

WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

September 18, 2022

11:00 a.m.

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

"Were You There" arranged by Mark Hayes

*Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?*

Welcome and Announcements

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

Choral Call to Worship

"Holy Ground"

Geron Davis

*We are standing on holy ground,
and I know that there are angels all around;
Let us praise Jesus now;
we are standing in his presence on holy ground.*

Opening Sentences

Elder Darleen

Weller *Leader: God is a God who calls.*

All: We have gathered to worship and to hear that call.

Leader: God is a God who equips.

All: We are here to worship and to be shaped into the body of Christ.

Leader: God is a God who sends.

All: We are here to worship so that we can carry that spirit of worship out into the world where we live.

Leader: God is a God who blesses.

All: We are here to worship and to request a double share of that blessing.

Leader: Let us worship God.

All: Amen!

*Hymn #838

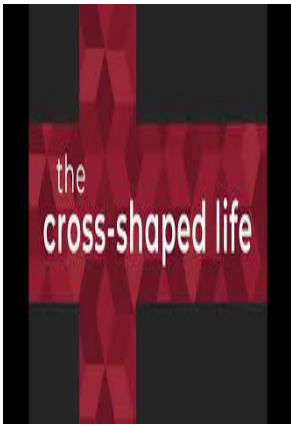
"Standing on the Promises"

PROMISES

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you are the hallowed Lord, giver of all heavenly treasures. We do not trust your loving kindness; instead we seek strength in earthly things that cannot deliver us. You make promises greater than all the stars in the heavens; yet we do not remain alert for your presence and we fail to trust your promise. You give your Son to redeem us from our sins; still we do not trust your righteousness. Save us Lord from the sins we know in our heart. Save us Lord from the sins we hide. We have missed your promise, Lord. For these and all sins that separates us from you we are deeply sorry. Lord, hear our prayers . . .

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



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

"We are justified only by faith in Christ, and not by any manner of goodness of our own."

Jonathan Edwards, 18th century American revivalist, preacher, philosopher, and Congregationalist theologian

"Every week I preach justification by faith to my people, because every week they forget it." Martin Luther, 16th century German theologian and Protestant reformer

“Justification is the main hinge on which all true religion turns.”
John Calvin, 16th century French lawyer, theologian, and Protestant reformer

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: God is faithful. God is righteous. God keeps God’s promises.

All: Jesus Christ the Son of God has come and has died and been raised. For Christ’s sake our sins are forgiven, our lives redeemed.

Leader: Through the Holy Spirit may we receive this day the faith to believe and the conviction to live in the hope of the kingdom,

All: to the glory of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. 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

Prayer for Illumination

Gracious God, give us humble, teachable, and obedient hearts, that we may receive what you have revealed, and do what you have commanded. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Genesis 15:1-8

Elder Darleen Weller

Epistle Lesson

Galatians 3:1-18

Sermon

**THE CROSS-SHAPED LIFE
“Not Deserved, but Needed”**

Dr. Philip K. Gladden

A Time for Silent Reflection

Pastoral Prayer with the Lord’s Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us voice of truth and grace. Amen.

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 18 Monday, September 19 Tuesday, September 20 Wednesday, September 21	9:30 am Alternative Sunday School Class, Room 304 & via Zoom 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship, livestream & in person 7:00 pm Bible Study, via Zoom 7:00 pm Session Meeting, Room 304 10:-11:00 am Bible Study, Room 304 & via Zoom 6:00 pm Handbells 7:00 pm Choir Practice
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NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **Please join** the minister for our weekly Bible Study on Monday night, September 19 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. via Zoom or Wednesday morning, September 21 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. in Room 304 and via Zoom. This week we will read and talk about Galatians 3:19 - 4:7 in which Paul makes this astounding statement, "There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male or female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus." What does that mean for our church today? Check your email on Monday for the Zoom links.

* **The session** will meet on Tuesday, September 20 at 7:00 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. Please pray for: Fred, Patsy, Darleen, Hayes, Greg, Kelli, Joyce, Danielle, Curt, Hope, and Phil as they lead us in ministry.



The beautiful flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Carol Steen in memory of her parents, Charles and Marian Lightfoot.

**Today
September 18**



09/18:
Devan & Bailey
Riley



Sam Rose
Jason Rouse
Dave Wells

**Opening
Church
Building**
September
16-30:
Dave Wells



**FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/
BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING**
Sunday, September 25



This offering provides school lunches and weekend food for students in Duplin County Public Schools. Thank you for your generous and faithful support.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY TEAM

The Congregational Care Ministry Team is holding a luncheon social after church on **Sunday, September 25**. All ages are invited to gather in the Currie Building for a light lunch and a time to renew friendships and enjoy fellowship. The playground will be open. Please R.S.V.P. so we can plan for everyone. Fill out and tear off and place it in the box at the back of the church--email Cheryl at cheryl@wallacepresbyterian.com or call 910-285-2808.

Name _____ adults _____ children _____