

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

Write down some things for which you are thankful to God:

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

November 20, 2016

11:00 A.M.

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

"We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer"

Attie Carr Carlton Handbells

Welcome and Announcements

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

Minute For Mission

St. Nicholas Project

Danielle Sills

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 Nick Baker

Leader: As the rains pour from heaven, soaking the earth that it may produce good things . . .

All: So God pours God's love upon us, that we, too, may produce goodness and peace.

Leader: We have been blessed with many gifts and talents.

All: God desires that we use these gifts and talents for healing, peace, and hope.

Leader: Come, let us worship and celebrate the mighty love and power of God.

All: Praise be to God who has blessed us in so many ways!

*Hymn #643

"Now Thank We All Our God"

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Today's Prayer of Confession was written by John Birch and posted on Faith and Worship.

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Unclutter our lives, Lord. We have too much, consume too much, expect too much. Grant us perspective, Lord, to see this world through others' eyes than just our own. Grant us compassion, Lord, where there is need to play our part, not turn aside. Grant us gratitude, Lord, for what we have, our daily bread, the gift of life. Unclutter our lives, Lord. Give us space, simplicity and thankful hearts. Hear our prayers, Lord . . .

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

Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear this assurance of our God:

All: "When you call for me, I have already answered. When you call for me, I am already there."

Leader: Friends, believe the good new of the gospel:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven for our sins and set free to live for God. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

*Gloria Patri Hymn #581

Glory Be to the Father

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

Special Music

"Thanksgiving Tree"

Skylar

*It's that time of year when I want everyone to see
How I'm filling branches on my big Thanksgiving tree.
Branches for my friends and for my family.
Branches there for everyone I love and who loves me.
And I'll have extra branches for new friends that I'll meet
On my Thanksgiving tree.*

"People go through three conversions: their head, their heart, and their pocketbook. Unfortunately, not all at the same time."

*Martin Luther,
Protestant reformer*

Anthem

Fettke and Johnson

"The Majesty and Glory of Your Name"

*When I gaze into the night skies and see the work of Your fingers;
The moon and stars suspended in space. Oh, what is man, that You are mindful of him?
You have given man a crown of glory and honor,
And have made him a little lower than the angels.
You have put him in charge of all creation:
The beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea.
But what is man that You are mindful of him?
O Lord, our God, the majesty and glory of Your name
Transcends the earth and fills the heavens.
O Lord, our God, little children praise You perfectly, and so would we.
Alleluia, Alleluia! The majesty and glory of Your name. Alleluia, Alleluia!*

“In the Holy Land are two ancient bodies of water. Both are fed by the Jordan River. In one, fish play and roots find sustenance. In the other, there is no splash of fish, no sound of bird, no leaf around. The difference is not in the Jordan, for it empties into both, but in the two bodies of water. In the Sea of Galilee, for every drop taken in one goes out. It gives and lives. The other gives nothing. And it is called the Dead Sea.”

William Sloane Coffin, former pastor, Riverside Church, NYC

Unison Prayer for Illumination

We seek to serve you, O God, by serving others: the poor, the needy, the least, and the lost. Help us hear anew your Word, that we may become more faithful stewards of the gifts you give us each day, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gospel Lesson

Mark 12:28-34

Elder Nick Baker
+Page 825

*Hymn #711

“Lord of All Good”

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Epistle Lesson

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

+Page 942

Sermon

“The Stewardship of All of Life”
“Thanksgiving to God”

Dr. Philip K. Gladden

A Time for Reflection

Pastoral Prayer with The Lord’s Prayer

*Hymn #709

“God, We Honor You”

ABUNDANT BLESSINGS

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“Now Thank We All Our God”

arr. Mark Hayes

*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.*

Prayer of Dedication and 2017 Pledge Commitment

Leader: Creator of all, the earth is yours, the world and all who live in it.

All: You have entrusted us with gifts—time, talent, energy, money—and asked us to use them to build your kingdom. With thanks and praise we respond to your call.

Leader: We bring these gifts you have given, returning your generosity, paying it forward.

All: We offer ourselves, our lives, our hopes and fears, our dollars and our hours. We commit ourselves to work for your world, to love and serve wherever you call.

Leader: We ask your blessing on this, your church, as we seek to follow you with heart, mind, and soul.

All: Bless also these pledges, our investment in your future, that they may multiply in faith, hope, and love. Amen.

*"Thanks be to
God for his
incredible
gift!"*

*2 Corinthians
9:15*

***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.**

*Hymn #37

"Let All things Now Living"

ASH GROVE

*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.



Rev. Clay Macaulay, alumni director at Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, VA, will be our preacher next Sunday on the first Sunday of Advent. Rev. Macaulay is a graduate of Davidson College and Union Presbyterian Seminary and has served as a pastor for more than thirty years in Williamsburg, VA, Hillsboro, WV, Peoria, IL, and Weems, VA.



The beautiful flowers in the sanctuary this morning are in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Johnston and The Rev. Edward F. Johnston, Jr., given by their family: C. J. and Dotsie Caproni, Herbie and Sue Ellen Cottle, Michael and Mary Ann Cutler, Edward F. Johnston III, Stewart and Sara Jo Johnston, Bradley and Kristin Cottle, Ashley Cottle, Riley and Abbey Cutler, Jackson and Weston Johnston.



**Sunday, November 20
6:00 pm
Island Creek Baptist Church
237 Pasture Branch Road
Rose Hill, NC**

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, November 20		PLEDGE SUNDAY
	9:40 am	Opening Assembly
	10:00 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship
	12:15 pm	Youth Fellowship Bag Lunch and Stewardship Discussion Group
Monday, November 21	6:15 pm	Presbyterians Dining Together
Tuesday, November 22-Sunday, November 27		Minister on Vacation
Wednesday, November 23		No morning or evening Bible Study
Thursday, November 24		HAPPY THANKSGIVING! Church Office Closed
Friday, November 25		Church Office Closed

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **During our presentation of our tithes and offerings this morning**, you are invited and encouraged to bring your 2017 pledge card forward and place it on the communion table as an act of commitment and dedication. Thank you for your generous support of the ministry and mission of our congregation.
- **Philip Gladden** will be on vacation Tuesday - Sunday, November 22-27. Please contact the church office (285-2808) or Elder George Francis, Clerk of Session, in an emergency.
- **There will be no Wednesday morning or evening Bible study this week.**
- **The church office** will be closed on Thursday and Friday in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.
- **Congratulations** to Corey and Mary Stewart Teachey Blackwell on the birth of their son, William Monroe Blackwell, on November 16 (6 lbs.,5 oz., and 20 inches long). Proud grandparents are Michael and Pam Teachey.



Sunday, November 20

**Offering for Children's Hope Alliance
(Formerly Barium Springs Home for Children and
Grandfather Home for Children)**

Taken from the website (www.childrenshopealliance.org): "Children's Hope Alliance is the combination of Barium Springs and Grandfather Home for Children joining forces to serve children and families throughout North Carolina. We work hard to provide a safe, healing journey for hurting children and families, creating hope now and in the future. Our comprehensive services and programs are designed to give hope to our clients by providing a safe home, healing their hurt and encouraging a healthy start."



NURSERY

11/20: Madelyn Coombs & Hope Turnbull
11/27: Ann Carter & Gerri Hanson



GREETERS

11/20: Greg & Geneva Maready
11/27: Gary & Joyce Ange

Opening Church Building: November 16-30: Art Raymond

USHERS

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



YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

11/20: Lydia & Kennedy Thompson
11/27: Elizabeth & James Sills



Jim Alexander-at home, **Lee Baker**-at home, **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**, **Earleene Southerland**-at home, **Randy Thomas**-(Don Thomas' brother-by-pass surgery-Charlotte), **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)

ST. NICHOLAS PROJECT



For many years the St. Nicholas Project has been an important mission of Wallace Presbyterian Church. The Outreach Ministry Team has received families for this year. St. Nicholas Project family and gift information is located on the bulletin board in the church fellowship hall. Christmas is a time of sharing. May we continue to share Christ's love with others as we have been so richly blessed. Thank you for supporting this wonderful ministry of our church.

If you would like to participate in this project by buying a gift:

- Select and remove a labeled ornament tag or tags from the tree on the bulletin board.
- Wrap the gift and tape the labeled ornament tag on the wrapped gift.
- Place wrapped and labeled gifts in the box beneath the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.
- Bring gifts to the church by December 18

If you would like to make a donation to the St. Nicholas Fund:

- Please place a check, designated for "St. Nicholas Fund", in the offering plate. or donate online under "St. Nicholas"

Please bring gifts to the church or make donations by Sunday, December 18.