

Come Join us at  
Rockfish Presbyterian Church  
"Meet and Eat at Noon"

Wednesday, February 3, 2016

12:00 Noon

Guest Speaker  
A Representative from  
Celebrate Recovery  
Rose Hill, NC

Bring a sandwich

Drink & Dessert will be provided



## Birthdays In February

Happy Birthday to you!!



- 1- Gloria Wells  
Ann T. Johnson  
Kendrick Minchew
- 3- Richard Hirshkind
- 4- Cody Cavanaugh  
Rusty Walker  
Phil Gladden  
Pat Wilson
- 7- Shirley Carlton  
Hope Turnbull
- 8- Greg Maready
- 10- Robert Steen
- 12- Kelly U. Culler  
Marissa Parks  
MacKenzie Parks
- 14- Lois Edgerton  
Jeff Hargrove

- 15- Neyland Tate  
Mary Carone
- 16- Judy Holley
- 17- Jason Fussell  
Katie Robison  
Debbie Thomas
- 18- Nolan Hall  
Jean Parks  
Sara Lanier
- 21- Kyle Teachey  
Dona Lanier
- 24- Chuck Farrior  
Courtney Moore
- 25- Lee Baker
- 26- Tom Whitfield
- 27- Hampton Hall



# NEWSLETTER

WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Dr. Philip K. Gladden, Minister

FEBRUARY 2016

Cheryl Brinkley, Editor



You are invited to the annual  
Presbyterian Women

Mission & Issues Covered Dish Luncheon and Program.

Sunday, February 28, 2016

12:15 p.m.

Mr. Penn Croom, Development Director for Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries in Wallace, will be our mission speaker. DCOM celebrated its 10th anniversary on July 5, 2015. Mr. Croom will update us on how the ministry has grown over the years, the many different services now provided in our community, and how our congregation can continue to support this important outreach to our neighbors.

For more information about Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries, visit the website at [www.duplinchristian.com](http://www.duplinchristian.com).





Dear Friends,

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 10, and extends forty days (not counting Sundays) until Easter. The number "40" reminds us of Israel's forty years wandering in the wilderness and Jesus' forty days in the wilderness being tempted by the devil. Lent is a time for us to reflect on the meaning of Jesus' life, ministry, and death for our own lives and purpose.

During Lent I will preach on the theme "Who Do You Say That I Am?" and the choir will sing selections from Lloyd Larson's composition of the same name. In the weeks leading up to our Easter celebration, we will hear the stories of John the fisherman, Peter the disciple, Mary the sister of Lazarus, Pontius Pilate the Roman governor, and Joseph of Arimathea. On Easter Sunday, we will hear the resurrection story from John 20, when Mary Magdalene meets the risen Lord in the garden.

I have listed my sermon texts

for the different Sundays in Lent elsewhere in this newsletter. I encourage you to spend some time in God's Word each week as part of a Lenten spiritual discipline. Read the stories of these people who loved Jesus and wrestled with their own answer to his question, "Who do you say that I am?" As you read their stories and worship during Lent, ask yourself, "Who do I say that Jesus is?" That is **the** question that determines everything else about our lives.

Lloyd Larson writes about his music, "It is my prayer that this work will encourage choirs and congregations to reaffirm their belief in and devotion to Christ. . .As you experience the story of grace and sacrificial love through this work, may your response to the claims of Christ echo the response of the Roman officer standing near the cross as Jesus died: 'Truly, this was God's Son!'"

In Christ,

*Phil*



## ACTIONS OF THE SESSION

At the Tuesday, January 19, 2016 stated meeting of the session, the elders and minister:

- \* were led in an opening devotion and prayer by Elder Dottie Obenour;
- \* conducted the meeting as a worship service;
- \* elected the following persons to one year of service:
  - Clerk of Session: George Francis
  - Assistant Clerk of Session: Nick Baker
  - Treasurer: Wayne Casteen
  - President of the Corporation: Curt Simpson
- \* sang together, studied God's Word in 2 Corinthians 12:1-9, and discussed a reading, "Regarding Ruling Elders: equipped for ministry."
- \* approved minutes from the December 15, 2015 stated session meeting and the December 27, 2015 called session meeting;
- \* approved 2016 dates for special offerings and the celebration of the Lord's Supper;
- \* approved requests for the use of the church facilities for weddings:
  - Mary Blair Ange and Matthew Young, December 3, 2016
  - Bailey Rouse and Devan Riley, December 17, 2016
- \* reviewed year-end financial reports for 2015;
- \* heard a report from the Outreach Ministry Team regarding the 2015 St. Nicholas Project;
- \* approved sending the following contributions:
  - \$10,000 to the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina
  - \$1,250 to Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries
  - \$1,250 to Friends of Kirkwood
- \* finalized the "Worship. Grow. Go." Mission Budget brochure to be mailed to the congregation;
- \* made 2016 Ministry Team assignments;
- \* joined together for a closing prayer.

## WORSHIP LEADERSHIP IN FEBRUARY



DATE	ELDER	PREACHER
February 7	Zach Casteen	Gary Bell, Gideons International
February 14	Dottie Obenour	Philip Gladden
February 21	Brenda Long	Philip Gladden
February 28	Curt Simpson	Philip Gladden



## NEWS FROM THE SESSION

### 2016 MINISTRY TEAM RESPONSIBILITIES

Worship & Music: Zach Casteen, Vera Coombs  
 Outreach: Harriet Farrow, George Francis, Joe Tillman, Susan Walters  
 Christian Education: Joell Parker, Jim Sills, Nell Sloan  
 Congregational Care: Ann Carter, Brenda Long, Dottie Obenour  
 Stewardship & Finance: Nick Baker, Wayne Casteen  
 Personnel: Susie Bullard, Dottie Obenour  
 Building & Grounds: Rick Batchelor

### 2016 OFFICERS

Clerk of Session: George Francis  
 Assistant Clerk of Session: Nick Baker  
 Treasurer: Wayne Casteen  
 President of Wallace Presbyterian Church, Inc.: Curt Simpson



The Gideons International

**Mr. Gary Bell, Guest Preacher**  
**Sunday, February 7, 2016**

Mr. Gary Bell of the Duplin Camp of Gideons International will be our guest preacher on Sunday, February 7. The Gideons International is an Association of Christian business and professional men and their wives dedicated to telling people about Jesus through sharing personally and by providing Bibles and New Testaments. While they are known worldwide for their work with hotels, they predominantly share Scriptures in schools and colleges, prisons and jails, hospitals, and medical offices.



**NURSERY WORKERS**

**FEBRUARY**



02/07: Harriet and Charley Farrow  
 02/14: Gloria & Dave Wells  
 02/21: Tracey & Watts Carr  
 02/28: Rhonda & Freddy Hall

03/06: Georgette, Lydia & Kennedy Thompson  
 03/13: Christy & Kevin Johnson  
 03/20: Roger & Madelyn Coombs  
 03/27: Gina & Chuck Farrow

### YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

02/07: Joseph & Colby Phaneuf  
 02/14: Lydia & Kennedy Thompson  
 02/21: Joe Wallace & Tommy Newkirk  
 02/28: Elizabeth & James Sills

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



### GREETERS

02/07: Jim & Sharon Robison  
 02/14: Freddy & Rhonda Hall  
 02/21: Greg & Geneva Maready  
 02/28: Gary & Joyce Ange

### OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

February 1-15: Nate Farrow  
 February 16-29: Clay Blue

### CHURCH NEWS . . . . For Your Information

- \* **Presbyterian Men** will meet on Tuesday, February 2 at 6:00 p.m. at the Mt. Zion Presbyterian Church in Rose Hill. All men are invited for supper and Bible study.
- \* **The 6th annual Sound Retreat** will be held Friday - Sunday, February 5-7 at The Trinity Center at Pine Knoll Shores, NC. Rev. Owen Carriker will be the adult program leader. Jenna Carriker will provide the program for children and youth.
- \* **The session** will meet on Tuesday, February 16 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.
- \* **We will receive** our monthly Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering on Sunday, February 28 during worship.
- \* **The Presbyterian Women** will sponsor the annual Missions & Issues luncheon and program on Sunday, February 28 at 12:15 p.m. Mr. Penn Croom of Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries will be our mission speaker.



**Hospital & at home:** Avalee Bowman (The Oaks at Mayview, Raleigh, NC)  
 Myree Bland (home)      Cathy Wells (Fayetteville)  
 Judy Robinson (home)      Kelsea Webster (home)



**Souper Bowl of Caring Offering  
February 7, 2016  
Super Bowl Sunday**

**Drop \$1 or more in the soup pots on your way out of worship.  
All money collected will be given to our  
Helping Hands Food Pantry.**

Since 1990, young people have been leading the charge and inspiring others to collect dollars and food weeks leading up to the Big Game. Teaming up with local partners, these groups give 100% of donations to local charities, changing the nation's largest weekend of football into the largest weekend of caring.



**FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/  
BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28**



An extension of the Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries  
From July 1 - December 31, 2015, individuals and sixteen churches and organizations contributed \$16,828 to provide 2,762 food packs (5,524 meals) to children at seven schools in Duplin County. Thank you for your generous contributions!



**Prayer Shawl Ministry Team  
Celebrates Their First Year  
Anniversary**

The Prayer Shawl Ministry has completed their first year. Our first anniversary was January 18. We had a meeting at the home of Dottie Obenour and also celebrated!

**This is what we accomplished in our first year:**

In the first year 50 prayer shawls were made. We gave away:

- 32 prayer shawls
- 1 lap blanket
- 2 afghans
- 15 prayer pockets to 2015 Confirmation Class
- 3 prayer pockets
- 3 baptism shawls

**Members**

- |                |                  |                |
|----------------|------------------|----------------|
| Mary Ayres     | Cindy Barrow     | Mary Carone    |
| Marilyn Frater | Susie Gaus       | Dottie Obenour |
| Pat Simpson    | Sandy Ward       | Vanessa Ward   |
| Pat Wilson     | Christy Wintrode |                |



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN 2015!**

Thanks to your generous contributions, our church treasurer, Wayne Casteen, reported to the session in January that we finished 2015 with a budget surplus of approximately \$27,000. In the fall of 2014, the session agreed that, if there was a surplus at the end of 2015 and if possible, we would make additional benevolent contributions to different ministries.

At the January 19 session meeting, the decision was made to use \$12,500 of the surplus funds to make the following contributions: \$10,000 to the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina (supports youth and Christian Education activities; mission and outreach programs; provides multiple resources for congregations throughout southeastern North Carolina); \$1,250 to Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries (our local crisis ministry center); and \$1,250 to Friends of Kirkwood (a non-profit group of Presbyterians who work with the Wilmington Family YMCA to operate Camp Kirkwood).

# ANNUAL SOUND RETREAT!!

“Casting your Net on the other side: Getting the Most out of Faith and Life”



**SAVE THE DATE:** February 5-7, 2016, at the beautiful Trinity Center, on Bogue Sound, Outer Banks, N.C. Great Leaders, Delicious food, Rest & Relaxation, Spiritual renewal, Fellowship & Fun, Worship, All ages welcome!



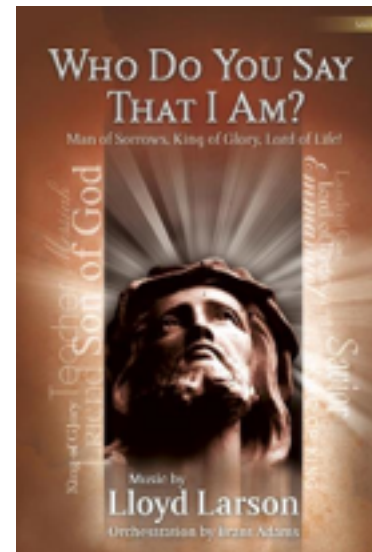
Rev. Owen Carriker



Jenna Carriker

Our spiritual leader for the adult program will be Reverend Owen Carriker, Pastor of Hope Presbyterian Church, Winter Haven, Florida. It will be a stimulating and exciting time. We will also have an exciting program for our school age kids, led by Jenna Carriker, Youth Director, of our youth ministry program of the Wallace Presbyterian Church, and including Trinity led exploration of birds of prey and life in and around the Sound. Watch the church’s bulletin board and website <http://wallacepresbyterian.com> for more information on our Sound Retreat!

**WORSHIP,  
GROW, GO**



## Preaching in Lent 2016

“Who Do You Say That I Am?”

That’s *the* Question!

### Worship Date

**February 14**

First Sunday of Lent

**February 21**

Second Sunday of Lent

**February 28**

Third Sunday of Lent

**March 6**

Fourth Sunday of Lent

**March 13**

Fifth Sunday of Lent

**March 20**

Palm/Passion Sunday

**March 27**

Easter

### Scripture

Mark 8:27 - 9:1

Disciples

Mark 10:35-45

John

Mark 14:26-31, 66-72

Peter

John 11:17-53

Mary

John 18:28 - 19:16

Pontius Pilate

Luke 23:50-56

Joseph of Arimathea

John 20:1-18

Mary Magdalene

# February 2016

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■ WPC Calendar  
 ■ cheryl@wallacepresbyterian.com

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 ■ 9:40 AM Opening Assembly ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship/5th Sunday Building Offering ■ 3:00 PM Friends of the Arts Concert ■ 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship	1	2 ■ 6:30 AM Coffee in Room 304 ■ 7:00 AM SonRise Worship ■ 7:00 PM Presbyterian Men Mount Zion PC	3 ■ 10:00 AM No Bible Study, Sound Retreat ■ 5:15 PM LOGOS! ■ 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal ■ 7:30 PM Choir Practice	4	5 Annual Sound Retreat	6 Annual Sound Retreat
7 Annual Sound Retreat ■ 9:40 AM Opening Assembly ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship/Souper Bowl of Caring Offering ■ 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship	8 ■ 10:30 AM Circle #1: Office Building	9 ■ 6:30 AM Coffee in Room 304 ■ 7:00 AM SonRise Worship ■ 10:30 AM Circle #3: Brenda Long ■ 7:00 PM Circle #4: Mary Laine Rouse	10 Ash Wednesday, Beginning of Lent ■ 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Bldg. ■ 5:15 PM LOGOS! ■ 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal ■ 7:30 PM Choir Practice	11	12	13
14 First Sunday of Lent ■ 12:00 AM HAPPY VALENTINES DAY! ■ 9:40 AM Opening Assembly ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship ■ 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship	15 ■ 6:15 PM Presbyterians Dining Together	16 ■ 6:30 AM Coffee in Room 304 ■ 7:00 AM SonRise Worship ■ 6:00 PM Session Meeting	17 ■ 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Bldg. ■ 5:15 PM LOGOS! ■ 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal ■ 7:30 PM Choir Practice	18	19	20
21 Second Sunday of Lent ■ 9:40 AM Opening Assembly ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship ■ 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship	22	23 ■ 6:30 AM Coffee in Room 304 ■ 7:00 AM SonRise Worship	24 ■ 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Bldg. ■ 5:15 PM LOGOS! ■ 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal ■ 7:30 PM Choir Practice	25	26	27
28 Third Sunday of Lent ■ 9:40 AM Opening Assembly ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship ■ 12:15 PM Luncheon & Mission Program ■ 5:00 PM Youth Fellowship	29	1 ■ 6:30 AM Coffee in Room 304 ■ 7:00 AM SonRise Worship	2 ■ 10:00 AM Bible Study, Church Office Bldg. ■ 5:15 PM LOGOS! ■ 6:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal ■ 7:30 PM Choir Practice	3	4	5

**HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!**



