

WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*All who are able may stand.

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Third Sunday in Lent

March 24, 2019

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude "I Will Arise" and "Go to Jesus" Setting by Mark Hayes

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

Minute for Mission

Choral Call to Worship "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Isaac Watts Setting by Michael James

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died, My richest gain I count but loss and pour contempt on all my pride.

Opening Sentences

Elder Linda Burroughs

11:00 A.M.

Leader: Lord, come to us today and heal our wounds.

All: Be in our hearts and our spirits, we pray.

Leader: Give us courage to put aside the greed and selfishness in our hearts.

All: Heal our spirits and help us to follow you.

Leader: Come, let us worship God who is always with us.

All: Let us open our hearts to the healing, restoring love of God.

*Hymn #223 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" HAMBURG

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

The congregation

"If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins

and cleanse us

from all

unrighteousness.

If we sav that we

have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us."

1 John 1:8-10

"Do you imagine, whoever you are, that when vou iudae those who do such things and yet do them yourself, you will escape the judgement of God? Or do you despise the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience? Do you not realize that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?" Romans 2:3-4

"For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith." Romans

3:22-25

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy God, in the light of your holiness we see ourselves as we really are, and we are ashamed. We confess that we are people of impure thoughts and unclean lips; we think too highly of ourselves and too little of others. We cling so tightly to the treasures of this world that we cannot open our hands to receive blessings from above. Our feet follow the paths of sin; we wander so far astray that we become strangers to righteousness. Forgive us, and set us again on the path that leads to life. Deal with us not as we deserve, but according to your mercy; not because we are worthy but because you are gracious. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Lord, hear our prayers . .

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

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: While it is true that we have sinned, it is a greater truth that through God's love in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

All: God has shown his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Leader: He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross,

All: so that free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed.

Leader: I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Alleluia! 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

FEED HUNGRY CHILDREN BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING

Children's Sermon

Anthem

"When You Prayed Beneath the Trees" Lloyd Larson When you prayed beneath the trees, it was for me, O Lord; When you cried upon your knees, how could it be, O Lord? When in blood and sweat and tears, you dismissed your final fears, When you faced the soldiers' spears, you stood for me, O Lord. When their triumph looked complete, it was for me, O Lord; When it seemed like your defeat, they could not see, O Lord! When you faced the mob alone, you were silent as a stone, And a tree became your throne; you came for me, O Lord. When you stumbled up the road, you walked for me, O Lord; When you took your deadly load, that heavy tree, O Lord; When they lifted you on high, and they nailed you up to die, And when darkness filled the sky, it was for me, O Lord.

"Repentance, not proper behavior or even holiness. is the doorway to

grace. And the opposite of sin is grace, not virtue." Philip Yancey. author on Christian spirituality

The offertory today is arranged with and influenced by the Native American culture. The composer commented. "It is my sincere hope that you can appreciate some of the beauty

from around this amazing world,

my Father's

world."

"The recognition of sin is the beginning of salvation." Martin Luther

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. 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.

Old Testament Lesson

Elder Linda Burroughs +Page 552 Isaiah 5:1-7

Luke 13:1-9

+Page 848

Setting by Vicki Collinsworth

*Hymn #415 "Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy" RESTORATION

Offertory

Gospel Lesson "More Than Just Turn or Burn" Dr. Philip K. Gladden Sermon

A Time for Silent Reflection Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

"Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy"

*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.

Christ calls us to be disciples. In forming his people and sending them into the world Jesus called individuals to be disciples.

The Affirmation of Faith: "A Declaration of Faith"

They were to share the joy of his companionship, to understand and obey his teachings, and to follow him in life and death.

We confess that Christians today are called to discipleship. Life shared with Christ and shaped by Christ

is God's undeserved gift to each of us. It is also God's demand upon every one of us, never perfectly fulfilled by any of us.

Forgiven by God and supported by brothers and sisters. we strive to become more faithful and effective in our daily practice of the Christian life.

*Hymn #649 "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" AMAZING GRACE





"Healer of Our Every III"

Marty Haugen

Healer of our every ill, light of each tomorrow, Give us peace beyond our fear and hope beyond our sorrow. Amen.

- *Postlude
- *All who are able may stand.

+The page number in the pew Bible.







WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, March 24 THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT 9:40 am Opening Assembly Sunday School 10:00 am Worship/Feed Hungry Children Backpack Ministry Offering 11:00 am Youth Fellowship-Wilmington 1:00 pm 6:00 pm Session Meeting, Room 304 5:15 pm Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team Meeting, Room 304 Monday, March 25 Disaster Recovery Group of Duplin County meeting, 6:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, March 27

10:00 - 11:00 am Bible Study, Room 304

6:00 pm Handbells 7:30 pm Choir Practice

Thursday, March 28 12:15 pm Community Lenten Worship & Luncheon, Wallace United

Methodist Church, Worsley Chapel

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- * **Today we receive** our quarterly (school year) Feed Our Hungry Children & Backpack Ministry offering. More than twenty churches, organizations, businesses, and individuals support this outreach of Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries that provides weekend food for students in Duplin County Schools. Thank you for your contributions.
- * The session will meet tonight at 6:00 p.m. in Room 304.
- * **Please join** the minister for a Bible study on Luke 15:1-2, 11-32 on Wednesday, March 27 from 10:00 11:00 a.m. in Room 304 (across from the Music Room). This parable of the prodigal son, the loving father, and the two brothers will be the subject of the sermon on March 31.
- * This week's Lenten worship service and luncheon will be Thursday, March 28 at 12:05 p.m. in the Worsley Chapel of the Wallace United Methodist Church. Speaker: Dwayne Peterson, Wallace Fire Department Chaplain Special Music: Zach Casteen
- * **Next Sunday** we will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism with Olive Elizabeth Merritt, daughter of Jeffrey and Elizabeth Wells Merritt. We will also celebrate Cheryl Brinkley's twenty-five years of faithful service as our church secretary.



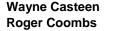
FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/ BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING TODAY, MARCH 24

An extension of the Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries Contributions from individuals, twenty plus churches, foundations, and other organizations provide lunches and weekend food to schoolchildren. Thanks for your contributions!



03/24: Noel, Cameron & Reese Blue

03/31: Georgette & Kennedy Thompson



Clay Blue **Dave Wells**



YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

03/24: Miller Ludlum & Windsor Farrior 03/31: Lydia & Kennedy Thompson

GREETERS

03/24: Rick & Nettie Batchelor 03/31: Leon & Jewel Wells

USHHERS

Freddy Hall, Leader

Opening Church Building

March 16-31: Dave Wells



June Blalock (Rosemary), Tommy Bradshaw family, Doc Brinson (Hodgkins Lymphoma-friend of Garrett & Patsy Ludlum), Sandy Cobb (recovering from shoulder surgery), Carla DeNatale (Mary Carone's niece) diagnosed with Breast Cancer, Joe Dormagen (Verlie Wells' son-in-law), Carolyn Herring (biopsy on inoperable spinal tumor), Amy Moss (breast cancer, sister of Debbie Thomas) Nancy Pate, (Libby Godwin's twin sister-inoperable brain tumor), Dottie Obenour (recovering from surgery), Nathan Pensinger (Nathan is slowly gaining weight and energy. Jennifer Raynor (Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome) Judy Robinson, Jenny Rivenbark, Zayne Rivenbark (cancer), Rev. Bobby Tyson, (heart issues), Ronnie Watson (non-Hodgkins Lymphoma, stem cell transplant), Verlie Wells-Rosemary, Members and friends in the armed services: Jason Payne. William Krupitzer-(Linda Burroughs nephew).

(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)

