

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

"Actions speak louder than words but not nearly as often." Mark Twain

Today's Prayer of Confession is taken from Discipleship Ministries of the United Methodist Church.

## 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

**September 27, 2020** 

11:00 A.M.

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

Prelude

"Pie Jesu"
Pie Jesu, pie Jesu, pie Jesu

Webber

Qui tollis peccata mundi Dona eis requiem, dona eis requiem

Welcome and Announcements

**Opening Sentences** 

Elder Hope Turnbull

Leader: We worship together today because "in these last days God has spoken to us by his Son." Our souls magnify the Lord!

All: Our spirits rejoice in God our Savior!

Leader: The mighty One has done great things for us!

All: Holy is God's name! Leader: Let us worship God.

All: For God is our Maker and our Redeemer; from generation to

generation God gives mercy.

Hymn #627 (sing twice)

"I Love You, Lord"

I LOVE YOU, LORD

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of compassion, have mercy upon us as we make our confession. How often we do not do what we intended! What we confess is not how we act. We hear your word preached and we give our assent, but faith is found wanting when it comes time to obey. We are confronted by conflict; decisions are called for. Our desires are at odds with what you command and we do not do what you wish. O God, have mercy upon us and in Christ forgive us. Give us the strength to do your will. Lord, hear our prayers . . .

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



"You will know them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thorns, or figs from thistles?" Matthew 7:16

"Traditions tells us where we have come from. Scripture itself is a better guide as to where we should now be going." N.T. Wright, English New Testament scholar and Anglican bishop



Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear the words of Paul when he writes that God has bestowed on Christ "the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend . . . and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

All: As we make our confession we have the assurance that the exalted Christ intercedes on our behalf. In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven!

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

Speak to us, Lord, through these scriptures. Remind us again of your everlasting power. May we remember your mighty works and deeds May we claim your promise and share your love. We are listening, Lord; speak to us today. Amen.

Epistle Lesson

Hebrews 1:1-4

Elder Hope Turnbull

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 21:23-32

Sermon

"Who Do You Think You Are?" 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 not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.



"And they'll know we are Christians by our love." Hymn #300, Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal



Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Let All Things Now Living" setting by Lloyd Larson
Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
to God our Creator triumphantly raise;
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
by guiding us on to the end of our days.
God's Banners are o'er us; pure light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night:
till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness banished,
as forward we travel from light into light.

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.

"To the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, power, and authority, before all time and now and forever.

Amen."

Jude 25

Hymn #37 (verses 1 & 2)

"Let All Things Now Living"

ASH GROVE

Benediction

Postlude



The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given by Art and Cheryl Raymond in loving memory of Art's mother, Rita St. Pierre Raymond, on the 100th anniversary of her birth, and with our grateful thanks for 17 blessed years of worshipping with the Wallace Presbyterian Church family.

#### **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

Sunday, September 27 10:00 am Zoom Sunday School

11:00 am In-person and Live-stream

worship

Monday, September 28 7:00-8:00 pm Zoom Bible Study Wednesday, September 30 10:00-11:00 am Zoom Bible Study

#### **NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- \* Please join the minister for a Bible study via Zoom on Matthew 21:33-46 on either Monday, September 28 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. or Wednesday, September 30 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. We will talk about the parable of the wicked tenants. What does it mean for us to produce the fruits of the kingdom? What do you think?
- \* Sunday, October 4 is World Communion Sunday. We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper in-person and virtually. Prepackaged individual communion sets will be provided for worshipers in the sanctuary. Worshipers at home are encouraged to prepare their own bread and cup. All are welcome at the Lord's table!
- \* The Presbytery of Coastal Carolina will hold its 119th stated meeting via Zoom on Saturday, October 3. Dr. Philip Gladden and Ruling Elder Lindsay Skidmore will be commissioners from our congregation. James Sills, Madelyn Coombs, and Zach Casteen will be installed as members of the 2020-2021 Presbytery Youth Council.



# SPECIAL OFFERING **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18**

Hurricane Sally, Pacific Northwest Wildfires, Hurricane Laura, Iowa Dereceho, Beirut Explosion — these are disasters to which volunteers with the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Program are responding. PDA has helped and continues to help members of our congregation and community by providing relief funds, volunteers, and grants in the aftermath of Hurricane Florence, as well as previous disasters.

We will receive a special offering for PDA on Sunday, October 18. You may write a check to Wallace Presbyterian Church and mark it for "Presbyterian Disaster Assistance." Mail your check to P.O. Box 717, Wallace, NC 28466 or drop it in the mail slot on the front door of the church office building or in the offering plate during worship. You may also contribute online at www.wallacepresbyterian.com.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance enables congregations and mission partners of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to witness to the healing love of Christ through caring for communities adversely affected by crises and catastrophic events.



