

The first Sunday of Lent marks Vera's 15th year as WPC's organist and worship leader.

*Prayer of Confession (*Lenten Litany*)

Leader: Let us live this Lenten season with the cross before us.

All: Show us your cross, Lord Jesus!

Leader: In times of prosperity, when success and comfort would draw us away from the way of the cross, show us your cross, Lord Jesus!

All: In darker times of trial and worry when we feel alone, abandoned to wander in the valley of the shadow, show us your cross, Lord Jesus!

Leader: In the routine of each day, in the work we do, in our lives with family and friends, in the light of each day, and in the rest of each night, show us your cross, Lord Jesus!

All: Heavenly Father, as a family of believers in this congregation, we pray that all we do together may be governed by your love for us in Christ. Keep his cross before us, so that we are always ready and eager to follow him! Amen.

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: As the apostle Paul wrote: "If you confess with your lips that Jesus Christ is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." (Romans 10:9)

All: These words contain the good news that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri Hymn #581

Glory Be to the Father

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING
Children's Sermon

Anthem

arr. Wagner

"They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love"

The Attie C. Carlton Handbell Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Eternal God, through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son your kingdom has broken into our troubled world. Help us now to hear your Word, and give us grace to respond in faithful obedience, that our lives might be signs of the new life given through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Epistle Lesson

Lydia Thompson

Colossians 1:15-20; Hebrews 12:1-2 +Pages 956, 978

*Hymn #718 **"Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said"** BOURBON

Gospel Lesson

Luke 9:18-27

+Page 842

Sermon

The Crosses of Lent

Dr. Philip K. Gladden

"A Cruciform Church"

A Time for Reflection

Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

Offertory **"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"** *arr. Wagner*

The Attie C. Carlton Handbell Choir

*Jesus, keep me near the cross; there a precious fountain,
Free to all – a healing stream – flows from Calvary's mountain.*

In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever,

Till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes before me;

Help me walk from day to day with its shadow o'er me.

In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever,

Till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*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.

Take Up Your Cross....

Written by a nineteen-year-old in

Connecticut, this challenging text has been widely printed on both sides of the Atlantic.

"Lift High the Cross" This majestic hymn celebrates the paradox that for Christians a means of painful death has been transformed into a symbol of renewed life; a sign of defeat has become an emblem of victory. With the cross traced on our foreheads at Baptism we are marked as Christ's own forever.

*Hymn #826

"Lift High the Cross"

CRUCIFER

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

"Amen"

*Postlude

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 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

February 22, 2015

11:00 am

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude "Be Thou My Vision" arr. Lloyd Larson
 The Attie C. Carlton Handbell Choir

Welcome and Announcements

Minutes for Mission

Choral Call to Worship Medema
"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

*Lord, listen to your children praying.
 Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
 Lord, listen to your children praying.
 Send us love; send us power; send us grace.*

Opening Sentences Lydia Thompson

Leader: We follow Christ,

All: who says, "Take up your cross."

Leader: We follow Christ,

All: who bids us come and offer our lives.

Leader: We follow Christ,

All: who summons us to new life.

Leader: Come, let us worship our Creator.

*Hymn #803 "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" RESIGNATION

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

The WPC handbell music ministry began in 1994 with a gift in memory of Attie Carr Carlton, a lifetime member of this church and local piano teacher. Two of her granddaughters, Emily and Geneva, continue to play with the choir today.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, February 22	9:40 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 3:00-4:30 pm 5:30-7:30 pm	Opening Assembly Sunday School Worship/Feed our Hungry Children Backpack Ministry Offering "Holy Conversations" in Sanctuary Confirmation 2015" Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, February 24	6:30 am 7:00-7:30 am 6:00 pm	Coffee in Room 304 SonRise Worship, Room 304 Session Meeting, Room 304
Wednesday, February 25	10:00 am 4:30 -7:30 pm 6:00 pm 7:30 pm	Bible Study, Living Room in Church Office Building LOGOS! Backwards night Handbell Practice Choir Practice

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Members of Confirmation 2015** will help lead worship during the months of February - May. Today's worship leader is Lydia Thompson, daughter of Bron and Georgette Thompson.
- **This morning** we receive our monthly Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry offering to provide school lunches and weekend food for children in public schools in the Wallace, Rose Hill, and Chinquapin areas.
- **Congratulations** to Clayton Hall, basketball coach at Harrells Christian Academy, who was named Coastal Rivers Conference Boys Basketball Coach of the Year after his team won both the regular season and tournament championships
- **The session** will meet on Tuesday, February 24 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 304. If you have any business or concerns for the session to consider, please speak to one of the elders or the minister.
- **Please join** the minister for a Bible Study on 1 Corinthians 1:18-2:5 on Wednesday, February 25 at 10:00 a.m. in the living room of the Church Office Building.
- **The Presbytery of Coastal Carolina** will sponsor "Holy Conversations" about proposed changes to our *Book of Order* today from 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. in our sanctuary. Rev. Jim Randall and Rev. Ernie Thompson will discuss same-gender marriage. Our presbytery will vote on the *Book of Order* amendments on March 7.
- **World Day of Prayer**-Friday, March 6, 2015, at 10:00 am at Wallace United Methodist Church. Rockfish Presbyterian will present the program. All women are invited.
- **Missions & Issues Annual Covered Dish Luncheon** will be Sunday, March 8, immediately following worship service. Guest Speaker will be Dr. Nancy Gladden, Mission Coordinator for the East Community of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina. Topic: Hearts and Hands: Neighbors Noticed by East Community Churches.
- **The Prayer Shawl Ministry** will meet Monday, February 23 from 10:00-11:30 am in the Prayer Room in the Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in learning to knit, please join us! If you are interested, call Dottie Obenour at 285-6464.



NURSERY

02/22: J & Joell Parker
03/01: Curt & Regina Simpson



GREETERS

02/22: Greg & Geneva Maready **03/01:** Gary & Joyce Ange
OPENING CHURCH BUILDING: February 16-28: **Clay Blue**

USHERS

Fred Burroughs, Leader
Blake Wallace Bill Walters
Greg Maready Susan Walters



YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

02/22: Lydia & Kennedy Thompson
03/01: Joe Wallace & Kendrick Minchew

Thank You...

Dear Church Family, I would like to thank you all for the cards, phone calls, prayers, visits, and each act of kindness shown to me during my hospital stay and my return home. The love you bestowed upon me will never be forgotten. God Bless you all.

In Christ,

Mary Ayres

LENT

The Crosses of Lent

During the season of Lent, the sermons will focus on "The Crosses of Lent" as we hear stories about Jesus' approaching death and the meaning of the cross for his life and ours. Please keep our minister and congregation in your prayers as we prepare to hear God's Word.

"But we proclaim Christ crucified." 1 Corinthians 1:23

Sunday

March 1 (Lent 2)
March 8 (Lent 3)
March 15 (Lent 4)
March 22 (Lent 5)
March 29 (Palm Sunday)
April 5 (Easter Sunday)

Sermon Text

1 Corinthians 1:18 - 2:5
Romans 6:1-14
Philippians 2:1-11
Matthew 27:15-26
Matthew 21:1-17
John 20:19-29



Mary Ayres, Bill Blalock, Autumn Care-Wilmington, Myree Bland, Avalee Bowman- The Oaks at Mayview, Raleigh, Tammy Callahan-(Frankie Coleman's daughter, stroke) Warren Cavanaugh, Brain Tumor, Ronnie Cox-Pastor Watha PFWB Church, Rose Curth-Brain Cancer, Joe Dormagen (Verlie Wells' son-in-law), Herman Hardy, Ozelle Kennedy-(Joell Parker's Grandmother), SPC William Krupitzer-(nephew of Linda Burroughs), Wright Lanier family, Pippa Larsen-one year old diagnosed with AAL, a form of leukemia, (friends of Nick & Lee Baker), Bruce & Barbara Lyon (Jim Sills mother and her husband; Mr. Lyon had a stroke), Sharon Moore, Bill Norris-River Landing, Glenn Powell, Dr. Jack Robinson, recovering from orthopedic surgery, Judy Robinson, Evelyn Shaver, Emily Taylor- (Grace Carter's niece from Chesapeake, VA) cancer, Mimi Tarleton, Bettisue Tillman family, Kelsea Webster, Verlie Wells-Rosemary, Members and friends in the armed services: Jason Payne.

