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

#### **GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

(During this time the friendship pads are passed to be signed)

Minutes for Mission

Choral Call to Worship

Jefferson Cleveland, 1981

#### "Praise Ye the Lord"

Praise ye the Lord, Hallelujah! Everybody praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord, Hallelujah! Everybody praise the Lord.

Opening Sentences Elder Rick Batchelor

Leader: For I am convinced that neither death nor life,

All: nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come,

Leader: nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation —

All: Nothing will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Leader: There is nothing we can do, no place we can hide, where God will forget us.

All: God loves us, God forgives us, God calls us by name. Let us worship our God

\*Hymn #229

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### "From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, there is enough evil within us to dampen our confidence. Sometimes there is enough doubt in us to swamp our faith. Some days there is enough weariness to overwhelm our hopefulness. There is enough apathy within us to smother our compassion. Lord, thankfully there is also enough hunger in us to keep us unhappy and enough discontent in us to make us return home to your love. God of our Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on us sinners. Forgive us our numerous sins, have pity on our folly and pride. Lead us to the fountain of your grace and wash us thoroughly from all that defiles us; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

(Today's prayer is inspired by Luke 15:11-32 and adapted from a prayer found at re:Worship, an online worship planning resource.)

Assurance of Pardon

\*Gloria Patri Hymn #579

*Glory Be to the Father* 

#### PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

#### Anthem

#### Prayer for Illumination

Holy God, open our hearts that we may see you, our minds that we may know you. Through Word, meditation, and silence, reveal yourself to us. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.** 

Epistle Lesson

Ephesians 2:1-10

Elder Rick Batchelor +Page 181

\*Hymn #298 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" IN BABILONE

Gospel Lesson

Luke 15:11-32

+Pages 74, 75

Sermon "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" Dr. Philip K. Gladden "A Tale of Two Sons"

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

#### **GIVING THANKS TO GOD**

Presentation of Tithes and Offering 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 #280 AMAZING GRACE "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

\*Choral Benediction

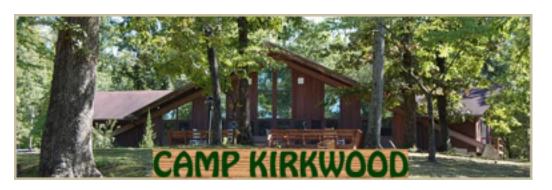
"Amen"

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Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

\*All who are able may stand.

+The page number in pew Bible



# **Kirkwood Vesper Service**

## **Tonight!**

Sunday, September 14

5:00 p.m. Refreshments under the PicnicPavilion

6:00 p.m. Vesper Service by the Lake

**Sponsored by Friends of Kirkwood** 

**Hosted by Wallace Presbyterian Church** 

Music by our Presbyterian Pickers



#### **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

Sunday, September 14 8:30 am Sound Retreat Planning Committee Mtg. 9:40 am Opening Assembly 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Kirkwood Vespers hosted by WPC 5:00-7:00 pm Minister on Overnight Retreat Monday, Tuesday September 15-16 No SonRise Worship Tuesday, September 16 6:00 pm Session Meeting, Room 304 Wednesday, September 17 10:00 am Bible Study, Room 304 4:30-7:30 pm LOGOS! "Sports Night" 6:00 pm Handbell Practice 7:30 pm Choir Practice Saturday, September 20

8:30 am - 2:00 pm E<sup>3</sup>: Educate, Equip, Empower

Presbytery's Leadership School, Sampson Middle School, Clinton

#### NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENT

- Please join the minister for a Bible study on Matthew 20:1-16 on Wednesday, September 17 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 304 (across from the Music Room).
- Philip Gladden will be on an overnight retreat with The Pastor as Spiritual Guide Program Monday-Tuesday. Contact the church office or Susie Bullard, clerk of session, in an emergency.
- The session will meet on Tuesday, September 16 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 304. If you have any business or concerns for the session to consider, please speak to one of the elders or the minister.



#### **NURSERY**

**09/14:** J & Joell Parker **09/21**: Curt & Regina Swinson

#### **OPENING & CLOSING:**

September 1-15: Chuck Farrior **September 16-30:** Dave Wells

#### **USH ERS**

Dan Robinson, Leader Tim Peppe **Kevin Johnson** R.J. Peppe Joyce Ange **Chuck Farrior** 



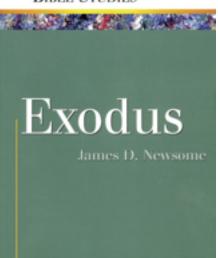
**09/14:** George & Elizabeth Hatch 09/21: Dan & Tanya Robinson

#### **YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS**

09/14: Elizabeth & James Sills **09/21:** Riley & Neyland Tate

Bill Blalock-Rehab-Wilmington, Myree Bland, Avalee Bowman-The Oaks at Mayview, Raleigh, Tammy Callahan-(Frankie Coleman's daughter, stroke) Warren Cavenaugh, Brain Tumor, Rose Curth-Brain Cancer, Joe Dormagen (Verlie Wells' son-in-law), Herman Hardy, Ozelle Kennedy-(Joell Parker's Grandmother), SPC William Krupitzer-(nephew of Linda Burroughs), Wright Lanier family, Pippa Larsen-one year old diagnosed with AAL, a form of leukemia, (friends of Nick & Lee Baker), Bruce & Barbara Lyon (Jim Sills mother and her husband; Mr. Lyon had a stroke), Pat McGowen family, Sharon Moore, Bill Norris-River Landing, Glenn Powell, Suzanne Powers (part-time resident at River Landing battling cancer), Judy Robinson, Bill Saunders-Duke, Evelyn Shaver, Michael Sumner, Bettisue Tillman-Dayspring, Kelsea Webster, Verlie Wells-Rosemary, Members and friends in the armed services: Jason Pavne.

# INTERPRETATION



#### THE ALTERNATIVE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

invites you to join them for a new fall study:

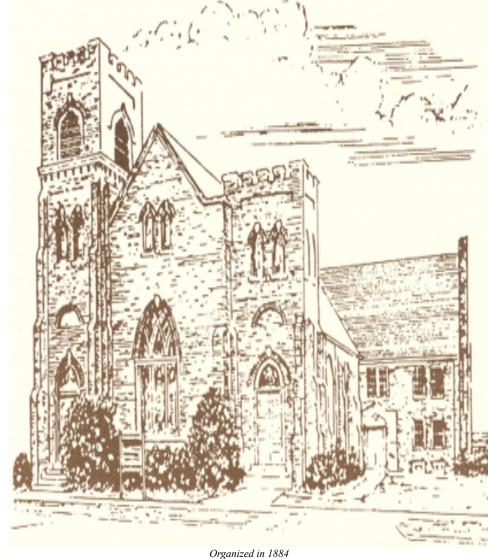
Exodus by James D. Newsome

From the book cover: "Exodus is a compelling narrative of three characters: the God of Israel, who rescues a people in captivity after years of apparent silence; Moses, the leader of Israel, who reluctantly accepts his calling and goes on to become the giver of the Law; and people of Israel, who struggle to be faithful to God after facing near extinction at the hands of their captors. In the weaving together of their stories, Exodus becomes a story for our time —

a story about seeking and finding a God who redeems us in our moments of separation and sin."

The Alternative Sunday School Class meets at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings in Room 304 (across from the Music Room). Join us for good fellowship, stimulating discussion, and hearing God's Word.

# Wallace Presbyterian Church



# THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY **September 14, 2014**

### Eleven O'clock in the Morning

We support Presbyterian Church (USA) mission co-workers, Rev. Dustin and Sherri Ellington, in Lusaka, Zambia, Africa.

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