

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

"The soul can do without everything except the word of God, without which none at all of its wants are provided for." Martin Luther. On

Christian Liberty

"Charity even for one person does not make sense except in terms of an effort to love all Creation in response to the Creator's love for it."

Wendell Berry, The Art of the Commonplace: The Agrarian Essays

WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY February 4, 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 "Lord, Prepare Me" Thompson & Scruggs
Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary pure and holy, tried and true.

With thanksgiving I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

Call to Worship (from Isaiah 40:6-8) Elder Dottie Obenour Leader: A voice says, "Cry out!" And I said, "What shall I cry?"

All: All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field.

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon it; surely the people are grass.

All: The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

*Hymn #1 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

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*Unison Prayer of Confession:

Almighty God, our Father in heaven, pardon all that we have done in willful or thoughtless disregard of your honor and of our neighbor's good. If we have in recent days by word or deed--or by our failure to speak or to act-- made life harder for anyone, or faith in goodness less easy, forgive us, and in your mercy guide us to amend as possible the wrong we have done, through Jesus Christ our Lord...

(A time for silent prayers . . .)

Responsive Assurance of Pardon

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

All: May God in his mercy, strengthen us in all goodness, and empower us in our kindness and forgiveness toward others, for in Christ Jesus we are forgiven.

*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

Prayer for Illumination

O Lord, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, and strength to follow on the path you set before us; through Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Gospel Lesson Elder Dottie Obenour

Mark 1:29-39 +Page 813

*Hymn #649 "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" AMAZING GRACE

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 40:21-31 +Pages 582, 583

Sermon "The Everlasting God, the Creator" Rev. Pete Brown

A Time for Silent Reflection

Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer

"I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth .

The Apostles'
Creed

"Before the
mountains were
brought forth, or
ever you you had
formed the earth
and the world, from
everlasting to
everlasting you are
God."

Psalm 90:2

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.

*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

*Hymn #275 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" EIN' FESTE BURG

*Benediction

* Choral Benediction "Amen, amen, amen, amen, amen. African American

*Postlude

everlasting. Amen.

*All who are able may stand. +The page number in the pew Bible.

"You are the Lord, you alone; you have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all that is on it. the seas and all that is in them. To all of them you give life, and the host of heaven worships you." Nehemiah 9:6

"Long before Isaac Watts began to Christianize the Psalms, Martin Luther had already done so when he created the text and tune for this, his most famous hymn,

which is based

on Psalm 46."





Preaching During Lent 2018 Journey Through the Gospel of Matthew

As we read through the Gospel of Matthew during the Season of Lent, the Sunday sermons will be based on texts from the Gospel of Matthew. You are invited to the Wednesday morning Bible study (10:00 - 11:00 a.m. in the Church Office Building) where we discuss the Sunday sermon text. These texts are provided so you can read them and prepare for worship during Lent 2018.

SUNDAY	TEXT	STORY
February 18	Matthew 4:1-11	Jesus' Temptation
February 25 March 4	Matthew 5:1-12 Matthew 12:1-8	The Beatitudes The Lord of the Sabbath
March 11	Matthew 16:13-20	Peter's Confession
March 25 April 1	Matthew 21:1-11 Matthew 28:1-10	Palm Sunday Easter





confirmation 2018

CONFIRMATION 2018

Our Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Book of Order directs that, "The church nurtures those baptized as children and calls them to make public their personal profession of faith and their acceptance of responsibility in the life of the church...After the session has received them as active members they shall be presented to the congregation during a service of public worship. In that service the church shall confirm them in their baptismal identity. They are commissioned for full participation in the mission and governance of the church, and are welcomed by the congregation."

Confirmation 2018 will begin February 11, 2018 and our youth will be confirmed during worship on Youth Sunday, May 20, which is also Pentecost Sunday. Confirmation 2018 class members are: Reese Blue, Ayden Fussell, Henry Moore, Piper Moore, William Powell, James Sills and Kennedy Thompson.



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Friday – Sunday, February 2-4 Sound R		etreat, The Trinity Center	
Sunday, February 4 9:40 am		Opening Assembly	
	10:00 am	Sunday School	
	11:00 am	Worship/Rev. Pete Brown, Preacher	
		Souper Bowl of Caring Offering	
Monday, February 5	10:30 am	Circle #1: Office Building	
	7:00 – 8:30 pm	Basic Bible 101, Fellowship Hall	
Tuesday, February 6	10:00 – 11:30 am	Basic Bible 101, Room 304	
	10:30 am	Circle #3: Fellowship Hall	
	6:30 pm	Presbyterian Men, Mt. Zion Presbyterian	
	7:00 pm	Circle #4: Harriet Farrior	
Wednesday, February 7	10:00 – 11:00 am	Bible Study, Church Office Building	
	6:00 pm	Handbells	
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice	

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- * We welcome Rev. Pete Brown as our preacher today. He and his wife, Donna, live in Wilmington. Rev. Brown retired from First Presbyterian Church in Wilmington where he served as Associate Pastor for Pastoral and Congregational Care. His first church out of seminary was the Acme Presbyterian Church in Riegelwood, NC, Nancy Gladden's home church.
- * Thanks to Sharon Robison for her musical worship leadership this morning.
- * **Presbyterian Men** meet on Tuesday, February 6 at 6:30 p.m. at the Mt. Zion Presbyterian Church in Rose Hill. All men are welcome for supper and Bible study.
- * **Please join** the minister for a Bible study on Mark 9:2-9 on Wednesday, February 7 from 10:00 11:00 a.m. in the Church Office Building.
- * The Congregational Care Ministry Team will hold a brief meeting after worship on Sunday, February 11. If you have interest in participating on the team, please try to attend, if you cannot make the meeting, give me a call, Dottie Obenour at 285-6464. Thank you for your willingness to serve.
- * **Congratulations** to Will Fussell and Shelli Warren who were married January 20 at the Goshen United Methodists Church in Newton Grove, NC.



Your prayers and messages, and the beautiful prayer shawl have meant so much to me since our family's loss of Lardner from lung cancer on December 20th. We were married for nearly 65 years, so you can imagine that this is a huge adjustment for me. But of course it is a great release for him - graduation, he called it! Many people have spoken of imagining his joy in singing now in full voice in the Heavenly Choir! Please know that I cherish so many memories of my years growing up in Wallace and of my vital connection with the Church through- out my life. So I deeply appreciate your prayers, and you all continue in my prayers, too. With love to all,

Mollie Moore



02/04: Geneva Maready & Curt Simpson 02/11: Fred Burroughs & Lydia Woodard

USHIERS

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



YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

02/04: Garrett Bullard & Hill Lanier 02/11: Sarah Pearl & Windsor Farrior

GREETERS

02/04: Jim & Sharon Robison 02/11: Freddy & Rhonda Hall

Opening Church Building

February 1-15: Nate Farrior



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 tumor), Nathan Pensinger (is currently at his temporary home in Arlington recuperating from a recent surgery to reconnect his small and large intestines. He is hoping to be fully discharged and return to his home in Hampstead in early February. He thanks everyone for their continued prayers). Amanda Perry, (cancer-niece of Margaret Toothman), Dick Phillips (stable and still on chemo), Jennifer Raynor (Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome) Preston Ricker (diagnosed with thyroid cancer) Judy Robinson, Zayne Rivenbark (cancer), Michael Sloan family, Max Teachey family, Barbara Ward family, 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



SOUPER BOWL OF CARING HUNGER OFFERING Sunday, February 4

Drop \$1 or more in a soup pot on your way out of worship.

All money collected will be used by our Helping Hands Food Pantry.

Join people across the U.S. on Super Bowl Sunday and contribute to the Souper Bowl of Caring.