \* We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Jill Johnson and her family on the death of her father, Max Teachey, on January 1 and to Lenny Ward and his family on the death of his mother, Barbara Ward, on January 1.



01/07: Madelyn Coombs & Hope Turnbull

01/14: Ann Carter & Gerri Hanson



Joe Tillman, Leader Dave Wells Jim Sills

Sam Rose

Harvey Knowles



### YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

01/07: Elizabeth & James Sills

01/14: Ellie Carone & Sarah Pearl Farrior

# **GREETERS**

01/07: Joey Fussell & Mary Carone o1/14: Rick & Nettie Batchelor

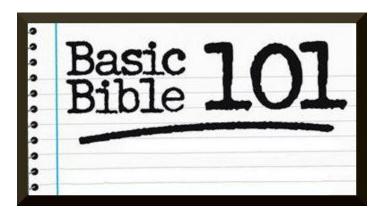
**Opening Church Building** 

January 1-15: Charley Farrior January 16-31: Curt Simpson



June Blalock (Rosemary). James Brice (automobile accident, suffering some paralysis), Joe Dormagen (Verlie Wells' son-in-law), Betty Hall, (Rosemary), Royal & Jennifer Johnson family, Wright Lanier Family, Amy Moss (breast cancer, sister of Debbie Thomas) Jason Norris (cancer, Kelli Norris' brother-in-law) Matthew Parks (16 years old, snow-sledding accident, broken back, paralysis; parents are college friends of Hope Turnbull) Nancy Pate, (Libby Godwin's twin sister-inoperable brain turmor), Nathan Pensinger (back in hospital due to vomiting caused by internal bleeding) Amanda Perry, (cancer-niece of Margaret Toothman), Dick Phillips (friend of Tim Peppepancreatic cancer, John Hopkins), Jennifer Raynor (Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome) Preston Ricker diagnosed with thyroid cancer) Judy Robinson, Zayne Rivenbark (cancer), Rylan Schubkegel (18 year-old nephew of Nick Baker diagnosed with Hodgkin's Disease), Michael Sloan family, Robert Smith (ear Surgery- Sandee DiDomenicos brother), Kelsea Webster, Verlie Wells-Rosemary, Members and friends in the armed services: Jason Payne. William Krupitzer-(Linda Burroughs nephew).

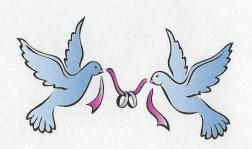
(When you request a name to be put on the prayer list, please notify the church office when you wish it to be taken off)



# BEGINNING DATES RE-SCHEDULED New Start Dates

Monday, January 8 (7:00 - 8:30 p.m.) and Tuesday, January 9 (10:00 - 11:30 a.m.) Fellowship Hall

Bring your Bible and your questions!
Session 1: What is the Bible?





The sanctuary flowers today are given in honor of the marriage of Curt and Vera Coombs Simpson and in honor of Madelyn and Robert Coombs.