

Come Join us at
Rockfish Presbyterian Church
“Meet and Eat at Noon”
Wednesday, February 5, 2020
12:00 Noon
Speaker to be announced
Bring a sandwich
Drink & Dessert will be provided



Birthdays In February



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| 1. Gloria Wells | 15. Mary Carone |
| Ann T. Johnson | 16. Jason Fussell |
| 3. Richard Hirshkind | Katie Robison McCourtie |
| 4. Cody Cavanaugh | Debbie Thomas |
| Rusty Walker | 18. Nolan Hall |
| Phil Gladden | Jean Parks |
| Pat Wilson | 21. Kyle Teachey |
| 7. Shirley Carlton | Dona Lanier |
| Hope Turnbull | 24. Chuck Farrior |
| 8. Greg Maready | Courtney Moore |
| 10 Robert Steen | 25. Lee Baker |
| 12. Marissa Parks | 26. Tom Whitfield |
| MacKenzie Parks | 27. Hampton Hall |
| 14. Lois Edgerton | |
| Jeff Hargrove | |



NEWSLETTER



WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Dr. Philip K. Gladden, Minister

FEBRUARY 2020

Cheryl Brinkley, Editor



2020 SOUND RETREAT!!

**“All in the Family,
 Problem Children and
 Sibling Rivalries in
 the book of Genesis”**

January 31 - February 2, 2020,

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!

Our spiritual leader for the adult program will be Dr. George Anderson, Senior Minister of Second Presbyterian Church in Roanoke, VA. We will also have an exciting youth program for our school age kids, led by Rachel Whaley Doll, Director of Christian Education, Winter Park Presbyterian Church in Wilmington, NC. It will be a stimulating and exciting time!



Dr. George Anderson



Rachel Whaley Doll



Dear Friends,

The Christmas decorations had hardly been packed up and the tree taken to the curb, when stores started displaying Valentine's Day cards, candy, and decorations. According to the National Retail Federation, Americans are expected to spend \$20.7 billion dollars at Valentine's, a 6% increase over last year, an all-time record. This is despite the fact that the number of consumers buying cards and candy has decreased for several years.

In a month when love is often defined by candy hearts and Cupid and chocolate and roses, it's significant to stop and think about how love is defined in the scriptures or, more accurately, how love is described. 1 Corinthians 13 tells us that love is patient, kind, not envious, boastful, arrogant, or rude. Love does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. Love never ends.

That kind of love is what we call agape, which has been called "love in action." Agape love doesn't have to do with flowers and Valentine's cards and chocolates. Agape love is love that puts the other person's well-being before your own, something that is often hard to do. This is the kind of love Jesus talks about when he tells us to love our neighbors as we love ourselves.

Agape love is also the kind of love God shows us. The greatest expression of agape love in the Bible can be found in the famous

verse John 3:16: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may perish but may have eternal life."

As we all know, Valentine's Day is February 14. This year, twelve days later, is Ash Wednesday, the first day of the church season of Lent. Lent is the six week period before Easter, during which we are called to think about what God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.


One of the most beloved Valentine's Day traditions is the giving of Sweethearts (or conversation hearts), formerly manufactured by the New England Confectionary Company (Necco). The heart-shaped candies have messages such as "Be Mine," "Kiss Me," and "Miss You." Do you remember excitedly pulling out a candy heart and reading the message? It was fun!

God's message of love comes to us in the person of Jesus Christ. God's amazing message of agape love is put into words by the apostle Paul this way: "But God proves his love (agape) for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8)

In this month of love, let us remember the scripture's love message to us: "Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another." (1 John 4:11)

In Christ.

Phil



ACTIONS OF THE SESSION

At the Tuesday, January 21, 2020 stated session meeting, the elders and minister:

- * were led in an opening devotion and prayer by Dr. Philip Gladden;
- * conducted the meeting as a worship service;
- * elected the following officers for 2017: Clerk of Session — Elder Hope Turnbull; Treasurer — Elder Wayne Casteen; President of the Corporation — Elder Curt Simpson;
- * studied God's Word in Exodus 13:17-22; Matthew 4:18-22, 9:9, 28:16-20 and discussed a sermon by Mark Tidsworth called "God Is Always on the Move";
- * approved minutes from the December 17, 2019 stated session meeting;
- * approved the 2020 schedule of communion and special offerings;
- * received a final report from the Hurricane Florence Relief Fund committee;
- ** discussed the work and membership of 2020 Ministry Teams and made the following assignments: Christian Education — Lindsay Skidmore; Building & Grounds — Sam Rose; Personnel — Michael Teachey, Darleen Weller; Worship & Music — Dan Robinson; Stewardship & Finance — Wayne Casteen, Clay Blue; Congregational Care — Darleen Weller; Outreach — Christy Johnson, Fred Burroughs, Patsy Ludlum;
- * prayed for members of the congregation and the community;
- * joined in the Lord's Prayer.



WORSHIP LEADERSHIP IN FEBRUARY

<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>ELDER</u>	<u>PREACHER</u>
February 2	Elder Clay Blue	Rev. Cynthia Williams
February 9	Elder Lindsay Skidmore	Rev. Philip Gladden
February 16	Elder Curt Simpson	Rev. Philip Gladden
February 23	TBA	Rev. Jerry Bron



Elected by the session in January for service in 2020

Clerk of Session	Elder Hope Turnbull
Treasurer	Elder Wayne Casteen
President of the Corporation	Elder Curt Simpson

Thank you for your service!



FEED OUR HUNGRY CHILDREN/ BACKPACK MINISTRY OFFERING SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23



This ministry is an offshoot of Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries and supplies weekend food for students in Duplin County Public Schools. Thank you for your generous support. Report from 7/31/19 - 12/31/19: 5 schools served; 3,419 food packs distributed (210 bags of food per week); \$24,239 received from individuals and nineteen churches, businesses, and other groups.



SOUPER BOWL OF CARING HUNGER OFFERING Sunday, February 2, 2020 Following Sunday Worship

The final score of Super Bowl LIV has yet to be determined, but we already know that our Helping Hands Food Pantry at the Wallace Presbyterian Church will be a big winner because of our Souper Bowl of Caring Offering on February 2.

This offering was started by a Presbyterian Youth Fellowship Group in South Carolina and has spread to many other organizations. All money raised nationally remains local and supports many different ministries of assistance, such as our church's food pantry.

On your way out of worship on Super Bowl Sunday, drop a few dollars into the Souper Bowl of Caring. Thanks!



Hospital & at home:
Cathy Wells (Fayetteville)
Judy Robinson (home)

Verlie Wells (Rosemary)
Bruce Lyon (Rosemary)



February



02/02: Susan & Ellie Carone
02/09: Ellie Newton & Gloria Wells
02/16: Christy & Payton Johnson
02/23: Jennifer & Royal Johnson
03/01: Noel, Cameron, & Reese Blue
03/08: Tracy & Piper Moore
03/15: Mary Stewart Blackwell & Pam Teachey
03/22: Lydia Woodard & Andrea Casteen
03/29: Mary Laine & Jason Rouse

YOUTH WORSHIP LEADERS

02/02: Henry & Piper Moore
02/09: Ayden & Camryn Fussell
02/16: William Powell & Garrett Bullard
02/23: Madelyn & Robert Coombs

Joe Tillman, Leader
Cameron Lee Kevin Johnson
Sam Rose Jim Sills



GREETERS

02/02: Freddy & Rhonda Hall
02/09: Greg & Geneva Maready
02/16: Gary & Joyce Ange
02/23: Dan & Tanya Robinson

OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

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

CHURCH NEWS . . . For Your Information

* **The 10th annual Sound Retreat** will be held Friday - Sunday, February 10-12 at The Trinity Center at Pine Knoll Shores, NC. Rev. George Anderson will be the adult program leader. Rachel Doll will provide the program for children and youth.

* **Presbyterian Men** will meet on Tuesday, February 4, at 6:30 p.m. at the Mt. Zion Presbyterian Church in Rose Hill. All men are invited for supper and Bible study.

* **The session** will meet on Tuesday, February 18 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.

* **We will receive** our monthly Feed Our Hungry Children/Backpack Ministry Offering during worship on Sunday, February 23. See the article elsewhere in this newsletter for a financial report from the second half of 2019.

* **Dr. Phil** will be attending a seminary classmate's wedding in South Carolina February 21-23. Rev. Jerry Bron will be our preacher on Sunday, February 23.

Guest Preachers



Guest Preachers in February

February 2: Rev. Cynthia Williams



February 23: Rev. Jerry Bron



Final Report of the Hurricane Florence Relief Fund

On Tuesday, September 18, 2018, the session appointed the following people to serve on the Hurricane Florence Relief Fund and to oversee the disbursement of anticipated contributions: Nick Baker, Joey Fussell, Emily Saunders, Vera Simpson, Louis DiDomenico, Clay Blue, Joe Tillman, and Philip Gladden.

The committee members established a referral system whereby individuals could refer flood victims for consideration for relief aid. In the period of September 24, 2018 through January 8, 2020, the committee received and distributed the following funds:

Total Deposits:	61,045.09
*Total Grants to Individuals/Purchase supplies	33,579.90
**Total Grants to Relief Agencies:	27,000.00
Balance on hand as of 1/21/2020	\$465.19

*Total Grants to Individuals

Sixty grants of \$500/grant	30,000.00
Two grants of \$1000/grant	2,000.00
One grant of \$425	425.00
Cleaning Supplies bought immediately following storm (for individual and Distribution Center)	407.45
Payments to Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries and Liberty Inn to house flood victim	545.00
Shipping supplies and postage to mail hymn devotion books donated by Mollie Moore for flood survivors	202.45
Total	33,579.90

**Total Grants to Relief Agencies

Charity Rebuild Center, Rose Hill, NC	13,500.00
Disaster Recovery Group of Duplin County	13,500.00
Total	27,000.00

Total Disbursements	60,579.90
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You Are Invited!

New Members Classes

Sunday, February 9

Sunday, March 1

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Room 304 (across from the Music Room)

Come and learn more about the history, mission, ministry, and future of the Wallace Presbyterian Church and how you can be involved in our church family.

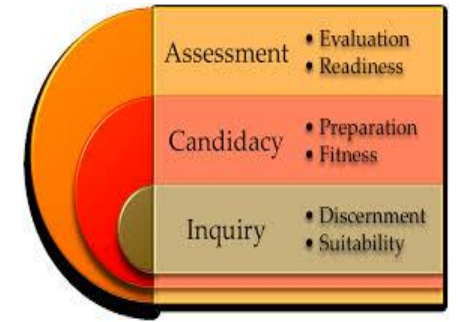
The classes are open to all who are interested in learning more about the Wallace Presbyterian Church.



2020 MINISTRY TEAMS

Here is the leadership of our 2020 Ministry Teams of the Session:

Outreach: Christy Johnson, Fred Burroughs, Patsy Ludlum
 Christian Education: Lindsay Skidmore
 Worship & Music: Dan Robinson
 Stewardship & Finance: Clay Blue, Wayne Casteen
 Building & Grounds: Sam Rose
 Congregational Care: Darleen Weller
 Personnel: Darleen Weller



PRESBYTERY'S COMMITTEE ON PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY TO MEET AT WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Saturday, February 15

The Committee on Preparation for Ministry (CPM) of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina will meet at the Wallace Presbyterian Church on Saturday, February 15, 2020 in Room 304. The CPM is responsible for the oversight and preparation of men and women who are seeking ordination as Teaching Elders (Ministers of Word and Sacrament) in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Rev. Philip Gladden serves as CPM Chairperson.

*Happy
Valentine's
Day*



February 2020



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January 2020							February 2020							March 2020						
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 9:40 AM Opening Assembly 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship/Feed Our Hungry Children Backpack Offering	27 1:00 PM Disaster Recovery Group Meeting, Fellowship Hall	28	29 10:00 AM No Bible Study 7:00 PM Choir Practice	30	31 Sound Retreat at Trinity Center	1
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9 9:40 AM Opening Assembly 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 3:00 PM New Member Class, Room 304 4:00 PM Living Stones Fellowship Group, Fellowship Hall	10	11	12 10:00 AM Bible Study: Room 304 7:00 PM Choir Practice	13	14 Happy Valentine's Day!	15 10:00 AM Presbytery's Committee on Preparation for Ministry Meeting, Room 304
16 9:40 AM Opening Assembly 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship	17 1:00 PM Disaster Recovery Group of Duplin County Meeting, Fellowship Hall 6:15 PM Presbyterians Dining Together	18 6:00 PM Session Meeting, Room 304	19 10:00 AM No Bible Study 7:00 PM Choir Practice	20	21 Minister out of town for wedding	22
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