



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.

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."
John 11: 25-26

Today's Prayer of Confession was written by John Birch and posted on his Faith and Worship website.

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 8, 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

Barbecue Supper

Elder Dottie Obenour

Choral Call to Worship

Opening Sentences

Elder Susan Walters

Leader: How joyful it is, to celebrate the good news of God's love!

All: We are called to be Easter people!

Leader: Darkness cannot claim us!

All: Fear cannot bind us!

Leader: Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen, indeed! Amen!

*Hymn #248

"Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

HYMN TO JOY

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Lord of life, when our faith stands at the grave, grieving for a stone that's rolled away, forgive us. When our faith is short of understanding though the truth is there to see, forgive us. When our faith, beset by doubt, sees no further than an empty tomb today, forgive us. Bring to mind the cry of Mary, "I have seen the Lord!" and grant us faith to believe! Lord, hear our prayers . . .

(A time for silent prayers . . .)

Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: God, our Creator, gives us new life; Christ, our Redeemer, prepares a Table for us; Holy Spirit, our Joy, calls us to service. This is the good news: the tomb is empty, sin is powerless, death is defeated forever.

All: On this Lord's Day, and every day, we walk as God's people, forgiven and made whole. Thanks be to God. 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.

*"The message of Easter is that God's new world has been unveiled in Jesus Christ and that you're now invited to belong to it."
N.T. Wright*

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

Anthem

Prayer for Illumination

O risen Christ, open us to the power of your resurrection as we hear it proclaimed anew this day, that we too might rise to new life in you. Amen.

*"The cross of Christ only triumphs in the breast of believers over the devil and the flesh, sin and sinners, when their eyes are directed to the power of His Resurrection."
John Calvin, 16th century Protestant Reformer*

Gospel Lesson

Luke 24:36-49

Elder Susan Walters
+Page 861

*Hymn #250

"In the Bulb There Is a Flower"

HYMN OF PROMISE

Epistle Lesson

I Corinthians 15:1-22

+Pages 935, 936

Sermon

"Of First Importance"

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

*"For if we have
been united with
him in a death
like his, we will
certainly be
united with him in
a resurrection
like his."
Romans 6:5*

*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" Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)**

We are certain that Jesus lives.
He lives as God with us,
touching all of human life with the presence of God.
He lives as one of us with God.
Because he shares our humanity
and has bound us to himself in love,
we have an advocate in the innermost life of God.
We declare that Jesus is Lord.
His resurrection is a decisive victory
over the powers that deform and destroy human life.
His lordship is hidden.
The world appears to be dominated by people and systems
that do not acknowledge his rule.
But his lordship is real.
It demands our loyalty and sets us free
from the fear of all lesser lords who threaten us.
We maintain that ultimate sovereignty
now belongs to Jesus Christ
in every sphere of life.
Jesus is Lord!
He has been Lord from the beginning.
He will be Lord at the end.
Even now he is Lord.

*"Our old history
ends with the
cross; our new
history begins
with the
resurrection."
Watchman Nee,
Chinese church
leader and
Christian teacher
who worked in
China during the
20th century.*

*Hymn #634

"To God Be the Glory"

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

*Postlude

**All who are able may stand.*

+The page number in the pew Bible.



**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
SUNDAY, APRIL 22
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP**

At the request of the Sabbatical Planning Team, the session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, April 22 immediately following worship. The purpose of the meeting is to provide information about Dr. Phil's upcoming ministerial sabbatical leave and to introduce Rev. Cynthia Williams, who will serve as our Stated Supply pastor June - September.



Dear Friends,

Thank you for your generous gift and the beautiful flowers marking my 20th anniversary as your pastor. Nancy and I very much appreciate your friendship, love, and support over the years. I thank God he called us to the Wallace Presbyterian Church to be in ministry with all of you.

*Love in Christ,
Phil*



Dear Church Family, Thank you so much for the prayers, cards, food, flowers and all acts of kindness shown to my family during the illness and death of my mother Louise Brinson. Your love and kindness will always be remembered. May God Bless you all.

*In Christ,
Tanya Robinson & family*

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, April 8	9:40 am	Opening Assembly
	10:00 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship
Wednesday, April 10	10:00 am	Bible Study, Church Office Building
	6:00 pm	Handbells
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- * **We extend** our Christian love and sympathy to Sam Rose and his family on the death of his mother, Mary Bright Rose, on April 2.
- * **Please join** the minister for a Bible study on Ephesians 4:1-16 on Wednesday, April 11 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. in the Church Office Building. This epistle lesson will be the sermon text on Sunday, April 15.
- * **We will celebrate the sacrament of baptism** with Rowan Wayne Casteen, son of Grayson and Ashton Casteen, during worship next Sunday.



I KNOW he was really special. But
dead men dont come back.
He's standing behind me, isnt he...



04/08: Georgia & Nate Farris
 04/15: Nettie Batchelor & Ann Carter



Dan Robinson, Leader
 Tim Peppe
 RJ Peppe
 Joyce Ange
 Chuck Farris
 Kevin Johnson



YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

04/08: Ellie Carone & Kennedy Thompson
 04/15: Madelyn Coombs & Windsor Farris



GREETERS

04/08: Ann Carter & Bobby Ives
 04/15: Joe Tillman & Judy Holley

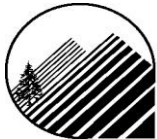
Opening Church Building

April 1-15: Bill Carone



Jim Alexander family, 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) **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 home in Hampstead. Continued prayers for strength and a smooth recovery). **Amanda Perry**, (cancer-niece of Margaret Toothman), **Dick Phillips** (stable and still on chemo), **Jennifer Raynor** (Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome) **Judy Robinson, Zayne Rivenbark** (cancer), **Rev. Bobby Tyson**, Wallace United Methodist Church (heart issues), **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)



MONTREAT
 conference center

The youth will be doing a bag lunch fundraiser on Sunday, April 15. The funds raised will be used to cover the costs for Montreat. Please help support the vouth at Montreat. Thank You!

MONTREAT BOUND!!

Youth Bag Lunch Fundraiser

Name _____

Chicken Salad _____

Ham & Cheese _____

Peanut Butter & Jelly _____

Pimento Cheese _____

Please mark how many of each kind

Includes: Sandwich, Chip, Dessert and Drink



BBQ



**Come Join Us For a
BARBECUE SUPPER!
on Friday, April 20, 2018
6:00 pm**

**Come and enjoy the fun,
fellowship, and BBQ!**

**\$12.50 Adult
\$6.00 (Children under 10)**

**Tickets will be required and may be purchased
from any the following members:**

**Georgia Longest, Mary Carone, Geneva
Maready,
Linda Burroughs, Vanessa Ward,
Gerri Hanson, Brenda Long, Darleen Weller, or
Dottie Obenour.**

**Food provided by
The Rose Hill Restaurant
Entertainment provided by**



The Community Counseling Center

is hosting a

Plant Sale

**Saturday, April 14th,
from 8 to 11 am.**

4810 Wrightsville Avenue

Johnson Nursery will be offering a wonderful
selection of beautiful Spring plants!

Cash or check only

The Center receives 100% of proceeds!

