



# WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*Please silence your cell phones.*

*\*All who are able may stand.*

## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 4, 2020

11:00 A.M.

### GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

**"Let Us Break Bread Together"** setting by Mark Hayes

*Let us break bread together on our knees, (on our knees)*

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*When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,*

*O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)*

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Sentences

Elder Clay Blue

*Leader: The banquet table is prepared and God calls us to the feast.*

**All: We have come from east and west, from north and south, to sit at Christ's table.**

*Leader: Compassion, love and grace pour out like fine wine.*

**All: We taste the bread of life, bread for our journey.**

*Leader: These are gifts of God for all the people of God.*

**All: Let us come to the table and taste and see that the Lord is good!**

Hymn #525 (verses 1, 2, & 3)

LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER

**"Let Us Break Bread Together"**

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Lord Jesus, you have entrusted to us this earth as a beautiful vineyard. We have neglected it. Lord, have mercy. Jesus Christ, you have entrusted to us people to care for with love. We have often remained indifferent to them. Christ, have mercy. Lord Jesus, you have entrusted to us our faith as a plant to grow. We have cared little for it. Lord, have mercy. Merciful and tender God, forgive us all our sins through the sacrifice of your Son and lead us to everlasting life. Christ, have mercy and 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.*

*"O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him."  
Psalm 34:8*

*Today's Prayer of Confession is taken from the Liturgy Alive website*



Assurances of Pardon

Responsive Assurance of Pardon

*Leader: As children of God, we are loved tenderly. God longs to bring us into God's embrace.*

**All: By the life and love of Jesus, we are forgiven and free. Alleluia! Amen.**

*"Come to the table of grace. Come to the table of grace. This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.*

*Come to the table of grace."*

*Hymn #507, Glory to*

*God: The*

*Presbyterian Hymnal*

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

**O God, by your Word and the gift of your Spirit, open our minds to greater understanding, our hearts to deeper love, and our wills for greater service. Amen.**

*"No good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit; for each tree is known by its fruit."*

*Luke 6:43-44*

Old Testament Lesson

*Isaiah 5:1-7*

Elder Clay Blue

Gospel Lesson

*Matthew 21:33-46*

Sermon

**"The Fruit of the Vineyard"**

Dr. Philip K. Gladden

A Time for Silent Reflection

### **GIVING THANKS TO GOD**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory **"God Be with You Till We Meet Again"** *setting by Paul Cardall*

*God be with you till we meet again;  
By His counsels guide, uphold you,  
With His sheep securely fold you;  
God be with you till we meet again.*

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.*



*"By this we may be sure that we are in Christ: whoever says, 'I abide in him,' ought to walk just as he walked."*  
1 John 2:5b-6

*When Jesus wanted to explain to his disciples what his death was all about, he didn't give them a theory, he gave them a meal."*  
N.T. Wright,  
British New Testament scholar and Anglican bishop

*"If we show the Lord's death at Communion, we must show the Lord's life in the world. If it is the Eucharist on Sunday, it must prove on Monday that it was also a Sacrament."*  
Matthie Babcock, author of "This Is My Father's World"

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.**

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Invitation to the Table

The Words of Institution

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving 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.**

The Taking of the Elements

The Prayer After Communion

Hymn #542      **"God Be with You Till We Meet Again"**      GOD BE WITH YOU

Benediction

Postlude



**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](http://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.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

- Sunday, October 4    **WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY**  
10:00 am Zoom Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship (in-person and live-streamed)  
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
- Monday, October 5 - Sunday, October 11    Minister on Vacation
- Monday, October 5    10:30 am Circle #1: Fellowship Hall  
No Zoom Bible Study
- Tuesday, October 6    10:30 am Circle #3: Fellowship Hall  
7:00 pm Circle #4: Fellowship Hall
- Wednesday, October 7    No Zoom Bible Study

## NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* **We celebrate** the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on this World Communion Sunday. All are welcome at the Lord's table. World Communion Sunday (originally called World Wide Communion Sunday) is a gift of the Presbyterian Church to the larger ecumenical church. The first celebration occurred at Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, PA, in 1933 where Dr. Hugh Thompson Kerr served as pastor.

\* **Philip Gladden** will be on vacation Monday - Sunday, October 5-11. Please contact the church office (285-2808) or Clerk of Session Hope Turnbull (910-284-2813) in an emergency. Ruling Elder Jim Sills will be our preacher on Sunday, October 11.

\* **There will be no Monday night or Wednesday morning Zoom Bible study this week.**

\* **The session** has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, October 25 for the purpose of electing the 2020 Nominating Committee for ruling elders. Detailed instructions about the virtual meeting will be communicated to the congregation in the weeks to come.

\* **We extend** our Christian love and sympathy to Roy and Bettie Lettieri on the death of their son, Frank, on September 30 and to Kelli Barnes Norris on the death of her father, Norman Hulen, on September 29.

