# COME to the CROSS and REMEMBER

Wallace Presbyterían Church Cantata Worshíp Servíce May 19, 2019

# Pepper Choplin

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Pepper Choplin, Composer Susan Carone, Narrator Philip Gladden, Minister

#### **Call to Worship**

From the busyness of our lives, we have come here on a night that is different. In the midst of the world which holds the promise of spring and new life, we have come to share a story of betrayal and execution. Come and hear the tale, come and share the tragedy, come and embrace the darkness.

Let us pray.

God of Light, God of Darkness, in our worship tonight, keep us aware of your presence in the darkness. Help us to see the meaning in this terrible story. Keep the fire of hope alive in our hearts. This we pray in the name of the man from Nazareth, Jesus the crucified Messiah, who died for our sins and the sin of this world. Amen.

#### Come to the Cross and Remember

O come to the cross and remember the Lord's final days; all the love Jesus showed as He walked the final road. Come remember.

#### The Messiah Has Come

Bring your palm branches; there's joy in the street. "Hosanna, hosanna," the voices repeat. There is shouting and waving to this blessed one, for this is the day the Messiah has come. Join the procession and burst into song, and join with the voices of heaven's great throng. There's praising, celebrating that never is done, for this is the day the Messiah has come. Sing hosanna to the Son. Sing hosanna, the great Messiah come. Look in the faces; the pain melts away, for years of praying are answered today. The crying and grieving for now, it is done, for this is the day the Messiah has come. Lay down your pain; lay down your grief. Rest from your burdens; find relief. Finish your prayers of worry and fear. Lift up your head, the Lord is here!

#### Bring the Cup and the Bread

Bring the cup and the bread to remember how He shared with disciples on that night, how He offered up the cup of His sacrificial love. We remember.

#### Love Filled the Cup

Love filled the cup; Love broke the bread, poured out and broken for you. Come, take the cup; come, take the bread for they are poured out and broken for you. Father, I am Your Son; now come and make them one, one through love, so that the world will see their love and unity, and all will know, their lives will show that Love fills the cup; Love breaks the bread, poured out and broken for you.

#### The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Invitation to the Table The Words of Institution The Prayer of Thanksgiving with the Lord's Prayer The Sharing of the Bread and Cup You are invited to come forward, tear a piece of bread and dip in the cup, view the cross and the symbols, and return to your seat. If you are unable to come forward, the elders will serve you in your seat. The Prayer after Communion

#### Go to Dark Gethsemane

Go to dark Gethsemane as we bring the garden's flowers. "Take this cup away from Me." Hear Him pray that darkest hour. "Not my will; I am Your Son. Let Your holy will be done."

#### **Bring the Thirty Silver Coins**

Bring the thirty silver coins and remember how Judas betrayed Him for this price. With the torch and the sword, they came to seize the Lord. We remember.

#### Judas

Judas. Where have you been tonight? We wonder where you might have gone. Judas. What is that in your face? We think we see a trace of guilt or disgrace. Is it shame, or is it hate? O Judas. With torches, they appear. How could you bring them here, O Judas? How could you come to this? You betray Him with your kiss of treachery, and your kiss will surely lead to His death! Judas. Now what is left? Can you live with yourself and know whom you served, whom you loved, whom you lived for, and know what you did, whom you betrayed, whom you sent to die? Judas.

#### Bring the Robe and the Crown

Bring the robe and crown of thorns and remember how they called Jesus, "King of the Jews." But they mocked Him with the name and heaped upon Him shame. We remember.

#### Surely He Has Borne Our Griefs

Surely He has borne our griefs, and He has carried all our sorrows; yet we have thought Him to be stricken, struck down by God and afflicted. He was wounded for our transgressions. He was bruised for all our iniquities, and with His stripes we are healed. The chastisement of our peace was upon Him, and with His stripes we are healed.

#### O Sacred Hands, Now Wounded

O sacred hands, now wounded and nailed upon a tree; the feet that walked on water are pierced by cruelty. How could love be so precious and bought at such a cost? The Lord of earth and heaven now hangs upon a cross.

#### You Will Be with Me in Paradise

Jan Zoesch, alto Randy Bittner, baritone

You will be with Me in paradise. Remember me, O Lord. Remember me when You reach Your heavenly throne. You are my only hope for heaven. I put my trust in You alone. Remember me in paradise. When my body is just too weary to live another day on this earth. Lord, lift me up into Your Kingdom and give my soul a second birth. Remember me in paradise. In My Father's house are many mansions. I'll prepare a place for you. I will come to bring you home. I will come again to bring you home. Remember me, O Lord when I come before Your throne. You are my hope for heaven. I will trust in You alone. Remember me. I will welcome you.

#### Hold the Shroud in Your Hands

Hold the shroud in your hands and remember how His body was wrapped into the cloth. In the grave's darkened room, they sealed Him in a tomb. We remember.

#### Waitin' for the Mornin'

Waiting for the morning when the sun is going to rise. O when I'm praying on my knees, and my heart is gripped with agony, I'm waiting for the morning with the sun is going to rise up! I'm waiting and though the shadows of pain and death try to shroud my soul with hopelessness, I'm waiting for the morning when the sun is going to rise. When my joy and strength are almost gone, I'm going to keep the faith and just hold one, 'cause I'm waiting for the morning when the sun is going to rise up! And when the darkness tries to overcome, it won't last forever and will soon be done, so I'm waiting for the morning when the sun is going to rise!

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#### Wallace Presbyterian Chancel Choir

Vera Simpson, Accompanist Karla Casteen, Director

Clint Ayres Lee Baker Karen Bittner Randy Bittner Lou Brinkley Linda Burroughs Zach Casteen Sandy Cobb Lou DiDomenico Susie Gaus Jean Parks Donna Pigford Joyce Rau David Sanderson Chuck Slemenda Earleene Southerland Carol Steen Emily Wells Jan Zoesch

Christ's journey to the cross is filled with images that serve as vivid reminders of His sacrificial love for us. These images are the centerpiece of *Come to the Cross and Remember*. Symbols of these images are brought forth tonight by **Wallace Presbyterian Youth**.

#### THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY May 19, 2019

#### **GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Sentences Dr. Philip K. Gladden Leader: The invitation is given to every person by Jesus Christ: "Come to me! Follow me! Be my disciples!" All: We come to this place, to this time. at the invitation of Jesus Christ. Leader: In the name of Christ, we accept the invitation to discipleship. All: In the name of Christ, as his disciples, we worship and praise God. Leader: In the midst of a world where cruelty abounds, we proclaim the God of Compassion. All: In the midst of despair that threatens to swallow up whole lives, whole peoples, we proclaim the God of Hope. Leader: In the midst of indifference and apathy, we proclaim the God of Love.

All: Come, let us worship together and share our witness of God's living presence in the world.

\*Hymn #216

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

ST. CHRISTOPHER

Children's Sermon

#### PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Come to the Cross and Remember by Pepper Choplin

#### **GIVING THANKS TO GOD**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn #246

"Christ Is Alive!"

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\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction

\*Postlude

\*All who are able may stand.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, May 19	9:40 a.m. Opening Assembly
	10:00 a.m. Sunday School
	11:00 a.m. Worship/Choir Cantata
Tuesday, May 21	6:00 p.m. Session Meeting, Room 304
Wednesday, May 22	10:00 a.m. Bible Study, Room 304
	6:00 p.m. Handbells
	7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

**The session** will meet on Tuesday, May 21 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 Wednesday, May 22 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. in Room 304 (across from the Music Room). We will talk about Acts 1:1-11 (Jesus' ascension into heaven) which will be the sermon text for May 26.

**We extend** our Christian love and sympathy to Sandy Ward and her family on the death of her father on Friday, May 10.



The flowers in the sanctuary today are in honor of the Wallace Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir and for the beautiful music they provide our church through their ministry.



FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/ BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING SUNDAY, MAY 26 Final Offering of 2018-2019 School Year



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!



# Friends of Kirkwood

# Kirkwood Creation Camp Gather at the Table

## June 16th thru 20th, 2019

## 2015 Camp Kirkwood Road

# Watha, NC 28478

# **Rising Kindergarten to Rising 6th Grade**

Join us June 16th-20th 2019 as we celebrate God's Word with the children of our community. We invite children from Kindergarten to 6th grade to share God's love and beautiful creation at Kirkwood Creation Camp. The cost of this camp is \$20.00 per camper for their t-shirt.

Campers will enjoy Bible stories, snacks, recreation, crafts, worship, music, ropes courses, zip line, swimming and many other activities at Kirkwood Creation Camp. Campers will need to pack a bag lunch, swimsuit, sunscreen, and towel daily.

We invite all families to join us on Thursday, June 20th, at 5pm for dinner at Kirkwood Creation Camp. This grand finale celebration will include dinner, worship, communion and games. We ask that all campers be accompanied by a parent/guardian for our closing ceremony at 5pm.

Sunday, June 16th, 3pm-7pm Followed by Dinner Monday, June 17th, 9am — 3pm Tuesday, June 18th, 9am — 3pm Wednesday, June 19th, 9am — 3pm Thursday, June 20th, 2 pm — 7pm

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