

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

"Be the light of the world, Jesus says. Where there are dark places, be the light especially there. Be the salt of the earth. Bring out the true flavor of what it means to be alive truly. Be truly alive. Be life-

givers to others." Frederick Buechner (born 1926), Presbyterian minister, writer and novelist

# 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

#### February 9, 2020

#### 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"

SANCTUARY

Elder Lindsay Skidmore

Sanctuary Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

Id, Jesus<br/>Where<br/>are dark<br/>s, be theOpening Sentences<br/>Leader: People of God, rejoice in God's presence!All: As we praise and pray, God is with us.<br/>Leader: People of God, rejoice in this faith commun<br/>Be the saltLeader: People of God, rejoice in this faith commun<br/>All: As we support each other, as we reach out

All: As we praise and pray, God is with us. Leader: People of God, rejoice in this faith community! All: As we support each other, as we reach out a helping hand, God is with us. Leader: People of God, rejoice in your Christian faith!

All: As we follow the way of Jesus, as we proclaim his Good News, God is with us.

Leader: You are keepers of God's promise.

All: We rejoice in this opportunity to worship. We support each other through prayer and action. We look out for the needs of our local community. We have known God's promise, wonderfully kept, in the life, death, and rising of Jesus.

\*Hymn #401

"Here in This Place" (Gather Us In)

GATHER US IN

Today's Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon are taken from the Bethany Reformed Church of Albany, NY.

#### \*Unison Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you have called us to be salt and light for your world. We confess our failure to live up to your faith in us. When doubts, fears, and discouragements invade us, we lose our saltiness and we hide our light. We see the great need and the thick darkness in the world, but we confess our deep-down distrust that anything we could offer would really make a difference. We cut ourselves off from the privilege of service, the joy of participation with Christ, the wonder of experiencing what you will do through us. Forgive us, we pray. Lord, hear our prayers . . .

(A time for silent prayers of confession . . .)

\*Responsive Assurance of Pardon (based on Romans 5 and Colossians 1:13) Leader: God demonstrates love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

All: For God has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

\*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

"You Are Mine"

setting by Mark Hayes

I will come to you in the silence, I will lift you from all your fear. You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice, be still and know I am here. I am hope for all who are hopeless, I am eyes for all who long to see. In the shadows of the night I will be your light, come and rest in me.

Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name. Come and follow me, I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine.

I am strength for all the despairing, healing for the ones who dwell in shame. All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and all will know my name. I am the Word that leads all to freedom, I am the peace the world cannot give. I will call your name embracing all your pain. Stand up, now walk, and live! You are mine.

#### Prayer for Illumination

God of mystery and of judgment, who has made us to be salt and light in a tasteless, shadowed world, guide us in this time of worship. As we hear your Word, grant us understanding and spiritual discernment so that others may see your good works through us, give you the glory, and be moved to serve you. Amen.

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that." Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., A Testament of Hope "So far from killing the taste of the egg and the tripe and the cabbage, salt actually brings it out. They do not show their real taste till you have added the salt. It is something like that with Christ and us. The more we get what we now call 'ourselves' out

of the way and let Him take over, the more truly ourselves we become."

C.S. Lewis, Mere Christianity (1952)

"This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine." Harry Dixon Loes, musical composer and teacher, wrote this song in the 1920's

"We are told to let our light shine, and if it does, we won't need to tell anyone it does. Lighthouses don't fire cannons to call attention to their shining — they just shine." Dwight L. Moody (1837-1899), American evangelist and publisher Epistle Lesson

Galatians 5:1,13-15

\*Hymn #314 "Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness" CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT (Christ, Be Our Light)

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 5:13-20

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Sermon "Worth Our Salt as Jesus' Disciples" Dr. Philip K. Gladden

A Time for Silent Reflection Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer

# **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: *From* "A Declaration of Faith" of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

God sends the church into the world. God has not taken his people out of the world, but has sent them into the world to worship him there and serve all humankind. Christ calls us to be disciples. In forming his people and sending them into the world Jesus called individuals to be disciples. They were to share the joy of his companionship, to understand and obey his teachings, and to follow him in life and death. We confess that Christians today are called to discipleship. Life shared with Christ and shaped by Christ is God's undeserved gift to each of us. It is also God's demand upon every one of us, never perfectly fulfilled by any of us. Forgiven by God and supported by brothers and sisters, we strive to become more faithful and effective in our daily practice of the Christian life.

\*Hymn #753 "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS (Prayer of St. Francis)

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction

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

\*Postlude

\*All who are able may stand.

+The page number in the pew





You Are Invited!

**New Members Classes** 

Sunday, February 9 Sunday, March 1

## 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Room 304 (across from the Music Room)

Come and learn more about the history, mission, ministry, and future of the Wallace Presbyterian Church and how you can be involved in our church family.

The classes are open to all who are interested in learning more about the Wallace Presbyterian Church.





# WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, February 9	9:40 am	Opening Assembly
	10:00 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship
	3:00-5:00 pm	New Member Class, Room 304
	4:00 pm	The Living Stones Fellowship Group, Fellowship
		Hall
Wednesday, February 12	10:00-11:00 am	Bible Study, Room 304
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Friday, February 14		HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!
Saturday, February 15 1	0:00 am-2:00 pm	
		Meeting, Room 304

# NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* **Please join** the minister for a Bible study on 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 on Wednesday, February 12 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. in Room 304 (across from the Music Room). This scripture passage will be the sermon text for Sunday, February 16.

\* **We extend** our Christian love and sympathy to Lou Brinkley and her family on the death of her niece, Beth Brinkley Edwards, on February 4 and to Steve and Gayle Godwin and their family on the death of Steve's brother, Rev. Claude Godwin, on February 4.



FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/ BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23



This ministry is an offshoot of Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries and supplies weekend food for students in Duplin County Public Schools. Thank you for your generous support. Report from 7/31/19 - 12/31/19: 5 schools served; 3,419 food packs distributed (210 bags of food per week); \$24,239 received from individuals and nineteen churches, businesses, and other groups.



02/09: Ellie Newton & Gloria Wells 02/16: Christy & Payton Johnson



02/09: Ayden & Camryn Fussell 02/16: William Powell & Garrett Bullard

#### **Opening Church Building**

February 1-15: Nate Farrior



Andrea Casteen (cancer treatments), Jeff Cavenaugh (stage 4 lung cancer), Andrew DeNatale (Mary Carone's brother), Joe Dormagen (Verlie Wells' son-in-law), George Hatch (cancer treatments), Karen Howard, (pancreatic cancer, wife of David White-friends of Curt Simpson), Hill Lanier, Maxine Lien, (cancer, friend of Harvey Knowles), Frank Lettieri, (cancer treatments), Amy Moss (breast cancer, sister of Debbie Thomas), Jennifer Raynor (Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome), Judy Robinson, Rodney Rogerson (Kidney Transplant, friend of Nell Sloan), Joe Tillman, (chemotherapy treatments), Leah Wallace & family (on the death of her mother on 12/30), Ronnie Watson (non-Hodgkins Lymphoma, stem cell transplant), Andy Wells (Headmaster at HCA-Neuromyelitis Optica), 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).





### PRESBYTERY'S COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY TO MEET AT WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Saturday, February 15

The Committee on Preparation for Ministry (CPM) of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina will meet at the Wallace Presbyterian Church on Saturday, February 15, 2020 in Room 304. The CPM is responsible for the oversight and preparation of men and women who are seeking ordination as Teaching Elders (Ministers of Word and Sacrament) in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Rev. Philip Gladden serves as CPM Chairperson.

# USHERS

Joe Tillman, Leader Cameron Lee Kevin Johnson Sam Rose Jim Sills

🧖 GREETERS

02/09: Greg & Geneva Maready 02/16: Gary & Joyce Ange