I was blind, but now I see

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

"There is none so blind, as he who will not see." Ray Stevens, "Everything is Beautiful"

"Be thou my
vision, O Lord of
my heart; still be
my vision, O
Ruler of all."
Hymn #450 in
Glory to God: The
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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 24, 2021

11:00 a.m.

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

"God Will Make a Way" arranged by Mark Hayes
God will make a way where there seems to be no way.
He works in ways we cannot see. He will make a way for me.
He will be my guide; hold me closely to His side.
With love and strength for each new day, He will make a way.
He will make a way.

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Sentences

Elder Wayne Casteen

Leader: Take heart! For we are gathered in the Father's presence.

All: to proclaim the wonders of the Lord.

Leader: Get up! For we are beckoned by the Risen Son

All: to respond to grace undeserved.

Leader: God is calling us! For we are united by the Spirit

All: to follow Jesus on the way.

Leader: Come, let us worship God, as we pray together saying . . .

All: O God, Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, we are gathered in your presence to stand side by side with those who have gone before us, who have lived the mystery of your grace and responded by following you on the way. May your Holy Spirit guide us as we follow you to the places that you are calling your church to be. Amen.

*Hymn #452

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

OPEN THE EYES

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, our thoughts and deeds too often do not reflect the grace you show us. Our speech and actions too often do not proclaim your salvation. Forgive us, Lord, for the sins that we bear both as individuals and as your Church. Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us. Our teacher, let us see again! Give us the courage to take heart in your grace. Give us the strength to get up. Give us the wisdom to hear your calling. Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us. Lord, hear our prayers...

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

"Open my eyes, that I may see alimpses of truth thou hast for me." Hymn #451 in Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Jesus is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. Hear then the good news:

All: In and through Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

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

Holy and gracious God, may your Holy Spirit give us a spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that, with the eyes of our hearts enlightened, we may know the hope to which Christ has called us, the riches of his glorious inheritance among us, and the greatness of his power for those who believe. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 119:12-18

Elder Wayne Casteen

Gospel Lesson

Mark 10:46-52

Sermon

"On Blind Faith"

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.

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

"I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways. And step by step you'll lead me; and I will follow you all of my days." Hymn #743 in Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal

^{*}Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Some Greeks came to Philip and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." John 12:21 Offertory

arranged by Mary McDonald

"A Quiet Moment with Amazing Grace"

I once was lost, but now I'm found; Was blind, but now I see.

*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.



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; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven. and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body: and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn #649 *(verses 1, 2, & 5)*

AMAZING GRACE

"Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

He took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. Luke 24:30-31

*Benediction

*Postlude

*All who are able may stand.





Sunday, October 24 9:30 am Hybrid (Zoom and in-person-Room 304

Adult Sunday School Class

10:00 am Sunday School Classes

11:00 am Worship in-person and live-Stream

Hurricane Ida Relief Offering

Monday, October 25 700-8:00 pm Zoom Bible Study

Wednesday, October 27 10-11:00 am Bible Study-Zoom & In-Person-Rm 304

6:00 pm Handbell Practice, Music Room

Friday, October 29 5:30 pm Johnson/Westbrook Wedding

Rehearsal

Saturday, October 30 4:00 pm Johnson/Westbrook Wedding

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- * Please join the minister for a Bible Study on either Monday, October 25 (via Zoom) from 7:00 8:00 p.m. or Wednesday, October 27 (via Zoom or in person in Room 304) from 10:00 11:00 a.m. This week we will read and talk about Mark 12:28-34, The Great Commandment. Check your email on Monday for the Zoom links.
- * **The session** has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, November 7 following worship. The purpose of the meeting is to hear a report from the Nominating Committee and elect three Ruling Elders to the Class of 2024, receive the 2022 budget as information, act on recommended changes in the minister's terms of call, and hold the annual meeting of the corporation.
- * River Landing Food Drive is Monday, November 8. Collections are from 8:00-11:30 am at Fitness Center or here at the church. Bags (with lists of foods needed attached) can be picked up on pew at back of sanctuary.



SPECIAL HURRICANE IDA OFFERING TODAY, OCTOBER 24

We will receive a special Hurricane Ida on Sunday, October 24. You may write a check to Wallace Presbyterian Church and mark it for "Hurricane Ida Aid." 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.

The offering will be divided among the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance program and RHINO (Rebuilding Hope in New Orleans).

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. Read more at www.pda.pcusa.org.

RHINO (Rebuilding Hope in New Orleans) is an outreach ministry of the St. Charles Avenue Presbyterian Church in New Orleans. The ministry was founded in response to Hurricane Katrina in 2005. Since its founding, RHINO has hosted more than 8,000 volunteers from over 43 states and three countries. Read more at www.rhinonola.org or www.scapc.org/relief/.









