



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.*

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY *Transfiguration Sunday*

February 26, 2017

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

Clara Scott, 1895

"Open My Eyes That I May See"

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me.

Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.

Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.

Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!

Opening Sentences

Elder Curt Simpson

*Leader: From seashore to mountain top, from lonely place to hillside,
from touching lepers to touching glory, this has been the reign of God.*

**All: From baptism's water to mountaintop glory, from calling
disciples to the healing of many, from synagogue exorcism to
transfiguration, we have moved in the glory of God.**

*Leader: The revealing, the making known, the unfolding, the
manifesting, the unveiling, the unmasking, of Jesus.*

**All: From the Jordan to the present, from the beginning to here,
from Galilee to this place, let us gather in the wonder, love, and
praise of God.**

*Hymn #192

"Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining"

(Shine, Jesus, Shine)

*Today's Opening
Sentences for
Transfiguration
Sunday are
adapted from
"Travelling in
Glory" by Roddy
Hamilton.*

*"Perhaps wonder
also lies at the
heart of biblical
faith."
William P.
Brown,
Sacred Sense*

*Unison Prayer of Confession

God of glory and light, forgive us when we are complacent and comfortable with keeping the riches of your love to ourselves. Keep calling us down from our mountains of privilege. Keep expecting more of us as your disciples. Keep reminding us to listen to your Son, in whose name we offer this spoken confession and our silent prayers . .

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

Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: On mountaintops and in valleys, in our homes and in our hearts, God knows us better than we know ourselves, and God forgives us when we cannot forgive ourselves.

All: By God's mercy in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. By God's mercy in Jesus Christ, we are made whole. By God's mercy in Jesus Christ, we are equipped to serve others. Thanks be to God!

*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

FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING

Children's Sermon

Anthem

"Lord of the Dance"

arr. Mark Hayes
Zachary Casteen

*I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth; at Bethlehem I had My birth.
Dance then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said He,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, and I'll lead you all in the dance, said He.
I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
But they would not dance and they would not follow Me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John; they came with Me and the dance went on.
I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame; the holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped and they hung Me high, and left Me there on a cross to die.
I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black; it's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
They buried My body and they thought I'd gone; but I am the dance and I still go on.
They cut me down and I leap up high; I am the life that will never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in Me: I am the Lord of the Dance, said He.*

"In celebrating Jesus' Transfiguration, we rejoice in the divine majesty of Christ, whose glory shone even when confronted with the cross. It is given us for our journey through Lent toward the agony of the cross and the victory of the empty tomb. We celebrate this mystery in order that our faith may be renewed. We are transformed into the new being in Christ as we join Christ in his death and resurrection in Lent and Easter."

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"To put it simply:
 the Holy Spirit
 bothers us.
 Because he
 moves us, he
 makes us walk,
 he pushes the
 Church to go
 forward. And we
 are like Peter at
 the
 Transfiguration:
 'Ah, how
 wonderful it is to
 be here like this,
 all together!' ...
 But don't bother
 us. We want the
 Holy Spirit to
 doze off ... we
 want to
 domesticate the
 Holy Spirit. And
 that's no good.
 because he is
 God, he is that
 wind which
 comes and goes
 and you don't
 know where. He
 is the power of
 God, he is the
 one who gives us
 consolation and
 strength to move
 forward. But: to
 move forward!
 And this bothers
 us. It's so much
 nicer
 to be
 comfortable."
 Pope Francis

Prayer for Illumination

Great God of dazzling beauty and overshadowing majesty, in Jesus Christ, your Beloved Son the Chosen One, we glimpse the image of your glory. Teach us to listen to him. As we hear your Word read and proclaimed, may we hear your voice and follow your holy way; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Old Testament Lessons

Elder Curt Simpson

Exodus 24:9-18 and 34:29-35 +Pages 62, 71,72

*Hymn #366

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

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Gospel Lesson

Luke 9:28-36

+Page 843

Sermon **"Lost in Wonder, Love, and Praise"** 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: 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.**

*Hymn #156

"Sing of God Made Manifest"

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*"May God shine
the light of glory
into your hearts.
May Christ be
with you and
never leave
you. May the
Spirit renew the
image of God
within you. Go
in peace to love
and serve the
Lord. In the
name of Christ.
Amen."*

*Benediction

Choral Benediction

"Amen"

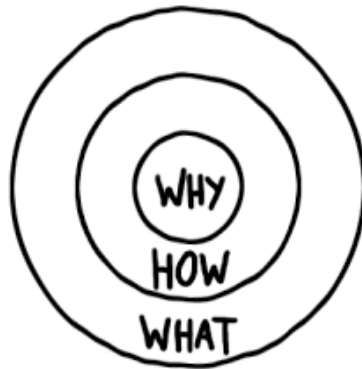
Curt Oliver, 1997

Amen, amen, amen.

*Postlude

**All who are able may stand.*

+The page number in the pew Bible.



You must define your
why before you can
begin with the **what**
and the **how**.



PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN

What is Our Why?

Our Ministry & Mission catalog describes twenty-three ministry programs and opportunities to serve in our church. Have you ever wondered "Why?" Why do we do we have all of these ministries?

Join your fellow Christians for a conversation about "What Is Our Why?" on Sunday, March 5, following worship. Dr. Phil will lead us in discussion about what is most central in our life as a congregation and how our "why" is the basis for "how" and "what" we do in our ministry and mission.

Please join us immediately after church in the Currie building for a covered dish luncheon sponsored by the Wallace Presbyterian Women.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, February 26	8:30 am	Sound Retreat Committee Meeting
	9:40 am	Opening Assembly
	10:00 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship/Feed our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering
	2:00 pm	Called Session Meeting, Rosemary Rest Home ASH WEDNESDAY, BEGINNING OF LENT
Wednesday, March 1	10:00 am	Bible study, Church Office Building
	6:00 pm	Handbells
	7:15-8:15 pm	Bible Study, Room 304
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Friday, March 3	10:00 am	World Day of Prayer 2017 Celebration, Sanctuary

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **This morning** we take up our monthly Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry offering. This money helps pay for lunches and weekend food for students in seven Duplin County schools whose families are experiencing economic hardship. Thank you for your ongoing and generous support!
- **The session** will have a called meeting today at 2:00 p.m. at the Rosemary Rest Home in Rose Hill for the purpose of receiving Bruce and Barbara Lyon as members by transfer from the North Raleigh Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, NC.
- **Please join** the minister for a Bible study on Acts 2:14-36 on Wednesday, March 1 (Ash Wednesday) from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. (Church Office Building) or from 7:15 - 8:15 p.m. (Room 304).
- **Wednesday, March 1, Ash Wednesday** begins the season of Lent. Acknowledging that all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God, we stand in solidarity as fellow creatures before our Creator, acutely aware of our mortality. In the face of our transience, we pledge ourselves anew to live unto God's Word in Jesus Christ, the eternal Word that remains forever. Historically, Ash Wednesday was a time when penitents were presented for church discipline during Lent, culminating in reconciliation on Maundy Thursday. Ash Wednesday is also the occasion when would-be disciples of Christ known as catechumens were enrolled in the catechumenate, a special time of learning the basics of the faith in preparation for baptism on Easter Sunday or during the Easter Vigil. In some traditions, Ash Wednesday is a fast day, beginning the Lenten time of fasting and preparation for the Great Three Days that culminate in Easter.





GREETERS

02/26: Cindy Barrow & Lois Edgerton

03/05: Bill & Susan Walters

USHERS

Freddy Hall, Leader

J Parker

Wayne Casteen

Roger Coombs

Clay Blue

Dave Wells

Opening Church Building

February 16-28: Clay Blue

March 1-15: Chuck Farrior



YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

02/26: Cameron & Reese Blue

03/05: Garrett Bullard & Madelyn Coombs



Prayer Requests

Joe Dormagen (Verlie Wells' son-in-law), **Linda Guglielmi** (death of her husband, Ralph), **Betty Hall**, (Rosemary) **Wright Lanier Family**, **Mr. & Mrs. Ray Matthews**, **Amy Moss** (breast cancer, sister of Debbie Thomas) **Matthew Parks** (16 years old, snow-sledding accident, broken back, paralysis; parents are college friends of Hope Turnbull) **Brison Ricker** (just celebrated his 16th birthday- **His brother Preston** has just been diagnosed with thyroid cancer) **Joyce Rau**-broken ankle, **Judy Robinson**, **George Walker**-Rosemary, **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)



World Day of Prayer 2017
"Am I Being Unfair to You?"
Friday, March 3, at 10:00 am



**PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN**

We will celebrate World Day of Prayer 2017 on Friday, March 3, at 10:00 am, in our sanctuary. Wallace United Methodist women will provide the program entitled "Am I Being Unfair to You?" written by the women of the Philippines. The artist for the picture above is Rowena "Apol" Laxamana-Sta.Rosa. Everyone is invited.

Our annual church-wide Mission Luncheon is Sunday, March 5, following the 11:00 am worship service. We will share a potluck meal, and Dr. Phil will lead us in discussion of "What is Our Why?". Please plan to attend.