

WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*All who are able may stand.

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

The Sacrament of Baptism

November 13, 2016

11:00 A.M.

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

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

Minute For Mission
Operation Christmas Child
Candace Knowles

Choral Call to Worship "We Are Standing on Holy Ground" HOLY GROUND

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 Harriet Farrior Leader: Come, let us worship God and rejoice!

All: We have come to praise God for God's steadfast love!

Leader: God is calling us today.

All: Lord, help us to hear your call in our lives.

Leader: God needs our gifts and graces to help others.

All: May we use the blessings which God has given us to benefit others.

Leader: Come, let us worship and celebrate God's love for us.

All: Let us show our faithfulness in our words and actions. Leader: Let our love of God be known to all!

All: Let us bring the gift of praise and thanksgiving to God!

*Hymn #482 "Baptized in Water" BUNESSAN

silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

The congregation

is asked to remain

"God's strength behind you, God's concern for you, God's love within you, and God's arms

beneath you are

more than

sufficient for the job ahead of you."

William Arthur Ward Today's Prayer of Confession is adapted from Ministry Matters, an online worship planning resource.

*Unison Prayer of Confession

How often, O Lord, we have believed that the greatest commandment is our love for ourselves only. We have not heard the cries of those in need. We have turned our backs on opportunities to serve you by serving others. Many times we have thought only of our own wants and desires and ignored the needs of others. Help us to understand truly the commandments to love you with all our heart, soul, strength, and mind. Let us care for our neighbors both far and near. Bring us back to your loving light. We ask these things in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Lord, hear our prayers. . .

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

Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Beloved, the Lord is loving, merciful, and just.

All: Therefore, we are reconciled to God and to one another, that we might walk in peace and love.

Leader: Believe the good news!

All: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri Hymn #581

Glory Be to the Father

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Meaning of Baptism

The Presentation of Jonah Grey Merritt

Elder Dave Wells

The Questions for the Parents

The Questions for the Congregation

Elder Dave Wells

Do we, the members of the congregation, in the name of the whole Church of Jesus Christ, undertake with Jeffrey and Elizabeth the Christian nurture of Jonah Grey, so that in due time he may confess his faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior?

Will we endeavor by our example and fellowship to strengthen his family ties with the household of God?

The Baptism of children witnesses to the truth that God's love claims

people before

they are able to

respond in faith.

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) "Directory for Worship" Remember! This is why I called you . . .

> "Baptism is God's gift of

grace and also
God's summons
to respond to
that grace.
Baptism
commissions the
church for
ministry to the
world. Baptism

calls for decision at every stage of life's way, both for those whose Baptism attends their profession of faith and for those who are nurtured from childhood within the family of

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) "Directory for Worship"

faith."

*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 Prayer of Thanksgiving
The Baptism of Jonah Grey Merritt
The Welcome

Children's Sermon

Anthem

Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign, With this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine. Child of love, our love's expression, love's creation, loved indeed! Fresh from God, refresh our spirits; into joy and laughter lead. Child of joy, our dearest treasure, God's you are, from God you came. Back to God we humbly give you: live as one who bears Christ's name. Child of God, your loving Parent, learn to listen for God's call. Grow to laugh and sing and worship; trust and love God more than all.

"Child of Blessing, Child of Promise"

Turner, 1980

Unison Prayer for Illumination

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to receive the food of your Holy Word. Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in your likeness, that the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all your purposes for your glory. Amen.

(From "Speak, O Lord" by Keith Getty & Stuart Townsend)

he has made us. created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of

"For we are what

Ephesians 2:10

life."

"Grace must find expression in life. otherwise it is not grace."

Karl Barth. 20th century Reformed theologian

God calls the church in worship to ioin the mission of Jesus

Christ in service to the world. As it participates in that mission the church is called

to worship God in Jesus Christ, who reigns over the world.

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Gospel Lesson

*Hvmn #717

Sermon

Epistle Lesson

Mark 12:28-34

+Page 824, 825

Elder Harriet Farrior

"For the Life That You Have Given" PLEADING SAVIOR

Philippians 1:1-11 +Page 953 "The Stewardship of *All* of Life" Dr. Philip K. Gladden

A Time for Reflection Pastoral Prayer with The Lord's Prayer

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

The Reception and Recognition of Our New Member Presentation of Tithes and Offerings 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.

"A Thank-You Note"

*Hymn #63 "The Lord Is God"

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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction "Amen" Franz Schubert, 1827 Amen, amen, amen. Amen, amen.

*Postlude

*All who are able may stand.

+The page number in the pew Bible.



The beautiful flowers in the sanctuary today are given in honor of Jonah Grey Merritt by his grandparents, Dave & Gloria Wells.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, November 13	9:40 am	Opening Assembly
	10:00 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship/Sacrament of Baptism
	12:00 pm	Congregational Meeting
		After worship— Youth Trip to Wilmington
12:15–4:00 pm		Elder Training
	5:00 pm	Second Sunday
Tuesday, November 15	6:00 pm	Session Meeting, Room 304
Wednesday, November 16	10:00 am	Bible Study, Church Office Building
	6:00 pm	Handbells
	7:15 pm	Bible Study, Room 304
	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Saturday, November 19	1:00 pm	Memorial Service for Rita Wells Aufrecht

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

• This morning we celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism of Jonah Grey Merritt, son of Jeffrey and

- Elizabeth Wells Merritt. May God bless Jonah as he grows in his faith in and love for Jesus Christ. • We welcome Ginger Carter Black as a member of our congregation by reaffirmation of faith.
- Ginger is a daughter of our congregation. She and her husband, Charlie, have recently moved back to Wallace. Welcome!
- The session has called a congregational meeting to be held immediately following worship today for the purpose of answering any questions about the 2017 budget and to act on a recommendation from the session concerning changes in the minister's terms of call.
- The session will meet on Tuesday, November 15, at 6:00 p.m. in Room 304. If you have any concerns or business for the session to consider, please speak to one of the elders or the minister.
- Please join the minister for a Bible study on 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 on Wednesday, November 16 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. (Church Office Building) or 7:15 - 8:15 p.m. (Room 304).
- Sunday, November 20, Join us for a discussion of a spirituality of fundraising. Order a bag lunch.

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GREETERS

11/13: Gloria & Dave Wells 11/20: Madelyn Coombs & Hope Turnbull 11/20: Greg & Geneva Maready

Opening Church Building: November 1-15: Jim Simpson November 16-30: Art Raymond

USHERS

Charley Farrior, Leader
Rick Batchelor Jonathan Fussell
Bill Carone Curt Simpson

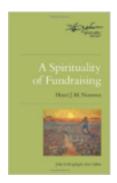
YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

11/13: Sarah Peal Farrior & Hill Lanier 11/20: Lydia & Kennedy Thompson



Lee Baker-The Davis Community at Porters Neck, Joe Dormagen (Verlie Wells' son-in-law), Amy Edgerton-cancer, Betty Hall, (Rosemary) Wright Lanier Family, David Long-recovering from heart surgery, Philip Longest family, Amy Moss (breast cancer, sister of Debbie Thomas) Graham Phillips family, Ann Quinn-cancer (Mary Carone's sister) John Brison Ricker 15 years old in Michigan, diagnosed with inoperable brain tumor) John Rau family, Judy Robinson, George Walker-Rosemary, Kelsea Webster, Verlie Wells-Rosemary. Members and friends in the armed services: Jason Payne.

(When you request a name to be put on the prayer list, please notify the church office when you wish it to be taken off)



Join us for a discussion of a spirituality of fundraising on Sunday, November 20 at 12:15 p.m.

Order a bag lunch from our youth, enjoy fellowship at the table, and join in an interesting discussion of how faithful stewardship is an important Christian discipline in our faith journey. It is not necessary to have read Henri Nouwen's book before joining the discussion. However, copies are available in the church office if you would like to read this interesting book.

Sponsored by the Stewardship & Finance Ministry Team

ADVENT WREATHS

The Worship and Music Ministry team is buying wreaths to decorate the church for Advent. If you would like to purchase a wreath in honor or memory of a loved one or friend, this is the perfect opportunity to do so.

The live wreaths will be Frazier fir, cedar and blue spruce. They will be hung in the sanctuary and on the doors of the church. The price will be \$40.00 per wreath. There are marked offering envelopes in the pews for your donations. Please fill out the information on the envelopes with your donation and place in the collection plate.

Thanks,
Worship & Music Ministry Team



Sunday, November 20 6:00 p.m. Island Creek Baptist Church 237 Pasture Branch Road Rose Hill, NC

Participating Churches

Island Creek Baptist
North East Pentecostal Free Will Baptist
Poston Baptist
Wallace Pentecostal Holiness
Wallace United Methodist
First Baptist Wallace
Wallace Presbyterian
Wallace First Assembly of God

An offering will be taken for the Northeast Church which sustained damage from flooding following Hurricane Matthew.



NOVEMBER 20

During morning worship you will have the opportunity to present your 2017 pledge of financial support for and involvement in the ministry and mission of Wallace Presbyterian Church. During the offering, we will dedicate our 2017 pledges as an act of worship.

"For the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God."

2 Corinthians 9:12

