



# WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*\*All who are able may stand.*

## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

### *The Sacrament of Baptism*

**July 26, 2015**

**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

Choral Call to Worship

**“Celebrate”**

Saylor

*Celebrate, come celebrate.*

*Join in as God's people in worship and singing.*

*Celebrate, come celebrate. Rejoice as we witness His love.*

*As we follow the path of life, may His strength be shown.*

*Celebrate, come celebrate His loving us as His own.*

Opening Sentences

Elder John Green

*Leader: God loves us with a steadfast love.*

**All: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so!**

*Leader: God loves us so much he gave us his Son.*

**All: Let us believe and have eternal life!**

*Leader: God loves us with a great love, rich in mercy.*

**All: Let us have faith to receive this grace!**

*Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.*

**All: God's great love is amazing!**

\*Hymn #482

**“Baptized in Water”**

BUNESSAN

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

*Each stanza of this hymn about baptism begins with allusions to John 3:5 and Ephesians 1:13.*

Today's Prayer of Confession is adapted from a prayer found at Lectionary Liturgies, an online worship planning resource.

## Unison Prayer of Confession

*God of grace and mercy: baptized, we have not done a good job as your people. We are drawn to the shadows of sin, hoping you will not see our foolishness. We fall into the arms of temptation, letting it spin us until we are out of control. We selfishly cling to your hope and grace, convinced that others will misuse these gifts. Forgive us, O God. Touch us with your Holy Spirit, so we may be restored to new life. Touch us with your grace, so we may offer forgiveness to all people. Touch us with your peace, so we might be healers to our world. We pray in the name of the One who went into the waters of baptism, in whose death and resurrection we find forgiveness and eternal life, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. **Amen.***

## Responsive Assurance of Pardon (from Acts 2:38-39)

*Leader: Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.*

**All: For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him."**

*Leader: Friends, 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

Words of Scripture and the Meaning of Baptism

The Presentation of Astrid Pepper Schwartz      Elder Lee Baker

The Questions for the Parents

The Question for the Congregation      Elder Lee Baker

The Questions for the Sponsors

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.**

*"Baptism points us back to the grace of God expressed in Jesus Christ, who died for us and who was raised for us. Baptism points us forward to that same Christ who will fulfill God's purpose in God's promised future."  
Directory for Worship, PCUSA*

The Prayer of Thanksgiving  
The Baptism of Astrid Pepper Schwartz  
The Welcome

Children's Sermon

*This well-known melody was created to provide a choral setting for J.C.F. von Schiller's poem, "an die Freude" (To Joy), as the final movement of the composer's Ninth Symphony.*

Special Music      **"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"**      Beethoven  
Windsor Farrow, piano

Prayer for Illumination

*Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son. As we hear your Word this morning, may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.***

Epistle Lesson

*Romans 6:1-11*

Elder John Green

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Hymn #443

**"There Is a Redeemer"**

FORGIVENESS

Gospel Lesson

*John 3:1-21*

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Sermon

Dr. Philip K. Gladden

**"Born From the Water and the Spirit"**

A Time for Reflection

Pastoral Prayer with The Lord's Prayer

**GIVING THANKS TO GOD**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

\*Doxology

*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

*This hymn uses many of the images associated with the water of baptism, especially nourishment, the calling forth of life, cleansing and renewal, freedom from bondage, and sharing in Christ's resurrection.*

\*Hymn #490 **“Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters”** BEACH SPRING

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction

**“Amen”**

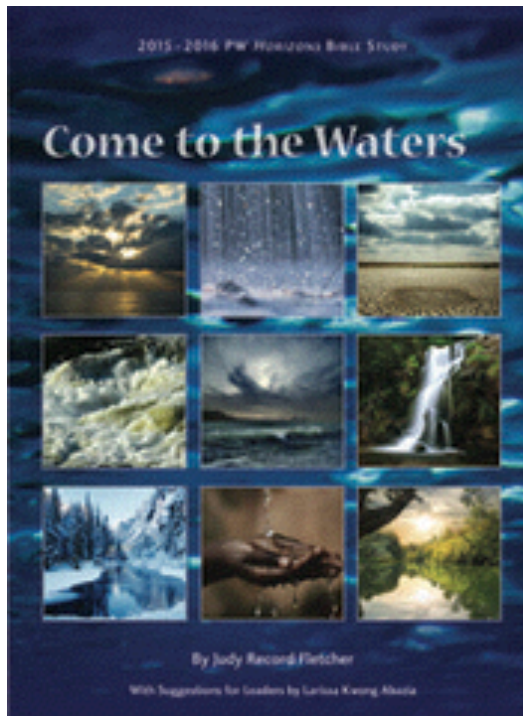
SCHUBERT

*Amen, amen, amen. Amen, amen.*

\*Postlude

*\*All who are able may stand.*

*+The page number in the pew Bible.*



## Presbyterian Women Fall Gathering

Monday, August 17, 2015  
7:00 pm

Introduction to 2015-2016  
Study Book

***Come to the Waters***

by  
Judy Record Fletcher

Presented by  
Hilda Miller

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, July 26	9:40 am	Opening Assembly
	10:00 am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship/The Sacrament of Baptism
Monday-Friday July 27-31		Church secretary on vacation
Tuesday, July 28	6:30 am	Coffee in Music Room
	7:00-7:30 am	SonRise Worship in Music Room
	9:00 am-12 noon	Summer Reading Program
Wednesday, July 29		
	9:00 am-12 noon	Summer Reading Program
	10:00 am	Bible Study, Church Office Building

## NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Today we celebrate** the Sacrament of Baptism with Astrid Pepper Schwartz, daughter of Annik and Matthew Schwartz, granddaughter of Nick and Lee Baker. May God bless this little girl and her family. Nick and Lee have been appointed by the session as Astrid's sponsors. From our PCUSA *Book of Order*: "The session may designate certain members of the congregation as representatives of the church charged with special responsibility for nurture. Sponsors may be appointed by the session and given the specific role of nurturing the baptized person."
- **Cheryl Brinkley**, church secretary, will be on vacation Monday - Friday, July 27-31.
- **Please join** the minister for a Bible study on John 6:22-40 on Wednesday, July 29 at 10:00 a.m. in the Church Office Building.
- **Christian love** and sympathy is extended to June Blalock and family on the death of William (Sonny) Blalock ,on July 20.



"One tiny hand to guide and hold,  
One tiny life to shape and mold;  
each child, a gift from God above,  
a symbol of His strength and love."

-Author Unknown-



## NURSERY

**07/26:** Lindsay & Stanley Skidmore

**08/02:** Joell & J Parker



## GREETERS

**07/26:** Dave & Gloria Wells

**08/02:** Catherine Blanchard & Hope Turnbull

**Opening Church Building: July 16-31:** Curt Simpson **August 1-15:** Nate Farris

## USHERS

**Jim Robison, Leader**

**Dave Wells**

**Clay Blue**

**Roger Coombs**

**Harvey Knowles**



## YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

**07/26:** Lydia & Kennedy Thompson

**08/02:** Joe Wallace & Raechel Woodard



Bill Blalock family, Myree Bland, Avalee Bowman- The Oaks at Mayview, Raleigh, Buddy Brinkley, Tammy Callahan-(Frankie Coleman's daughter, stroke) Warren Cavanaugh, Brain Tumor, Ronnie Cox- Pastor Watha PFWB Church, Andrew DeNatale, Jr. (Mary Carone's nephew)-cancer, Joe Dormagen (Verlie Wells' son-in-law), Lee Giddings- (Heart Cath June 1, NHRMC) Lee Giddings, River Landing front gate attendant, recovery from open heart surgery, 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, Glenn Powell, Ann Quinn, (Mary Carone's sister)-cancer, Judy Robinson, Cheryl Siddens- cancer, Emily Taylor- (Grace Carter's niece from Chesapeake, VA) cancer, Mimi Tarleton, Kelsea Webster, Verlie Wells-Rosemary, Members and friends in the armed services: Jason Payne.



The 3rd annual Summer Reading Program continues on with lots of excitement, fun and reading activities. Twenty students and many volunteers are involved in Phonics Work, Independent Reading, Guided Reading, Making Words, and Sight Word Word. The Reading Program continues on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings through August 12.